



New Market News

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From Mayor Burhans

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and happy new year. We are starting our new year with our new employee. Her name is Denise Hawkins. She lives in New Market West. We are very happy to have her aboard and you will be too. Please come down and say hello sometime.

For all of you in Royal Oaks subdivision, we are still awaiting an answer regarding recycling. Hang on. We know you've been patient. We're working on it.

As you know Streetscape has cause quite a bit of consternation lately. To bring you up to date, I enclosing my opening comments from our January meeting that summarizes where we've been with this over the last 4 1/2 years. Much of this consternation could have been avoided if anyone who had concerns simply called or emailed me.

"Before we begin tonight's presentation, I would like to give a short chronology of the streetscape project over the last 4 1/2 years for the benefit of some of the newer residents with us tonight. In October 2001, shortly after being elected, I met with Bob Fisher, District Engineer and Mark Crampton from SHA. Others present were Doug Racine, Councilman Haley Tate and Councilwoman Rita Mueller. The purpose of the meeting was to update the newly elected officials the status of the project.

The Town was advised at that time that there were issues on the critical path. They were the determination of public water, adoption of a concept plan to begin actual layout work and the granting of a license providing SHA authority to have access to sidewalks. We were also advised during this meeting that the project from its inception required transfer of the road from SHA to another jurisdiction.

The Town established the CWG to provide information and make recommendations for items tasked to it. Streetscape was one of these items. As the name suggests, the CWG consisted of local citizens, not elected officials. The comprised a cross section of the town. They were residents, property and shop owners. They came from the both HD and the Village. The members were Alex Venable, Doug Racine, Ike Fossett, Shane Rossman, Greg Novotny and John Carrier.

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Tree Pick Date:
February 7th**

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In November 2002 after months of work, the CWG presented during the regularly schedule Council meeting alternatives for the concept plan. Public comment was taken and the plan sent back for further study. The concept plan was presented again during the Dec. 2002 Council meeting. Public comment was again taken and the Town approved the concept. It should be noted that the concept is a wish list of elements, features or scenarios desired in the final outcome. It is not an engineering document or construction plan. The Town delivered this concept to SHA in order to begin the process of lying out and investigating whether any or all of the elements could in fact be implemented into the final plan.

In January 2003, the Town was advised the Fund 84 (Streetscape) was not reappropriated. At that point streetscape no longer existed.

In April 2003 the WSAA with Frederick County was signed. This finalized the method of providing public water into town.

In May 2004, Secretary of MDOT Flannigan, held a press conference in Massenelle Park to announce that streetscape had been re-approved.

In October 2004, the Town granted SHA the required license to provide access to the sidewalks.

A fiscal impact study was published in the December 2004 Town Newsletter outlining the marginal costs and revenues associated with streetscape and new developments.

During the January 2005 regularly scheduled Council meeting, the Town agreed to include the road transfer as part of the streetscape MOU. Local frame shop owner, Bud Rossig, made public comment in favor of the Town accepting transfer of the road. It should be noted that the Town has not entered into any formal agreement the SHA at this time.

During the stop light hearings last September, the Town got a harbinger of things to come when a draft of re-striping and lane re-alignments also disclosed loss of parking inconsistent with the Town's concept plan.

In October, I sent an email to Dennis German and Shaneka Owens expressing these concerns. Regardless

of these concerns and before the Town had an opportunity to have any review SHA's interpretation of our concept, they proceeded with an open house @ NMMS in order to introduce the project. In fact, the Town did not receive any plans until after the open house. Again, I voice my concerns about the plan during the open house.

Also during October, the Council approved the retrofit colonial street lamp for streetscape. HDC has subsequently ratified this decision.

Recognizing the need for assistance in collecting and assimilating information, identifying issues and making recommendations, the Town re-enlisted John Carrier and Shane Rossman from the CWG to carrying out these tasks for streetscape during November Council meeting.

