

Around the Well

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Social Circle Community News



Tree Lighting is Nov. 18

Welcome yuletide with the City of Social Circle by attending this year's annual Christmas Tree Lighting. The celebration starts at 6:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, in Friendship Park. Children of all ages can visit with Santa Claus and The Grinch. Christmas themed activities and treats will be available. For more information email Downtown Director Amber McKibben at amckibben@ socialcirclega.gov.

City Hall will be closed for Thanksgiving Nov. 24 and 25

City Hall is closed for Thanksgiving Nov. 24-Nov. 25. Trash pick-up for Thursday and Friday will be delayed by one day. Wishing you a happy and safe holiday!



Police Chief's Corner

Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to gather with friends and family at home, eat delicious food, watch football or parades on T.V., or travel to visit loved ones faraway.



While enjoying this uniquely American holiday is important, so, too, is your safety. Please keep these tips in mind when you are out and about:

- Do NOT text when driving. Drivers who are texting take their eyes off the road for an average of 5 seconds. Driving at 55 mph, that is about the length of a football field.
- Buckle up, every trip.
- Make sure your vehicle is well maintained.
- Plan your route ahead of time.
- Carry an emergency kit in the car.
- Be aware of weather conditions.
- Take caution in parking lots while out shopping.

City of Social Circle Q&A:

Q: Does the City provide Transit bus service? A: Yes. Transit is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with a one-way fare of \$1 inside the city



limits. Civilians can visit medical providers and government agencies in Monroe and Covington Monday through Friday mornings for a round-trip fare of \$5. Trips must be scheduled by 4:00 p.m. the previous day. Cash may be presented to the driver upon entering the bus. Text RIDE to 470-900-3966 or call 770-464-2953. Q: I'm new. How do I get utility services connected? A: Bring in a legal document of residency, such as a lease or closing agreement; a completed connection application; and, a copy of the drivers license for anyone listed on the account. A deposit must be paid before services will be connected under the new account. Deposits cost \$100 for water and \$200 for gas services. The Utility Department drive-thru is open from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

City of Social Circle meeting dates for council, court and commissions

6:30 p.m. City Council Work Session Nov. 3 City Community Room 8:00 a.m. Mainstreet Commission Nov. 8 The Church at Stanton Springs 6:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission City Community Room Nov. 8 Nov. 15 6:30 p.m. City Council Regular Meeting City Community Room Nov. 16 1:00 p.m. Municipal Court City Community Room Nov. 22 6:00 p.m. Planning/Corridor Commission City Community Room CITY HALL CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING Nov. 24 and 25

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6:30 p.m. Mayor & Council Work-session

Dec. 1

Social Circle Deputy Fire
Chief Jimmy Robinson, second from right, is awarded
Chief Fire Officer of the Year
at a Georgia Fire Service
Conference in Columbus on
Oct. 1. At far right is Social
Circle Fire Chief Ken Zaydel.
Also pictured are Fire Chief
David Eddins, president of
the Georgia Association of
Fire Chiefs, and Fire Chiefs
Chad Jones and Jeff Stone,
second and third vice presidents for the Association.

SCFD Deputy Fire Chief named Chief Fire Officer of the Year

Social Circle's Deputy Fire Chief Jimmy Robinson was named Chief Fire Officer of the Year early last month. Robinson received the award from the Georgia Association of Fire Chiefs at the Georgia Fire Service Conference in Columbus. Chief Robinson began his fire service career in 2003 serving in different roles with Newton County, the City of Covington, and Rockdale County Fire Departments before coming to work for the City of Social Circle in 2013. He has helped establish goals for the Social Circle Fire Department and ready the department for an ISO evaluation, which lowered the City's rating from a Class 4 to a Class 2. As a Paramedic and EMS instructor, Robinson developed the department's EMS program. All members of the City's fire department are now EMT's or Paramedics and operate at a basic life support or advanced life support level licensed by the Georgia Department of Public Health. This program has greatly increased the quality of service and level of care provided to the citizens of Social Circle.

CITY LEADERS

City Community Room

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We offer easy options to pay your utility bills

You can pay utility bills in person at City Hall drive-thru Monday-Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Or pay online at socialcirclega.gov/payment-options/, or by

phone at 1-877-840-5562. The night deposit is open 24/7. Please do not deposit cash. The last day to pay past due balances is Nov. 21. The cut-off date is Nov. 22. The due date for current balances is Nov. 29. Late fees will be added to bills on Nov. 30.

Snuggle up with a good book this month from W. H. Stanton Memorial Library

Facebook Live Chair Yoga –Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. Quilting Club – Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.



Tales for Tots - Thursday, Nov. 10 at 10:30 a.m. Family Lego Night - Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 5:30 p.m. Book Club – Friday, Nov. 18 at 10:30 a.m. with "My Grandmother Asked Me To Tell You She's Sorry," by Fredrick Backman.