

Dayton Discovery

THE TOWN OF DAYTON, VIRGINIA



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Mayor's Message

And, just like that, the summer is gone and we are heading into fall and preparing for one of our Town's biggest events of the year. Our 40th Dayton Days Autumn Celebration with approximately 250 arts and crafts vendors, all day music, food and more is October 5th. There will also be a special commemorative 40th Anniversary Holiday Edition ornament available; so plan to get one quick while they last. Then, after that, comes sweaters, fire pits, pumpkins, and Halloween—and yes, let the kids know that I will have lots of candy, my usual scary music, mask and strobe light ready and waiting to see some fun costumes.

I want to pass along a three part message that I hope will start some good conversations. One is praise—the pride you have in our Town shows in the passion you have, the way you express it and the way you follow up with your concerns to make our Town even better. I appreciate that. Two is luck—if you really think about it, we are lucky to live in a Town such as ours where friends and neighbors look after each other. How many towns can have a traffic jam consisting of two tractors, a horse and buggy, a PT Cruiser and two bikes? How can you not love that? Three—and this is easy—I want to challenge everyone to continue to be helpful and respectful; and to realize that we are all on the same team with regard to wanting our Town to be a fun, prosperous and safe place to live and raise a family. I'm so very proud to say where I live and I hope you are too.

Oh, and one more thing (better make it three), thanks in advance to our Police Department, the Public Works Department, and our Events Staff for their extra hard work during the upcoming Dayton Days event. Our people are the best! Congratulations and good luck to Jack and Brenda, the new owners of the Thomas House Restaurant. And finally, just for fun, I wonder who would win in a cornhole battle between our Police Department and our Public Works Department. The winner would get the big prize of bragging rights! Let's have a fun fall!

~Mayor Sam Lee

Manager's Memo

As I write this column, I have been the Town Manager for two months. I feel so fortunate to be in Dayton! I have found the residents to be welcoming and friendly, business owners to be invested in the Town and its success, Town Council to be engaged and dedicated, and, of course, the scenery to be magnificent. I have lived in many small towns, and loved them, but Dayton has something special and I am honored and humbled to have been selected to help guide Dayton into the future.



When I chose to come to Dayton, I knew that it had recently experienced much change and transition. I recognize that change is hard, yet, inevitable. I find that if you embrace change, you begin to see it as an opportunity for growth, innovation, creativity and incentive for improvement. This year alone, the Town has welcomed a new Town Manager, Police Chief, Police Officer, Treasurer, Marketing & Events Coordinator, Administrative Assistant and Public Works staff. We are fortunate to be able to work with people who have been with the Town for many years and are dedicated to enhancing the Town. Together, we have listened to and learned from one another all with the goal to make Dayton the best that it can be. Soon, Town Council will hold a retreat to learn how we can best work together and plan for the future needs of Dayton. We are also planning a variety of meetings in the next few months for businesses and residents to share their thoughts and ideas. Dayton's future is looking bright!

I welcome the opportunity to meet with you and learn from you. When I am not in my office, I can be found walking or bicycling around Town, attending Town events, or enjoying the great outdoors. I would love for you to introduce yourself and share your ideas. I look forward to a great future in Dayton!

~Angela A. Lawrence

NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY—

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019



At 12 noon on Saturday, December 14th, Fort Harrison volunteers will lay wreaths on the graves of all veterans buried in the Dayton Cemetery. They will join thousands across America who are presenting wreaths at more than 1400 cemeteries on the same day.

The Dayton community is invited to participate in the ceremony as our hometown heroes are honored. Volunteers are needed to present the wreaths on each individual grave. Last year 152 wreaths were placed in the cemetery. If you are aware of a veteran buried in the cemetery who

did not receive a wreath last year, please contact Fort Harrison via email at fortharrisonva@gmail.com so they can be included this year. All veterans, whether their service was during war-time or not, are eligible to have a wreath placed on their grave.

If you would like to help lay the wreaths, contact Kathy Boase at kboase3@verizon.net. If you would like to donate a wreath, please send a check in the amount of \$15 to Fort Harrison, Inc., P. O. Box 366, Dayton, VA 22821, by November 15th.

