



# THE DAYTON DISCOVERY

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### "Go Green Dayton!" Tip

Participate in the **National Change a Light Bulb Day** on Friday, October 3rd. If every American replaced just one light bulb with an Energy Star every year, we would save enough energy to light more than 3 million homes, more than \$6 million in energy costs, and prevent greenhouse gasses equivalent to the emissions of more than 800,000 cars.

## A NOTE FROM THE MAYOR

Here we go, headed into Fall. I love Fall, it is a time of harvest and for being thankful for the good crops that we produced during the Spring and Summer months. Fall is Dayton Days, apple butter making, pumpkins, warm afternoons and crisp, cool nights. Fall is the time that you start to think about other holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.

I've had to start thinking about Christmas already because we have begun to plan the 3rd Annual Christmas Parade. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions please call myself, Carolyn Ware or Susan Smith. We want this to be the best parade ever!

The Police department has another Women's Self-defense class planned for October. This class is very beneficial and enjoyable for women of all ages. I took the first class and learned a lot about personal self-awareness. This



Picture of historic rock wall on Eberly Road after restoration. Photograph compliments of Allen Litten.

class will be offered on October the 25th. Thanks go out to the Police Department for offering this worthwhile class again. I hope that everyone is happy about the progress we have made on "The Wall" on Eberly Rd. It looks so much better and should be completed within the next 6-8 months. Thanks to everyone involved. It was definitely a labor of love. A reporter from The Richmond Times Dispatch read the article in the Daily

News Record about the restoration of "The Wall", called me and is coming this week with a photographer to do a story about the rebuild. We should be very proud of this accomplishment!

Thank You,  
Mayor Judy Way

## THIRD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

Dayton's third annual Christmas Parade is being planned for Saturday, December 6th at 4:30 P.M. Entries are currently being accepted at the Dayton Town Of-

fice. Marching bands are welcome to participate. Prizes will be given out to the best entries. Volunteers are also needed to help with the line-up and other

duties. If you are interested, please contact Mayor Judy Way, Councilperson Carolyn Ware or Susan Smith at 879-2241.



Visit our website at [www.daytonva.us](http://www.daytonva.us) today!

## More pictures of Historic Rock Wall Restoration



### "Go Green Dayton!" Tip

**Do your own energy audit online.** Check out Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratories Home Energy Saver at <http://hes.lbl.gov>. It's a great web tool that helps you estimate energy consumption and suggests saving opportunities.

## News From The Clerk's Office

### New Utility Billing System

The Town has purchased a new utility billing system to be used for all billings including water, sewer, trash, real estate taxes, auto decals, and business licenses. While currently, all of these bills are in different systems, the new software allows for all of this information to

be stored and processed in one place. The new system, Visual Utility Billing, is in the process of implementation. The Clerk's office will run the two systems parallel for one or two billing cycles and then transition to the new system sometime around December or January. Although our customers will likely see very little

difference in their bills, the difference to the Town Office is substantial.

### 2008 Real Estate Taxes

Bills for the second half of real estate taxes will be mailed soon. Bills will be mailed within the next few weeks and payment will be due by December 5th.

## Holiday Hours for Municipal Building

The Town Municipal Building will be closed on the following days in observance of federal holidays:

- Monday, October 13th - Columbus Day
- Tuesday, November 11th - Veteran's Day
- Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th - Thanksgiving
- Wednesday, Dec. 24th - Close at noon
- Thursday, Dec. 25th - Christmas Day
- Wednesday, December 31st - Close at noon
- Thursday, January 1st - New Years

## PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

### Street Lights

Street light outages and improperly working street lights can be reported to the Public Works Office at 879-2241 Option #3. Please have the pole number if possible and the house number of the nearest residence to the pole.

### Leaf Pick-up

Leaf Pick-up will begin soon. Please watch the Daily News Record and the Shenandoah Journal for the specific dates. Leaves must be in a pile near the curb to be

picked up. As a reminder, Gecko leaves will not be picked up. These must be bagged in bio-gradable bags and set out for pick-up on Wednesday of each week.

### Rt. 257 Sewer Line

The sewer line project is still in progress. There have been some delays due to drilling into solid rock and rain at the end of August. The project is estimated to be completed by early December. The four hundred feet of water line that was replaced during this process did pass pres-

sure test requirements as well as all bacterial tests.

### Eberly Road Rock Wall Restoration

The historic rock wall project was a huge success. As you can see from the pictures, the wall looks amazing. Special thanks to Mayor Judy Way for facilitating this project, the Conservancy of Kentucky for their helpful instruction, and James Flory and all twenty volunteers for giving 2 days of their time to this worthwhile project.

