



# Around the Well

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## News

Gardening with the Walton County Master Gardeners

Free Spring 2022 Seminar Series

Tuesday's From 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Apr 19 Insect Friends & Foes

Apr 26 Native Plants

W.H. Stanton Memorial Library

407 W. Hightower Trail, Social Circle  
GA 30025



## Social Circle Transit Bus Schedule

Please call 770-464-2953 to schedule a ride. M-F 8:00am-3:30pm

\$1.00 one way; cash presented to driver upon entering bus.

All trips must be scheduled by 4:00pm on previous day. No Exceptions.

Masks must be worn at all times.

To suggest or submit a city related news item, please email:  
[communications@socialcirclega.gov](mailto:communications@socialcirclega.gov)

## Utility News

**Leaf and Limb Pickup** ~ Spring is here. Now is a great time to remind everyone of the leaf, limb, and brush pickup schedule, weather permitting. Remember, wet leaves do not vacuum well.

~ Monday: North of East Hightower Road and east of North Cherokee Road.

~ Tuesday: West of North Cherokee Road and north of West Hightower Trail and Alcova Drive.

~ Wednesday: South of Alcova Drive and West Hightower Trail and west of South Cherokee Road.

~ Thursday: East of South Cherokee Road and south of East Hightower Trail.

~ Friday: Make up day.

If you pile leaves or brush after your designated day of pick up listed above, city crews will pick them up on your designated day the following week, not on Friday make up days.

## Community News

**Occupation Tax and Business License Regulations** ~ The city has upgraded to a new system for business licenses. Business license renewal notices were mailed in December. If you are an existing business and did not receive your renewal notice, please call City Hall at 770-464-2380 and ask for Dennise Adams or Barbara Schlageter. We will be glad to provide you with the forms. The administrative fee of \$100.00 shall be required on all businesses. The employee fee is \$10.00 per each employee. The business license is due and payable by January 31st of each year and shall, if not paid by May 1 of each year, be subject to penalties and interest. If you are starting a new business, we welcome you. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call. We will be glad to help get you started.

**Family Karaoke Night at Friendship Park** ~ The Social Circle Mainstreet Commission invites everyone to come out to Friendship Park on Friday, April 22nd from 6:00pm - 8:00pm for Family Karaoke Night! We will be giving away hot dogs, have games, face painting and more! For more information call 770-464-1866.

**City-wide Yard-sale** ~ The City-wide Yard sale will take place May 6-8th! If you live in the city, this means that you do not have to have a permit for having a yard sale during this weekend. If you would like to be on the list, please call 770-464-1866 and provide the address to be added.

**Coffee and Conversations** ~ Please join us for Coffee and Conversations at Sacred Grounds on April 26th at 8:30am. This is a wonderful networking opportunity for businesses, churches, clubs, and organizations. Please RSVP by calling 770-464-1866.

**City-wide Cleanup** ~ The City-wide cleanup will take place on Saturday, April 30th at 8:00am. Participants will gather outside the community room in Downtown Social Circle before starting to receive gloves, trash bags, and street assignments. This event is organized by the Social Circle Lions Club. If you are interested in being a part of the event, call the Welcome Center at 770-464-1866.

**Volunteers** ~ There are lots of ways to volunteer for events and happenings in Downtown. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Amber McKibben at 770-464-1866 or email [amckibben@socialcirclega.gov](mailto:amckibben@socialcirclega.gov)

**Closures** 🌀 City Hall will be closed on Friday April 15, 2022, in observance of Good Friday. There will not be any delays in trash pickup.

**Fire Chief** 🌀 Reminder of the annual ban on open burning begins May 1. The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) open burning ban will be in effect for 54 Georgia counties. The open burning ban has been in place during the summer ozone season since 2005. The ban prohibits citizens and businesses from burning yard and land-clearing debris from May 1 through September 30. This is in addition to the rule that prohibits the burning of household garbage. Burning household garbage is never allowed anywhere in Georgia. Recreational activities such as campfires and grilling are exempt from the open burning ban. Burning of vegetative materials at agricultural operations is also exempt. Citizens can access more information on the open burning ban by visiting <https://epd.georgia.gov/> and clicking on "Open Burning Rules for Georgia" under Popular Topics, or by calling the EPD District Office serving their area.

**Police Chief** 🌀 HELP TAKE A BITE OUT OF GAS STATION THEFT HERE'S HOW...  
 ~Pick stations that are well-lit and have pump video surveillance cameras.  
 ~Always remove your keys and lock the doors while you are pumping gas.  
 ~Keep valuables out of plain view in your vehicle and lock the doors even if you are going inside for a moment.  
 ~Pay attention to your surroundings. Don't let your cell phone distract you.

### Social Circle Boys Varsity Basketball Team.

At the Regular meeting of the Social Circle Mayor and Council on March 16, 2022, the Social Circle Boys Varsity Basketball Team was recognized with a resolution for their dedication and achievements over the course of their outstanding season. The Social Circle Boys Varsity Team recorded an outstanding 30 total wins in their season and reached the Final Four of the State Championship Tournament for the first time since 1974. Congratulations to the team and coaches involved! Thank you for all you do!



## City Calendar

Agendas for ALL meetings, regular and called, are available on the city website at [socialcirclega.gov](http://socialcirclega.gov) and at City Hall.

Apr 07	6:30pm	Mayor & Council Work-session (1st Thurs.)	City Community Room
Apr 12	8:00am	Main Street Commission (2nd Tues.)	City Community Room
Apr 12	6:00pm	Historic Preservation Committee (2nd Tues.)	City Community Room
Apr 14	9:00am	Downtown Development Authority of Social Circle	Welcome Center
Apr 14	10:30am	Downtown Development Authority	City Hall Conferenc Room
Apr 19	6:30pm	Mayor and Council Regular Meeting (3rd Tues.)	City Community Room
Apr 16	1:00pm	Municipal Court	City Community Room
Apr 26	6:00pm	Planning Commission. (4th Tues.)	City Community Room
Apr 28	6:00pm	Tree Board (4th Thurs.)	City Community Room
May 05	6:30pm	Mayor & Council Work-session (1st Thurs.)	City Community Room
May 17	6:30pm	Mayor & Council Regular Meeting (3rd Tues.)	City Community Room

### Library Hours

Monday:	9:00am-6:00pm
Tuesday:	9:00am-7:00pm
Wednesday:	9:00am-6:00pm
Thursday:	9:00pm-7:00pm
Friday:	9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday:	10:00am-4:00pm
Sunday:	2:00pm - 6:00pm

Visit our website or follow us on Facebook.

W. H. Stanton Memorial Library  
[Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | 770-464-2444

### City Hall: 770-464-2380

#### Utility and Tax Payment Options

**In-person at City Hall Drive - Thru:**  
 Monday-Friday, 8:00am - 4:30pm

**Phone**  
 1-877-840-5562 (Not Tax Payments)

**Online:**  
[socialcirclega.gov/payment-options/](http://socialcirclega.gov/payment-options/)

**Night Deposit:**  
 Open 24/7. Do not deposit cash.

**Dates:**  
 Apr. 25 - Last day to pay to avoid cut-off  
 Apr. 26 - Cut-off  
 Apr. 28 - Current payment due date  
 Apr. 29 - Late fees applied

**Utilities cut off in error?**  
 Call 770-464-6938 or  
 Text CUT-OFF to 470-900-3966.

#### Utility Deposit Refunds

Refunds can be applied to account or a check processed after 12 on-time payments. Request your refund by calling City Hall 770-464-2380 and press 1

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