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The Heritage Museum & Welcome Center

*Come for a
look back!*

Visit The Heritage
Museum's website
for a schedule of
upcoming events at

www.valleyheritagemuseum.org

382 High Street
Dayton, VA 22821
Phone: 540-879-2681

DAYTON'S LOVEWORKS SCULPTURE



The Heritage Museum staff and volunteers gathered around Dayton's LOVEWORKS sculpture for a picture. We would love everyone, especially children, to also come take a picture with the sculpture and post it using #daytonlove. The sculpture is located at The Heritage Museum, 382 High Street in Dayton.

From the Manager's Desk

To the Wonderful Citizens of Dayton:

As summer winds down and the fall approaches, we look forward to the Dayton Days Autumn Celebration on October 1st. It is shaping up to be a great event this year. We have new vendors and many returning vendors this year. The streets are always abound with travelers that come for this wonderful event. The staff is excited about the festivities, and we are prepared to keep things behind the scenes on a steady keel. We have made some small changes to make sure that the event goes even more smoothly. I encourage everyone to come and spend the day supporting this great event.

Earlier in August, we held the Dayton Muddler. Thanks to Chief Hanlon, Mayor Long and Treasurer Moyers, the event turned out the largest field of participants ever. The event attracted 929 runners from all over Virginia and the United States. We are excited that this event is growing and hope to top the 1,000 mark next year. I would like to thank the Public Works Staff, volunteers and donors for all the hard work that went into prepping and building the obstacles.

Finally, on September 1st, we had the official unveiling of the Dayton LOVEWORKS sculpture, the 58th LOVEWORKS erected in Virginia. The Unveiling at the Heritage Museum and Dayton Welcome Center was attended by the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, Todd Haymore, and the CEO of Virginia Tourism, Rita McClenny. Both of them were impressed with the beauty and welcoming nature of our Town.

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Mayor's Message

Fall is now upon us whether we like it or not, and the leaves will soon be changing their colors. The Town of Dayton has experienced a very wet summer, followed by a very hot and dry ending to this season. However the case, we must look forward to good weather and great times ahead.

I want to thank everyone for a successful summer with our "Concerts & Movie Nights" in the Park, as well as our growing "Dayton Muddler" event this past August, where we saw a growth in attendance of 929 runners with numerous veterans, visitors, and over 200 volunteers present. Without everyone's help, support and attendance, our events would not be successful.

Our Town is growing, not only in numbers with new homes under construction and young families,

but the Town of Dayton is growing through its positive recognition for being a "GREAT PLACE TO LIVE." Thanks to your Council Members for this progressive and positive trend for which we plan to continue. We do truly live in a great place, so let us be thankful and do our part to maintain and improve this "quality of life."

As we look forward to the many great times ahead with friends and families, please be mindful of others by maintaining your personal properties (grass clippings, shrubbery & brush trimmed, removing unnecessary items, enhancing your home), and adhering to our newest "nuisance ordinance." Use this common approach—help others (neighbors) to help yourself, and make the Town of Dayton the most beautiful Town in Rockingham County.

Finally, I encourage all Dayton residents to support our upcoming "Dayton Days" on Saturday, October 1st. Great food, crafts, and music is coming our way, so make it a special day here in Dayton by visiting these special vendor booths and purchasing gifts for future occasions.

Thanks again for your support in all of our exciting and special events we now host here in our special Town of Dayton!

May God bless you and your family!

Charles T. Long
Mayor

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The LOVEWORKS program is designed to attract tourist to come and take pictures at the various sculptures. The LOVEWORKS sculptures are unique to each locality and are designed to capture the nature and flavor of the community. People travel from all over the state, country and the world to get photos taken in front of the various LOVEWORKS. Our location will be added to the Virginia Tourism website so folks from all over can come visit it and the great Town of Dayton.

Lastly, I want to thank Penny Imeson, Director of the Heritage Museum and Welcome Center, for her support and help with the LOVEWORKS. Without her support, we would not have a home for this wonderful new addition to our many attractions here in the Town.

