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Social Circle Community News

Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday is Jan. 15



Social Circle City Hall will close Monday, Jan. 15, to observe Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. King and his followers utilized nonviolent methods of protest to fight for the civil rights of all Americans, especially those who faced racial and other forms of discrimination.

City Department Profile: What is Main Street?



Year-round events for residents and visitors are planned by the Main Street Department. But that is not all they do. Main Street actively seeks ways to maintain our smalltown atmosphere, to preserve our quality of life, and to create the best business climate for quality growth.

Our Main Street program is dedicated to making our downtown area attractive to new businesses and to helping new businesses navigate the process of getting their business started here. Contact Downtown Director Amber McKibben at 770-464-1866 or amckibben@socialcirclega.gov if interested in opening a business in our downtown district or to register as a vendor for any of our events. Ms. McKibben is also a point of contact for the Social Circle Downtown Development Authority, which helps oversee the Facade Grant program, and acts as the liaison for production companies interested in filming in Social Circle.

Application deadlines for Planning

The deadline to submit applications to Community Development for the Feb. 13, Historic Preservation Commission meeting is Jan. 29. The deadline to submit applications for the Feb. 27 Planning Commission meeting is Jan. 8. Contact CD director Ashley Davis at adavis@socialcirclega.gov.



City of Social Circle Q&A:

Q: How do I get a new trash or recycle bin? A: If you need a new trash or recycling bin, email jturner@socialcirclega.gov or call 770-



464-6910 and provide your name, address and phone number. Tell us if you need to swap a

damaged bin for a new one, have a trash bin removed, or have an extra trash bin delivered. Extra bins cost \$18.74 per bin per month. Q: What is accepted for recycling?

A: Newspapers and inserts, cardboard boxes that have been broken down, pizza boxes, kraft paper, cereal boxes, paper towel and toilet paper cores, tissue boxes, office paper, file folders, calendars, magazines, shopping catalogs, envelopes, paper grocery bags, soda and beer cartons, telephone books, aluminum drink cans, tin food containers, and plastic bottles.

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

Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council will hold an organizational meeting and work session.

Jan. 9 at 8:00 a.m. Mainstreet Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Jan. 9 at 6:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Jan. 11 at 3:00 p.m. Social Circle Development Authority meets at City Hall conference room, 166 N. Cherokee Trail.

Jan. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council meet in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Jan. 17 at 1:00 p.m. Municipal Court held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Jan. 23 at 6:00 p.m. Planning Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Jan. 25 at 6:00 p.m. Tree Board meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Most meetings are held in the City Community Room at 138 E. Hightower Trail unless otherwise specified.

Avoid fire risks when temps dip below freezing



Space Heaters:

- Keep anything that can burn, such as bedding, clothing, and curtains, at least 3 feet away from the heater.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Turn heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Plug portable heaters directly into outlets and never into an extension cord or power strip.

Fireplace:

- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers or sparks from jumping out.
- Do not burn paper in your fireplace.
- Put the fire out before you go to sleep or leave your home
- Put ashes in a metal container with a lid, outside, at least 10 feet from your home.

CITY LEADERS

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We offer easy billing/payment options!

You can pay utility bills at City Hall's drive-thru Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., online at socialcirclega.gov, 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 Jan. 23. The cut-off date is Jan. 24. The due date for current balances is

Jan. 30. Late fees will be added to bills on Jan. 31.

W.H. Stanton Memorial Library events



Library closed New Year's Day

Adult Coloring – Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Homeschool Hour - Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Quilting Club - Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Children's Music & Movements - 10:30 a.m. 1/18, 2/1 Tales for Tots - 10:30 a.m. 1/11, 1/25 Dungeons & Dragons pre-teen - 3:00 p.m. 1/7, 1/21 Book Club - 5:30 p.m. 1/25, 10:30 a.m. 1/26