



# December 2024 E-Newsletter

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## DECEMBER CALENDAR

- City Commission Work Session & Meeting** – Dec. 12 & 23, 6 PM, Commission Chambers, City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue.
- WWII Flight Training Base** – Dec. 9, 12PM, Airport, 440 Elton D. Brooks Blvd.
- Keep Douglas Beautiful** – Dec. 10, 9 AM, City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue.
- Recreation Commission** – Dec. 10, 11:45 AM, Central Square Complex – Magnolia Meeting Room, 200 S. Madison Avenue.
- Historic Preservation Committee** – Dec. 12, 4 PM Work Session/4:30 PM Meeting, City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue.
- Planning Commission** – Dec. 19, 6 PM, City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue.



On Friday, November 22, 2024, the World War II Flight Training Museum, the 63rd Preservation Society, the WWII Flight Training Base Committee, and the City of Douglas held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Cadet Park and the Loring Memorial. This event commemorated the 72nd anniversary of Major Charles J. Loring Jr.'s heroic actions and included the dedication of a memorial in his honor. Many family members of Charles Loring, along with several distinguished guests, were present at the well-attended event. Read more about the ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony [here](#).



*Pictured above: Joseph Matta, grandson of Charles Loring, cuts the ribbon for the Loring Memorial at Cadet Paulk along with Mayor Paulk, Loring Family members, and community leaders.*

The City of Douglas, in partnership with action pact, Coffee County Commission, and Coffee County Board of Education (CCBOE) held the ribbon cutting for the Head Start and Early Head Start Expansion Project and Dedication of the Sandra “Gail” Johnson Building on Thursday, November 7, 2024. With the completion of the expansion project, the Coffee County Head Start program is now poised to meet the growing educational and nutritional needs of children in the community. The building was dedicated and named in memory of Sandra “Gail” Johnson. The building dedication plaque reads: “On July 12, 1973, 13-year-old Sandra “Gail” Johnson tragically drowned at the African-American public pool once located here. Gail, a bright and joyful young girl with dreams of becoming a teacher, left an enduring legacy. While Gail’s dreams of inspiring and educating children remain unfulfilled, her memory lives on. This building now stands as a beacon of hope, education, and the fulfillment of the promise Gail held in her heart. It highlights the strength, resilience, and unity of our community while serving as a reminder of her kindness, intelligence, and the bright future she envisioned for the children of Douglas and Coffee County.”



# Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony

December 6, 2024

10:00 A.M.

Cadet Park at  
1 Airport Circle

Douglas, Georgia

December 7, 1941,  
"A date which will  
live in infamy"  
~President Franklin D. Roosevelt~



Join the Douglas-Coffee County Veterans Park  
Committee and partners to honor and  
remember those who served and died for  
our freedom.



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For more information, call (912) 384-1409 or visit  
[www.cityofdouglasga.gov](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov).  
In the event of rain, the program will be cancelled.



