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Snow Removal From Sidewalks

A friendly reminder regarding snow removal from sidewalks to help keep our pedestrians safe. Dayton Town Code §2-64, states that all persons occupying, owning or having charge of any property within the town shall be required to remove the snow from the entire sidewalk in front of such property within six daylight hours after the snow has ceased to fall, or the Town may have the snow cleaned off at the expense of the owner or tenant.

DAYTON CHRISTMAS PARADE & TREE LIGHTING

Saturday, December 6th

**Parade Begins at 4:30 p.m.
(Participant Line-up at 3:00 p.m.)**

The Dayton Christmas Parade will begin on North Main Street at the bridge near Fort Harrison and travel south, ending at Mason Street. Line-up for participants will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Main Street, from the bridge to Eberly Road, and when this area is filled, line-up will extend to the block of Main Street north of Eberly Road (the section where Mole Hill Bikes is located).

Parking will not be permitted on Main Street during the parade, so please remove all vehicles from the street no later than 3:00 p.m. Alternate parking is available in the BB&T parking lot on the east side of Dingledine Lane. Dingledine Lane will remain open with two-way traffic flow while the streets are closed.

The following streets will be closed:

- Main St.
 - Mill St. to Eberly Rd. (3:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)
 - Eberly Rd. to John Wayland Hwy. (3:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)
 - Mill St. to Mason St. (4:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)
- Huffman Dr. – from John Wayland Hwy. to Main St. (4:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)
- College St. – from Main St. to Mill St. (4:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)
- Mill St. – from Main St. to College St. (4:00 p.m. until approx. 5:30 p.m.)

The Town invites schools, churches, organizations and local businesses to participate in the parade. For information on parade registration, call the Dayton Town Office at 879-2241. No entry fee.

Christmas Tree Lighting

The Dayton Christmas Tree Lighting will be held immediately following the parade at College Street Pavilion. Come join in singing *Silent Night* around the Christmas Tree and enjoy some hot chocolate and popcorn provided by Dayton United Methodist Church.

Message From the Mayor

The holidays are upon us, the cold weather is fast approaching (I think it's already here), and your Town of Dayton will be ever changed with exciting events, a new downtown appeal, and our Dayton merchants offering exciting merchandise and specials! This is the holiday season to patronize and visit our local Dayton merchants for many unique and special gifts throughout the year. Also, be on the lookout for the new Dayton coffee mugs on sale at downtown merchants, as they are very unique and nice. Get one while supplies last (a great gift idea)!

As a Dayton town resident and Dayton merchant, please be mindful during this holiday season by reaching out to those less fortunate and spread the Christmas joy! Also, during this holiday season, please be sure to stop by Braithwaite Studios & Coffee Shop (Mason St.) and participate in the "Giving Tree" by grabbing a tag of an individual in need from this tree, purchase a gift, then return your wrapped pre-

sent which will be delivered in time for Christmas. "Tis the season in Dayton, as you know, "It is better to give than to receive!"

In closing, it has been a pleasure and honor to work with some great people employed by the Town of Dayton. Chief Donald Conley, you are a special person, dedicated family man, role model for many, and a caring individual

to our elders, community, and students. We all (Town Council, Staff, & Dayton Town Residents) wish you the best during your retirement and future endeavors.

Wishing everyone a joyous Christmas & a happy and healthy New Year!

May God Bless!
Charles T. Long



Pictured above is the Dayton coffee mug with the new town slogan on one side and the downtown mural on the other. The mugs will be on sale at various downtown merchants.

Manager's Desk

Earlier this year, after the The Heritage Museum's State Certification as Historic Dayton's Tourist Information Center, located at 382 High Street, we completed installing Attraction Signs on Interstate 81 at Exit 240, both northbound and southbound. In addition, Virginia Logos completed the installation of TrailBlazer (blue and white) signs from I-81, Exit 240, directly to The Heritage Museum by way of the Dayton Farmers Market, and right down Main Street via the downtown businesses.

The most recent advisory from The Heritage Museum reports about a 15 percent increase in their visitation. They feel this increase is due to our interstate work, all of which uses Route 42 and Main Street for that access.

