



VOLUME XII

## FEBRUARY 2021 E- NEWSLETTER

ISSUE II

### Authorities, Boards, and Committee Meetings

- \*Air Base Preserv. & Dev.  
Feb. 8, 12pm, via ZOOM
- \*City Commission, Feb. 8 & 22, 7pm, CE Weir Center
- \*Recreation Commission  
Feb. 9, 11:45am, Central Square, 384- 5978
- \*Downtown Development Authority, Feb. 10, 9am, via Zoom
- \*Land Bank Authority,  
Feb. 11, 2pm, via Zoom
- \*GICH Meeting, Feb. 11, 2pm, Slater House
- \* Mayor's Youth Council,  
Feb. 18, 6pm, Youth Center
- \*Planning Commission, Feb. 18, 6pm, Ashley Slater House
- \*Historic Preservation Committee, Feb. 25, 4pm, via Zoom

\*For Zoom information on meetings, please call (912) 383-0277

*We have volunteer vacancies on the Keep Douglas Beautiful Board. For more information, (912)383-0277 or email [cmikell@cityofdouglas.com](mailto:cmikell@cityofdouglas.com)*

## Douglas Named 2021 Visionary City by Georgia Municipal Association & Georgia Trend

On Feb. 25, 2021, during the Georgia Municipal Association's (GMA) virtual Cities United Summit, the city of Douglas was honored with the Visionary City Award by Georgia Trend and GMA. Douglas was recognized for taking action to confront the city's mental health and addiction needs.

Coffee County's sole mental health clinic has regularly become overwhelmed by the demands of the community. Douglas city leaders worked with the county and Unison Behavioral Health to build a second mental health facility with a \$750,000 state grant. For entire press release, <https://www.cityofdouglas.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1278>



### Virtual Community Workforce Development Meeting

Community members are invited to be a part of the discussion and solution for a stronger workforce in Douglas by registering for a virtual Community Workforce Development meeting on Thursday, February 4, 2021, at 4:00pm.

For Zoom meeting details, <https://www.cityofdouglas.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1280>



# WE'RE MOVING!

ATTN: CITIZENS AND CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF DOUGLAS  
City Hall offices will be closed on Thursday, Jan. 28 & Friday, Jan. 29, 2021. AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2021, CITY HALL OFFICES WILL BE OPEN AND RELOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, and Human Resource

Appointments with Mayor, City Commissioners, or City Manager, apply for a job in person, personnel issues

Old Gas Department:  
316 E. Bryan Street

City Clerk, Customer Care Center, Customer Service, Billing, Collections, and Meter Technicians

Pay your utility bill, request utility services, or make changes to utility services

Old SunTrust building:  
800 S. Peterson Avenue

Community Development, Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Grants, Inspections/Permits, Planner, and Public Information

Pay your business license, grant information, building inspections, zoning requests, public information

Ashley-Slater House:  
211 S. Gaskin Avenue

Finance

Accounts payable/receivable

Old Electric Department:  
321 S. Pearl Avenue

Bid openings will be held at the new Douglas Utilities building meeting room located at the Municipal Services Complex, 100 Public Works Way. City Commission meetings will continue to be held at the C.E. Weir Center (307 E. Bryan St.) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month, unless otherwise publicized. At times, phone lines may be temporarily out of order and citizens are encouraged to remain patient as this transition is underway.

## WHAT'S THAT BUZZING NOISE?

*It's "Coca-Cola with Coffee" samples- delivered by Drone!*

The week of February 25-29, 2021 the team of Coca-Cola, Walmart, and DroneUp, decided to make Douglas-Coffee County their first community to promote their new product, [Coca-Cola with Coffee](#) and [Coca-Cola with Coffee Zero Sugar by drone delivery](#). Coffee County has received a lot of media attention thanks to the Coca-Cola promotion.

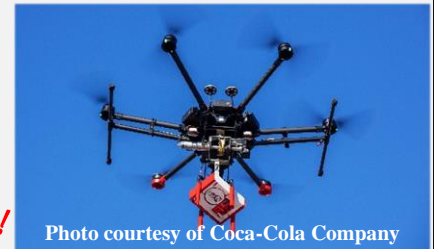


Photo courtesy of Coca-Cola Company

*Thank you, Coca-Cola, for realizing how buzzworthy our community is!*

## Business Corner

### WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES!

Jet Food Store, 855 Bowens Mill Rd SW  
Rental Car Depot, 910 S. Peterson Avenue  
Queen Me Glam Bar, 1009 N. Madison Avenue  
Chuchulucos, 1210 E. Ward Street, 912-850-7770  
Hobby Lobby Stores

*It's business license renewal time! Submit your renewals prior to February 28, 2021 to avoid a penalty. FMI: (912)389-3462*



## BID OPPORTUNITIES

[cityofdouglas.com/bids](http://cityofdouglas.com/bids)  
**(912)389-3453**

- 2021 Utility Electrical Supplies
- Removal of 3 Above Ground Storage Tanks and Concrete Pads
- Two (2) LED Signs
- Consultant Services for TAP Project
- Water Meter ERT's
- (1) 2021 Ram 1500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4x4

*It's Time To*



**MASK**



**UP**

Join Mayor Tony Paulk and the City of Douglas in the fight to stop the spread of COVID-19 in Douglas and Coffee County. Take a stand against the virus, follow COVID-19 guidelines and MASK UP for public safety.



**M** Mask wearing in public spaces is strongly recommended for all citizens and visitors.

**A** Always wash your hands & avoid touching your face.

**S** Sanitize your hands and surfaces often.

**K** Keep your social distance at 6 ft.



We are a community  
**U**nited to  
**P**rotect  
EVERYONE.