Bobby Popowicz
Town Manager



Fall Leaf Collection

The Town will provide curb-side leaf vacuum service this fall, through the end of November. There is no set schedule—leaves will be vacuumed as time and weather permit.

Leaves must be raked to the edge of the property line; however, please do not put leaves in the street, on the sidewalk, nor on top of graveled driveways.

Ginkgo leaves or leaves mixed with sticks, brush, rocks, gravels, nuts or other debris will not be vacuumed, as they clog and cause damage to the equipment.

Leaves not put out at the curb for vacuum service by the end of November must be bagged in paper biodegradable bags and put out for collection on Wednesdays of each week.



Thinking about burning your garden waste?

**Rockingham County
Department of Fire and
Rescue requires a permit
for all open-air burning.
Permits and require-
ments on open burning
may be obtained by
calling the Rockingham
County Fire Marshal's
Office at (540) 564-8297.**



Cardboard Recycling

There has been a large increase in the amount of cardboard being put out for trash pickup. Just a friendly reminder to please flatten your cardboard and put it out for recycling collection. Recycling is not only beneficial to the environment, but also helps minimize increases in refuse disposal costs.

Chief's Corner

My profession allows me an accelerated pace and vantage to study sentiment and responsive emotion – or our reactions as we are confronted, individually or as a whole, with violence, kindness, sorrow, joy, mystery, truth, lie, insult, tragedy, miracles, correction, and praise.

Our small town is a microcosm of the national stage when it comes to the relationship between officer and citizen, and I watch our societal evolution and reactions involving law enforcement with interest, and spend an inordinate time considering what it would take for there to never again be conflicts between officers and the public served by the enforcement of laws.

As you would imagine, there are many “rabbit holes” to venture when working through this topic, and I choose to not address them all, but I invite you to consider more of the “whys” of conflict between officer and citizen. What I’ll do however, is explain what your Chief of Police sees as most truthful considerations in this very timely discussion.

The very act of any particular law being enforced creates conflict. The level of conflict is often dependent on the severity of the crime coupled with the emotional maturity of each party involved. Most conflicts would be considered as a minor difference of perspective usually accompanied with the feeling of emotional indignation, with the highest level of conflict culminating in violence...but what are the most common triggers?

While the act of breaking the law by drawing undue attention to oneself may be the origin of conflict between officer and citizen, but it’s the emotional immaturity and accountability that creates the greatest issue.

A police officer with an arrogant attitude of superiority will trigger conflict. Officers of that

sort are not welcomed into my department. My officers understand that they are public servants, yet also that they are not subservient. Dayton officers understand that they are co-equal in standing to our public until that time in which a law is broken. At that point, the officer is empowered to assert authority, and will do so as kindly/professionally as the person(s) that breaks the law will allow. It is important to understand that an officer will not respond in kind to a threat to his or the public’s safety, but is constitutionally permitted to exert a force deemed reasonable and necessary for a threat to be stopped. Many citizens of the United States fail to understand this. Officers will often respond with a greater level of force than they are confronted with in order to overcome the threat.

The inability to accept responsibility is a major issue when considering conflict. I’m fascinated by those who quickly accept responsibility for their actions and have great respect for that ability. I’m likewise fascinated by those who feel entitled; unable to accept responsibility for an action due to age, location of residence, profession, service, or who otherwise create unreasonable excuses so that they might feel above reproach. No one, to include me as I sit and write this, is above reproach.

Few adults, or even juveniles for that matter, like to be corrected. Blue lights flashing behind someone being pulled over, or the presence of someone with law enforcement authority in your home to correct an illegal action, or unsafe behavior, might cause a burst of shame which can turn to anger which if not controlled, can go the wrong direction more quickly than anyone would like.

How do we overcome these sentiments and become more emo-

tionally grounded? I believe it’s through thoughtful communication so that understanding can exist even when in conflict – which is a common thread in my letters to you. It takes studying ourselves to weigh the rights and wrongs of our individual and group behaviors, and a willingness to grow beyond the unacceptable. Blessedly, the community of Dayton is a little different than many cities that go about making national headlines concerning the opposition of government and public.

