

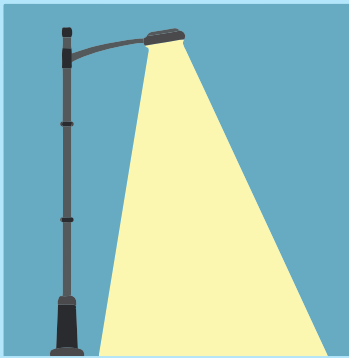


Around the Well

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Street Light Out?

If you have a street light out on your block, or if you are aware of an outage, please report it to us:

- 1) Record the "pole #" if one exists
- 2) Mark the pole with a ribbon or something to draw attention
- 3) Call the city at 770-464-2380.

City-Wide Clean-Up

Thank you to everyone who came out for our annual city-wide clean-up and to help make Social Circle "Georgia's cleanest little town!"



Special Dates

Friendship Festival	10/3
Lions & Lion-Hearted Golf	10/18
Downtown Trick or Treating	10/30
Christmas Tree Lighting	11/20
Social Circle Christmas	12/4

Community Updates

Ground Breaking for South Walton Community Center 🌀

Ground was broken on Friday, Sept. 25, for the South Walton Community Center in Social Circle. The location is at 573 FairPlay Drive, across the street from the South Walton ball fields/next to Stephens Park (the old football field).

This project, being funded with County SPLOST funds, is anticipated to begin construction this Fall and be complete by 2022.



Community Reminders

Change of Polling Location To Middle School Gym 🌀

The Walton County Board of Elections, acting as the Superintendent of Elections, has moved the place for casting votes from the Social Circle Community Center, 138 E Hightower Trail, Social Circle, GA 30025 to the **New Location** at Social Circle Middle School Gym, 154 Alcova Dr, Social Circle, GA 30025. All Federal, State, County and City Elections will be held at this location.



Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen 🌀

According to the National Fire Protection Association, seven people die every day from home fires on average, taking more lives each year than all other natural disasters in the U.S.; and, cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries in the U.S.

- ▶ The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ▶ Loose clothing can hang down onto stove burners and catch fire.
- ▶ Wear short, close-fitting, or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking.
- ▶ Always keep a lid nearby when cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner.
- ▶ Keep a type ABC fire extinguisher accessible in case of emergency.
- ▶ Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food.
- ▶ If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly and stay in the home.
- ▶ Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 meter) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.



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Oct 1: Open Burn Ban Lifted

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) open burning ban was in effect for 47 Georgia counties, including Walton Co., from May 1 through September 30.

All outdoor burning of natural vegetative materials is considered open burning and requires a burn permit from the Georgia Forestry Commission (GFC).



You can obtain one by calling or going online. To learn more about open burning in your county call your local GFC office.

- Primary: 1-877-OK2-BURN (+1 877-652-2876)
- [Apply for a permit online](http://www.gatrees.org) at www.gatrees.org

Citizen Police Academy Begins Oct 6

Do you wonder what it's like to be a police officer? Now's your chance to find out at our tuition-free, five-week program designed to introduce members of the community to the Social Circle Police Department. It is designed to teach citizens about the philosophy, policies, and guiding principles of law enforcement and ethical conduct governing police services in our community.

Classes will be a combination of lectures, demonstrations and interactive activities. Participants of this program will meet for (5) weeks on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm to 8:30pm in the community room located at the police department.

Firearms training will be held during week (5) on that Saturday and will conclude with a graduation ceremony for all participants. Participants must complete a (4) hour ride-along with a Social Circle Police officer.

For more information, or to apply, simply [download an application](#) on our city website.



Thank you to our Friendship Festival Sponsors

Social Circle Mainstreet Commission would like to extend a special thank you to our Friendship Festival sponsors: Immec, Inc, Morris Realty Co., David & Penny Keener, Hal & Becky Dally, CertainTeed, Newton Federal, Wayne & Joan McMillan, Tim Hutcheson State Farm Insurance, and Edward Jones - Making Sense of Investing

City Calendar

Info for ALL meetings is available at www.socialcirclega.gov and at City Hall.

Oct 1	6:30 pm	Mayor and Council - Work Session	Community Room
Oct 7	8:00 am	Coffee with the City Manager	City Hall
Oct 8	10:00 am	Downtown Development Authority	TBA
Oct 8	10:00 am	Social Circle Development Authority (2nd Thu)	CANCELED
Oct 13	8:00 am	Social Circle Mainstreet Commission (2nd Tue)	Church at the Grove
Oct 13	6:00 pm	Historic Preservation Commission	Community Room
Oct 13	10:00 am	Georgia Initiative for Community Housing	ZOOM
Oct 20	6:30 pm	Mayor and Council (Regular Mtg. 2nd Tue)	Social Circle Theater
Oct 23	1:00 pm	Municipal Court (3rd Wednesday)	Community Room
Oct 22	6:00 pm	Tree Board (4th Thu)	Community Room
Oct 27	6:00 pm	Planning & Corridor Commission (4th Tue)	Social Circle Theater

Library Calendar of Events

Library Curbside Hours

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri. . . 10 am - 5 pm
 Thu. . . 1-7 pm
 Sat. . . 10 am - 2 pm

Patrons can now make appointments to use the library computers, and free wifi is still available in the parking lot.

Utility and Tax Payment Options

Phone:

1-877-840-5562 (utility payments only)

Online:

socialcirclega.gov/payment-options/

Drive-Thru [ONLY]:

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Night Deposit:

24/7. Do not deposit cash.

Dates:

Oct 26 - Last day to avoid cut-off

Oct 27 - Cut-off

Oct 29 - Current payment due date

Oct 30 - Late fees applied

Utilities cut off in error?

Call 770-464-6938

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City Hall Closed Dates: November 26/27, December 24/25

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