



# HARLEM NEWSLETTER

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May 2010

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

April 30 - May 1

Harley For Life @ Harlem Middle School

May 10

Oliver Hardy Festival Committee Meeting  
7:00pm @ City Hall

May 13

Harlem Woman's Club @  
7:00pm

May 17

Work Session & Council Meeting @  
6:30pm

May 18

Pioneer Garden Club @  
4pm

May 31

City Offices Closed

Dear Fellow Citizens:

As we reach the end of another school year, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2010! I wish you tremendous success in all your future endeavors.

We recently met with representatives of our schools to plan an end of the year event and to celebrate the beginning of the summer break. More information on this event will be posted once a definite date is set. We hope everyone will come out to celebrate and enjoy this time with the students, your neighbors and friends.

Also, I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Spring Trash to Treasures and BBQ Cook Off. Shawn Meadows won first place with his BBQ chicken, Harlem Fire Department won second place with their BBQ chicken, and Shawn Meadows won third place with his BBQ pork. It was a great spring day and I was glad to see so many friends and neighbors in attendance.

Your Mayor,

Bobby Culpepper

## **WATER / SEWER RATE INCREASE**

The following rates will become effective with the May 2010 billing:

### In-City Water Rates:

0 - 2000 gallons	\$10.82
2001 - 20,000 gallons	3.19 per thousand gallons
20,0001 + gallons	4.30 per thousand gallons

### Outside-City Water Rates:

0 - 2000 gallons	\$23.76
2001 - 20,000 gallons	6.70 per thousand gallons
20,0001 + gallons	9.03 per thousand gallons

Dear Residents,

As Jean Dove and Mayor Culpepper mentioned in last month's newsletter, I am the new Assistant City Manager. I've had the pleasure of meeting a number of you, and I look forward to meeting many more in the coming weeks and months. Harlem is a great community, and I've really enjoyed my time here so far!

There's also another new face in City Hall. Leona Holley recently came on board as the new Water Billing Clerk. Leona is a familiar face to many in Harlem, and we are happy to have her as part of our team.

There are a number of exciting projects going on around town. The Gazebo Project in the city park behind the Woman's Club is near completion, and it looks terrific. We are currently in the initial design phase for our new Public Safety Building. This project represents a truly unique opportunity to redefine the busiest intersection in town while providing our Public Safety team with much needed additional space.

We tend to take water and sewer service for granted, but our Public Works team is working hard to continue to make improvements to these systems. New lines are currently being added on South Louisville Street, and a project along U.S. Highway 78 will begin in the very near future.

The Laurel and Hardy Museum continues to attract visitors from around the world. In March alone, the Museum had visitors from 30 different states and 5 different countries. They have also experienced a flurry of activity in recent weeks from Masters visitors and tour groups. Plans for the Oliver Hardy Festival are also well underway.

There is much to be excited about here in Harlem, and I'm happy to be on board. Please feel free to drop by City Hall to say hello, and don't hesitate to contact me if I can ever be of service.

Sincerely,

Jason Rizner

Assistant City Manager

### Harlem Library Book Club

Thursday, May 20th @ 4:00 pm

Book of the month:

'Murder in Coweta County'

by Karin Gillespie

### Bethesda Baptist Church Food Pantry

Free Food and Clothing to those in need

Contact Lee Dixon (706)556-2425 /

(706)830-4419

Or Pastor Elliott Fulmer (706)755-5390

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For every \$100 spent, \$68 returns to your local economy.

### Harlem Library Summer Reading Program

begins May 21, 2010. Activities include movies every Tuesday at 2:00pm and special programs every Wednesday at 2:00pm as follows:

May 26 - Water Safety Program

June 2 - Magician Chad Crews @ 2:30

June 9 - Therapy Dogs

June 16 - Story Time

June 23 - Puppet Show

June 30 - Abatsu African Drummers

July 7 - Special Story Time with Ms. Pam

July 14 - Special Story time with Ms. Nancy

July 21 - Mr. Bob the Singing Story Teller

July 28 - Reptile Show

For more information, please call (706)556-9795.

The Harlem Housing Authority is now accepting pre-applications for housing. A certified birth certificate, social security card, and income verification for each household member is required. Pick up applications at the Harlem Housing Authority located at 140 E. Milledgeville Road, Harlem, GA 30814 between the hours of 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday.