

# 2012

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## 4th of July Celebration!

It is once again time for our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration! Listed are a few of our new events that will be taking place. This year we will be hosting our 1<sup>st</sup> annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July car

show sponsored by Farmers Bank from 3 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. There will also be a corn hole tournament hosted by the Windsor Volunteer Rescue Squad starting at 12:30 p.m.; you may contact Jodie Cofield at 241-0522 for more information about the tournament. We hope that you will come out to our expanded  $4^{th}$  of July celebration! A full schedule of events can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.

#### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

It is difficult to believe that July 4<sup>th</sup> is just around the corner! We are excited about Windsor's expanded celebration this year. It includes several new additions such as our first antique car show, corn hole tournaments, the Lion's Sight Van (where old eye glasses can be donated to help the needy), and a face painting station for the children near the inflatable activities. The children's Red, White and Blue Parade has been moved to 6:00 P.M. Encourage any child you know to participate, and don't miss this heartwarming show of patriotism. The band Thunder Creek will be entertaining us with music, and dinner will be served at 7:00. Bring a dessert to share, and enjoy this evening with friends and neighbors. Our thanks go out to all the community organizations and people who make this event possible.

I also want to thank all our residents for their patience as the six-way intersection on route 460 was being repaired. At the present time, VDOT is also conducting a safety study there. It was a preliminary requirement to obtain a red light camera to address the numerous citizen complaints about drivers running the red light. The study will conclude on July 1, and Bank Street should reopen shortly afterwards.

Another group that deserves our thanks is our Board of Supervisors who voted to save the section of the Windsor Middle School that includes the old gym, a large room that can be used for meetings, and restrooms. This was the last addition to WMS and is in good condition. Council has requested that this be used as a community center for central Isle of Wight County. The Center would be used for some programs for the youth and the elderly similar to those in the northern and southern parts of the county that are offered by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Lastly, thanks go out to Green Mountain Coffee Roasters. Although they have not even started their full operations yet, they have already volunteered to address one of the needs of our town by painting our fire hydrants. What a great community partner they are!

This Mayor's Message seems to be a big "thank you" note, but we are so fortunate to have all these organizations, businesses and people that make Windsor such a special place. I am so proud to be a part of this town!

Your mayor, Carita J. Richardson



### Windsor Police Department

"Committed to Community"

#### Click It or Ticket Campaign

#### **MESSAGE FROM CHIEF A.V. "VIC" REYNOLDS**

During the summer months there is a drastic increase in door to door sales. Often times these are reputable companies that come and obtain the required peddler's license through the Town to conduct business within our area. In order to ensure your safety, please follow the following safety tips regarding these activities:

- NEVER allow a salesperson to enter your home, and if you feel in anyway uncomfortable, simply don't answer the door.
- Remember that all door to door sales persons are required to obtain and possess a Town of Windsor Peddler's License which bears our Town's Seal. Ask to see the license prior to conducting business with them.
- If you are aware of any sales people operating without a peddler's license, or feel suspicious of any activity, immediately call the Isle of Wight Emergency Communications Center. (757) 357-2151 – Non-Emergency



#### 2012 Christmas Toy Drive

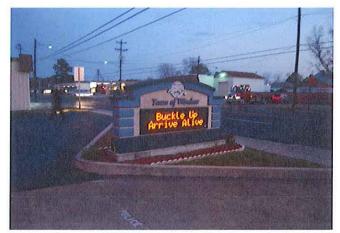
Due to the overwhelming need and response, I have learned to start early. I am currently requesting assistance for the 2012 Christmas Toy Drive. This event is one of the greatest achievements of my career. Thanks to the residents of this wonderful town, this has become a community based event and is growing by leaps and bounds. Please contact me if you are interested in being a part of this very fulfilling activity.



As we approach the July 4<sup>th</sup> ceremonies, I want to remind all our citizens that this event seems to get a little bit bigger and

better every year. Please work with us and stay safe. Also, please immediately report any unsafe activity you observe. Last year we did not have a single critical incident during our celebration. I would like to make that a tradition.

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Many residents noticed the dramatic increase in traffic enforcement operations. As I think all residents can agree, Rt. 460 is at times a very treacherous place to drive. It is my goal and the goal of our dedicated officers to conduct strict enforcement in order to make Rt. 460 and all other streets within the town as safe as possible.

Another goal of our department is to offer the most professional law enforcement services possible at all times. Although getting a traffic ticket is never a wonderful experience, I expect my officers to be professional and courteous to all individuals they encounter. I will accept no less, and neither should any resident. As always, I am available to all residents at any time to field any concerns that you may have. It is in no way our goal to have the Town of Windsor labeled a "Speed Trap." I must also follow that up with the fact that if motorist know NOT to speed on the roadways within our town then that is a fact that I think we can all LIVE with.

I would like to publically commend the officers for all of their hard work and dedication to the department's primary mission, which is the safety of the town's residents and businesses. I would like to pay special thanks to the Department of Motor Vehicles for their continued support through grant funds and also to Officer J. Harris who really stood out the past month for his hard work in slowing down motorists that travel the highways through our town.