Tonight, after now having an opportunity to look at things, is the first public meeting to address issues and areas of concern regarding streetscape. Councilman Romanell, Councilwoman Snowden and I have requested that you send in your comment cards and letters. We have received many of them. They have been forwarded to both John and Shane. We will do our utmost to hear everyone.

SHA has informed us that a decision on pedestrian nodes is needed quickly. Furthermore, SHA advises that they must have a final plan ready for bid by May. Thus, the Town will proceed quickly, efficiently and fairly. No decisions have been made regarding construction phasing, hours of operation, blasting, sidewalks, landscaping and other issues. These decisions will be made in the following weeks and months. So, without any further adieu, I would like to introduce John Carrier and Shane Rossman."

Thanks,
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Community News

The love of our neighbor in all its fullness simply means being able to say to him, "What are you going through?"

Simone Weil

Forest Agee, 175 Wicomico Dr., is stationed in Iraq, north of Baghdad working in Communications. He will be there for one year.

Michael Snowden has completed basic training and has graduated from additional training in Meridian, Mississippi. After a two week visit home, he left for Norfolk, VA on January 1st where he is stationed aboard the USS George Washington.

Adam Warfield, 155 W. Main Street, is stationed at Ft. Lewis Washington set to be deployed to Iraq in 2006. He drives Striker vehicles.

John Heslin, 153 Main Street, is stationed in Baghdad serving in the US Army.

Nate Johnson, Dorchester Dr., is in Frederick Memorial Hospital. At the time of this report, he was in a coma.

Please keep our neighbors in your prayers.

New Market General Store

Think Spring Open House
February 18th 1-4 PM

Featuring afternoon tea and recipes prepared from our Menus and Music products.

(301) 865-2350

The Tymes Body and Home
Product event on February 18th
Boxed gift sets
20% off

Hello New Market!

My name is Linda Hezlep. I am the principal of New Market Elementary. I have been asked to share some information about the upcoming plans for increasing the size of New Market Elementary.

New Market Elementary welcomes the construction project that is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2006. We will open the new addition in the fall of 2007. The purpose of the construction is to enlarge the school to make room for our all day kindergarten program. We also expect increased enrollment with the additional houses being built. Until 2007 we will have two portables to help house classes through construction.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our students. This is the design year for the construction. The current thinking is subject to change, but I want to share the big ideas that are being discussed.

Through the construction we will have the chance to increase security by enhancing our visibility to the front of the building and changing the entrance pattern for visitors to our school. We will add an additional 10 classrooms. The cafeteria will be enlarged. Traffic patterns, which are disruptive to instruction, will be changed. Many classrooms will become closed instead of open space. The plan includes a two-story structure off the back of the building. The first floor will house Pre-K and Kindergarten. We will renovate parts of the building to better serve our students, staff and community. Some of these changes and upgrades include, another music and art room, an enclosed media center, relocating two computer labs, and increasing the parking.

Soon we will have detailed drawings, which will be displayed. It will nice to be able to see the 'light at the end of the tunnel' as we may experience some growing pains with the construction and renovation. We always work to have as little disruption and inconvenience as possible. I know that I can count on your support as we go through this next step in the history of our school. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,
Linda Hezlep, Principal, New Market Elementary

Event News

The Christmas in New Market Committee would like thank all of the volunteers, sponsors, and donors who helped to make Christmas in New Market a great success this year! Your contributions to the festival helped everyone who attended experience the charm and warmth that New Market has to offer. We thank all of the residents and business owners who helped to bring the Spirit of Christmas to New Market! We wish you a very

Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

With deep appreciation,

The Christmas in New Market Committee 2005

Appreciation Recognition for Christmas in New Market

Committee Member Volunteers

Kimberly Price
Bud Rossig
Ken Barney
Rick Fleshman
De De Puccino
Haley Tate

Other Volunteers and Helpers

David Price
Tommy Hoy
Ory Custom Florals-Ory and
Steve
Laurie Dunshee
Scott Morrow
Terri Rowe
Jim Blank-Flowers by Jim
New Market Grange
New Market Middle Students
New Market Lion's Club
Sharon Press
Rita Mueller

