



Around the Well

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City Updates

Sewer System Video Work In Progress

A contractor for the City will be performing video camera work on the sewer systems around town starting the week of September 25. The contractors will be accompanied by City of Social Circle employees. We will announce dates and locations on the City Facebook page and web site.

Seeking Volunteers

Do you have a love for Social Circle and enjoy meeting and talking with people? The Welcome Center is working to build their volunteer base and are looking for people with a heart for hospitality that would enjoy working in our Welcome Center a few hours a month. If you are interested, please email vhardy@socialcirclega.com.

Upcoming Events

23rd Annual Friendship Festival
Saturday, October 7th

Chili Cook-off and Art in the Alley
Saturday, November 11th

Shop Small Saturday
November 25th

Social Circle Christmas
Saturday December 2nd

Live Nativity
Sunday December 10th

To suggest a news topic, an update topic or to submit news items of community interest, please email aroundthewell@socialcirclega.com

Rebates for Old Appliances ♪ The Social Circle gas department wants you to round up your old appliances in exchange for new natural gas appliances. The Rebate Rally is a special natural gas appliance event, held by natural gas providers across the state of Georgia each year. Local governments, water heater manufacturers, local contractors, and local businesses have partnered together to promote the understanding of natural gas appliance savings, benefits and efficiencies. Social Circle is participating in the 2017 Rebate Rally Campaign throughout the months of September and October. Promotions include a \$400 rebate on natural gas tankless water heaters, a \$200 rebate on a natural gas tank water heater, \$50 rebate on natural gas stove, lights or logs. The City of Social Circle offers 0% interest financing on the purchase and installation cost of natural gas water heaters, stoves and dryers. Qualified residential customers can obtain an application from City Hall. For more information contact Robbie Groves at 770-464-2380. SocialCircleGA.gov and RebateRally.com.

Election Signs ♪ Election season is upon us, and candidates will soon be placing signs around town. As you may know, all signs are regulated by the City sign ordinance, including political signs. This ordinance allows increased opportunities for signs during these periods, without limiting content. At all times, any sign permitted under this regulation can carry any legal message, political or non-political, commercial or non-commercial, but must follow these regulations: * It is unlawful to place a sign in the right-of-way of any public street or on any public property or building, except signs by an authorized governmental unit. No sign shall be attached to or painted on a telephone pole or power pole, or any tree, rock or other natural object. * It is unlawful to place a sign on any private property unless the owner has given permission to place such sign on such property. * No sign shall be located closer than ten (10) feet from the back of the curb of a public roadway, nor be located closer than ten (10) feet from the public right-of-way. * No sign shall be maintained within 15 feet of an intersection or otherwise placed in a location that limits sight distance. * The total surface area of signs placed on a residential property (zoned R-15, R-25, RMD and RHD) shall not exceed 6 square feet. * The total area of signs on property zoned OI, NC, GC, I-1, and i-2 is not limited during election season, which is defined as the period between the date of qualification for elections until the final determination of all contests and issues. Signs that do not meet the requirements of the Sign Ordinance will be removed, and can be picked up by the candidate or their representative at City Hall. If you have any questions please contact Barbara Schlageter, (bschlageter@socialcirclega.com).

Downtown News

Sacred Grounds Corner Café Grand Opening ♪ Sacred Grounds Corner Café will host their Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting on Friday September 8th beginning at 11:00 am. Sacred Grounds is located within the former Wiley's General Store.

Friendship Festival T-Shirt Contest ♪ The T-shirt design contest ends Friday, September 8th. For contest rules and guidelines stop by the Welcome Center, visit the Social Circle Facebook page or email vhardy@socialcirclega.com.

School News

Clegg Takes First Place ♪ Social Circle High School Junior Ashley Clegg took 1st place this past weekend at the precision air rifle Hinds Match in Griffin, GA resulting in a near perfect score in the 60 Shot International Standing Position. Her score of 603.4 resulted in the final shot of a 10.8, her personal best to date.

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Community Calendar

Coffee with the City Manager ☞ Stop by the City Hall conference room on Wednesday, September 6, any time between 8 am - 9 am, to visit with the City Manager and discuss any ideas or concerns you have about City business or just to chat.

Rotary Fair ☞ The Rotary Club of Social Circle is excited to be partnering with Carr Exposition to present the 14th Annual Social Circle Fair on the Social Circle Middle School/High School campus September 7 through September 10. The bands are lined up, food vendors secured, and wristband tickets will go on sale soon. You may purchase your ticket for a \$20.00 wristband by paying \$15.00 in advance of the fair, at Social Circle Ace, Bank of Social Circle, or Pinnacle Bank. There will be live entertainment and delicious fair food Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The proceeds from this event are used to provide scholarships to graduating SCHS seniors and monthly Ferst Foundation books to children from birth to 5 years old who reside in our school district.

