



# HARLEM NEWSLETTER

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **February 1**

Planning & Zoning Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### **February 9**

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

### **February 10**

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

### **February 10**

STAR Student Program 7:00 p.m. at North Harlem Elementary

### **February 21**

City Offices Closed—President's Day

### **February 24**

City Council Work Session 7:00 p.m.

### **February 28**

City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**\* Meetings are held at the Public Safety**

Happy February! The Harlem Merchants Association has a special scavenger hunt planned for the week of February 5-11. Get a vendor passport card and have each participating vendor stamp your card when you visit their business. Turn the card in and a drawing will take place for some neat gifts donated by those businesses. This includes some of Harlem's in-home businesses.

Have you dropped into the Civic Center lately? The Harlem Arts Council offers a variety of Art Classes from drawing, painting and even pottery. There are classes for all ages. And don't forget to drop by our Library for various story times, book clubs, and art projects to-go.

As you know by now, our garbage and recycling company has changed. Coastal Waste is our new company and they are trying hard to get back on schedule. On Monday's, garbage is to be picked up south of the traffic light and some out-of-city areas. Tuesday, the garbage is being picked up north of the traffic light in-city. Wednesday, out-of-city pick up on the north side of town. Recycle is every other Thursday-south of Harlem is one week, and the next Thursday is for the north side of Harlem. If you do not have service when scheduled, or are unsure of your schedule days call City Hall at 706-556-3448. Coastal Waste does have some restrictions to what they can/will pick up for recycling. All items should be inside the carts. These are defined by the landfill and Recycling Center. The company will pick up two bulk items per week per house. Please remember that when placing these items out for pick-up. Please call City Hall if you have any questions.

Over the past several weeks we've had requests for speed humps. There is a process for getting speed humps for particular areas. Please call City Hall for the form to get this process started.

Your Mayor,

Roxanne Whitaker

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**Please remember to check the City of Harlem's website, [www.harlemga.org](http://www.harlemga.org), and the City's Facebook page, City of Harlem, Georgia@harlemga, for updates on City office closures, essential services, etc.**

**A Message from the Community Development Department**

The State of Georgia has adopted the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. It explains what the barrier (fence) requirements are, explains deck requirements, GFCI requirements for electrical outlets, circulation systems, filters, safety signs (including font size and type), and ladders to name a few things. In-ground pools require a minimum 48" barrier (height) with a 36" clearance around the entire pool, but an above ground pool can act as its own barrier provided you remove the ladder system when not in use.

Please make yourself aware of the requirements for owning pools, and more so for the maintenance of them. The City of Harlem has a pool registry, so we can be of better help with questions if you have any type of pool in your yard. For more information call City Hall at 706-556-0043.

**RECYCLE YOUR CANS**

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



The City of Harlem and Starling Funeral Home continues to collect gently used cellular phones for the Cell Phones for Soldiers on-going program. Cell Phones for Soldiers is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing cost-free communication services to active duty military members and veterans. Funds raised from the recycling of cellular phones are used to purchase pre-paid calling cards. You may drop off your old cell phones at Starling Funeral Home or at City Hall. For more information you may visit their website at [www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com](http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com).



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