



The City of Manassas Connection

October 2014

Welcome and Congratulations

At a recent City Council meeting, the Manassas City Police Department held a promotion, recognition and swearing in ceremony. Welcome to the City to the following officers:

- **Ed Lauth** - graduated with an Associates degree from Pennsylvania College of Technology and is working towards a Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice from Penn State University. He has worked as a paramedic and more currently as a Police Officer with Northern Virginia Community College.
- **Jason Ankeny** - has a degree in Criminal Justice from Allegany College of Maryland. He began his career with the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission and has served as a Fauquier County Sheriff's Deputy for six years, earning the rank of Corporal.
- **Marcus Hyde** - attended the College of William & Mary majoring in Sociology. Marcus is an Osbourn High School Graduate who captained the 2006 winning state football team. Prior to joining MCPD, he worked at Mayfield Intermediate with special needs students.
- **Ryan McCarthy** - graduated from Radford University in Criminal Justice. Joining the MCPD has fulfilled his childhood dream of becoming a police officer.

Congratulations to **Officer Chambers and Senior Police Officer Black** for receiving recognition from Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). Each year, MADD VA hosts the annual Law Enforcement Awards in regional locations across our state. These Awards are a way of saying "thank you,"



for all law enforcement does to eliminate drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime, and prevent underage drinking.

In 2014, the Manassas City Police Canine team took second place out of 17 canine teams for the U.S. Police Canine Association Trials and qualified for the National Championships being held this month. Officer McCarty and K9 Loki took second place in Agility and third in Obedience. PFC Shubert and K9 Rex won first place in Agility and fourth in Obedience. MPO Rust and K9 Sultan won first place in Obedience, fourth place in Agility and fifth place in Apprehension. Congratulations to the officers and their K9 partners.

Congratulations to the following members on being promoted:

- **Officer C.W. Shields** to Sergeant - currently assigned to evening shift
- **Master Police Officer C.C. Sutton** to Sergeant - assigned to night shift
- **Senior Police Officer B.L Heilman** to Sergeant - assigned to evening shift

- **Sgt. T.L. Petty** to Lieutenant - assigned as a Patrol Lt. on evening shift
- **Sgt. V. P. Hatcher** to Lieutenant - assigned as a Patrol Lt. on evening shift.

Mark your calendar!

Nov. 15, from 8 a.m. to noon is RecycleFest at the Manassas Transfer Station (8305 Quarry Road). Drop off your Household Hazardous Waste, Electronic Waste, and Shredding. We will also be collecting your gently used clothes for Goodwill.

www.manassascity.org/trash



A Message from the City Manager



City Manager
William Patrick Pate

Since moving to the City of Manassas, my wife and I have been fortunate enough to walk to and enjoy many festivals and events in our Historic Downtown. These events are usually well attended and fun for the whole family. I am also amazed at the number of folks that attend these events not only from inside but also relatively far away from the Greater Manassas region. I often hear stories of how folks are drawn to our downtown for these events as their

first introduction to the City of Manassas and how they come back year after year because of the hospitality of our City and our region.

Recently, on one Saturday morning we had a ColorVibe 5K walk, the Farmer's Market and the Bands, Brews and BBQ festival all going on at basically the same time in Historic Manassas. I walked in the ColorVibe 5K that Neighborhood Services put on as a first time event to raise money for the Manassas City Public Schools summer enrichment programs. This was a phenomenal event attended by more than 4,000 people and raised over \$4,000.

As I walked the 5K, I met many City residents and folks from outside the city and even outside the state that were all having fun enjoying our community. Many neighbors came out to watch from their yards as walkers (and a few runners) covered in cornstarch paint made their way around the streets of the City of Manassas. As with any new event, there are always a few hiccups and a few folks were inconvenienced by having to wait in their cars for the walkers to go past, there were residents who were not expecting the music that was welcoming the walkers

back to Osbourn High School or could not take their normal path to the farmer's market. But I hope you will agree that this is a small price to pay to see the enthusiasm and participation of so many new folks from all walks of life getting involved in City events.

