



# HARLEM NEWSLETTER

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June 2018

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **June 5**

Planning Commission Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### **June 13**

Urban Redevelopment Authority Meeting 9:30 a.m. at City Hall

### **June 18**

City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

### **June 28**

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 6:30 p.m.

\* Meetings are held at the Public Safety Building unless otherwise noted

\* All meetings are subject to change

Welcome Summer! By now, your children are probably bored and say they have nothing to do. There are plenty of fun things happening all around Harlem. Our Library and our Arts Council have various programs for children of all ages. And parents, they even have classes for you. Check them out. You may find a new hobby or rekindle an old one. There is something for everyone!

Our Merchants Association and our Arts Council are busy planning many exciting events to entertain us in Harlem. On Saturday, June 2, the Harlem Arts Council will host an Open House at our Civic Center. Stop by and visit their display of art - you may be surprised at the talented artists we have here in Harlem. Coming in the near future, the Merchants Association will be hosting a Jazz Concert at the Glenn Phillips Memorial Park. Plans are also in the making for the 3rd Ladies Night Out. Our own Java House also offers various concerts throughout the month. Be on the look out for other concerts and events. The Oliver Hardy Festival plans are coming together. If you are interested in assisting with our annual festival, please call Kennedy Sammons at City Hall.

With summer time, you may see an increase in your water bill due to usage increase - watering lawns, swimming pools, children home all day, etc. If you should have questions about your bill, please do not hesitate to call our City Hall. Our ladies will be more than glad to help assist you in this matter. Also, if you would like your home monitored while you are on vacation, please contact our Public Safety Department and they will do frequent checks on your home while you are away.

This month we celebrate fathers. I am very fortunate in that I have a father that has spoiled me (just a little) and loves me unconditionally. I am a very lucky girl who loves her daddy a whole lot. Happy Father's Day to my dad and all the fathers in Harlem! Unfortunately, we have some children who do not have a father figure in their life for whatever reason. If you feel led to mentor children, please contact Columbia County Connections or our Teen Court. They need volunteers - men and women. It is important that we raise our children up on the correct path so they may know right from wrong as they grow.

And don't forget to shop locally!

Roxanne Whitaker, your Mayor

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## Harlem Senior Center

The Harlem Senior Center provides many programs for our senior citizens such as arts & crafts, fitness & well-being, guest speakers, and more. We also serve lunch Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday at a cost of \$10 per month. The center is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information on programs, senior meals, or volunteering to assist with games such as calling bingo, please call (706) 449-8400. Come join us and see what the Harlem Senior Center has to offer.



### Vacation Bible School "GAME ON"!

June 18-22, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sign up today at: <http://www.bethesdabchurch.org>  
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

Bethesda Baptist Church is located at  
5793 Old Augusta Highway in Harlem  
For more information please call 706 556-6818

### RECYCLE YOUR CANS

Place your aluminum cans in a plastic trash bag and bring them to the bin located in the Harlem Public Safety Building parking lot. All proceeds go to support the Southeastern Firefighters Burn Foundation who provide assistance to families of burn patients at the Joseph M. Still Burn Center in Augusta. Please do your part to help those in need!

### SWIMMING POOL REMINDER

On January 1, 2017 Georgia adopted the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. This building code applies to in-ground and above-ground pools and spas connected to a circulation system. This code most often is applied to new pools. However, the state standards are especially helpful in protecting small children from drowning. For this safety issue, the most important features are a barrier, the gates and latches, and ladders. The City of Harlem is more than happy to answer questions you might have about your current pool and how we can protect the children of Harlem. Please contact the City at (706) 556-0043 or [djenkins@harlemga.org](mailto:djenkins@harlemga.org) if you have questions about your swimming pool (or spa) barrier fence, gates and latches, and ladders.



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