Veterans Park





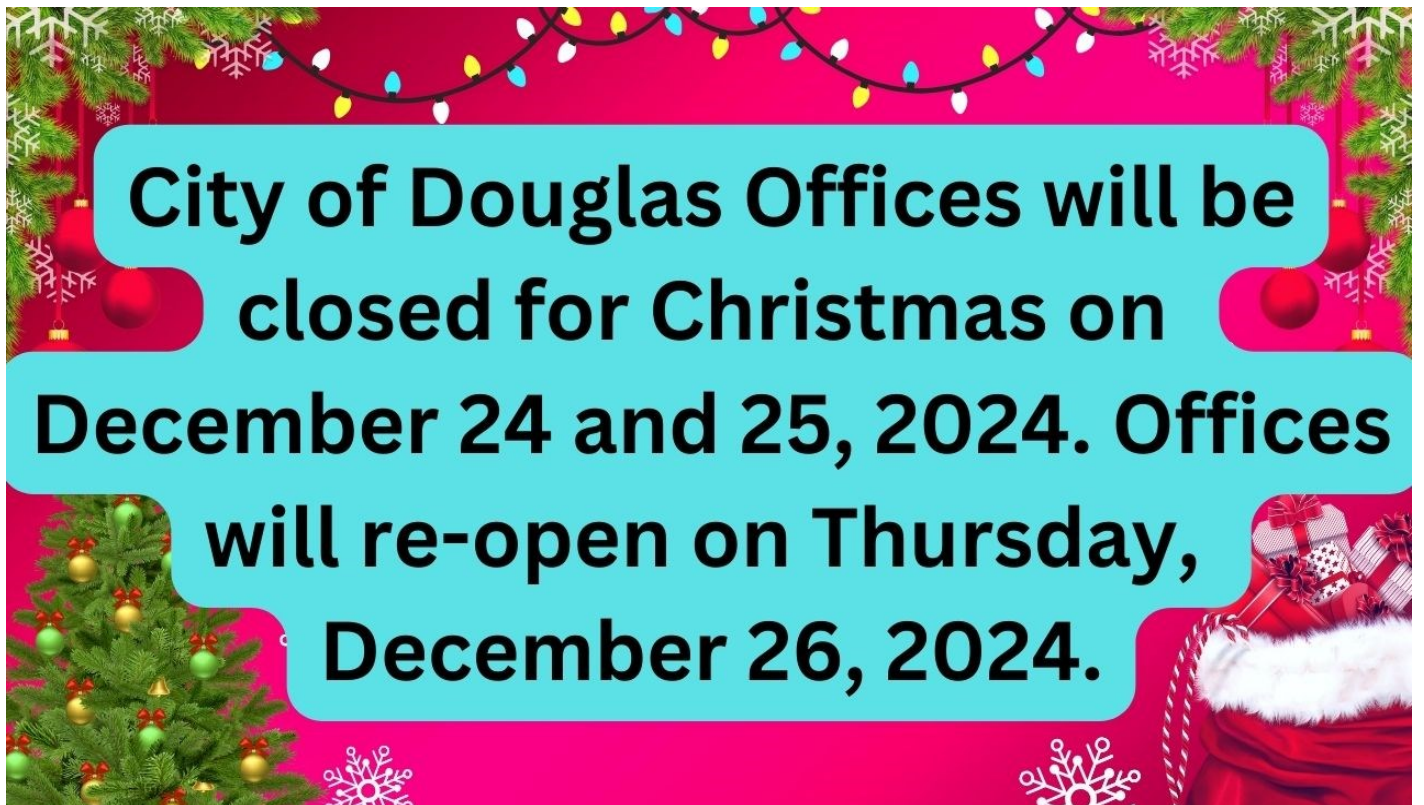
# 60 YEARS OF CHRISTMAS IN COFFEE



TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY  
THURSDAY, DEC. 5TH 5:30PM



CHRISTMAS PARADE  
FRIDAY, DEC. 13TH 7PM



**City of Douglas Offices will be closed for Christmas on December 24 and 25, 2024. Offices will re-open on Thursday, December 26, 2024.**

**UNITY PARK RENOVATIONS & IMPROVEMENTS ARE UNDERWAY!**

A new metal roof has been added, re-painting the exterior, the concession interior is undergoing Renovations, the picnic shelter has been re-roofed, new playground equipment has arrived, and the fields are being prepped for new water/irrigation lines.



The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) has designated an area in downtown Douglas as a Revitalizing Underdeveloped Rural Areas Legislation (R.U.R.A.L.) Zone. A map showing the area eligible for R.U.R.A.L. Zone incentives can be found on the city's website at [cityofdouglasga.gov](http://cityofdouglasga.gov). This designation enables the city to implement the R.U.R.A.L. Zone incentive program, which aims to stimulate investment, create jobs, and promote economic development in the historic downtown area. Accepting applications beginning January 1, 2025.

*Welcome to the Douglas, Ga*  
**R.U.R.A.L. ZONE**

**PARDON OUR PROGRESS**

**The Wastewater Treatment Facility is undergoing renovations.**

**ONE CALL TO CITY HELL**  
*Dedicated to Serving You*  
**DIAL 3-1-1**  
912-384-3302  
CITY OF DOUGLAS  
CUSTOMER CARE CENTER

**HAVING NON-EMERGENCY UTILITY ISSUES?  
DIAL 3-1-1 OR 912-384-3302**

**Douglas Coffee County Parks & Recreation Department Public Notice**

Since September 27, 2024, Wheeler Park has been closed until further notice. Please do not allow children to play on equipment at Wheeler Park. The caution tape that was around the equipment has been removed by someone not affiliated with the city or Parks & Recreation officials. New caution tape will be around the equipment as soon as possible - do not remove the tape, it is there for a reason. The park is CLOSED.

- Wheeler Park sustained SEVERE damage from Hurricane Helene inside the park, park shelter, and playground equipment. There are so many hazards that prevent the safe play of children in the park. Signs are posted that say the park is CLOSED. Please follow the closure and not visit Wheeler Park or allow your children to play on the equipment. Please know workers are in the process of cleaning and repairing, however, it will take several months and we do not want any child to be harmed while the park is closed.
- We are also not allowing nighttime practices or games on our athletic fields due to safety concerns with lighting. New lighting or repair products for the lighting have been ordered.
- Please be patient and understanding as we continue to maneuver through a safe recovery for all our parks and recreation facilities.



# EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SPOTLIGHT

Thank you for your service to the citizens of Douglas! Here's our **OUTSTANDING** employees that are celebrating employment anniversaries of 5 years or more with the City of Douglas during the month of December!

- Nathaniel Roberts—6 years (Police)
- Mikki Curry—9 years (City Manager's Office)
- Wade Carver—12 years (Fire)
- Tommy Harrell—16 years (Finance Director)
- Steve McClelland—16 years (Customer Service)
- Josh Milhollin—25 years (Parks & Recreation)

Blondale Thomas, Public Information Manager, joined other Georgia Government Communicators at the GMA Communicators quarterly meeting at the North Houston Athletic Complex in Warner Robins. The meeting focused on communications during a disaster and formulating a cohesive communications plan ahead before the disaster. Warner Robins Marketing and Communications Specialist Jeremy Fermin, Rockdale County Director of Public Relations Melisa Mims, and Chatham County Public Information Director Catherine Glasby discussed their most recent experiences managing communication during disasters. They also shared practical advice to the group to help prepare for effective communication in future emergencies.



Remodeling for the Holidays?