After the wreath laying, the Fort Harrison Board of Directors invites everyone to a Christmas Open House at Fort Harrison. Join in a 19th Century

REMEMBER HONOR TEACH

Christmas celebration featuring music and dancing by the Shenandoah Valley Civil War Era Dancers.



**Fort Harrison's
Famous Brunswick
Stew Sale**

\$9/quart
(cash/check only)

Friday, October 4th 3-6pm
Saturday, October 5th (during Dayton Days)



**APPLE TASTING at
FORT HARRISON**
Saturday, November 9th
10 a.m. until Noon
\$10.00 per person

Join Fort Harrison for their Apple Tasting event, featuring Mr. Clyde Jenkins of Page County. Many Dayton folks are familiar with Mr. Jenkins' skills as a master white oak basket maker. But did you know he also specializes in cultivating heirloom apple varieties of the Shenandoah Valley? Clyde will explain his grafting techniques, talk about the different varieties that he grows, and have samples for tasting.

Pick your favorite and buy an apple tree sapling to grow at home!

You may pay at the door, but reservations may be requested by email or snail mail at fortharrisonva@gmail.com or Fort Harrison, Inc., P.O. Box 366, Dayton, VA 22821.

Assembly Room Rental

The Assembly Room, located in the Town Municipal Building, may be rented by Dayton Town residents for various events. There is a fee of \$25/hour with an additional flat fee of \$25 for use of the kitchen. In addition, each user will be required to provide a \$100 security deposit which will be held until after the post-event room inspection is completed. An optional cleaning fee of \$50 is also available. Fees must be paid within 2 weeks after making reservations. The room's capacity limit is 35.

Fall Leaf Collection



As the leaves begin to turn and fall, it will be time to get out the rake. The Town will provide curb-side leaf vacuum service through the end of November. There is no set schedule—leaves will be vacuumed as time and weather permits.

Leaves must be raked to the edge of the property line; however, please **do not** put leaves in the street, on the sidewalk, or 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 for vacuum service by the end of November must be bagged in paper biodegradable bags and put out for collection on Mondays (see below).

Yard Waste & Tree/Bush Collection

All other yard waste besides limbs larger than your finger, must be placed in paper biodegradable bags, and be free of household trash, rocks and dirt. Tree limbs and trimmings too large to bag must be tied in bundles not exceeding five feet in length and of reasonable size to allow convenient handling. Disposal of tree stumps, trunks or limbs larger than six inches in diameter is the responsibility of the property owner.

Yard waste is collected on Mondays of each week, and must be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection.

Chief's Corner



I would like to extend a sincere thank you to all those who came out to my first Town Hall Meeting. The meeting was well received by the community and I look forward to hosting more in the future.

The enforcement of parking violations is necessary for the safety of the community. I have been receiving complaints about parking in Dayton. The community is asking that the Dayton Police Department enforce parking restrictions in the Town.

Parking on the wrong side of the street, facing the wrong direction, was the most violated parking offense in our Town. In August, in an effort to begin education of the offense, the Dayton Police Department began placing warning letters on violator's vehicles. The department wanted to allow for compliance before enforcement efforts began. We would like to thank the residents for complying with the parking restrictions.

Beginning October 1, 2019, the enforcement of parking violations will go into effect.

~Chief Justin Trout



Now through November 15th, you can win prizes by participating in Dayton's Passport to Fun and Prizes. Pick up a "passport" at Town Hall or any of the participating shops or restaurants. Visit six shops or restaurants to get your card punched. Turn your passport back in to Town Hall (by mail or drop off in the

payment box in our drive-thru). Every Friday between October 18th and November 15th, we will draw names for great prizes including a 3 day/2 night vacation package, ski season passes, or combo passes at Massanutten Resort. No purchase is necessary. For a list of participating shops and restaurants, go to daytonva.us/event/passport.



This is a great time to begin holiday shopping! Look for business open houses participating in our Twelve Days of Dayton. Many local businesses will have special holiday hours including The Dayton Market which will be open Tuesday—Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. beginning November 19th through Christmas.



TIME TO VOTE!

Election Day is November 5th.

