



The City of Manassas Connection

January 2013

A Message from the City Manager

The Partnership Continues

In ongoing efforts to address the short and long-term infrastructure and Capital improvement needs, City and School Leadership met with residents on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2012 at the second “Your Voice. Your Community. Our Future.” meeting. Participants were provided a presentation on Capital Improvement projects suggested by residents at the

first community meeting in October. Then they were asked to help prioritize these projects using hand held response devices.



This was a very insightful and educational meeting for staff and residents alike. Participants could see the results immediately after they pushed the button on their device. The process was worthwhile and helped City and School staff to better understand the needs, thoughts, and priorities of those present representing our community.

Dr. Magouyrk and I will be presenting the information gathered at the two community engagement opportunities at a meeting on Jan. 7, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Historic Candy Factory on Battle Street in Old Town. This meeting, hosted by the City Council and School Board, will be a joint meeting to hear the results of the Joint CIP process and staff recommendations. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Once the recommendations are shared, there will be a great deal of work to be done. After the Jan. 7 meeting, both entities, the City and Schools, will continue with on-going meetings and budget deliberations throughout the spring. We encourage your on-going participation and feedback.

Thank you for all of your assistance as it is our sincere desire to develop a plan that truly reflects “your voice” as it is “your community.”



Let it Snow, Let it Snow...

Concerned about snow this winter?

The City of Manassas is ready to clear the roads if/when it snows this winter with 16 snow-removal trucks, 22 pieces of contract equipment, 1,500 tons of road salt and almost 500 tons of sand.

What can you do to help?

Remove all snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of your residence. This is a nice thing to do for other residents and it is a requirement in the City code.

Don't park on a snow emergency route if snow is in the forecast. These are streets that will be plowed first in a snow/ice storm. Four hours after a snow emergency has been declared, cars may be ticketed or towed to clear the route.

How can you save money on your heating bill?

- Get your furnace cleaned and checked regularly.
- Check air filters and change them.
- Turn on ceiling fans, but reverse the direction, to direct heat more evenly in your home.
- Use natural sunlight when possible to help heat up the home. Keep blinds open.
- Make sure you insulate the water heater.
- Use a programmable thermostat.
- Use weather strips or caulk to seal up air leaks.

- Make sure your home is properly insulated and use cover outlets along outside walls.

More energy saving tips can be found at <http://energy.gov>.



Who to Contact at the City of Manassas

If you are confused about who to call in the City of Manassas, below is a list of phone numbers and email/websites you can visit to get your questions or concerns answered.

Alarm Permits – Treasurer’s Office 703-257-8242	Curbside Trash Collection 703-257-8252	Housing Advocate 703-257-8297
Airport Main phone line 703-361-1882 Operations 24 hour line 703-257-8270	Dog Tags – Treasurer’s Office 703-257-8242	Leaf Collection 703-257-8378
Animal Shelter 703-257-2420	DMV – www.virginia.dmv.org 1-804-497-7100	Manassas City Public Schools Central Office 571-377-6000 Baldwin Elementary School 571-377-6100 Jennie Dean Elementary School 571-377-6300 Haydon Elementary School 571-377-6200 Round Elementary School 571-377-6400 Weems Elementary School 571-377-6500 Mayfield Intermediate School 571-377-6600 Metz Middle School 571-377-6800 Osbourn High School 571-377-7000
Car Tax Information Commissioner of the Revenue 703-257-8221	Employment Commission (VA) 1-866-832-2363 or 703-897-0407 www.vec.virginia.gov	
City Streets (traffic lights, signs) 703-257-8365	Federal Communication Com- mission (complaints regarding cable rates and channel line up) 888-225-5322	
City Plants, Flowers & Trees 703-257-8374	Field Conditions Weather concerns and open/closing information (March 15 - Nov. 15) 703-257-8237	
City Engineering (City improve- ment projects, surveying, & City Development) 703-257-8429	GED/ESL Class Information 703-791-7357	Manassas Department of Family Services 703-361-8277
Child Support Enforcement 1-800-468-8894	Graffiti Complaints 703-257-8424	Manassas Museum Hours 703-368-1873 Event Tickets 703-368-1873 <i>Echoes, The Manassas</i> Museum Store 703-257-8453
Comcast 703-730-2225	Harris Pavilion – (Ice Rink and Summer Concerts) www.harrispavilion.com 703-361-9800	Neighborhood Services Neighborhood Services Questions, Questions, Volunteer Opportunities 703-257-8315
Community Services Board (24 Hour Hotline Mental Health & Substance Abuse) 703-792-7800	Historic Manassas (HMI) www.visitmanassas.org 703-361-6599	
Courtesy Truck 703-257-8378	Homeowner Association Information 703-257-8315	
Courthouse Information 703-792-6000 Land Records 703-792-6015 Traffic and Criminal (General District Court) 703-792-6141		

Omni Link Buses (Schedules and Tokens)