We are in this together and my door is always open to your concerns and assessments. I invite open dialogue even when we realize we stand on opposing sides of the law and hope you will take advantage of my continual invitations.

Chief Hanlon

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY CLEAN-UP DAYS

**On Friday & Saturday,
October 14th & 15th, the
County Landfill will accept
clean-up refuse at no charge
from each County Residence
(Town of Dayton included).**

**Examples: torn down buildings,
yard waste, remodeling debris
& furniture. Each individual
County vehicle will be allowed
to have the fee waived for up to
four (4) residential car passenger
tires and one (1) tractor tire per
farm (without fluid). Tires are
required to be removed from the
rim. This does not apply to any
Commercial or Business Hauler
or Contractor. No automobile
batteries or refuse containing
liquid, such as paints, solvents,
etc., will be accepted.**

**Landfill Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Phone: 540-564-3159**

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125-B Eastview St.
Dayton, VA 22821

Phone: 540-879-2241

Fax: 540-879-2243

Office/Drive-Thru Hours:

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

www.daytonva.us

Calendar of Meetings and Holidays

(check the Dayton website for updates and changes)

Meetings

Town Council

Scheduled Monthly Meetings

- Mon., Oct. 10th, 7 p.m.
- Mon., Nov. 14th, 7 p.m.
- Mon., Dec. 12th, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission

Scheduled Monthly Meetings

- Thurs., Oct. 20th, 7 p.m.
- Thurs., Nov. 17th, 7 p.m.
- Thurs., Dec. 15th, 7 p.m.

Holiday Closings

Veteran's Day

Fri., Nov. 11th

Thanksgiving

Thurs. & Fri.
Nov. 24th & 25th

Events Calendar

- "Dayton Days" Autumn Celebration
Sat., Oct. 1st (8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.)
- Dayton Christmas Parade
Sat., Dec. 3rd (4:00 p.m.—lineup at
3:00 p.m. at Dayton Municipal Bldg.)
- Dayton Town Christmas Party
Wed., Dec. 7th (6:30 p.m.) at Dayton
United Methodist Church Social Hall

Holiday Refuse Collection

Veteran's Day

No Change

Thanksgiving

- Yard Waste: Wed., Nov. 23rd
- Recycling: Wed., Nov. 23rd
- Trash: Sat., Nov. 26th

Bulk/Heavy Waste

First Tuesday of each month



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TOWN OF DAYTON
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DAYTON VA 22821



37th Annual
“Dayton Days”
Autumn Celebration

Saturday, October 1, 2016

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Downtown - Main, Mill & College Streets

Live Music at The College Street Pavilion

Walnut Ridge Boys: 8:30 - 11:30 AM

Doug Tumer: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

The Mutton Busters String Band: 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

All Day Attractions

- ◆ Over 350 Arts & Crafts Exhibitors
- ◆ Variety of Delicious Foods from 75+ Vendors
- ◆ Daniel Harrison House (Fort Harrison) - c. 1749
- ◆ The Heritage Museum (382 High Street) - Parking
(Used Book Sale & Galleries Open)
- ◆ Unique Downtown Shops
- ◆ Dayton Farmers Market - 21 Specialty Shops
- ◆ Silver Lake Mill - Various Activities
- ◆ Contra Band Dancers—Fuzzy Duck Lot (College Street)
- ◆ Wilbur Pence Middle School Book Fair
(School Library: 10 AM - 2 PM)

Free Shuttle Bus Transit

- ◆ Turner Ashby High School
- ◆ John Wayland Elementary School
- ◆ Woodmen of the World Parking Lot (3045 John Wayland Hwy.)
- ◆ Cargill Poultry Plant Parking Lot on Huffman Drive

~ Handicap & Wheelchair Accessible Shuttles from All Parking Locations ~

***For Your Safety, Please Observe All Traffic Laws.
Ticketing and Towing Will Be Enforced!***

***No Bicycles, Skateboards, Roller Blades/Skates
No Pets Allowed (except service dogs)!***