

The Christiansburg Connection

Newsletter for the Town of Christiansburg

May/June 2018

Community Corner

Christiansburg welcomes new Farmers' Market Manager



There's a new Farmers' Market manager in town!

Casey Jenkins joined the Town of Christiansburg in March and has been working diligently to make the market an even more

exciting place to spend your Thursday afternoons and evenings! Casey is also Christiansburg's first Events Coordinator, which means he will be in charge of special events such as the annual Christmas Parade.

Originally from Alexandria, Casey attended Virginia Tech and graduated with a bachelor's degree in communications in 2014. Prior to joining the Town, Casey worked at George Washington's Mount Vernon and The Valentine Museum in Richmond. He oversaw both organization's visitor services departments, volunteer departments and events.

In his spare time, Casey enjoys hiking, sports, music and museums. Above all, he loves working with people and connecting them with each other to help build a stronger community! If you'd like to contact Casey, please call (540) 382-6128 ext. 1199 or email cjenkins@christiansburg.org.

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In The Know

If you are as ready for summer as we are, you'll love all the events happening around town in May and June. First up is opening day at the Christiansburg Farmers' Market from 3-7 p.m. on May 3 (see reverse for more information). With live music, food trucks and activities for kids, you don't want to miss this one! Take a look at our calendar on the back to learn about other upcoming events.

There are a couple changes coming to Christiansburg. Starting June 1, you'll notice that N. Franklin Street will have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour instead of its current limit of 45 miles per hour. Please follow the new speed limit! We're also getting ready to roll out our curbside recycling service (more information below). If you have further questions about recycling, please visit www.christiansburg.org/recycling.

The Town will be conducting a survey later this month about stormwater issues in Christiansburg. The survey will be available online and at Town buildings and facilities.

Curbside recycling service begins in July

The Town of Christiansburg is excited to introduce single-stream curbside recycling service beginning in July.

The Town has signed a contract with Waste Industries, a solid waste and recycling collection company that will pick up recycling every other week from all residents currently registered for garbage collection through the Town. These residents will receive a blue recycling cart prior to the service start date.

As a single-stream service, all recyclables are allowed. Residents can recycle newspapers, cardboard, cereal and tissue boxes, glass bottles and jars, aluminum and metal cans, and plastic jugs and food containers together in their carts. Currently, the following are not accepted: electronics, styrofoam, plastic bags, food waste (including cardboard with food waste on it) or cords and wires.

Waste Industries will follow the Town's regular garbage collection schedule. This means if your garbage is scheduled to be collected on Mondays, your recycling will be picked up every other Monday. A pickup calendar with your exact collection

dates will be attached to your cart when it is delivered in June. There are two recycling cart sizes available – 96 gallons and 65 gallons. You will receive the cart size that most closely matches your current solid waste cart.

To accommodate curbside recycling, there will be a \$5 increase to the garbage collection fee, increasing monthly service from \$17 to \$22, beginning July 1. Garbage collection through the Town of Christiansburg is not mandatory for residents, but those who have the service will be required to have curbside recycling. Residents who do not wish to have curbside recycling have the option of canceling their garbage collection service.

Residents will receive more information about the service when recycling carts are delivered during the first two weeks of June. The Town will also host two community meetings to provide additional details on curbside recycling. The times and locations of these meetings will be available on the Town's website once they are finalized.



Have a question? Let us know!
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Events Calendar

Christiansburg Farmers' Market

May 3 - Oct 25, Thursdays, 3-7 p.m.
Hickok Street

Aquatic Center Community Yard Sale

May 5, 7 a.m.
Christiansburg Aquatic Center

Cruise-In Downtown

May 12, 3:30-7:30 p.m.
Downtown Christiansburg

Talk of the Town

May 17, 6:30 p.m.
The Oaks Victorian Inn, 311 E. Main Street

Mountains of Music on Main

June 14, 1-10 p.m.
Downtown Christiansburg

Movies in the Park - "The Sandlot"

June 22, movie starts at sundown
Downtown Park

To find out more information on events and programs, visit www.christiansburg.org/events or our Facebook page.

I can drive 35!

In preparation for major construction on N. Franklin Street during the 2019 fiscal year, the speed limit will be **reduced** from 45 to 35 miles per hour starting June 1.

Upcoming Meetings

Town Council Meetings

Held at Town Hall, 100 East Main St.

- Tuesday, May 8, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 22, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 12, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 26, 7 p.m.

Never miss a meeting! Sign up for notifications at www.christiansburg.org/notifyme

Closures

Memorial Day - Monday, May 28

- Town Hall will be closed
- The Aquatic Center will be closed
- The Recreation Center will be closed
- Garbage which would have normally been collected Monday, May 28, will be collected Tuesday, May 29, with Tuesday's regular collection.

Come one, come all! Farmers' Market returns May 3

The Christiansburg Farmers' Market is back for its fourth season, and it's going to be better than ever!

The public is invited to attend opening day, which will be held on Hickok Street NW from 3-7 p.m. May 3. In addition to fresh, local produce, opening day will feature a live performance by Mitch Clark. Want to make an evening out of it? Beliveau Estate Winery, Till & Grill, 2Dye4Que and Homestead Creamery will be in attendance to make sure you don't go home hungry! Plus, there will be facepainting and balloon sculpting for children between 4 and 6 p.m.

The market has several returning vendors (Brugh Coffee, Cavalier Farms, Denhill Permaculture, Mockingbird Cafe, Stumpridge Farms, and Weeping Willow Farm), and is excited to welcome the



following new vendors for the 2018 season: Beliveau Estate Winery, Bird and Hopper Farm, Flower Haven, Gracie's Garden, Granny Bean's Confections, Grateful Bread, Manns Sausage Company, Plant 1 On U and Swallowtail Tea.

See you on Hickok Street!

Don't Forget: Apply for your event's amusement device permit today!

Are you planning on having an inflatable amusement device at a public event? Those devices are regulated by Virginia Amusement Device Regulations (VADR), and inspections and a permit may be required for inflatables at any event that is open to the public. Learn more by visiting goo.gl/38jeu7, and feel free to call our Building Department at (540) 382-6120 with any questions!

Aquatic Center Information

May 5: Community Yard Sale

- Begins at 7 a.m. (rain date: May 12)
- Vendors must register at the CAC by May 2. Individual spaces cost \$10, \$15 for two.

May 18-20: H20kie Invitational

- All pools closed

June 29-July 1: H20kie Invitational

- All pools closed

Find more Christiansburg Aquatic Center information, including pool closures, at www.cacpool.com.

Community Snapshot



Children search for hidden eggs during the annual Great Easter Egg Hunt at Kiwanis Park on March 31.

Read the 2017 Drinking Water Quality Report

Are you curious about the quality of drinking water in Christiansburg? The test results for 2017 are in, and we're proud to say that water supplied to Christiansburg residents is safe and meets all state and federal standards. The full report will be available by June 1 at www.christiansburg.org/drinkingwater.



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