#### Blackwater Regional Library



18 Duke St. Bonnie L Lauver

#### blauver@blackwaterlib.org

- Children, teen and adult summer reading programs begin Monday, June 25th. Adult summer readers will have the chance to enter a weekly drawing for a \$10 or \$20 gift card.
- Book Club meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm; call the library for upcoming selections, 757-242-3046.
- Story hours and monthly teen programs stop in May due to the upcoming summer programs.
- Friends of the Library will not meet through the summer; meetings will resume September (2nd Monday of the month @ 6 pm).

#### WATER RATES

As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, the water rates for the Town of Windsor will be increasing to \$6.50 per 1,000 gallons with a minimum bill of \$22.75. The rate for out of Town users will be increasing to \$7.15 per 1,000 gallons with a minimum bill of \$25.00. Again, this change will be effective with the first billing cycle after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Annual Water Quality Report

Each year the town publishes a water quality report for its water customers. We mailed the report out on June 12th. If you did not receive one, you can pick one up at the Town Office. This report covers the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, and it provides a thorough analysis of our water's quality. We check the water twice monthly for bacteria, and we check the water quality every one to three years for other contaminates. Our water quality report is for your assurance and confidence that Windsor water is of the highest quality, and it is safe to drink. We are dedicated to providing our water customers safe drinking water.

#### **DP Mediation Services, LLC**

DP Mediation Services, LLC is owned and operated by Daryl A. Parks. Daryl Parks has been a Virginia Supreme Court Certified Mediator since 2000. The agency conducts mediation services for a variety of disputes ranging from Custody, Visitation, Support and Divorce to Neighborhood Dispute, Landlord Tennant, Contracts and REIN Contracts. DP Mediation Services, LLC is an active member of the BBB. For more information, contact their office at (757) 818-8669.

#### FYI

**Windsor Cemetery** - For any flowers or items that may be missing, please check the "lost & found", which is in the white fenced in area located at the old section of the cemetery.

#### American Flag Display



The employees and family members of Windsor Hardware & Supply Co., along with community volunteers, will place American flags in the yards of each town resident for July 4th. Windsor Hardware & Supply is donating the flags. This display will assist you in showing your patriotic pride for our national birthday. If you would like to volunteer to help or prefer not to have a flag placed in your yard, then please contact Tammy Edwards at 242-6123.



#### Have a Blast with...

#### The Summer Blast Program!!!

The Summer Blast Program will be held at the Carrollton Elementary and Windsor Elementary

Schools, June 25 - August 2, 2012. Monday thru Thursday 7am - 6pm.

- \*No camp July 4th\*
- Ages 5 12 (must have completed kindergarten)
- Registration Fee: \$20, Weekly Fees \$40.

You must pay the non-refundable registration fee & 1st week fees at the time of enrollment.

The program includes water play, field trips and arts & crafts. For more information please contact the Isle of Wight Co. Parks and Recreation @ (757) 357-2291.

*Trash Pick Up* Due to the 4th of July holiday, trash pick up will resume on Thursday, July 5th.

#### **Holiday Closings**

The Windsor Town Office will be closed on the dates listed below:

- \* Wednesday July 4, 2012 Independence Day
- \* Monday September 3, 2012 Labor Day

12:30 - Until	Corn Hole Tournament
	(Sponsored by the Rescue Squad, registration from 10-12, Call Jodie Cofield @ 241-0522 for more information)
3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Car Show
	Sponsored by the Farmers Bank
5:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.	Library Book Shed Open – Free Books
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Children's Inflatables
	Sponsored by the Windsor Youth Foundation
6:00 p.m.	Children's Parade
	Sponsored by the Windsor Woman's Club
6:30 – Fireworks	Music by Thunder Creek
7:00 p.m.	Food Served
	Windsor Ruritans and Woman's Club
Dark	Fireworks



#### Other Activities offered throughout the day:

Face painting by the local 4H Club Lions Club sight and hearing van Bring a dessert to share!!!



TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS: MAYOR CARITA J. RICHARDSON VICE MAYOR WESLEY F. GARRIS J. CLINT BRYANT N. MACON EDWARDS, III PATTY FLEMMING DURWOOD V. SCOTT GREG WILLIS

The Windsor Town Council meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Windsor Planning Commission conducts its regular meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

The Economic Development Authority conducts its regular meetings on the second Monday of every other month at 5:30 p.m.



We publish the newsletter quarterly. If you have any questions, please call the Town Office or stop by to see us. We are open Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

You should report after hour emergencies to the Isle of Wight Communications Center at **757-357-2151**, they will contact the appropriate Town staff.

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### Children's Patriotic Parade

Sponsored by: The Woman's Club of Windsor Children, Show Your Patriotism on

Wednesday, July 4, 2012

Parade is at 6 PM

(Decorate your bícycles, wagons, strollers or skate boards or you can just walk - but be sure to wear patríotíc colors.

We will meet at 5:45 at Duke Street and Virginia Avenue



Call

Mary Lee Willis-242-6719

Or

Joyce Neighbours-242-6865

For more information

