

MARS HILL LETTER

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Larry Davis and Stuart Jolley Re-Elected to Town Board

The Town of Mars Hill held municipal elections in November 2019. Two alderman positions were subject to election. Current aldermen Larry Davis and Stuart Jolley were re-elected to a new four-year term. Alderman Davis and Alderman Jolley took the oath of office at the Town Board meeting on December 2, 2019.



Alderman Larry Davis has served on the Town Board since 2007, currently serving as the secretary to the Board. Alderman Davis has a long record in public service, including a career as a paramedic with Madison EMS. He and his wife, Larae, reside on Bailey Street.

Alderman Stuart Jolley is a life-long resident of the Town of Mars Hill. He has served on the Town Board for 16 years. Alderman Jolley also serves as Town Clerk. He is a retired teacher and principal with Yancey County Schools. He and his wife, Jackie, reside on Anderson Street.



A Note About the Christmas Parade

On behalf of the Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and all Mars Hill town staff, I want to personally thank everyone who participated in the Mars Hill Christmas Parade. The parade was a great success and it would not have been possible without you! We were blessed with great weather, a great crowd, and terrific floats, vehicles, dancers, athletes, walking groups, horses and Santa and Mrs. Claus! We hope you enjoyed the parade as much as we did.

Plan now for Christmas Parade 2020! Tentative date December 5, 2020!! -- Nathan Bennett, Town Manager

Early Voting Underway at Mars Hill Library

The Mars Hill Public Library has been designated an early voting one-stop site by the Madison County Board of Elections. Any county resident can vote at this site now through February 29, 2020. The Mars Hill Library is located at 25 Library Street, off Mountain View Drive.

This is one of three sites in the county. The other one-stop sites are located in Marshall and Hot Springs. All Madison County voters may vote at any one (1) of the three (3) one-stop voting sites. All one-stop sites are open for voting from Thursday, February 13 through Saturday, February 29. All one-stop sites are open on weekdays (Monday-Friday) from 8:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, February 29 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.



Mars Hill Library

Election Day voting for the March 3rd Primary Election for the Mars Hill Precinct will be at Mars Hill Elementary School located at 200 School House Lane.

PLEASE NOTE: Elections and the voting sites are administered by the Madison County Board of Elections. The Town of Mars Hill does not operate these sites and is not involved in the election process in any way. Please direct any questions, comments or concerns regarding elections to the Madison County Board of Elections in Marshall at (828) 649-3731 or visit their website https://www.madisoncountync.gov/board-of-elections.html for more information.

SART's 46th Season Begins

From SART Release:

The Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre's 46th season opens in March and will feature shows embracing strong women characters in celebration of the Women's Suffrage Centennial.

The opening show of the season is the hilarious musical CHURCH BASEMENT LADIES, which will run from March 5 to 15. Summer begins with the musical adaptation of Whoopi Goldberg's film, SISTER ACT, running from June 11 to 28. If you enjoyed our 2019 production of BRIGHT STAR, you will love the musical VIOLET, which runs from July 9 to 26.

In the Fall, we will showcase **SISTERS OF SWING**, a biographical musical about the lives of The Andrews Sisters which runs from October 8 to 18.

SART's season concludes with A CHRISTMAS CAROL: A PLAY WITH MUSIC, featuring acapella music and a highly creative retelling of this seasonal classic. The SART company performances will be December 10 through 20.

All shows take place in Owen Theatre on the campus of Mars Hill University.

Each of our 2020 shows will feature support for local charitable organizations, including collecting books for the Children's Literacy Achievement Project, supporting local domestic violence relief groups, and sponsoring the 2nd annual food drive for Bright Hope Laurel UMC's food pantry in memory of the late Robert Moore, a former member of the SART Board.

Visit sartplays.com to purchase tickets!

DATES OF INTEREST

March 3....Primary Election Day (Mars Hill Elementary) April 10... Good Friday – <u>Town Offices Closed</u> May 9.....MHU Graduation May 25.....Memorial Day – <u>Town Offices Closed</u> Trash Pickup on Tuesday, 5/26

SART FUNDRAISER

The Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre will host a golf tournament on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 1 PM at the newly renovated Reems Creek Golf Course! The four-person team, captain's choice event is only \$85 per player and includes lunch at 11AM, great prizes and contests for longest drive and closest to the pin. All ages and abilities are welcome!

Opportunities for \$100 support signs and other sponsorship packages are also available. For more information contact Dorothy Rapp at drapp@mhu.edu or 380-0029 or Dan Lunsford at dlunsford@mhu.edu.

Farmers Market Returns in April

The Mars Hill Farmers and Artisans Market returns Saturday, April 4 for the 2020 season. The market runs from the first Saturday in April through the last Saturday in October from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on College Street near the MHU campus.