Make Sure You Have Your Building Permit!

For more information, call (912) 389-3423



**CITY UPKEEP**



A Bright Career. A Bright Future. Right at Home.

Now hiring Maintenance Workers in Parks & Recreation.

Apply in person at City Hall or online at [www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs). For more information: (912) 389-3494



**SAFETY**



Commit to Your City with a Rewarding Career. Now hiring Firefighters.



Apply online at [www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs) or stop by City Hall located at 302 S. Madison Avenue. (912)389-3494



**LAW ENFORCEMENT**



Make an Impact in Your Community. Now hiring Police Officers.



Apply online at [www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs) or stop by City Hall located at 302 S. Madison Avenue. (912)389-3494



Keeping the Lights On



Now accepting applications for **GROUNDSMAN**

Retirement Program, Hospital & Life Insurance, Paid Vacation and Holidays  
[www.cityofdouglasga.gov](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov)

A Bright Career. A Bright Future. Right at Home.



# DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

**THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HAS (2) TWO EXPIRING TERMS. VOLUNTEERS MUST LIVE AND OWN PROPERTY IN DOWNTOWN DOUGLAS AND BE COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE REDEVELOPMENT IN DOWNTOWN.**

DOWNLOAD A VOLUNTEER APPLICATION AT [WWW.CITYOFDOUGLAS.GOV/VOLUNTEER](http://WWW.CITYOFDOUGLAS.GOV/VOLUNTEER) AND RETURN TO CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT CITY HALL.

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

**SEEKS 2 VOLUNTEERS WHO RESIDE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF DOUGLAS AND POSSESS A DESIRE TO WORK IN THE HISTORIC DISTRICTS TO PRESERVE STRUCTURES THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT TO DOUGLAS.**

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# KEEP DOUGLAS BEATIFUL COMMITTEE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

**CANDIDATES SHOULD HAVE A PASSION FOR PRESERVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, RECYCLING, AND MAINTAINING DOUGLAS'S BEAUTY.**

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# DOUGLAS-COFFEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

**SEEKS TWO VOLUNTEERS WHO RESIDE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF DOUGLAS AND ARE FAMILIAR WITH ZONING, REZONING, AND ANNEXATIONS INTO THE CITY.**

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# WWII FLIGHT TRAINING BASE COMMITTEE

**THE WWII FLIGHT TRAINING BASE COMMITTEE HAS SIX (6) EXPIRING TERMS. VOLUNTEERS MUST RESIDE WITHIN CITY LIMITS OF DOUGLAS, POSSESS KNOWLEDGE OF THE WWII FLIGHT TRAINING BASE, AND DEMONSTRATE A PASSION FOR ITS PRESERVATION.**

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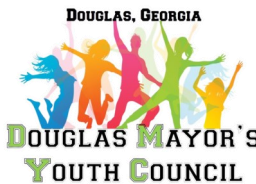
## Mayor's Youth Council Holds November Meeting

On Monday, November 18th, 2024, the Douglas Mayor's Youth Council conducted its monthly meeting for November. Jr. Mayor Destiny Henderson led the meeting and acknowledged Jr. Commissioner Gabrielle Burns. The Youth Council spotlighted and recognized Oscar Street as the Outstanding Community Leader for November, and the special guest speaker was Shelley Smith, a Military Counselor with Magellan Federal. Read more, <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=2172>

~Submitted by Dani Davis, DMYC Public Relations



The Youth Council chose to highlight a special contributor to Coffee County's history, Oscar Street for the Outstanding Community Leader in November 2024. Pictured (L-R): Gabrielle Burns (Jr. Commissioner), Destiny Henderson (Jr. Mayor), and Oscar Street.



Shelley Smith, a military and family life counselor at Magellan Federal, was the guest speaker for November.

Pictured (L-R): Gabrielle Burns (Jr. Commissioner), Shelley Smith, and Destiny Henderson (Jr. Mayor).



## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR EASTSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Deadline to Submit Bid: December 12, 2024, 2PM

Bid opening immediately following at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue

MORE INFO [www.cityofdouglasga.gov/bids](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/bids)



## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

### 2022 GEFA WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Deadline to Submit Bid: December 19, 2024, 2PM

Bid opening immediately following at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Avenue

MORE INFO [www.cityofdouglasga.gov/bids](http://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/bids)



# WELCOME TO *The City of Douglas*

## NEW BUSINESSES

LongHorn Steakhouse, 1311 S. Peterson Avenue

Queen Kiss Creations, 405 E. College Park Dr.

Southeastern Grocers, 901W. Ward & 813 W. Ward St.

RGC Roofers, 1204 Ocilla Rd.

Seasons of the Wick, 107 E. Bryan Street



Congratulations to these business who celebrated ribbon cuttings in November.



Hospice Care Options, 1202 Ocilla Rd.

LongHorn Steakhouse opened their doors on Monday, November 18, 2024. Following the ribbon cutting, the culinary team presented their signature Outlaw Ribeye, to Mayor Paulk. Thank you to LongHorn Steakhouse for choosing Douglas and Coffee County!



*Thank you for doing business in Douglas-Coffee County!*



*Are you ready to invest in your downtown property?*

Apply for the 2025  
DDA Facade  
Improvement Grant  
and you could be awarded  
up to \$10,000!

