



# HARLEM NEWSLETTER

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March 2020

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **March 3**

Planning Commission Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### **March 11**

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

### **March 12**

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 6:30 p.m.

### **March 19**

City Council Work Session 7:00 p.m.

### **March 23**

City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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

**\* All meetings are subject to change**

Get ready - here comes Spring! And to get things started off, our Merchants Association is hosting their annual Irish ShamRock-and-Roll on Saturday, March 14, from 11:00 - 3:00 in the Phillips Park which is located behind the pharmacy. The golf cart parade kicks off the day at 11:00 so decorate your golf cart and cruise with us through the city spreading "Irish" goodwill on all our citizens. Throughout the day in the park, there will be Irish music and entertainment, a corn hole tournament, horseshoes and ax throwing event, food and beverage, a chili cook off and children's activities. I hope you come and join us for a fun filled day. We can all be Irish one day out of the year!

The YMCA is planning to utilize our City Park for our children's recreation needs. Starting this month, the "Y" will be offering soccer for ages 3 to 12 years of age. They hope to add baseball/softball for these same ages. Most all of the competitions will be held at our City Park. I hope you will take advantage of what the "Y" has to offer - the greater the Harlem participation, the more offerings the "Y" will bring us.

In May, we have the opportunity to showcase our beautiful little town. Paceline Cycling will be sponsoring a 25 mile bike event benefiting the Cancer Center at Augusta University - 100% of all proceeds go to the Cancer Center. This event will end at our High School. We need entertainers, crafters and food booths/trucks at the High School. If you are interested, please contact Andrew McMahan at the Museum. After the ride, we are hoping the riders and their families will come into Harlem and shop, dine and explore. We are also in need of a "Poster Child" for Paceline to use for advertising. If you are a bike rider and would like to be featured as Harlem's Paceline rider, please contact Andrew at the Museum - (706) 556-0401.

Don't forget to "Spring Forward" with your clocks on Sunday, March 8th, at 2:00.

Roxanne Whitaker, your Mayor

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## GARBAGE REMINDER



A reminder that all loose garbage must be put in enclosed bags before placing in your garbage container. The garbage contractor will only pick up garbage that is inside your container as they are not required to pick up items placed on the ground beside your supplied container. In-City customers, please remember that only TWO bulk items such as furniture, appliances, etc. should be put out for pick up each week.

Also, Section 26-26 of the City Code of Ordinances states that refuse containers shall be moved **BEHIND THE PROPERTIES** within 24 hours after having been serviced and emptied.

Please do your part and help keep Harlem clean!

## ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

The Arbor Day Celebration, sponsored by the City of Harlem and the Pioneer Garden Club, is set for **Tuesday, March 17**, at 4:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Harlem Civic Center (old library) and will include a presentation on trees and a reading of the official proclamation. A limited number of Fringe Tree seedlings will be available for distribution.

## GOSPEL CONCERT

The legendary "DIXIE ECHOES QUARTET" of Pensacola, Florida led by singer/musician, Randy Shelnut, a 2017 inductee in the Southern Gospel Music Hall of Fame, will be in concert at Bethesda Baptist Church on **Friday, March 13**, at 7:00 p.m. Randy Shelnut joined his late father, Dale Shelnut, also a Hall of Fame inductee, in the Dixie Echoes in his early teens and has now been in the group for fifty years. The group were regulars on the popular "Gospel Singing Jubilee" TV show.

No admission charge, love offering received. The church is located just off Hwy. #278 (Gordon Hwy.) at Old Louisville Road, 5793 Old Augusta Hwy., Harlem. For information: 706 556-6818 or [bethesdabchurch.org](http://bethesdabchurch.org).

## 5K COLOR RUN

**March 28, 9:00 a.m. at North Harlem Elementary**

**\$20 per person - \$15 for students**

**Register before March 13 for a shirt  
Registration on NHE RevTrak**

**For additional information you can email  
[Kimberly.spicer@ccboe.net](mailto:Kimberly.spicer@ccboe.net)  
or call (706) 556-5995**

## SPRING FLING EVENT

Spring Fling at Harlem Baptist Church on **Sunday, March 29th**, from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt, family games and races, picnic dinner, and lots of FUN to be had by all!

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