Lately, we have encouraged

several downtown businesses about the possibility of using evening lighting, within the capabilities of their electrical systems, in some of their shop windows to illuminate their window and items within. The use of small LEDs could provide a great deal of bright illumination in a number of small areas, and work well on a timer. The idea is changing the look of the businesses during evening hours, when darkness comes early, which would be seen primarily by local residents. Also, discussed was the possibility of similarly enhancing some existing outside sconce/porch lights that might be able to cast light on sidewalk portions as well.

On November 4th, we spent most of the day working on cleaning the almost 400 feet of storm drain concrete pipe that

runs along the west side of Route 42 south, from the point where we left off in September (from Main Street), to where it crosses Route 42 to the Cargill side. At the same time, VDOT's pipe cleaner cleaned the storm drain from there to the outfall at Cargill, and also the storm drain that crosses the Route 42 and Huffman Drive intersection toward Cargill. We also re-cleaned the pipe from the inlet in front of New-To-Me Consignment Shop on Main Street, all the way to Route 42, a distance of about 240 feet or so. All told, over 700 feet of storm drain was run on November 4th. It's probably not *completely* clean, but closer than it has been for a long time.

John D. Crim
Town Manager

Chief's Corner

Citizens of Dayton,

It is with great excitement and nervous anticipation that my retirement as Chief of Police is here upon me. As I sit here writing what will be my last letter as Chief, I have very mixed emotions about ending my career, but beginning new adventures. It has been with great honor and pleasure to have served the citizens of this wonderful community for the past 17 years. As I reflect over the years, I have made lots of great friends. I have been blessed to have worked with some of the best officers I have

ever known, and have made memories that I will cherish for the rest of my life. Working with the members of council, Mayor Charles Long, former Town Manager, Rick Chandler, the Dayton staff, and the faculty and staff of Wilber Pence Middle School and the Dayton Learning Center, has been an honor and privilege. These wonderful people will be considered my friends long after my tenure has ended. Your new Chief of Police, Danny Hanlon, will continue the great work and programs that we have established together for the communi-

ty. I have the utmost faith in his success and wish him all the best.

Thank you all so much for the support and love that has been shown to me throughout the years. Please feel free to stop in and see me or just give me a call.

In closing, I would like to leave you with this thought ... when the curtain is drawn and pinned with a star, remember you have a friend named Dinky no matter where you are.

God Bless You All!

Chief Donald L. Conley

Come Congratulate Police Chief Conley on His Retirement

Dayton United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 21st, at 6:00 p.m.

Community Dinner Provided by Dayton United Methodist Church

RSVP - Dayton Town Office at 540-879-2241 by Monday, January 12th



Have You Noticed Dayton's New Merchants?

We welcome our two newest merchants to join Dayton's other unique shops. Stop by for a visit at these new businesses as well as our other specialty shops. Dayton has a lot to offer right here in our neighborhood.

Grammie's Ice Cream, owned by Carolyn and Charles Williams, opened its doors on November 6th. Grammie's is located at 3094 John Wayland Highway, next to Valley Water Gardens, which they also own. Grammie's specialty is their 36 flavors of hand-churned ice cream made in a creamery in Chambersburg, PA. They also have 10 flavors of soft-serve ice cream, milkshakes, banana splits, sundaes, floats, snow cones, homemade waffle cones and pastries, and assorted cheeses. Grammies will be open year-

round, Sun.—Fri., 1 p.m.—8 p.m., and Sat., 10 a.m.—8 p.m., with extended hours during the summer months.

Another addition to Dayton's shops is Beyond The Barn, located at 255B College Street, beside The Rustic Oracle Boutique.

Beyond The Barn is a vintage shop with "shabby chic" furniture and unique antiques, owned by Tami Heatwole Cline. The shop is open Wed.—Sat., 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Stop by and register to win a \$25 gift certificate (drawings held monthly), and like them on facebook for updated photos of their "one-of-a-kind" merchandise.

Dayton has a wide variety of unique merchants and specialty shops—you don't need to go far for home decorating and holiday shopping needs!

Pictured at right: (top) Charles and Carolyn Williams, the owners of Grammie's Ice Cream; and (bottom) the storefront at Beyond The Barn.