Downtown Development Authority of Douglas, GA

# Residential Junk **Drop-Off** Day

December 7 & 21, 2024 - 8:30am - 11:45am









@ **1011 Shirley Avenue** (corner of Shirley and College Park Dr.)

**Customers must be in the drop-off line prior to 11:30 am and must unload any items that the clam truck cannot pick up.**

**For more information, call (912)384-3302 or dial 311.**









# Put a **FREEZE** on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter, be fire smart!

 <p>Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February.</p>	 <p>Heating equipment is involved in <b>1 in every 6</b> home fires and <b>1 in every 5</b> home fire deaths.</p>	 <p>Keep anything that can burn <b>at least 3 feet</b> from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.</p>
 <p>Keep portable generators <b>outside, away from windows, and as far away</b> from your home as possible.</p>	 <p>Install and test carbon monoxide alarms <b>at least once a month</b>.</p>	 <p>Plug only <b>1 heat-producing appliance</b> (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.</p>
 <p>Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents <b>every year</b>.</p>	 <p>Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it <b>outside at least 10 feet</b> from your home and any nearby buildings.</p>	

# CONGELEMOS los Incendios de Invierno

Los incendios en el hogar son más probables en invierno que en cualquier otra estación. En este invierno, mantenga su hogar acogedor y cálido, y esté protegido contra los incendios!

 <p>La mitad de los incendios por calefacción en los hogares se producen en los meses de diciembre, enero y febrero.</p>	 <p>Los equipos de calefacción están involucrados en <b>1 de cada 6</b> incendios en el hogar y en <b>1 de cada 5</b> muertes provocadas por incendios en el hogar.</p>	 <p>Aleje todo lo que pueda quemarse a <b>3 pies de cualquier fuente de calor</b> como chimeneas, estufas de leña, radiadores y calentadores ambientales.</p>
 <p>Mantenga los generadores portátiles en el <b>exterior, alejados de las ventanas y lo más alejados posible</b> del hogar.</p>	 <p>Instale alarmas de monóxido de carbono y pruébelas <b>al menos una vez al mes</b>.</p>	 <p>Enchufe solo <b>1 electrodoméstico que produzca calor</b> (como un calentador ambiental) en un tomacorriente eléctrico a la vez.</p>
 <p>Haga que un profesional matriculado limpie e inspeccione la chimenea y las ventilaciones <b>todos los años</b>.</p>	 <p>Almacene las cenizas frías en un contenedor de metal bien cubierto y manténgalo en el exterior al menos a <b>10 pies del</b> hogar y los edificios cercanos.</p>	



For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit [usfa.fema.gov/winter](http://usfa.fema.gov/winter) and [nfpa.org/winter](http://nfpa.org/winter).



Para obtener más información sobre cómo prevenir los incendios en invierno, visite [usfa.fema.gov/winter](http://usfa.fema.gov/winter) y [nfpa.org/winter](http://nfpa.org/winter).

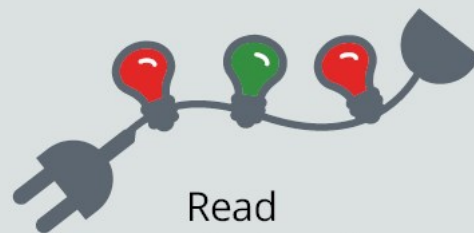
# Put a **FREEZE** on Winter Holiday Fires

Did you know?

As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.



More than **1 in every 5** Christmas tree fires were caused by a heat source too close to the tree.



Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.

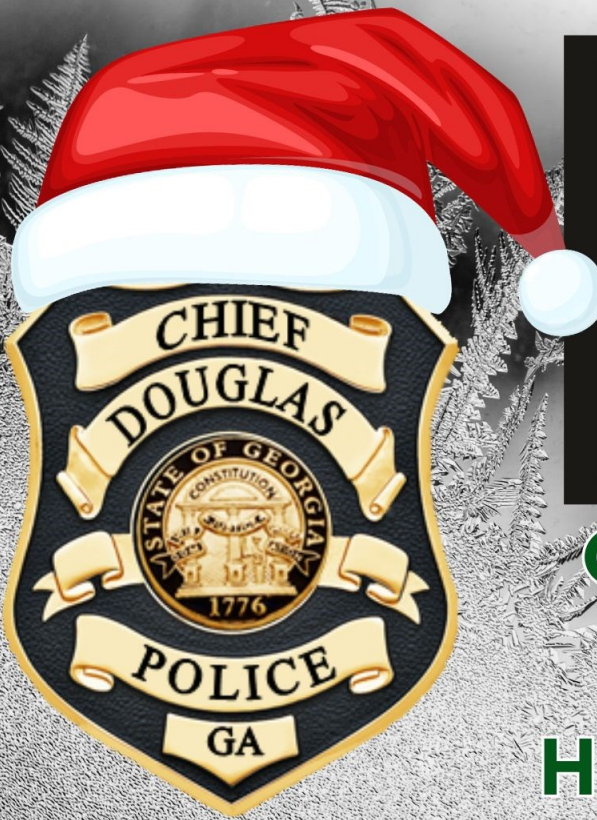


Make sure your tree is **at least 3 feet away** from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators and space heaters.