Deadline to register to vote is October 15th by 5p.m. (postmarks accepted for this date)

Absentee Ballots may be requested now. Deadline is November 2nd in person by 4:00 p.m.; mailed ballots must be received by October 29th.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.rockinghamcountyva.gov/176/Voter-Registrar>

Tips to avoid Telemarketing Fraud and Scams:



1. Ignore the call. Simply hang up the phone.
2. Do not give them any information. Do not answer any questions. These people are hunting for information.
3. Tell them you will call them back. For example, they call saying they are from the Social Security Administration or your credit card company, tell them you will call them. Hang up, look up the phone number for your credit card company and inquire directly with them.
4. Stay Alert. If it is a company you do not know, check the company's credentials, or ask them to mail you information, or check with the Better Business Bureau.
5. Take your time. Scammers will give you a deadline to pay or the police will knock on your door. Do not feel pressured to make a decision. If asked to send money in any form, BEWARE!
6. Help be part of the solution. Advise your friends and family about the call you received. Help educate each other so others do not become a victim.

Business Community

Conversation

Please join us to engage in a facilitated discussion regarding the needs of the business community, sharing constructive thoughts and ideas that will benefit the business community as a whole.

*Thursday, October 10, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Dayton Town Hall*



Calendar of Meetings and Holidays

Town of Dayton
 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.
 24-hour drop box
www.daytonva.us

Meetings

<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Planning Commission</u>
Scheduled Monthly Meetings	Scheduled Monthly Meetings
• Tues., Oct. 15 th , 6 p.m.	• Thurs., Oct. 17 th , 7 p.m.
• Tues., Nov. 12 th , 6 p.m.	• Thurs., Nov. 21 st , 7 p.m.
• Mon., Dec. 9 th , 6 p.m.	• Thurs., Dec. 19 th , 7 p.m.

Town Office Holiday Closings

Veteran's Day
 Mon., Nov. 11th

Thanksgiving
 Thurs. & Fri.,
 Nov. 28th & 29th

Christmas
 Tues. & Wed.
 Dec. 24th & 25th

New Year's
 Tues. & Wed.
 Dec. 31st & Jan. 1st



Refuse Collection

Trash: Every Friday
 *Trash collection may be delayed on holiday weeks—
 place trash out as usual and leave out until collected.