## CHIEF'S CORNER

### Parking and Street Closings for Dayton Autumn Celebration

All vehicles need to be off Main St. from Huffman Dr. to Eberly Rd. and College St. from Main St. to Bowman Rd. from 12:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Saturday, Oct. 4. Towing will be enforced at owner's expense for all cars still on the streets after 12:00 A.M. Also, during the festival everyone is asked to cooperate with street

closings in and around the festival area.

### Halloween Safety Tips

Just a reminder for parents to make sure your children can be seen after dark. Also, children must be off the streets by 9:30 on Halloween night. Parents are urged to inspect everything in their child's bag prior to the child enjoying their treats. Parents and children are also encouraged to visit

residents that are known to them whenever possible.

### \$10,000 Grant Awarded

The Dayton Police Department received a DMV grant in the amount of \$10,000 to be used for an in-car camera, officer training and over-time to be used for Click-It or Ticket and DUI Strikeforce initiatives.



### Another Go Green Dayton! Initiative



## GO GREEN DAYTON! UPDATE

### Go Green Dayton!

The Go Green Dayton! Kick-off reception was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who came and made the commitment to making Dayton a greener community. If you were unable to attend the reception, you can still make the commitment. Stop by the Municipal Building during normal business hours and sign a commitment form and receive your Go Green Starter Kit that includes CFL Lightbulbs, a water bottle, refrigerator magnet, and much more. Special thanks to Walmart for providing the Town with a \$2,000 Community Sustainability Grant which was used to purchase the CFL lightbulbs and other items for our Go Green initiative, plus providing us with 100 reusable shopping

bags that were given out at our Go Green Dayton! Kick-Off reception. Also, many thanks to Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative and Dean Brother's Electrical for providing door prizes and handouts for the reception.

### Go Green Dayton! Contest

Don't forget to encourage your school-age kids to participate in the Go Green Dayton! Contest. Have your kids submit an original idea on how the average household can become green. Submissions are due by November 24th and winners will be announced at the December 8th Town Council Meeting. Winners from each age/grade group will win a pair of tickets to the Massanutten Wa-

ter Park and the grand prize winner will win a new bike. For more information contact the Public Works Office. Thanks to Walmart and Massanutten Water Park for providing the prizes for this contest.

### Other News

**October 3rd** is National Change a Lightbulb Day. Save money and help America save energy by changing at least one of the lightbulbs in your house to a CFL lightbulb.

**October 8th** is National Walk to School Day. Children are invited to participate in this national initiative. Dayton Police Officers will have increased coverage during this time to assist with children getting to school safely.

Interested in saving paper? How about signing up to receive your Dayton Discovery by email? Just send an email to [webadmin@daytonva.us](mailto:webadmin@daytonva.us) with the email address you would like the electronic newsletter sent to plus the name and mailing address of where the paper copy is currently sent. Instead of receiving a paper copy of the newsletter, you will receive an electronic copy.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(CHECK THE DAYTON WEBSITE FOR UPDATES OR CHANGES TO THE CALENDAR)

**Dayton Autumn Celebration -**  
Saturday, October 4th, 8:30  
A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

**Town Council Meeting -**  
**Wednesday, October 15th,**  
7:00 P.M.

**Planning Commission Meet-**  
**ing - Thursday, October 16th,**  
7:00 P.M.

**Shenandoah Univ. Alumni**  
**Chorus Concert - Saturday,**  
October 18th, 7:00 P.M.,  
Shepherd of the Valley Lu-

theran Church - **A freewill**  
**offering will be accepted.**

**Dayton Neighborhood Watch**  
**Meeting - Tuesday, October**  
21st, 6:30 P.M., Municipal  
Building Assembly Room

**Women's Self-Defense Class -**  
Saturday, October 25th, 8:00  
A.M. to 12:00 P.M., Wilbur  
Pence Middle School - **Call**  
**879-2261 to sign up!**

**Election Day Polls - Novem-**  
ber 4th, 6:00 A.M. to 7:00  
P.M., Municipal Building

Council Chambers

**Town Council Meeting - Mon-**  
day, November 10th, 7:00  
P.M.

**Dayton Neighborhood Watch**  
**Meeting - Tuesday, Novem-**  
ber 18th, 6:30 P.M., Muni-  
cipal Building Assembly Room

**Planning Commission Meet-**  
**ing - Thursday, November**  
20th, 7:00 P.M.

**Election Day is November 4th!** If you have not yet registered to vote, the deadline is October 6th. Here are the ways you can register:

- By mail: Applications can be obtained by calling the Registrar's Office
- You can also register to vote in person at the following places: Registrar's Office, DMV at 3281 People's Dr. in Harrisonburg or Social Services
- Or you can go online at [http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/voter\\_information/registering\\_to\\_vote/index.html](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/voter_information/registering_to_vote/index.html)

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