U.S. Fire Administration





SEE SOMETHING,  
SAY SOMETHING  
912-260-3600

Operation:  
Freeze Out  
Holiday Crime



Douglas Police Department

November

Monthly Call Statistics



Honor, Integrity, Service



# PUBLIC HEARING

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of Douglas has received three (3) Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) applications. The first application seeks to replace the canopy/awning on the façade of the building located at 313 South Peterson Avenue (The Painted Lady Antique Mall). The second application seeks to build a side fence for the residential building located at 403 South Gaskin Avenue. The third applicant seeks to make façade improvements to the building located at 306 S. Peterson Avenue.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held to review and approve or deny the submitted COAs by the HPC on December 12, 2024, 4:00 p.m., at City Hall, located at 302 S. Madison Ave., Douglas, GA 31533.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE CITY PLANNER OFFICE, (912) 383-0277.**

# PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Douglas hereby notifies its residents and interested parties of a proposed amendment to the City of Douglas Code of Ordinances concerning the position of City Marshal. This notice provides information on the position and its duties to amend and delete in its entirety: #1 Section 2-183 and #2 Section 10-36 so as to abolish the position of City Marshal; #3 Section 4-4, #4 Section 10-43, #5 Section 10-147, #6 Section 10-47, #7 Section 16-256, and #8 Section 103-124 will be amended to delete any references to City Marshal or Marshal's Office and replace with Code Enforcement Division and/or Code Enforcement Supervisor, and also to repeal the division operating as a law enforcement agency and to remove arrest powers.

**1st Reading:**

**December 12, 2024, 6pm at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Ave.,**

**2nd Reading & Public Hearing:**

**December 23, 2024, 6pm, at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Ave.**

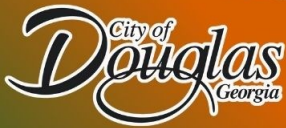


**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE CITY PLANNER AT OFFICE AT (912) 383-0277**

# PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Douglas has received a request for a lot size variance from Terry Harrell. The location of the request is at Vacant Lot Parcel 0117C037, located off Bell Lake Road. The location is in the Residential Single-Family (12,000 sq. ft.) (R-12) District. Harrell seeks permission to build 1,200 sq. ft. homes on 9,000 sq. ft. lots. The code currently requires 12,000 sq. ft. lots to build 1,200 sq. ft. homes.

Variance Request will be submitted to City Commission for approval or Denial & a Public Hearing:  
Monday, December 23, 2024, 6pm, at City Hall,  
located at 302 S. Madison Avenue.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE CITY PLANNER OFFICE, (912) 389-3433.

# PUBLIC HEARING

The Douglas-Coffee County Planning Commission has received an application to rezone two (2) parcels of land located at 2002 and 2004 Ocilla Road totaling 13.47 acres from General Commercial (G-C) to Light Industrial (M-1). The applicant wishes to rezone to M-1 to continue future construction for such permitted uses in the M-1 district and to be compliant with the current Zoning Code of Douglas.

1st Reading:

December 23, 2024, 6pm at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Ave.,

2nd Reading & Public Hearing:

January 13, 2025, 6pm, at City Hall, 302 S. Madison Ave.



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Give Now to Help



Coffee County  
Disaster Relief  
& Recovery Fund

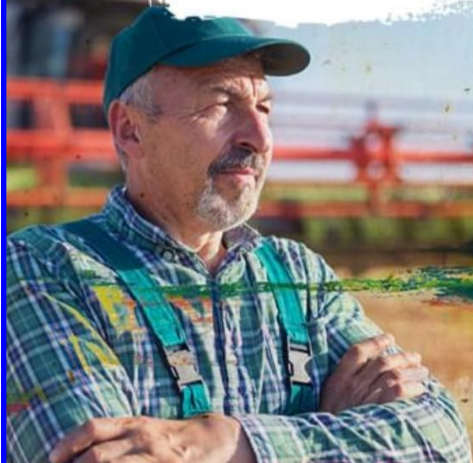
Community Foundation of Coffee County

Coffee County, Georgia

**APPLICATIONS  
NOW OPEN**

**FOR GEORGIA FARMERS AFFECTED  
BY HURRICANE HELENE**

**APPLY BY DECEMBER 31, 2024  
SUPPORTGEORGIAFARMERS.ORG**



**WEATHERED  
BUT STRONG**

GEORGIA HURRICANE RELIEF FUND



**REALTORS<sup>®</sup>**  
**RELIEF**  
**FOUNDATION**

**Applications for Hurricane Helene Assistance are Open!**  
**You do NOT have to be a REALTOR<sup>®</sup> to apply**

**Funds will be distributed on a  
first come, first-served basis**



**Scan the QR Code  
to Apply Today!**


# Emergency Disaster Relief

For Businesses Located in ACE South GA Coverage Area



**ACE**  
**SOUTH GEORGIA**  
**ACCESS TO CAPITAL**  
**FOR ENTREPRENEURS**

<https://aceloans.org/ace-launches-emergency-disaster-relief-loans-for-south-georgia-businesses-affected-by-hurricane-helene/>