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Fastsigns of Frederick
Mealey's Restaurant
The Village Tea Room
Morgan's American Grill
New Market Mobil
The Frederick News Post
The Gazette
Project Enhancement Corp.
Gaver Tree Farm

Best Decorated House Contest Winners

Best Overall Traditional: 17 West Main The Strawberry Inn

Most Unusual: 4 West Main The Hunting Doll

Best Lighting: 122 West Main Finch's Antiques

Our thanks to Jim of Jim's Florist in Frederick for judging the contest. Thank you to Mealey's Restaurant, The Village Tea Room, and Morgan's American Grill for providing gift certificates to the winners.

Winners of the Snowman Drawing Contest

First prize-Holly Anderson

Second Prize-Ashlyn Thomas

Third Prize-Grace Duke

From New Market Fire and Rescue 15/25

First Time All Night Bingo!

February 10th

New Market Fire Hall

Doors open at 5:30, games start at 7:30

Advance Sales \$50, \$55 at the door

Food on sale all evening. Free coffee and tea

Snow date: March 3rd

Call (301) 865-4544 or (301) 607-9285

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Board of Directors

Tim Fossett, Ben Henry, Dan Stinson, Lacoé Alltop, Larry Beard, Rick Gue, Perry Lawson and Steve Halstead.

December

Mr. Dana Pomeroy was approved as the Town Architect. To be formally ratified by ARC in January.
Discussion and amendments to the architectural covenants for the Orchards.

January

Ordinance No. 05-06, to amend the number of required HDC/ARC Board Members from 7 to 5 was opened for public comment and approved.

John Carrier and Shane Rossman gave a Streetscape Presentation at New Market Elementary School. Public comment was taken.

Planning and Zoning

December

P&Z adopted the Maryland DNR Tree List and Planting Guide from www.dnr.state.md.us/forests. Species that vary from the pre-mentioned list must be approved by P&Z prior to planting.

The Board reviewed preliminary plans for the New Market Elementary School. No action was taken.

January

148 Wicomico. Approval was granted for the installation of a 12x24 storage shed.

Further discussion on NMES with presentation from the Board of Education. BOE representatives will make plan revisions based on P&Z's suggestions.

Further discussion and approval of Brinkley Manor plans.

P&Z Board Members

Chairman, Dennis Kimble

Vice Chairman, John Carrier

2nd Chair, Brian Candida

Secretary and Town Council Liaison, Mark Timberlake

HDC/ARC

No meeting in December due to lack of quorum.

January

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Mr. Dana Pomeroy was approved as the Town Architect. It is expected the Mr. Pomeroy will assist in a comprehensive revision of the ARC guidelines.

HDC/ARC Board Members

Kevin Witmer, President

Larry Wrinn, Vice President

Secretary, Open

Helpful Hints

Do I need a permit for a satellite dish?

Yes. Although the town does not govern your right to install a satellite dish, the location of the dish is subject to zoning ordinances. Visit www.townofnewmarket.org for a permit application.

Hello!

I am very excited to serve the town as the Clerk and Treasurer. My husband and I fell in love with New Market on our first drive down Main Street and now, with children in both schools and heavy community involvement, this town continues to endear itself to our hearts. I've lived in New Market West for a little over six years now and look forward to assisting the Mayor, Town Council, Business Owners and Residents in this capacity.

I am in the process of updating the town email list, so if you are interested in receiving weekly New Market News Emails and your monthly newsletter online, please go to www.townofnewmarket.org and sign up on the Welcome page. Now that I have wrangled the tasks of this position, the newsletter will once again become a monthly publication. Please email your contributions, news and pictures no later than the 20th of each month so that it can be included in the following month's edition. I also ask for your patience as it undergoes a "cosmetic face lift" over the next few issues. Finally, my apologies for the Christmas Tree pick-up confusion. The pick-up dates were posted at town hall, on the web site and in the gazette, but we still missed a few residents. In the future, this date will be much better advertised.

Do not hesitate to stop by or call if you there is any way that I can assist you.

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