Yard Waste: Every Monday

Bulk/Heavy Waste: First Tuesday of each month

Events Calendar

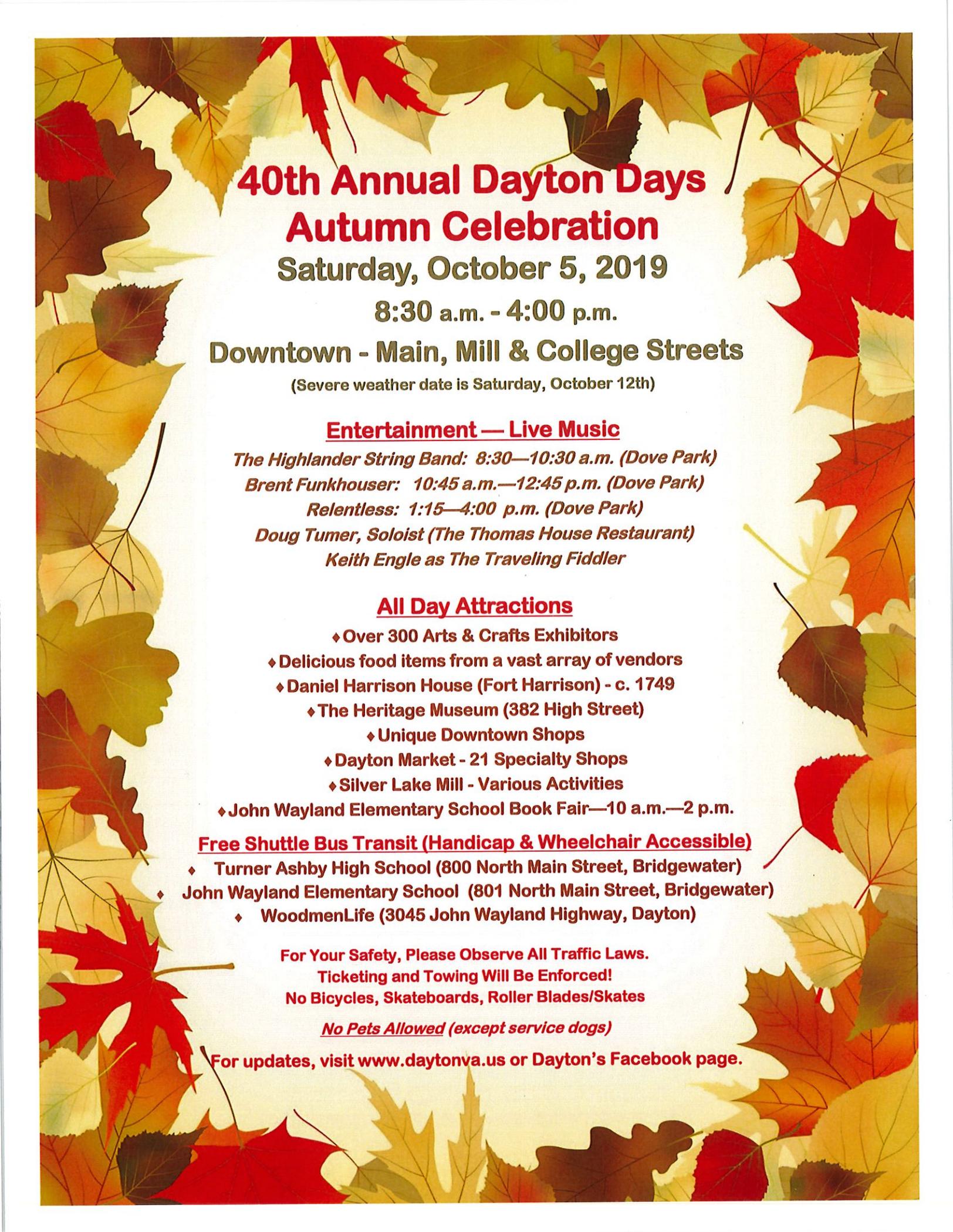
- **"Dayton Days" Autumn Celebration**
 Sat., Oct. 5th, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- **The Twelve Days of Dayton**
 Be looking for the event calendar with more
 details coming soon!
- **Dayton Christmas Parade/Tree Lighting**
 Sat., Dec. 7th, 4:30 p.m. See enclosed flyer for
 more information.
- **Dayton Residents' Christmas Party**
 Tues., Dec. 10th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at WoodmenLife

Refuse Collection

(Veteran's Day) Yard Waste - Tuesday, November 12th
(Thanksgiving) Trash Pick-Up - may be delayed*
(Christmas) Trash Pick-Up - may be delayed*
(New Year's) Trash Pick-Up - may be delayed*

Holiday

Go Green—Go Paperless! E-mail chall@daytonva.us to receive the Dayton Discovery electronically.



40th Annual Dayton Days Autumn Celebration

Saturday, October 5, 2019

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

Downtown - Main, Mill & College Streets

(Severe weather date is Saturday, October 12th)

Entertainment — Live Music

The Highlander String Band: 8:30—10:30 a.m. (Dove Park)

Brent Funkhouser: 10:45 a.m.—12:45 p.m. (Dove Park)

Relentless: 1:15—4:00 p.m. (Dove Park)

Doug Turner, Soloist (The Thomas House Restaurant)

Keith Engle as The Traveling Fiddler

All Day Attractions

- ◆ Over 300 Arts & Crafts Exhibitors
- ◆ Delicious food items from a vast array of vendors
- ◆ Daniel Harrison House (Fort Harrison) - c. 1749
- ◆ The Heritage Museum (382 High Street)
- ◆ Unique Downtown Shops
- ◆ Dayton Market - 21 Specialty Shops
- ◆ Silver Lake Mill - Various Activities
- ◆ John Wayland Elementary School Book Fair—10 a.m.—2 p.m.