 <h1 style="text-align: center; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px;">DECEMBER</h1> 						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2 Broadcast South Toy Drive all week at area locations. See their FB Page for info.  Lighting the Way Christmas Lights @ DCFCOG each evening starting today. 	3 Blood Drive Anvil Trailer 12-5pm	4	5 Tree Lighting Ceremony Atkinson Plaza 5:30pm CMS Band Concert CMS Auditorium 7:30pm 	6 Pearl Harbor Day Celebration 10am Cadet Park/Douglas Airport  Santa Shuffle Drawing! Watch on Facebook	7 Blood Drive Church of Latter Day Saints 10:30 am - 4 pm Whooo-liday Bash Chick-fil-A 8:30 am Santa Pies Sweet Magnolia's 11 am - 3 pm
8 Christmas at Chloe's Coffee 2-7 pm  Candy Cane Lane Covenant Church 6 pm	9 REGISTER to be in the PARADE by TODAY.  CMS Chorus Concert CMS Auditorium 6:30 pm  Merry Moments w/ CHS Show Choir Chick-fil-A 5 pm	10 KidsABC @ CRMC Ribbon Cutting 4 pm  CHS Band Concert CHS PAC - 6:30 pm	11  Shadow Nativity 1st Methodist 5:30 pm 	12 Polar Bear Party Chick-fil-A 5 pm  CHS Chorus Concert CHS PAC 6:30 pm 	13 Santa at Ga Wax 3-5 pm Santa Pies 5-8pm Sweet Magnolia's Christmas Parade 7pm John Glosson Concert Martin Centre 7:30pm	14 Santa's North Pole CHS PAC 9 am - 12 noon Holiday Expo Central Square Gym 10 am - 3 pm Blood Drive @ Holiday Expo 9 am - 2:30 pm Angel Tree Festival Broxton Festival Park 10 am - 4 pm Santa Pies 11a-3p Sweet Magnolia's Santa Pies 3-6pm 2 Little Chicks Nashville Noel Concert Martin Centre 7:30pm
15  1st Methodist Ch. Christmas Cantata 6 pm	16  Pet Pics w/ Santa PetSmart 12-3 pm Mon & Tues	17 Eggs & Issues The Martin Centre 8am	18  Christmas Concert Eastside Baptist 7 pm 	19 Blood Drive Douglas National Bank 11 am - 4 pm 	20  Santa Shuffle Drawing! Watch on Facebook	21  28
22 GracePointe Church Christmas in the City at The Martin 10:30 am & 5 pm  American Legion 515 Christmas Giveaways Young's Chapel 2-4:30 pm	23 Blood Drive Vista Park 11 am - 4 pm	24 Blood Drive PetSmart 8:30 am - 2 pm Last day to Shop Local & use Santa Shuffle Cards! Christmas Eve Services:	25 Christmas Morning Services: 	26  	27	28
29	30	31	<p><b>Follow us on Facebook for all the details!</b></p>  		<p><b>Want to add your event to our calendar? Email: <a href="mailto:schilders@douglasga.org">schilders@douglasga.org</a></b></p>	
 Bingo - every Wed. at Cow Tipplers  Trivia - every Thurs. at Cow Tipplers  Karaoke - Thurs at Fireside Pizza  Music at VFW						

# Trojan Send Off



Join us this Friday at 11:30 am on Ward Street (see map.) Help us cheer on the Trojans as they leave for the Semi-finals vs Langston Hughes.

# Downtown Douglas SANTA SHUFFLE

## Santa's Nice List

### PEOPLE WHO SHOP LOCAL

- Grab a Santa Shuffle Card from participating shops.
- Spend \$100 downtown to complete each card.
- Be entered to win hundreds of dollars in prizes!

**NOVEMBER 18 - DECEMBER 24**



**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS, GA**



# THE MARTIN THEATRE UPCOMING SHOWS

DEC  
13

A NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS WITH  
**JOHN GLOSSON**



**NASHVILLE NOEL**

DEC

**CANCELLED—FULL REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED IF TICKETS WERE PURCHASED**

A COUNTRY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR!

14

JAN  
25

**DERRICK DOVE  
& THE PEACEKEEPERS**



**WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS**  
A QUEEN CELEBRATION

MAR  
8

APR  
5

**NORTH MISSISSIPPI ALLSTARS**



**MARK WILLS**

MAY  
9

109 E ASHLEY STREET  
DOUGLAS, GEORGIA  
WWW.THEMARTINCENTRE.COM

**SCAN TO BUY  
TICKETS!**





# CHRISTMAS TREE FARMS



*Pre-cut or pick your own, the best Christmas trees are from Georgia farms.*

## **7G's Family Farm**

2377 Old Kings Bridge Road  
Nicholson, GA  
**706-338-2061**  
Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress,  
Carolina Sapphire, Silver Smoke, Blue  
Ice, Burkii Cedar

## **Barn Hill Tree Farm**

417 Oklahoma Avenue West  
Dahlonega, GA  
**770-851-2432**  
Murray Cypress, Carolina Sapphire

## **Bernard & Thompson CHRISTmas Tree Farms**

6476 Highway 215 North  
Pitts, GA  
**229-425-3171**  
Blue Ice, Carolina Sapphire, Leyland  
Cypress, Murray Cypress

## **Berry's Christmas Tree Farm**

70 Mt. Tabor Road  
Covington, GA  
**770-786-5833**  
Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress,  
Virginia Pine, Cedar, Fraiser Fir  
(precut), Carolina Sapphire

