# The Dante Beagle

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## **Welcome to the Dante Beagle**

Thanks to a private donor the Dante Community Association is excited to announce a bi-monthly newsletter to help provide information to our community on our organization, upcoming events, and short informational articles. These will be available at the post office, community center, rescue squad, museum, and from DCA Neighborhood Representatives. If you have anything you would like published please email <a href="mailto:info@danteva.org">info@danteva.org</a>.

#### **Ground Wires**

Look closely at the power pole serving your home, if you have a transformer you should notice a wire running down the pole, and into the ground. Unless someone has chosen to steal yours for scrap. The going rate for these wires is less than \$2.00 or in some cases ZERO because of the composition of the metal, but that doesn't stop some thieves. This wire protects linemen working on the poles and helps prevent power outages and transformer fires by allowing for the safe dissipation of the electrical charge if something goes wrong. Please contact AEP if you notice one missing, Contact the Sheriff's Office if you see someone tampering with these.

# **Fall Gardening Tips**

Right now, before you forget, put a rubber band around your wrist to remind you of one gardening task that cannot be postponed: Planting seeds for fall garden vegetables. As summer draws to a close, gardens everywhere can morph into a tapestry of delicious greens, from tender lettuce to frost-proof spinach, with a sprinkling of red mustard added for spice. In North America's southern half, as long as seeds germinate in late July or early August, fall gardens can grow the best cabbage, broccoli, and cauliflower you've ever tasted. In colder climates, it's prime time to sow carrots, rutabagas, and turnips to harvest in the fall. Filling space vacated by spring crops with summer-sown vegetables will keep your garden productive well into fall, and even winter.

#### **Source and More Information:**

https://www.motherearthnews.com/organic-gardening/fall-garden-vegetables-zmaz09aszraw



# **Upcoming DCA Events**

Meetings August 6 @ Dante Rescue

2:30 Preservation/Youth and Community

Meetings August 13 @ Dante Rescue

5:30 Cleanup & Beautification

6:30 Tourism & Economic Development

7:30 Infrastructure

7:45 Community Drug Intervention Plan

**Public Input Session** 

Meeting August 27 @ Dante Rescue

6:30 Steering Committee

Meeting September 10 @ Dante Rescue

6:30 Tourism and Economic Development

Meeting September 18 @ Dante Rescue

5:30 Infrastructure

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#### **Announcements**

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### **Community Events**

August 11 @ 11:00 am

Dante Reunion

Hosted by Dante Lives On

August 16 @ 6:30 pm

**Dante Community Center Meeting** 

August 21 @ 6:30 pm

Dante Lives On Meeting

September 18 @ 6:30 pm

Dante Lives On Meeting

September 20 @6:30 pm

**Dante Community Center Meeting** 

Email <u>info@danteva.org</u> to have your events added!

# **DCA Sponsors**

Interested in advertising your business to the citizens of Dante and the surrounding areas?

Email <u>info@danteva.org</u> to find out how to sponsor our organization and market your business for a low rate!







## **Virginia Main Street Grant**

The DCA in conjunction with Russell County has received a \$4,800.00 grant from Virginia Main Street of which the DCA is an affiliate member. This grant will be used to develop the site of the Coal Miners Memorial in the downtown park and move the memorial from its current location. This is outlined in the downtown master plan.

# **Dante Depot Revitalization**

A Virginia Department of Transportation grant in excess of \$118,000.00 has been awarded to the DCA and Russell County for the cleanup and development of the Dante Depot. This historic building will be getting a makeover to become one of the first economic development opportunities within the community, with space for two small businesses. Graphic designs for the revitalization as envisioned by the students of Virginia Tech's Community Design Assistance Center with community input are hanging in the post office for you to see.

# **Community Drug Intervention Program**

The Community Drug Intervention Program (CDIP) is being organized by the Infrastructure and Youth and Community Subcommittees. The goal of the program will be to decrease the prevalence of drug abuse within our community and offer those who need assistance the resources they need to become drug-free. A Public Input Session is scheduled for August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 pm at Dante Rescue Squad. This meeting will let the public contribute and provide ideas about how to make this ambitious program a success.

#### The DCA Needs You!

Yes, that's right, we need you! By reading this newsletter it proves you are interested in the wellbeing of YOUR community. The Dante Community Association is operated solely by volunteers some who may be your family, friends, and neighbors. We have made a lot of progress in just two years, but we can do even more if we increase the number of members we have. Every citizen of Dante can have a voice in this organization but the work to make it happen starts within our ranks. Our five subcommittees allow you to help with the projects that interest you. JOIN US!

Applications are available from our members and online at <a href="www.danteva.org">www.danteva.org</a>. We look forward to working with you!

Sniffing out the good in OUR community!