

HARLEM NEWSLETTER

Congratulation to all our students! You have successfully completed another year of

education. Some of you will be graduating, others will find yourselves moving on to new schools, and others will begin work or entering the military. We wish you much success

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and happiness in whatever lies before you. A huge thank you to our teachers, faculty members, bus drivers, and administrators. You have played a pivotal part in the future of May 7 our children. Enjoy your summer and remember to be safe! Planning Commission It's that time of year - yes Mimosa's On Main will be held May 11th from 10 a.m. until 2 Meeting at 6:00 p.m. p.m. What a perfect way to spend shopping and sipping on a delicious treat from one of many businesses! And don't forget, it's Mothers' Day! You may be able to find that perfect <u>May 8</u> gift for the mother in your life! Several of our businesses will also have gift baskets to Urban Redevelopment raffle. Come join in all the fun in our downtown. On that note, if you wish to be a vendor Agency Meeting; for our annual Oliver Hardy Festival, you can find the application on the City's website. 9:00 a.m. at City Hall Now through May 17th, Red Oak Manor, in partnership with Affinis Hospice, will be <u>May 9</u> collecting new or gently "loved" stuffed "pets" to be adopted by a hospice patient with love Historic to give. You may drop your donation off at Red Oak Manor during their normal business Preservation hours. Thank you for your donation. Commission Meeting at 6:30 May 21st is Election Day for several offices in our community which are non-partisan as p.m. well as Primary selections for the Democratic and Republican parties. As always, I urge **May 23** you to listen to the candidates and then seek the facts, but most importantly, vote. City Council Work Session & Regular May 27th is Memorial Day - a day to reflect on the service men and women who are no Council Meeting; 7:00 p.m. longer with us. Our prayers and gratitude to many surviving family members for their loved one's service and sacrifice for our Country. God bless you all. <u>May 27</u> City Offices Closed Just a quick reminder - the speed limit in Downtown is 25 mph. There is a lot of foot in Observance of traffic in Downtown especially during Summer. Please drive carefully and remember the Memorial Day pedestrian has the right of way while crossing in our Crosswalks. Pedestrians, please use our Crosswalks. Meetings are held Happiest Mother's Day to all the mothers in our beautiful City and God bless you all. at the Public Safety Building unless otherwise noted Roxanne Whitaker *All meetings are subject to change Harlem's Mayor **1040** U.S. Individual Income Tax Return

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FROM THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:

ROOFS:

Replacing a roof is an essential part of owning a home. They do wear out. But there are standards for doing the job and the City of Harlem requires a building permit to replace a roof. Roofing projects are usually scheduled well in advance, so there is plenty of time to get a building permit. Not getting a building permit results in a \$500 fine.

The basic process for replacing your roof is:

- 1. Determine that a new roof is needed, get your money ready, and choose your contractor.
- 2. Your contractor purchases a building permit.
- 3. The roof project is performed by the contractor.
- 4. All inspections are completed by the city.

The worst case is for an unpermitted project to be found and work stopped while a permit is purchased. There are chances for a rain shower during this time. Also, there is a significant fine for starting work without a building permit that is paid by someone - the contractor or the homeowner. Please secure a building permit for roof replacement projects!



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Message from the Public Works Department:

CITY DEBRIS PICK-UP

The City of Harlem will pick up a "Reasonable Amount" of debris from inside city residents on a weekly basis. Please separate limbs from grass clippings and leaves to make the pick-up more efficient. Debris should be placed at the curbside for pick-up and **should not be placed in paper or plastic bags.**

Trash and debris shall consist of a reasonable amount of grass, leaves, branches, twigs, shrubbery trimmings, and brush. The debris piles should not be more than 8'L x 6'W x 4' H. The City shall not remove amounts of trash and debris deemed excessive by the Public Works Department. If the occupant desires for the city to remove excessive debris there will be a fee charged, please contact City Hall (706) 556-3448 for the Public Works Director to contact you to discuss the amount of debris that can be placed out for pick-up or questions concerning the fees.

Contractors that are hired to remove trees/limbs are responsible for the removal and disposal. This includes lawn maintenance companies/contractors. It is unlawful for any person/occupant to haul into the city limits trash, debris, and yard clippings and place by curbside for pick-up.

The City does not pick up dirt, rocks, construction and remodeling materials includes, without limitation, sheet rock, plaster, lumber, bricks, vinyl siding, roofing materials, and the like. The contractor and/or occupant shall be responsible for removal and collection of these materials.