I do want to take a moment to thank all of the City residents for their patience and support as we learn the best ways to prepare for and carry out these events with as little disruption as possible. As we continue to see the City grow and change, there will be some growing pains, but I thank you for your continued patience and friendliness with our visitors. If you have not done so, I hope you will come downtown and experience some of these events for yourself. It is amazing to see so many folks having fun and coming to know and love the City we call home.



Painting the City. . .

Early on Saturday, Sept. 13, more than 4,000 people of all ages and abilities lined up to walk, run and get sprayed with color. The City of Manassas ColorVibe 5K was a huge success, raising more than \$4,000 for Manassas City Public Schools summer enrichment programs.

The morning started off at Osbourn High School with Mayor Harry J. Parrish II and School Board Member Pam Sebeski shooting color into the air as participants ran by. Along the route runners were sprayed with more cornstarch-based color. There was a block party complete with music and dancing as racers crossed the finish line.

The event, organized by the City's Neighborhood Services Division, was fun, entertaining and a huge success with comments from participants like, "Thanks for bringing this race to town," and "I didn't know these beautiful neighborhoods were here."



New Deputy Public Works Director

Bruce Goudarzi is the Deputy Director of Public Works. Goudarzi comes to the City with more than 30 years of government experience in the public works arena. His most recent position was with Fairfax County where he served as the Deputy Director of Utilities Design and Construction Division.

“Bruce will be a welcome addition to the staff at Public Works and Utilities,” said Director Michael Moon. “With his extensive knowledge and background he can hit the ground running and will be an asset for the City.”

In his more than 28-year career with Fairfax County, Goudarzi worked up from Senior Engineer, to Branch Chief of the Transportation and Stormwater Construction Division, to Deputy Director. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the Detroit Institute of Technology and a Masters Degree from Michigan State University. Goudarzi is a licensed Professional Engineer.

“I’m looking forward to putting my experience to work in the City of Manassas,” said Goudarzi.



Manassas Regional Airport turns 50

The Manassas Regional Airport celebrates 50 years at its current location this year. Dedicated on Sept. 20, 1964, the airport was 268 acres with a single 3700’ x 100’ paved runway, a rotating beacon, maintenance hangar, office, and 30 T-Hangars.

Today, the Manassas Regional Airport is the busiest general aviation airport in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with 899 acres of land, more than 400 based aircraft and more than 85,000 annual aircraft operations. The airport just expanded its main runway to 6200’ in 2012 and the parallel runway is 3700’. The airport has an FAA Control Tower and is

operational to only general aviation, no commercial service.

We would like your help in celebrating this anniversary. If you have photos or memorabilia from the early

days of the airport, either at its current location or the previous one, please contact jyankovitz@manassasva.gov. We would love to share the history of the Manassas Regional Airport.



Leaves are Falling!

It is that time of year again. The turning of the leaves brings fall in all its glory. There is a riot of colors and the air is crisp and cool. With fall comes leaf collection. Find out when and where your leaves will be collected by visiting www.manassascity.org/leaves.

Remember to rake your leaves to the curb the day before leaf collection begins.

Visit www.manassascity.org/leaves for a printable map to keep on your refrigerator or visit the new interactive map where you can type in your address to find your leaf collection, trash, recycling and yard waste days.



The City of Manassas Happenings

Here's what's happening in the City of Manassas during October and November.

Through October, on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Museum at the Farmer's Market**
www.manassasmuseum.org

Historic Manassas Walking Tours, noon on Thursdays in October; included with museum admission
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 3, 5 - 9 p.m. - **First Friday** in Historic Downtown Manassas - Enjoy fun, food and great music. www.visitmanassas.org

Oct. 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. - **32nd Annual Fall Jubilee** - More than 100 crafters and community booths, live music and entertainment, wine tastings in our very own Wine Garden, farmer's market, children's rides and activities and a pumpkin patch.
www.visitmanassas.org

