



The Christiansburg Connection



AT YOUR SERVICE: *Dale Marshall*

Dale Marshall has been with the Christiansburg Police Department for eight years and serves as both a D.A.R.E. and ordinance officer. In 2014, Marshall was awarded Officer of the Year from the Police Department.

What is your favorite thing about your job?
Interacting with the children I teach is the most rewarding part of my job.

What do you believe sets Christiansburg apart from other towns?

The community's immense support for each other. The community support for the Police Department is amazing. We are very lucky to have that great support system.

What do you enjoy outside of work?
I always enjoy spending time with my family.

What do you feel is your greatest work-related accomplishment?

Having an impact on the kids I teach. I really love hearing stories from the kids about how they take what I've taught them and try to put it into use at home.

Read the complete interview at www.christiansburg.org/connection

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

Town Council Meetings

Town Hall, 100 East Main Street
Tuesday, November 10 at 7 p.m.
Tuesday, November 24 at 7 p.m.
Tuesday, December 8 at 7 p.m.
Tuesday, December 22 at 7 p.m.

Christmas Parade

Twinkling Lights & Christmas Delights
Friday, December 11
Main Street at 7 p.m.
Parade registration ends November 20
www.christiansburg.org/recreation

Christmas Market

December 11 from 4 - 9 p.m.
Hickok Street
Vendor applications due November 13
www.christiansburg.org/farmersmarket

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

In The Know

November and December are bustling with activity - don't miss the annual Christmas Parade on December 11 at 7 p.m. in downtown (more info below)! In addition, the Farmers' Market will close its inaugural season with Christmas at the Market on December 11 from 4-9 p.m. on Hickok Street. Market vendors and local artisans will be there to celebrate the holiday season. Visit www.christiansburg.org/farmersmarket for more information!

Leaf pickup begins November 9! Please remember to avoid blocking drainage ditches, sidewalks, sanitary sewer clean outs, and utility meter boxes. Please do not pile leaves around trash carts. Pickup will run until complete or until the first snow.

As winter weather approaches, be sure that you're prepared for the season by visiting www.christiansburg.org/snowremoval for winter weather tips and snow removal information.

'Tis the Season

The **Christiansburg Christmas Parade** will be held on Friday, December 11 at 7 p.m. in downtown Christiansburg. This year's theme is "Twinkling Lights and Christmas Delights". Parade registration ends November 20. See you there!

Calls from the North Pole - December 8 & December 10

Santa has agreed to personally call children eight years old or younger on December 8 beginning at 5:30 p.m. For Santa to call, fill out a form at the Christiansburg Recreation Center (or online) and return the form by 5 p.m. on December 7. If Santa needs more time to make calls, they will be made on December 10. Keep the phone lines open!

For more information, please call (540) 382-2349 or visit www.christiansburg.org/recreation

Giving Thanks by Giving Back

Town departments embrace the holiday spirit

During the month of November, we all take the time to give thanks to things we may overlook throughout the year. At the Town, departments and individual employees find ways to give back to the community where we work and live.

Through November 8, the Christiansburg Aquatic Center is accepting donations of gently used coats for the Montgomery County Christmas Store as part of their Give A Kid A Coat campaign (pictured right). If coats aren't your thing, the Aquatic Center is also teaming up with Santa and the Blue Elves for a toy drive! Bring new, unwrapped toys to the



Aquatic Center Staff donates coats to the Montgomery County Christmas Store in 2013. The Give A Kid A Coat drive is now in its third year.

Aquatic Center from November 28-December 13 to help area families in need! Every year, Santa and the Blue Elves team up with Montgomery County Social Services, local volunteers and businesses to collect gifts for area families. Gifts are collected through donations and donated funds. The Police Department and volunteers then distribute the gifts on Christmas Eve as Santa's Blue Elves.

Coats and toys may be dropped off at the Aquatic Center, 595 North Franklin Street. For more information, please call (540) 381-7665 (POOL).

Beginning November 2, the Recreation Center will collect canned goods to donate to local food banks. Donations will be accepted through March 31.