## **Blessed Pastures Christmas Tree Farm**

340 Rock Creek Road SW  
Calhoun, GA  
**770-608-9914**  
Carolina Sapphire, Murray Cypress,  
Red Cedar

## **Bosshardt Family Farm - Come See Come Saw**

Call For Appointment  
**706-861-5672**  
Blue Ice, Leyland Cypress, White Pine

## **Bottoms Christmas Tree Farm**

5880 John Burrus Road  
Cumming, GA  
**706-429-3173**  
Murray Cypress, Virginia Pine,  
Carolina Sapphire, White Pine,  
Fraiser Fir

## **Bradley's Farms**

25 Lawrence Drive  
Dawsonville, GA  
**770-380-3636**  
Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Callaway Christmas Trees**

2077 Elberton Highway  
Hartwell, GA  
**706-376-9614**  
Douglas Fir, Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Christmas Carroll Tree Farm**

7206 Hwy 95  
Lafayette, GA  
**423-838-5785**  
Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Coker Tree Farm**

2280 Macland Road  
Marietta, GA  
**404-424-8047**  
Fraiser Fir, Leyland Cypress,  
Murray Cypress

## **Coppage Christmas Trees**

6596 Wright Road  
Manor, GA  
**912-286-1099**  
Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser Fir, Murray  
Cypress, Silver Smoke

## **Days of Creation Christmas Tree Farm**

3997 Waycross Highway  
Jesup, GA  
**912-256-1167**  
Blue Ice, Carolina Sapphire,  
Murray Cypress

## **Gay's Christmas Tree Farm**

2335 Tobacco Road  
Augusta, GA  
**706-833-7063**  
Douglas Fir, Murray Cypress, Carolina  
Sapphire, Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Greenbriar Creek Christmas Tree Farm**

1530 Old Bishop Road  
Bishop, GA  
**706-340-3763**  
Douglas Fir, Murray Cypress

## **Holly Hill Tree Farm**

276 Woodland Lane  
Dahlonega, GA  
**678-897-9009**  
Carolina Sapphire, Green Giant,  
Fraiser Fir (precut), Murray Cypress,  
White Pine

## **Homestead Christmas Tree Farm**

3850 Highway 81 W  
Hampton, GA  
**770-707-0854**  
Green Giant, Fraiser Fir, Leyland  
Cypress, Murray Cypress, Red Cedar,  
Virginia Pine

## **Jack's Creek Farms**

2291 Price Mill Road  
Bishop, GA  
**706-343-1855**  
Arizona Cypress, Fraiser Fir (precut),  
Green Giant, Leyland Cypress,  
Red Cedar

## **Jack's Tree Farms**

8765 Hwy. 53 W  
Jasper, GA  
**770-894-1985**  
Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress,  
White Pine, Canaan Firs

## **Jakes Christmas Tree Farm**

1509 Hwy 25. North  
Waynesboro, GA  
**706-526-2206**  
Blue Ice, Leyland Cypress, Murray

## **Kittle Christmas Tree Farm**

985 Salem Valley Road  
Ringgold, GA  
**706-935-3563**  
Leyland Cypress, Carolina Sapphire,  
Murray Cypress, White Pine,  
Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Klaus Christmas Trees**

4684 GA Highway 83 S  
Culloden, GA  
**478-662-1099**  
Blue Ice, Carolina Sapphire, Eastern  
Red Cedar, Leyland Cypress,  
Murray Cypress

## **Minter's Tree Farm**

283 Hill's Bridge Road  
Fayetteville, GA  
**770-461-2840**  
Blue Ice, Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser  
Fir, Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress

## **Rahn Farms LLC**

1647 Highway 21 North  
Springfield, GA  
**912-213-3580**  
Fraiser Fir, Murray Cypress

## **Raulston Acres Christmas Tree Farm**

2575 GA Hwy. 95  
Rock Spring, GA  
**706-764-6111**  
Murray Cypress, Virginia Pine, Blue  
Ice, Douglas Fir, Carolina Sapphire,  
Green Giant

## **Red Land Christmas Tree Farm**

86 Red Land Bend  
Temple, GA  
**678-850-8111**  
Arizona Cypress, Murray Cypress,  
Fraiser Fir

## **Rex Christmas Tree Farm**

950 Wilkerson Road  
Rex, GA  
**770-474-3416**  
Carolina Sapphire, Green Giant,  
Leyland Cypress, Red Cedar,  
Virginia Pine

## **Ridgeway Christmas Tree Farm**

2964 High Falls Road  
Jackson, GA  
**770-775-3120**  
Noble Fir, Fraiser Fir

## **Roberts Christmas Tree Farm**

9247 Peach Parkway  
Byron, GA  
**478-951-4077**  
Leyland Cypress, Carolina Sapphire,  
Murray Cypress, Blue Ice, Green  
Giant, Silver Smoke

## **Rushing's Ole Mill Farm**

128 Cecil Anderson Road  
Register, GA  
**912-687-0564**  
Carolina Sapphire, Leyland Cypress

## **Rutland Farms**

5641 Union Road  
Tifton, GA  
**229-386-5111**  
Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress,  
Carolina Sapphire, Blue Ice, Fraiser  
Fir (precut), Silver Smoke

