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Nathan Waldrup Promoted To Fire Chief

The Town of Mars Hill is pleased to announce the promotion of Nathan Waldrup to the position of Fire Chief of the Mars Hill Fire Department. Chief Waldrup previously served as deputy fire chief of the department since 2015.

Chief Waldrup is a life-long resident of Mars Hill and has served in the fire service most of his life. Since beginning his service with the Mars Hill Fire Department in 1994 as a volunteer, Chief Waldrup has worked in every capacity in the department from firefighter to captain and assistant chief. In 2001, he had the opportunity for fire service to become his career when he was hired by Ebbs Chapel Fire Department. He served Ebbs Chapel as captain and was promoted to deputy chief where he served until returning to Mars Hill Fire as full-time deputy chief.



The fire chief is responsible for all fire response activities, fire inspections, pre-incident planning and public safety programming. Chief Waldrup will coordinate the activities of some 30 volunteer firefighters and first responders and a full-time staff of five personnel.

In making this appointment, the Town recognizes the valuable experience, training and education Chief Waldrup has achieved throughout his career in public safety. In addition to his extensive experience, Chief Waldrup holds numerous certifications in fire and rescue operations from the N.C. Fire & Rescue Commission, N.C. Emergency Management, N.C. Office of Emergency Medical Services, and FEMA.

Chief Waldrup is a very proud husband and father to his children and enjoys the outdoors and cooking. We are pleased to welcome him to this new position and look forward to continuing superior service from the Mars Hill Fire Department.

In Memoriam Douglas "June" Browner

The Town of Mars Hill was honored to have Douglas "June" Browner as a faithful employee of the public works department for over 30 years. Affectionately known as "June," he had a strong work ethic and was a valuable member of the Mars Hill family throughout his career. June retired from Town service in 2012.

It is with a heavy heart that we report June passed away on September 13, 2019. He was a special member of our community and will be missed by all of those who had the opportunity to know him. Please join us in remembering June and keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.



Obituary *(Reprinted from Service Program)*

Douglas "June" Browner, was born August 24, 1938.

He was married to the late Catherine Brown. They moved from Florida years ago. June worked for the Town of Mars Hill for many years until he retired.

He later moved to Asheville with Stevie Weston who was just like his son. He joined Little Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Weaverville and was baptized. After moving to Asheville he worked for AT&T until his health failed and he could no longer work. He then went to live at The Oaks Nursing Facility.

He was a fun-loving person who was loved by everyone who knew him. He traveled everywhere with Stevie who he loved very much and called him "Fat Boy." He will really be missed.

June, as he was called, leaves his daughter-in-law Flora Barnette. Several grandchildren, Stevie Weston and a host of friends.

Return of the Mars Hill Christmas Parade

The Town of Mars Hill is pleased to announce the return of Santa and the Christmas Parade to town! The Mars Hill Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. The route will begin at Athletic Street and proceed along Cascade St./NC 213, North Main Street and Bailey Street.

Applications to participate in the parade are available in the administration offices located in Town Hall. There is no charge to participate, but an application and waiver of liability is required.



For more information on how you, your school, business, church, or community organization can get involved in this exciting parade, please call Town Hall at (828) 689-2301.

Santa at the Gazebo!



“Santa at the Gazebo” will continue a tradition of seasonal fun on Saturday, November 30, 2019 from 11 until 2. This must-attend event will feature special guests Mr. and Mrs. Claus who will be in Mars Hill to visit with all our good girls and boys. There

will be music, food, fun activities for young and old kids alike, including cornhole and face painting. There will also be gifts for the children.

Be sure to mark your calendar for this fun welcome to the holiday season with Santa Claus and his elves.

Get Your Water Bill By E-Mail

The Town of Mars Hill can send your water bill to you by e-mail. If you are interested in receiving your bill by e-mail, please contact the Mars Hill Town Hall at (828) 689-2301 to make your request.

DATES OF INTEREST

- September 28...Shriners Oasis Mountain Buggies Annual Coon Dog Show and Auction (12 PM Mars Hill Recreation Park)
- September 28...MHU Football vs. Lenoir-Ryhe
- October 1.....League of Women Voters Candidate Forum
- October 5.....Mars Hill Heritage Festival
- October 5.....Lunsford Festival (MHU)
- October 19.....MHU Football vs. Limestone
- October 31.....Halloween
- November 2....MHU Football vs. Carson-Newman
- November 5....Municipal Election Day
- November 11...Veteran's Day – Town Offices Closed**
Trash Pickup on Tuesday, 11/12/19
- November 16...MHU Football vs. Wingate
- November 28 & 29...Thanksgiving Holidays**
Town Offices Closed
- November 30...Gazebo Christmas
- December 7 at 11:00 a.m. – Christmas Parade**
- December 24, 25, 26...Christmas Holidays**
Town Offices Closed



Monthly Water Billing

Reminder – The Town of Mars Hill has transitioned to a monthly billing cycle for water and sewer services. This change was effective July 1, 2019 and customers received a notice in their July statements.

Please be aware that the monthly bill will be sent the last week of each month and will be due on the 15th day of the following month. *For example*, the bill you just received in September will be due on October 15th and will be considered delinquent on October 16th with late penalties added at that time. If you have any questions regarding your water bill, please contact the Town Hall at (828) 689-2301.