Coffee with a Cop ☞ Join us on Tuesday, September 19 from 9:00 am - 10:00 am at Ford's Restaurant. The Coffee with a Cop program gives citizens a chance to meet the Social Circle Police officers to discuss concerns, ask questions and get to know your police officers. There will be no formal agenda, so come by when you can!

Social Circle Business Coffee Call ☞ Would you like to meet fellow business owners from Social Circle and share what your business can offer to the community? If so, Coffee Call is the perfect networking opportunity for you! Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 21st at 9:00 am at The White Rabbit (former GA Power Building). We will spotlight a different business each month. If you are interested in hosting a Coffee Call please email vhardy@socialcirclega.com.

City-Wide Clean-up ☞ The kick-off for our semi-annual city-wide cleanup will be Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the Community Room. This will be the 21st regular cleanup event, which began in 2007. This is a great opportunity to meet and greet your friends and neighbors before setting out to clean up our beautiful city before the Friendship Festival. Everyone is invited. Wear your work clothes. Biscuits and coffee will be provided.

Friendship Festival October 7 ☞ The Friendship Festival celebrates its 23rd year and 2017 also marks 185 years of 'Friendship in Social Circle'. Vendor applications, parade registration, and information about volunteer opportunities are available on our website. socialcirclega.gov/city-events/friendship-festival/ or you may contact the Welcome Center at 770-464-1866 or email friendshipfestival@socialcirclega.com

Citizen Firearm Class ☞ The next Citizen Firearm class is scheduled for Saturday, October 21. This class is designed for those individuals who want to become familiar with how to properly use a firearm. This course will include classroom and range instruction. This course will also provide the legal and lawful explanation of the use of force. Registration will open mid-September.

Chili Cook-off and Art in the Alley November 11 ☞ Our second annual Chili Cook-off will be Saturday, November 11 at the parking lot across from Ace. This year we will also host our first Art in the Alley to showcase local artists and to offer hands-on art projects. We are looking for cooking teams and artists to participate. For more information email vhardy@socialcirclega.com, call (770) 464-1866 or visit SocialCircleGA.gov/city-events/chili-cook-off/

Visit our Facebook Pages: [Facebook.com/cityofsocialcirclegeorgia](https://www.facebook.com/cityofsocialcirclegeorgia) and [Facebook.com/socialcirclega/](https://www.facebook.com/socialcirclega/)

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Agendas for ALL meetings, regular and called, available on the city website www.socialcirclega.gov and at City Hall		
September 11 7:00 pm	Historic Preservation Commission (2nd Mon each month)	Community Room
September 12 8:00 am	Main Street Commission (2nd Tuesday each month)	City Hall Training Rm
September 14 10:00 am	Downtown Development Authority (2nd Thu each month)	City Hall Conference Rm
September 19 5:30 pm	Mayor and Council Work Session (3rd Tue each month)	Community Room
September 19 6:30 pm	Mayor and Council Regular Meeting (3rd Tue each month)	Community Room
September 20 1:00 pm	Municipal Court (3rd Wed each month)	Community Room
September 25 6:00 pm	Planning/Corridor Commission (4th Mon each month)	Community Room
September 28 6:00 pm	Tree Board (4th Thursday each month)	Community Room
October 10 8:30 am	Social Circle Development Authority (2nd Tue in Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct)	City Hall Conf Rm

Library Calendar of Events

Tales for Tots

* NEW DAY *

Mondays, September 11 & 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Story Time with Renee Hanna

Wednesday, September 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Early Bird Book Club

Tuesday, September 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Library Hours

MWF 9 a.m.– 6 p.m.

Tu & Th 9 a.m.– 7 p.m.

Sat 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sun 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

The Library will be closed for Labor Day, Monday, September 4

Friendship Festival Annual Book Sale

Preview Sale

Friday, October 6, 10 a.m. – Noon

(\$10 Admission Fee)

Regular Sale

Friday, October 6, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 7, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 8: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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For more info call (770) 464-2444

Drive-thru window: Monday, September 25, 8:30 am - 4.30 pm.

Deposit refunds: Greg & Irene Goetze, Lisa Lynam, Syrrian Mahoney, Matt Ford, Lori Couch

Siren Testing: Wednesday, September 6, 10:00 am.

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