Treasurer's Office
703-257-8242
Prtctransit.org 703-730-6664

Parks and Recreation

Reservations, Field Permits
703-257-8315

Police

Emergency 9-1-1
Non-Emergency
703-257-8000

**Community Policing
Neighborhood Team**

Baldwin 703-257-8071
Dean 703-257-8073
Haydon 703-257-8074
Round 703-257-8075
Weems 703-257-8076

Investigative Services

Division: 703-257-8092
Community Services Section

(To request crime prevention services, station tours, to arrange for Police to attend your event or meeting) 703-257-8092

Crime Solvers Tip Line

(Cash rewards up to \$1000 for information that leads to an arrest in criminal cases.)
703-330-0330

Pot Holes 703-257-8378

Prince William County (General Information) 703-792-6000

Property Maintenance

(Tall Grass/Over-Occupancy Complaints) 703-257 8424

Real Estate Tax Exemption
703-257-8222

Senior Information

Prince William Area Agency on Aging
703-792-6400
Manassas Senior Center
703-792-6405

Snow Plow Schedule
703-257-8378

Social Security Administration

www.ssa.gov
1-800-772-1213

Social Services

Information & Referral Service 2-1-1
City of Manassas 703-361-8277
Manassas Park 703-335-8898

Social Service Continued

Prince William County
703-792-7500

Stonewall Park Pool
703-257-8315

Street Cleaning 703-257-8378
Trash/Recycling 703-257-8252

Utilities

Report Power Outages
703-257-8353
Utility Customer Service line
8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
703-257-8219 or
703-257-8245

Verizon 1-800-483-4000

Vital Records

www.vdh.state.va.us
Birth Certificates
1-804-662-6200
Death Certificates (Health Department)
703-792-7327
Marriage Certificate
703-792-6028

Virginia Railway Express (VRE)
703-684-0400

The Courtesy Truck

Did you know that the City of Manassas has a Courtesy Truck? It can be rented by residents and small businesses of the City to haul trees, bulk items, brush, trash, cement, and furniture. (No hazardous materials like oil, paint, or televisions.) The truck is a Street Department truck used during the day for City business. It has an 11X14 ft bed. Once scheduled through the Street Department (703-257-8378), City employees will park the truck where you want after their work day, between 3-3:30 p.m. Residents fill the truck up, then around 7 a.m. City employees pick the truck up. The cost is \$75, which includes the disposal costs. Residents can rent the truck during the week or for the weekend, the cost is the same. The rental must be paid at the Treasurer's office 24 hours ahead of the time scheduled.



The City of Manassas Happenings

Here's what's happening in the City of Manassas during December and January.

The Harris Pavilion is open for Ice Skating - visit www.harris pavilion.com for times and fees.



Jan. 7 - Christmas Tree Pick Up begins - this will continue on Mondays until the end of January.

Jan. 17 - Red Cross Blood Drive, 2 to 8 p.m. at the Greater Manassas Volunteer Rescue Squad, 9322 Center Street, Manassas.

Refuse To Be A Victim and RAD Self Defense courses begin soon. Stay tuned to www.manassascity.org/police for registration details.

Jan. 26, from 12- 5 p.m. - Annual Winter Festival at the Harris Pavilion - Live music (weather permitting, broomball and free s'mores) (admission/rental fees apply)

www.harris pavilion.com

Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. - *Wasps in the Bedroom, Butter in the Well: Growing Up During the Great Depression* - Free Book Talk & signing at the Manassas Museum.

www.manassasmuseum.org

Jan. 28 at 9:30 a.m. - Coffee with the Curator at the Manassas Museum

www.manassasmuseum.org

Through Jan. 30, 2013 - Off the Wall #9 High School art competition. Open house reception: Jan. 5, 3-5 p.m., snow date, Jan. 12 at the Candy Factory. Sponsored by Lockheed Martin, the competition sets a fine example for the support in the future of young creative minds. See artwork created with media ranging from graphite, acrylics, colored pencil, to film or digital photography, enhanced computer graphics, and more.

www.center-for-the-arts.org

Feb. 6 - March 16 - Rayhart exhibit at the Candy Factory.

www.center-for-the-arts.org

Feb. 9 from 12 - 5 p.m. - Annual Cartoon Skate - skate with your favorite cartoon character, free smores (admission/rental fees apply). www.harris pavilion.com

Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. - *Frederick Douglas in Washington D.C.* Free Book Talk at the Manassas Museum.

www.manassasmuseum.org

A Few More Notes

From Police

The third quarter statistical report for the Manassas City Police Department is now available online at www.manassascity.org/3rdquarter. You will find information on crime and how it compares to crime levels last year, maps of crime locations, and statistics on police services such as traffic enforcement, accidents, animal control, and calls for service. Also, be sure to look for the full 2012 annual report in spring 2013.

Stay Warm & Dry when Parking

The City of Manassas parking garage is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Here are some helpful tips on how to use the automated pay stations in the garage:

- Press any key to get started
- Enter the parking space number where your car is parked.
- Swipe your credit card
- For a receipt, press the receipt option.

It's that simple and your car is not out in the elements while you are at work. Daily parking in the metered spaces is \$4.50, 12 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., Monday-Friday, located on the top floors of the garage.



City of Manassas and Manassas Public Schools

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