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Monday - Friday
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Calendar of Meetings and Holidays

(check the Dayton website for updates and changes)

Meetings		Holiday Closings
<u>Town Council</u> Scheduled Monthly Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tues., Dec. 16th, 7 p.m.• Mon., Jan. 12th, 7 p.m.• Mon., Feb. 9th, 7 p.m.• Mon., Mar. 9th, 7 p.m.	<u>Planning Commission</u> Scheduled Monthly Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thurs., Dec. 18th, 7 p.m.• Thurs., Jan. 15th, 7 p.m.• Thurs., Feb. 19th, 7 p.m.• Thurs., Mar. 19th, 7 p.m.	Municipal Offices Closed <u>Christmas</u> Wed. & Thurs., Dec. 24 th & 25 th <u>New Year's</u> Wed. & Thurs., Dec. 31 st & Jan. 1 st <u>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</u> Mon., Jan 19 th <u>Presidents' Day</u> Mon., Feb. 16 th

Events Calendar
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dayton Christmas Parade: Sat., Dec. 6th (4:30 p.m.) Parade Line-up at 3:00 p.m.• Dayton Christmas Party: Wed., Dec. 10th (6:30 p.m.)• Dayton Redbud Festival: Sat., Apr. 11th (10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.)



Christmas Trees will be picked up at curbside by Dayton Public Works Department as time and weather permit.

Holiday Refuse Collection
<u>Week of Christmas</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yard Waste: Tues., Dec. 23rd• Recycling: Wed., Dec. 24th• Trash: Sat., Dec. 27th <u>Week of New Year's</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yard Waste: Tues., Dec. 30th• Recycling: Wed., Dec. 31st• Trash: Sat., Jan. 3rd

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The Twelve Days of Dayton

1. November 7th & 8th: Open House at The Primrose House
(This date has already passed, but you can always still visit The Primrose House Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm and Saturday, 10am-4pm.)
2. November 28th, 10am-8pm & 29th, 10am-5pm: Open House at Beyond the Barn, The Cottage, and The Rustic Oracle
3. November 29th: Small Business Saturday - Small Businesses Everywhere!
4. December 2nd, 8am: Giving Tree Kick-off at Braithwaite Studios & Coffee Shop
Stop by Braithwaite Studios & Coffee Shop on Mason Street today, or any day during the holiday season, to pick up your Giving Tree tag to support local Dayton families in need.
5. December 4th, 5pm: Open House at Silver Lake Mill
6. December 6th, 10am-4pm: Open House at Triangle Emporium Antiques & Books
7. December 6th, 4:30pm: Parade & Tree Lighting - Main St. & College St. Pavilion
8. December 8th: 2014 Town of Dayton Ornament Sales Begin - Dayton Town Office
9. December 10th, 6:30pm: Town Christmas Party - Dayton United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, Sponsored by The Town of Dayton
10. December 13th, 10am-5pm: Open-House at The Heritage Museum
11. December 16th, 8pm: Retirement Party for Police Chief Conley at the Dayton Town Office
12. December 20th, 10am-4 pm: Kids' Shopping Day - Dayton Shops

All events, dates, and times are subject to change, so we recommend checking our website (www.daytonva.us), liking us on Facebook (Town of Dayton), downloading our NEW mobile app that will be in app stores in the next few weeks (search: Dayton), or giving us a call (540-879-2241) for the most up-to-date event and additional information. See you downtown!

Watch for details of these events in your mailbox!



DAYTON TOWN CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Town of Dayton will sponsor its Annual Christmas Party for town residents on Wednesday, December 10th, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., at the Dayton United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 215 Ashby Street.

You are invited to come and join in this Christmas celebration with your family, friends and neighbors. Activities include:

- Music by: *Dayton United Methodist Church Bell Choir and the Chancel Choir*
- Refreshments served by the Dayton American Legion Post 27 Ladies Auxiliary
- Door prizes donated by local businesses and the Town
- Crafts for children with the help of Girl Scout Troop 1111
- Santa Claus will stop by for a visit with the children (bring your camera)

The Town will be collecting non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. Please help us share the true spirit of Christmas with those less fortunate by donating non-perishable food items at the party.

Transportation is available for those needing a ride by calling the Dayton Town Office at 879-2241 by 1:00 p.m. on the day of the party.