Free Shuttle Bus Transit (Handicap & Wheelchair Accessible)

- ◆ Turner Ashby High School (800 North Main Street, Bridgewater)
- ◆ John Wayland Elementary School (801 North Main Street, Bridgewater)
- ◆ WoodmenLife (3045 John Wayland Highway, Dayton)

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)

For updates, visit www.daytonva.us or Dayton's Facebook page.



DAYTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Justin Trout

125 A. Eastview Street, Dayton, VA. 22821

Phone: (540) 879-2161 Fax: (540) 879- 2124

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The 40th Annual Dayton Days/Autumn Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, October 5th. On this date, approximately 40, 000+ visitors will be in Town for this event. This is a great day for Dayton and the Town is working hard to prepare. Please help us to welcome these visitors to Town! Let's take this opportunity to clean up around your property and make sure your trash cans are removed from the curb Friday evening. Let's take pride in our Town and help make Dayton a great Town to visit.

Also, please note that the following **streets will be closed** from 5:30 a.m. until approximately 5:00 p.m. on October 5, 2019:

- Main Street will be closed from Mason Street to Eberly Road.
- College Street will be closed from Main Street to Bowman Road.
- Mill Street will be closed from Main Street to High Street.
- The exit from Dingledine Lane to Main Street will be barricaded.

Please remove any vehicles from these streets by 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 5th. Otherwise, regretfully, any vehicles left on a closed street **WILL BE TOWED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE**.

The Dayton United Methodist Church, located at 215 Ashby Street, has generously offered their rear parking lot to residents who must move their vehicles. You may use their lot beginning on Friday, October 4th after 5:00 p.m. Vehicles parking in the Church lot must be removed by 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5th.

Please note that the severe weather date for this event is Saturday, October 12, 2019. All of the above information will apply if that date is needed.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance with this matter. We look forward to sharing our Town and together, we can make it a Town we can all be proud to call "home".



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YOUR

DAYTON POLICE

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Saturday, October 26, 2019

Braithwaite Studios • 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
415 Mason Street • Dayton, Virginia 22821

**JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND THE DAYTON POLICE
OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!**

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!

For more information, please contact:
Officer T. J. Hooker at Dayton Police
Department 540.879.2161



DAYTON

Saturday, December 7th



Parade Begins at 4:30 p.m.

If you wish to participate, please contact the Town at 125-B Eastview Street or call (540) 879-4421. Applications will also be available online at daytonva.us/event/christmas-parade-tree-lighting.

The route for the Parade will begin at the intersection of Thompson & Eastview streets, travel east & turn left onto Main Street, then turn left going north on College Street, and end at Dove Park.

Parade participants may either enter the park for the Tree Lighting or continue to Bowman Road to exit the parade. Due to limited parking at Dove Park, participants with floats or vehicles are encouraged to drop people off at the park and continue to alternate parking locations: The Heritage Museum, Wilbur Pence Middle School, Cooks Creek Park lot, or along High Street.

Line-up for participants will begin at 3:30 p.m. at the Dayton Municipal Building. Staging for large entries (fire trucks, large vehicles etc.) will be on South Main Street (between Mason & Thompson). More details will be forthcoming.

Parking will not be permitted on the following streets during the parade: Main Street (from Mason to Mill), College Street (entire street) & Thompson Street (from Main to Walnut), so please remove all vehicles from the street no later than 3:00 p.m. Alternate parking is available in the former BB&T parking lot on the east side of Dingleline Lane. (Dingleline Lane will remain open with two-way traffic flow while the streets are closed), or you may park along streets that are not closed.

The following streets will be closed on parade day from 4:15 p.m. — approx. 6:00 p.m.

- * Main Street (Mason Street to Mill Street)
- * Huffman Drive (Main Street to John Wayland Highway)
- * College Street (Main Street to Bowman Road)
- * Mill Street (Main Street to College Street)
- * Thompson Street (Summit Street to Main Street)
- * Sections of side streets intersecting with the above streets



Christmas Tree Lighting

The Dayton Christmas Tree Lighting will be held immediately following the parade at Dove Park. We hope you will join us!!

Dayton Residents' Christmas Party—December 10th 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

To be held at the WoodmenLife Building, 3045 John Wayland Highway



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