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- ▶ Rake leaves to the curb or road.
- ▶ Make piles no more than 3 feet high, and 6 feet in diameter.
- Place piles horizontally along the curb for timelier and easier pickup by city crews.
- No trash, metals, brush, etc. mixed in to prevent damage to the machinery.
- Limbs should be cut to no more than 7 feet in length.
- Bagged leaves will be picked up and transported to the cities leaf drop off area.
- View the Quick links > Leaf and Brush Collection schedule on our website for the pickup day associated with your location.

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Sidewalk With Care

Please do not block sidewalks with brush, or clippings, or other materials to be collected. Children, elderly and blind residents use these walks regularly and a blocked sidewalk can create a hazardous situation. Thanks!

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

South Walton Recreation Center Walton County has awarded a construction contract for A recreation center in Social Circle across from the South Walton Ballfields Park, and adjacent to Stephens Park on Social Circle Fairplay Road. This project, being funded with County SPLOST funds, is anticipated to begin construction this Fall and be complete by 2022.



Community Reminders

Open House for Proposed Sidewalks on Sept 29 & 30 2

The City will be hosting an Open House for the proposed new sidewalks. We will have Engineers from Keck & Wood on hand to help answer questions and present concept drawings.

- ▶ Sept. 29 from 1pm − 4pm for the proposed new sidewalk along North and South Cherokee Road from Spring Street to Cannon Drive & Oak Drive to Rose Lane.
- ▶ Sept. 30 from 1pm 4pm for the proposed new sidewalk along East Hightower Trail from Willow Drive to Vine Circle.

Please feel free to drop in to the Community Room to look at the concept drawings and ask questions. We will be practicing social distancing and masks will be required.

Service Reminders

We are working to improve our services to you and to make Social Circle a more beautiful city.



grass (or grass left on tarps), and we have unfortunately had to leave some clippings in place at the curb. We ask that you place grass clippings in some type of bag that can be entirely collected and hauled away. Plastic bags and paper bags are acceptable.

If you have bagged grass clippings that have [not] been picked up, please call us at 770-464-2380 and we will collect them.

2020 Census

SPLOST Special Purpose Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) is an important part of how city funds several local projects: sidewalks, trails, sewers, and police cars (just to name a few). Part of these funds (collected by the county) are allocated to the city of Social Circle based upon our population in relation to the rest of the

Census 2020 country. Therefore, the participation of each resident in the census plays a vital, and direct, role in the amount of funds that are made available to our city.

November Ballot There is a referendum on the voting ballot in November that would ask for an extra one

cent sales tax to be returned to cities for transportation improvements. This small one cent tax would amount to about \$3M in funds to the city over a 5 year period.

Community Events

Lion & Lion-Hearted Golf Tournament, Friday, Sept. 18 The Social Circle Lions Club and Social Circle Police Department are holding their annual golf tournament at The Creek at Hard Labor Golf Course, Rutledge, GA 30663.

This annual event is designed to raise money for community outreach projects. Shotgun start with 1:00pm lunch provided. If you would like to participate or be a sponsor, please email Amber McKibben at (amckibben@socialcirclega.gov).

Friendship Festival, Saturday, Oct 3, 10am-4pm

- ▶ August 28: Last day for Early-Bird vendor discount
- ▶ <u>September 18</u>: Last day for vendor registration
- October 3: Friendship Festival Celebration

If you would like to volunteer, email Amber at (amckibben@socialcirclega.gov).

Community Choir A Social Circle Community Choir is being formed to participate in an upcoming Christmas Event. If you are interested, and would like more information, email Amber McKibben at (amckibben@socialcirclega.gov).

City Calendar

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

Sep 2	8:00 am	Coffee with the City Manager	City Hall
Sep 3	6:30 pm	Mayor and Council - Work Session (rescheduled)	Social Circle Theater
Sep 8	8:00 am	Social Circle Mainstreet Commission (2nd Tue)	Church at the Grove
Sep 8	6:00 pm	Historic Preservation Commission	Community Room
Sep 15	10:00 am	Georgia Initiative for Community Housing	ZOOM
Sep 15	6:30 pm	Mayor and Council (Regular Mtg, 2nd Tue)	Social Circle Theater
Sep 22	6:00 pm	Planning & Corridor Commission (4th Tue)	Social Circle Theater
Sep 24	6:00 pm	Tree Board (4th Thu)	Community Room

Correction

In our August newsletter, we failed to recognize two of our wonderful sponsors for our **Back to School Bash**.

- ▶ Susan Farrow at Conner Smith Realty
- ▶ Georgia Plumbing Pros

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:

Sep 23 - Last day to avoid cut-off

Sep 24 - Cut-off

Sep 29 - Current payment due date

Sep 30 - Late fees applied

Utilities cut off in error? Call 770-464-6938

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