Oct. 4, 8 a.m. - noon - **Household Hazardous Waste and eWaste** - 8305 Quarry Road
www.manassascity.org/trash

Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. - Free Book Talk - **Fort Harrison and the Battle of Chaffin's Farm; To Surprise and Capture Richmond** with Author Douglas Crenshaw.
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 5, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Manassas Volunteer Fire Company - **Open House**
www.manassasfire.com

Oct. 6 - **Personal Property Taxes Due**
www.manassascity.org/taxes

Oct. 11, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - **Public Works & Utilities Open House** - Fun, food and learning www.manassascity.org/utilities

Oct. 11, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - **Manassas Reads** - Enjoy a good book at the free book give away, bring your kids to hear stories, listen to some great music and enjoy the day!
www.harris pavilion.com

Oct. 11 at 9 a.m. - **Bicycle Tour** of the City
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 11, 6:30 - 11:30 p.m. - **Freedom Museum Hangar Dance** www.visitmanassas.org

Oct. 14, 10 a.m. - **Pre-K Tuesday** for ages 3-5 with a caretaker.
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 15, 10:30 a.m. to noon - Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Task Force community meeting at the Georgetown South Community Center at 9444 Taney Road. All are welcome to attend.

Oct. 17 at 8 p.m. - **Manassas Cemetery Tour** - Hear stories of Civil War soldiers and prominent citizens buried in the historic cemetery
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 18 at 9 a.m. - **Walk to End Alzheimer's**
www.visitmanassas.org

Oct. 24 - New Exhibit at the Manassas Museum Opens - **What's Under Your Feet?** View archaeological finds from local historic sites. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 25, 8 a.m. to noon - **Breast Cancer Breakfast** at the Greater Manassas Volunteer Rescue Squad www.gmvr.org

Oct. 25, 6 - 8 p.m. - **Spirits of Manassas** - Hear surprising and frightening stories while strolling through the streets of Old Town.
www.manassasmuseum.org

Oct. 25, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - **Haunted Happenings** in Historic Downtown Manassas - Grab the family and the dog and join in a wickedly good time.
www.visitmanassas.org

Nov. 7, 5 to 9 p.m. - **First Friday** in Historic Downtown Manassas - Enjoy fun, food, great music and a gallery walk!
www.visitmanassas.org

Nov. 7 & 8 - **Colin** presented by the Manassas Ballet Theatre at the Hylton Performing Arts Center. www.hyltoncenter.org

Nov. 7 - 22 on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. - Rooftop Productions presents **Moon Over Buffalo**
www.center-for-the-arts.org

Nov. 8 at 11 a.m. - **Greater Manassas Veterans Day Parade** in honor of Afghanistan and Iraq War veterans
www.vetpar.com

Nov. 8 at 9 a.m. - **Bicycle Tour** of the City
www.manassasmuseum.org

Nov. 8, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Manassas Senior Center **Christmas Bazaar** at the Manassas Senior Center - Santa will make an appearance at 10 a.m.

Nov. 9, 2 p.m. - Free Book Talk - **Wicked Georgetown, Scoundrels, Sinners and Spies** with Author Camden Schwantes
www.manassasmuseum.org

Nov. 11, 10 a.m. - **Pre-K Tuesday** for ages 3-5 with a caretaker
www.manassasmuseum.org

Nov. 15 & 16 - **HONK!** the musical version of the Ugly Duckling - by Pied Piper Theatre
www.center-for-the-arts.org

Nov. 15, 8 a.m. to noon - **RecycleFest** at the Manassas Transfer Station. Free to City residents.
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Dates to remember!



- Oct. 14 - Last day to register to vote
- Oct. 28 - Last day to request a mailed absentee ballot
- Nov. 1 - Last day to vote absentee in-person
- Nov. 4 - Election Day

Get Social!

Visit the City at www.manassascity.org.

www.facebook.com/cityofmanassas

www.twitter.com/cityofmanassas

www.flickr.com/photos/cityofmanassas

Put your own photos up at www.flickr.com/groups/mycityofmanassas.

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