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MARS HILL POOL CLOSES FOR SEASON

The Town of Mars Hill is sad that summer is coming to an end and with it the closure of our pool at the Recreation Park. We want to thank all of you who visited the pool this summer for your attendance. Gauging from all the laughter and smiles on faces, it seems that everyone had a good time and that's our goal.

A very special public "THANK YOU!" and appreciation is due to all of our great lifeguards, pool staff, public works employees, and other town staff who worked so hard to provide this recreational opportunity for the community. THANK YOU!

We look forward to seeing you all at the pool next year!! Opening day is scheduled for May 27, 2023!

NEW SCULPTURE ADDED TO GREENWAY

The Town of Mars Hill is proud to partner with Madison County Economic Development to support and honor manufacturers located in our community for their important contributions to the local economy. Recently, Buchi, maker of kombucha and kefir soda, located in Marshall, was recognized with a public art sculpture on the Dr. W. Otis Duck Greenway. This is the latest addition to three other sculptures representing Advanced Superabrasives, Printpack, and Peerless Blowers. The sculpture entitled "Mother," was created by local artist Krzysztof Galas. Two additional sculptures are planned for the Manufacturing Art Park as part of a grant received by Madison County.



FIRST FRIDAYS SUCCESSFUL

The First Friday monthly events have proven to be a success for downtown businesses. These events feature an evening of music, food, and fun sponsored by most Downtown businesses and the Town of Mars Hill.



Businesses offer specials and chances to win fabulous prizes, games and inflatables for the kids, a crafts market, and musical entertainment for a fun filled evening. Come out and join us on Main Street and College Street every first Friday of the month through December from 5 to 8 pm. The remaining dates for the year are: 9/2, 10/7, 11/4, & 12/2. The December event will be held in conjunction with the Christmas parade.

MARS HILL CHRISTMAS PARADE RETURNS DECEMBER 2 at 6:00 PM TO "THE LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS"

That's right! The leaves have not even begun to change color and here we are talking about Christmas! My friends it will be here before you can rake that last leaf, and we here at the Town are well into planning this year's parade.

As you might recall, the parade returned from a long hiatus in 2019, just to be sidelined by COVID-19 in 2020 and 2021, so we have a lot to make up for this year.

First of all, the Mars Hill Christmas Parade will roll (or walk) through town welcoming the Christmas season on Friday, December 2, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. YES, you read that correctly, a night parade! The only one in Madison County. The theme is **"THE LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS"** and that's what we want to see in the parade and all through the community this holiday season. **LIGHTS!**

The parade route will begin on North Main Street at Bruce Road and proceed to Cascade St./NC 213 and end at Athletic Street. Parade participants will line up at Mars Hill Elementary and need to be onsite no later than 5:00 p.m.



In addition, the Town is sponsoring a **Holiday Lighting and Decoration Contest**. Summon your inner-Clark Griswold and show that holiday spirit. Decorate your home or business to create those awesome lighting displays. There will be two categories – RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS – with three prize levels in each category. The property must be located within the town limits of Mars Hill to be eligible to win. The displays will be judged the week of December 12. More details will be announced in the coming weeks through Town social media accounts.

For a parade application or more information on how you, your school, business, church, or community organization can get involved in the parade or decorating contest, please call Town Hall at (828) 689-2301 or visit our website www.townofmarshill.org.

NC 213 CONSTRUCTION COMING

NC Department of Transportation reports that construction is scheduled for NC Highway 213. The highway will be resurfaced from the I-26 interchange to the intersection at Gabriel's Creek Road. A considerable amount of the work will be done at night to ease congestion and other factors. Town officials have been told this work will begin after Labor Day. We caution everyone to stay alert during this process.



NEWS FROM SART

The Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre is pleased to announce...

DATES OF INTEREST

August 28.....MHU Students Return for Fall Semester

September 2....First Friday Event – Main and College Street

September 5...Labor Day Holiday

Town Offices Closed

Trash Pickup on Tuesday, September 6th

October 7.....First Friday Event – Main and College Street

October 8.....Bascom Lamar Lunsford Festival AND

Madison Heritage Arts Festival

MHU campus behind Broyhill Chapel and vicinity

October 31.....Halloween Trick-or-Treat

November 4....First Friday Event – Main and College Street

November 11...Veterans Day Holiday

Town Offices Closed

November 24 & 25...Thanksgiving Holidays

Town Offices Closed

No Recycling Pickup – Reg. Sched. Next Week

December 2...Christmas Parade & First Friday Event

FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET

Mars Hill Farmers and Artisans Market (MHFAM) takes place every Saturday until October 30th on College Street adjacent to the campus of Mars Hill University in downtown Mars Hill. Market Hours are 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Visit www.marhillmarket.org for more information.

SART CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION TICKETS AVAILABLE AT SARTPLAYS.COM

WORLD PREMIERE!

SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS

December 8-18, 2022

Book by Richie Barrella
Arrangements and original music by Aaron Michael Krueger

ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT AVAILABLE

The Town of Mars Hill has released the "Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2021." This report contains details about our water source, what the water contains, and how it compares to standards set by state and federal regulators. The report can be viewed on the Town website at: <http://www.townofmarshill.org/ccr>. A paper copy can be obtained upon request at Town Hall.

Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre's GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 23, 2022

Shotgun Start at 2:00 pm
Registration begins at 12:30pm

Cummings Cove Golf & Country Club located at
925 Lakeledge Court, Hendersonville, NC 28739

The cost for each player will be \$95 if registered
before September 1st,
\$100 if registered after September 1st.

Fee includes cart, green fee, meal and prizes.

Hole in one wins new car courtesy
of Fred Anderson Toyota!

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