

December 2021 VLGMA eNews

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Craig's Corner

A Season of Thanksgiving – I'm Thankful for YOU!

Thanksgiving is always one of my favorite times of the year. The weather begins to hint that winter will soon be here, and for those of us in the mountainous areas of the state, it means that snowy days are not too far away as well. I also enjoy the food and fellowship that the holiday brings – and the fact that Santa Claus' arrival is only a few weeks away!

Civic Engagement reflecting the community: A tale of two localities

By Sheila Minor, Director of Finance, City of Colonial Heights

Like your post-Thanksgiving wardrobe, civic engagement is not OSFA: one-size-fits-all. How do localities big and small customize their outreach efforts to meet their citizens where they are.

Registration is OPEN for the VLGMA Winter Conference “The Big Reveal”

February 16-18, 2022, Hotel 24 South in Staunton

In-person and on-line participation opportunities.

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Member Support Committee – We Need Your Help!

One area of focus for VLGMA this year is to strengthen our efforts with regard to member support. Our VLGMA Bylaws provide for a Member Support Committee; however, this committee has not been active in several years. With a need in our organization for several new Active Support Coordinators, and also a need for several new Senior Advisors to replace those who have taken emeritus status, it is time for us to “recharge” this committee!

The Grinch & Scrooge

The Grinch had a transformation
from a life of self-centered isolation.
He learned nothing could dim
the light of love within.

Thinking joy was materially based,
all his efforts were misplaced.
Every devious attempt the Grinch made
could not ruin Christmas day.

Scrooge had a similar empty life

preferring self-inflicted strife.
He spiraled so far down,
it took great digging for the light to be found.

Scrooge and Grinch both learned so much
from a child's forgiving touch.

For even in the darkest mind,
a ray of hope forever resides,
waiting patiently until the choice
to hear the still small Voice

and Rejoice.



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