*If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please call 1-855-473-4374.*

## UPDATES FROM SOUTHEAST HEALTH DISTRICT

At this time, the Southeast Health District is pausing the scheduling of COVID-19 vaccine appointments across our district. We are doing this to ensure adequate vaccine supply for the currently scheduled appointments.

If you have a scheduled appointment to receive your first or second dose, you will not be affected by this change unless contacted otherwise.

When we begin scheduling new appointments, we will share this information on our social media pages and on our [www.sehdph.org](http://www.sehdph.org) website.

To locate additional COVID-19 vaccine providers, please visit the Georgia Department of Public Health's vaccine locator tool at <https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-vaccine>.

# COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE

*from the*  
**Southeast Health District**



## COVID-19 TESTING LOCATION AND REGISTRATION CHANGES



Are you in need of a COVID-19 test? We have great news for you!

The Georgia Department of Public Health has partnered with Mako Medical to provide COVID-19 testing opportunities to those in our communities. Beginning TODAY, you will be able to register online for an appointment at Mako Medical's Bulloch and Coffee County locations!

To register for COVID-19 testing at one of these locations, please visit <https://mako.exchange/splash/GAmakotesting/>. These testing sites will serve residents of Bulloch and Coffee counties as well as those in the surrounding areas.

Registering for your COVID-19 test before arrival to the testing site will greatly expedite your experience. Walk-ups are allowed, but pre-registering is preferred, as it will greatly reduce your wait time.

For more information, you may also visit <https://www.sehdph.org/interested-in-scheduling-your.../>.

For the latest COVID-19 Executive Orders from Governor Brian Kemp, [click here!](#)



**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
VIRTUAL MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEB. 4, 2021  
4:00PM  
VIA ZOOM MEETINGS**

**For Zoom meeting information, please  
call (912)383-0277.**

**DOUGLAS**  
COFFEE COUNTY · GA  
chamber of commerce

FOR THE  
*Love*  
OF  
COFFEE

2021 Virtual Annual Award Event



*Tough times never last. Tough people always do.*  
Help us celebrate a year of overcoming challenges.

NIGHT *to Shine*  
SPONSORED BY THE **TIM TEBOW**  
FOUNDATION™

**YOU ARE  
INVITED**

**VIRTUAL STREAMING EVENT**

FEBRUARY 12, 2021

6PM (EST)

Join us for an unforgettable VIRTUAL Night to Shine experience! Music, dancing, special guests and more; this is a night you won't want to miss!



**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, CONTACT:**

[www.nighttoshinedouglas.org](http://www.nighttoshinedouglas.org) or 912-393-3601

For people with special needs 14+

**NIGHT TO SHINE GLOBAL PARTNER**





# General Coffee State Park

## Heart 2 Heart Festival

Saturday, March 6, 2021

**A fun day of EVENTS for the entire community!**

**1.5 Mile Fun Run** (FEE \$—8:30AM- Youth ages 5 to 10)

**1.5 Mile Walk** (FEE \$— 8:00AM— Adult and Youth— Free for our Cardiac Patients)

**5K Run** (FEE \$— 9:00AM)

**10k Run** (FEE \$— 9:00AM)

**Virtual Run** (register online— instructions provided)

The fees include a t-shirt, lunch, chance to win medals, and free activities throughout the day. The run events will be timed with “Chip Timing” for instant results. Digital finish line photos available. Come early and camp out or rent a cabin for a weekend of fun with your family and friends. The Heart 2 Heart Festival is CRMC’s fundraising event to support Cardiac Rehab patients in our community. For more details about the event, fees, and awards please visit [www.wellness247.org](http://www.wellness247.org).

**Open Archery** (\$10 per person Range fee)

Want to learn archery? Join us in the range to learn how to use a compound bow. Classes offered at 11:00am, 12:00pm, and 1:00pm. Fee for class is \$10 per person. Have your own equipment? \$5.00 allows access to the range.

**Meet the Farm Animals** (\$5.00— 12:00& 2:00)

Join us in playtime with the baby goats! Feed the farm animals, learn all about them, and go inside the pen with our goats in this fun and interactive tour. Price is \$5 per person. Space is limited. Meet in the center of [Heritage Farm](#).

**The Reptiles of the Relihan** (Free- 11:30 AM)

Meet the animals that call the Relihan museum “home”. Join the Rangers as they show off and talk about their scaly and slimy friends.

**Scavenger Hunt** (Free— Open)

Explore the park, learn fun facts, and win prizes! Pick up scavenger hunt packets at the Relihan museum on the Heritage Farm.

**Pond Study** (Free— 1:00 AM)

Learn all about the creatures that live in our waterways. Join the Rangers as they instruct guests on how to sample the water to find out what lives in it. This is a hands-on demonstration.

**Pioneer Craft** (\$4 per craft- 12:00 PM & 2:00 PM)

Come and enjoy a nice relaxing crafting session. All supplies will be provided. Crafting will be going on from 12:00 – 3:00 at the crafting booth on the Heritage Farm. Meet in the [Relihan Cabin](#) (in Heritage Farm).

**Rentals:**

Bikes, Canoes, Kayaks, & Paddle Boards are available to rent.

Camping, RV’s, and Cabins rentals call

General Coffee State Park: 912.384.7082

For run and event details, visit [www.wellness247.org](http://www.wellness247.org)

912-383-6988





# FAMILY NIGHT

Parking lot  
**BINGO**

**FREE!**

Thursday  
March 11th  
"2021"

5:00-7PM

AT Central Square Parking lot  
200- C South Madison Ave.

**Stay in your Car**

**GREAT PRIZES!  
FUN FOR ALL!**

**Douglas Coffee County Parks & Recreation CALL : 383-7332**