

Around the Well



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Social Circle Community News

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Shop, dine, and soothe your soul with chocolate!



Downtown Social Circle is kickstarting its lively slate of 2023 events with a Chocolate Crawl on Feb. 9. Date night or girls night out, this is the perfect opportunity to grab dinner at one of our downtown restau-

rants and then do some Valentine’s Day shopping while collecting a yummy treat! Participating businesses will be tagged in a post the week of the event and will have a bright red heart in their windows letting you know they are a part of the fun.

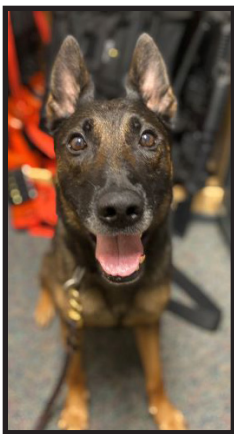
Application deadlines for Planning

The deadline to submit applications for the March 23 Tree Board meeting and the March 28 Planning/Corridor Commission meeting is Feb. 13. Feb. 27 is the deadline for the April 11 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting.

Email Community Development Director Ashley Davis at adavis@socialcirclega.gov.



SCPD bids K-9 Officer fond farewell



Social Circle Police Department K-9 Charlie spent his final “working” day Jan. 6, honored at a ceremony, eating cake and receiving belly rubs and toys. K-9 Charlie started at the SCPD in 2017 after being donated from the Netherlands. Upon his arrival, K-9 Charlie was partnered with Officer Chad Hunt, where they both completed narcotics detection training. After the departure of Officer Hunt, K-9

Charlie was partnered with Officer Robert Orr until K-9 Charlie’s retirement at 56 “dog years” on the job. K-9 Charlie has played a vital role as a partner with the SCPD in helping detect illegal drugs over the years. He has demonstrated his detection training at Citizen’s Police Academy and Youth events during his tenure. K-9 Charlie and his handler plan to spend more time with family, so K-9 Charlie can enjoy chasing, belly rubs, and endless playtime. K-9 Charlie will be missed by many of our SCPD officers.

City of Social Circle Q&A:



Q: What is the proper way to place my trash bin?

A: Place your bin at least 3 feet from other objects, like cars and mailboxes. Place the wheels of the bin toward the house and

have the front metal bar facing the street. All trash inside the bin must fit inside with the lid closed. No refuse outside the bin will be collected. This will allow the garbage truck’s automatic arm to lift and empty the bin without damaging it.

Q: How much does an extra trash bin cost?

A: Extra bins cost an extra \$18.74 a month.

Q: Who do I contact if I need a broken trash or recycle bin replaced?

A: Email the billing clerk at jturner@socialcirclega.gov. Provide your name, phone number, and address. Let us know if you need a broken bin swapped out, need an extra one delivered, or want one removed.

Meetings for City Council, Municipal Court, Commissions, and Boards

Feb. 2 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council Work Session held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 7 at 6:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 9 at 9:00 a.m. Downtown Development Authority meets in the Welcome Center, 129 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 14 at 8:00 a.m. Mainstreet Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 15 at 1:00 p.m. Municipal Court held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 21 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council Meeting held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 Feb. 28 at 6:00 p.m. Planning/Corridor Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail
 March 2 at 6:00 p.m. The Tree Board will meet, location to be announced

City debuts new leaf vacuum truck



The City has a new leaf vacuum truck to pick up yard debris. The new truck allows the City's street department crew to be more efficient. Please help our crew by NOT putting large limbs or metal pieces in with yard debris as it can damage equipment. Leaves, grass clippings, and pine straw are acceptable. Customers do not need to bag leaves. Here are some tips to make the process easier:

- Rake leaves to the curb or road
- Make piles no higher than

3 feet and 6 feet in diameter

- Place piles horizontally along the curb for timelier and easier pickup by city crews.
- Limbs should be cut to no more than 7 feet in length
- Bagged leaves will be picked up and transported to the City's leaf drop off area. A load is about 8 feet by 8 feet by 4 feet.

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We offer easy options to pay your utility bills

You can pay utility bills at City Hall's 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 Feb. 22. The cut-off date is Feb. 23. The due date for current balances is Feb. 27. Late fees will be added to bills on Feb. 28.

Join us at W. H. Stanton Memorial Library

Homeschool Hour - Tuesdays 11:00 a.m.

Quilting Club - Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.

Tales for Tots - Feb. 9, 23 at 10:30 a.m.

2023 Vision Board - Feb. 11 at noon

Family Lego Night - Feb. 14 at 5:30 p.m.

The Library will be closed Feb. 15.

Children's Music & Movement - Feb. 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Book Club - Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Teen & Pre-Teen bookmark craft - Feb. 28 at 3:30 p.m.

Spring Gardening Seminar - Feb. 28 at 4:00 p.m.

