

# City of Martinsville



# The Grapevine



March 2012

*City Of Martinsville "Shared Vision" – As faithful stewards of the public trust, we will create, in partnership with the citizens of Martinsville and the surrounding region, a strong, innovative, and unified community where every citizen may have the opportunity to become self-sufficient with satisfaction, pride and a high quality of life. "A City without Limits"*



## Sam's Club Annual Membership

### Renewal & New Member Sign-up

March 14th 9AM - 2 PM in HR

March 15th 9AM-11AM in HR &  
11:30AM-1PM at the City Shop

Annual Membership rate is \$40 but those joining/renewing on these dates will also receive a \$10 Sam's Gift Card.

### March Birthdays

Steve Cannaday	2nd
Kenneth Turner	2nd
Lawrence Clark	4th
Michael Law	4th
Molly Shelton	5th
Robert Haynes	8th
Steve Hairston	13th
Randy Martin	14th
Daniel Brannock	15th
Darla Crigger	16th
Billy Akers	23rd
Renay Hairston	23rd
Jeff Joyce	24th
Richard Reeves	24th
Steve Draper	26th
Marcus Gravely	26th
Coy Preston	26th
Tim Tilley	28th
Randy Gregory	29th

March is National Nutrition Month sponsored by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and they encourage everyone to include healthy foods from all food groups through this year's theme:

### **"GET YOUR PLATE IN SHAPE"**

The Academy recommends the following: (1) Make half your plate fruits & vegetables, (2) Make at least half your grains whole, (3) Switch to fat-free or low-fat milk, (4) Vary your protein choices, (5) Cut back on sodium & empty calories from solid fats & added sugars.

To learn more about National Nutrition Month and "Get Your Plate in Shape" visit [www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org).



**Daylight Savings Time starts Sunday, March 11th, set your clock ahead one hour.**

### Comings and Goings

Let's welcome

**Dina Davis (Sheriff's Office)  
and**

**say good-bye to  
Shane Clifton (Police)  
and**

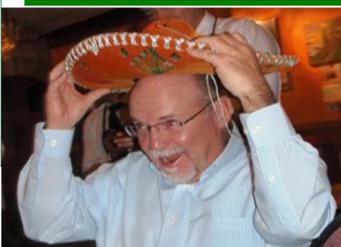
**Jonathan France (Police).**



### MARCH RETIREMENTS

**Linda Kanode (Police)  
32 Years**

**Robert Ramsey (Police)  
32 Years**



**Total Calls Taken In The Month Of January**

☎ **Police – 2017**   ☎ **Fire – 21**   ☎ **EMS – 188**

Have you updated your Federal and State tax forms lately? Not sure what you're claiming on your taxes? Stop by Human Resources to update your tax forms or to review your exemptions.

**ARE YOUR HEADLIGHTS ON?** (from the Martinsville Transportation Safety Commission)

**§ 46.2-1030. When lights to be lighted on vehicles**



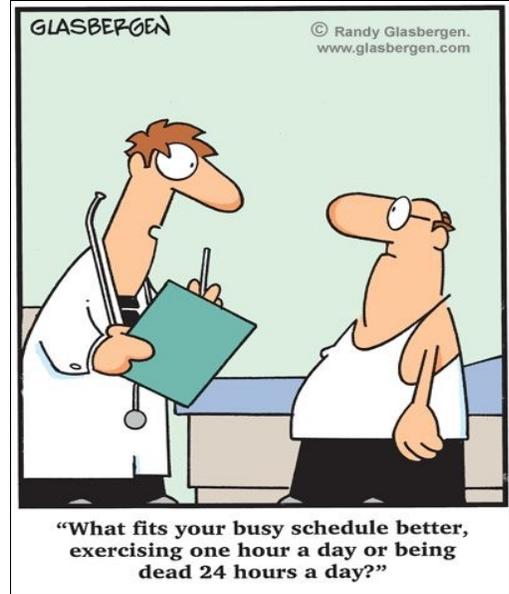
Every vehicle in operation on a highway in the Commonwealth shall display lighted headlights

From sunset to sunrise, (check times in weather section of local newspapers, TV, etc.)

During any other time when, because of rain, smoke, fog, snow, sleet, insufficient light, or other unfavorable atmospheric conditions, visibility is reduced to a degree whereby persons or vehicles on the highway are not clearly recognizable at a distance of 500 feet.

**The point is not whether you can see to drive but whether another person or driver can see your vehicle!! Some colors are more difficult to see than others. Save a life...it could be yours!!**

If the reason you don't turn your lights on is to save your battery, then you need a new battery.



Thanks go out to Assistant Fire Chief **Dan Howell** and Firefighters **Jamie Hopkins** and **Dwayne Robertson**. They recently did some work in the workout room repairing and replacing some of the workout equipment.

Marshall Stowe of Martinsville wrote to the Bulletin to express his appreciation to “**Andy Lash, Virginia Lash, John Dyches, Jeff Gauldin** and others” for recently cleaning up the area adjacent to the Dick & Willie Passage near the U.S. 220 trail head. “They are the quiet warriors who did something about (the trash) rather than complain” like he did in a letter to the editor, he added. “They undertook with their own initiative to scale the steep embankment and wade the frigid creek waters to clean up the area ...” he wrote. “Thank you for your valuable contribution of time and service to your community.”

Each month this year, one employee could win a \$25 Kroger gift card. The name is drawn from a pool of all full-time City employees and Constitutionals.

**The winner for February is Laura Lawson (Utility Billing)**

**Service Milestones Reached in March**

William Akers	Fire	15 years
Kim Boyd	Commissioner of Revenue	10 years
Shannon Agee	Public Works	10 years
Daniel Brannock	Sheriff's Office	5 Years

Condolences go out to Ed Semones (Senior Center) in the death of his brother-in-law Cecil Bryant on Jan 24th.....to Wayne Davis (Public Works) in the death of his sister Kathy Alderman on Jan 27th....and to Calvin Cabiness (Public Works) in the death of his uncle Amos Caviness on Jan 28th...and to Carman McDowell (Waste Water Plant) and Rhonda Hatchett (Retiree) in the death of their mother Mary Cannaday on Feb 18th....