In addition, the Recreation Department and R.S.V.P. will collect Supplies for Seniors through November 30. Please call (540) 382-2349 for more information.

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Frequently Asked...

How Do I Report a Broken Streetlight?

If you notice that a street light is not working properly, please note the address of the light, as well as the pole number (if available).

Please then report this outage to Appalachian Power at: www.appalachianpower.com/outages.

Please note that most street lights in town are maintained by Appalachian Power.

However, the Town maintains the street lights in downtown Christiansburg (pictured right).

Should you notice any of these lights not working properly, please call the Engineering Department at (540) 382-6120 or Public Works at (540) 382-1151.



Holiday Closures & Garbage Collection Schedule

Veterans Day - Wednesday, November 11

(Wednesday garbage will be picked up Thursday)
Aquatic Center open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. / admin. office closed
Recreation Center open 5:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. / admin. office closed
Town Hall closed

Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 26

(Thursday garbage will be picked up Monday)
Aquatic Center, Recreation Center, Town Hall closed

Friday, November 27

(Friday garbage will be picked up Tuesday)
Aquatic Center open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. / admin. office closed
Recreation Center & Town Hall closed

Christmas Holiday

Thursday, December 24*

(Thursday garbage will be picked up Monday)
Aquatic Center open 5:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Recreation Center open 5:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Town Hall open 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Holiday determined by Commonwealth of Virginia holiday schedule. If the State grants a full day on December 24, administrative offices will be closed. Pool hours will remain the same.

Friday, December 25

(Friday garbage will be picked up Tuesday)
Aquatic Center, Recreation Center, Town Hall closed

Saturday, December 26

Aquatic Center & Recreation Center open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

New Year's Holiday

Thursday, December 31

(Regular garbage collection schedules)
Aquatic Center open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Recreation Center open 5:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Town Hall open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday, January 1

(Friday garbage will be picked up Monday)
Aquatic Center, Recreation Center, Town Hall closed

Please remember to place your garbage out for collection no later than 8 a.m. Have questions about garbage collection? Please call (540) 382-1151.

Giving Thanks By Giving Back Continued...

Earlier in the year, the Aquatic and Recreation Centers participated in an Undies Drive, collecting new undies for the Montgomery County Christmas Store.

Most importantly, giving thanks doesn't end in November. Throughout the year, departments continue efforts to support the community by partnering with organizations to host health and wellness fairs, blood drives and participate in events benefiting Relay for Life, Special Olympics and the American Cancer Society.

In addition, Town employees personally give back in a number of ways, including the Floyd County Fun Drive, church food drives, and more!

Renva Weeks Knowles Memorial Bridge Dedication

The Town dedicated the Renva Weeks Knowles Memorial Bridge on September 11. Delegate Nick Rush, Mayor Barber, and Bill Ellenbogen were on hand to speak at the occasion. A longtime resident of Christiansburg, Ms. Knowles graciously bequeathed funds to the Town to be used for street and sidewalk beautification.

To honor her gift, the Town intended to build a pedestrian bridge over Route 114. VDOT absorbed the bridge into the larger Route 114 Widening Project, so Ms. Knowles' gift was instead used to help extend the Huckleberry Trail to the Christiansburg Recreation Center.

The Huckleberry Trail now stretches 7.5 miles to the Blacksburg Library.



Top: CHS students use the new pedestrian bridge.

Bottom: Officials dedicate the Renva Weeks Knowles Memorial Bridge.

Just A Reminder...

Personal property and real estate tax statements for the Town of Christiansburg have been mailed out. Please remember taxes are due by December 5.

If you have any questions, please call the Finance Department at (540) 382-9519.

Snapshot! Town photos & events



Presenting...Sir Chomps A Lot! The Aquatic Center's newest slide was named through a contest at both the facility on the CAC's facebook page. The winner, Rich Polikoff, recieved a 12-visit pass.

Sir Chomps A Lot loves our young patrons, so be sure to pay him a visit!



Have questions? Let us know!
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