## **Sleepy Hollow Christmas Tree Farm**

628 Sleepy Hollow Road  
Powder Springs, GA  
**770-942-6770**  
Leyland Cypress, Carolina Sapphire,  
Virginia Pine, Fraiser Fir, Balsam Fir,  
Blue Spruce

## **Southern Cypress Christmas Tree Farm**

851 L.C. Pope Rd.  
Dublin, GA  
**478-279-2528**  
Murray Cypress, Carolina Sapphire,  
Leyland Cypress, Blue Ice, Eastern  
Red Cedar, Fraiser Fir (precut)

## **Springhill Christmas Tree Farm**

795 Woodhull Road  
Bainbridge, GA  
**229-400-0329**  
Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser Fir, Murray  
Cypress, Spruce, Virginia Pine

## **Sugarland Tree Farm**

3933 Highway 155 N  
Stockbridge, GA  
**770-957-6438**  
Fraiser Fir, Eastern Red Cedar,  
Leyland Cypress, Murray Cypress

## **Tallapoosa Christmas Tree Farm**

20 Madison Newman Road  
Tallapoosa, GA  
**404-445-9218**  
Murray Cypress, Carolina Sapphire,  
Virginia Pine

## **Thompson's Tree Farm**

1829 Prospect Road  
Lawrenceville, GA  
**770-513-2552**  
Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser Fir (precut),  
Green Giant, Murray Cypress

## **Tom's Trees**

1559 Lilly Lane  
Glennville, GA  
**912-441-7840**  
Murray Cypress

## **Wheeler's Christmas Tree Farm**

662 Hall Road  
Cairo, GA  
**229-377-3116**  
Carolina Sapphire, Leyland Cypress,  
Murray Cypress, Silver Smoke

## **Worthington Tree Farm**

145 Twin Oaks Drive  
Hampton, GA  
**770-568-4931**  
Carolina Sapphire, Fraiser Fir (precut),  
Leyland Cypress, Virginia Pine,  
White Pine

## **Yuletide Christmas Tree Farm**

1175 Penland Road  
Covington, GA  
**678-456-2128**  
Blue Ice, Carolina Sapphire,

DCF  
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# Lighting the Way

**Opens Monday Night  
December 2nd**

*Bring your family and enjoy the lights*

2761 East Baker Hwy  
Douglas, GA

COFFEE COUNTY FOOD BANK

## HOLIDAY

*Serve Hours*

~~Wednesday, 11/27: Closed~~

~~Friday, 11/29: Closed~~

~~Wednesday, 12/4: Open~~

Friday, 12/6: Open

Wednesday, 12/11: Open

Friday: 12/13: Open

Wednesday: 12/18: Open

Friday: 12/20: Open

Wednesday, 12/25: Closed

Friday, 12/27: Closed

Wednesday, 1/1: Closed

**\*CCFB will resume regular serving hours on  
Friday, January 3rd**



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**PLEASE LET US KNOW:**

- YOUR NAME, TOWN & STATE**
- PHONE NUMBER**
- WHERE YOUR COLLECTION IS LOCATED**
- A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ITEMS**





# Toy Drive



Accepting donations at the following locations  
from 10am until 1pm on these days

**Tuesday, December 3rd at Austin's Respiratory  
and Medical Equipment**

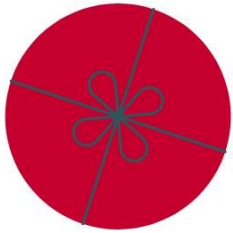
**Wednesday, December 4th at Carter Home Center**

**Friday, December 6th at Tidal Wave Auto Spa/Car Wash**

Please donate new, unwrapped toys for  
local children for the Christmas season.

All donations will be given to  
Coffee County Sheriffs Department for  
donation to children in need





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# WHOOO-LIDAY BREAKFAST BASH

DEC 7TH | 8:30AM - 10:30AM

# MERRY MOMENTS & SPIRIT NIGHT

DINE - IN, CARRY OUT, OR MOBILE DRIVE THRU

December 9, 2024  
5:00pm - 8:00pm

FEATURING

COFFEE HIGH SHOWCHOIR

Chick-fil-& Douglas





# Free Photos with Santa



Dec. 7th: 11-3

Dec. 13th: 5-8

Dec. 14th: 11-3



- No appointment needed! Just walk in & sign up!
- Upstairs @ Sweet Magnolias (222 Peterson Ave South)
- Digital photos shared via online album

**FREE**

# Christmas Extravaganza

**Tuesday, December 10th | 6PM**

*Come by and enjoy...*

- **Santa Claus**
- **The Grinch**
- **Games**
- **Prizes**
- **Food and more**



**LAKESIDE**  
**SENIOR CARE**

1025 N. Chester Ave  
Douglas, GA 31533

JOIN US FOR

# CHRISTMAS

*at Chloe's Coffee!*



**DEC. 8**

**2-7PM**

**2149 DOUGLAS BROXTON HWY, DOUGLAS, GA**

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# CHRISTMAS

# Party



5PM-7PM

Featuring the Coca-Cola Polar Bear

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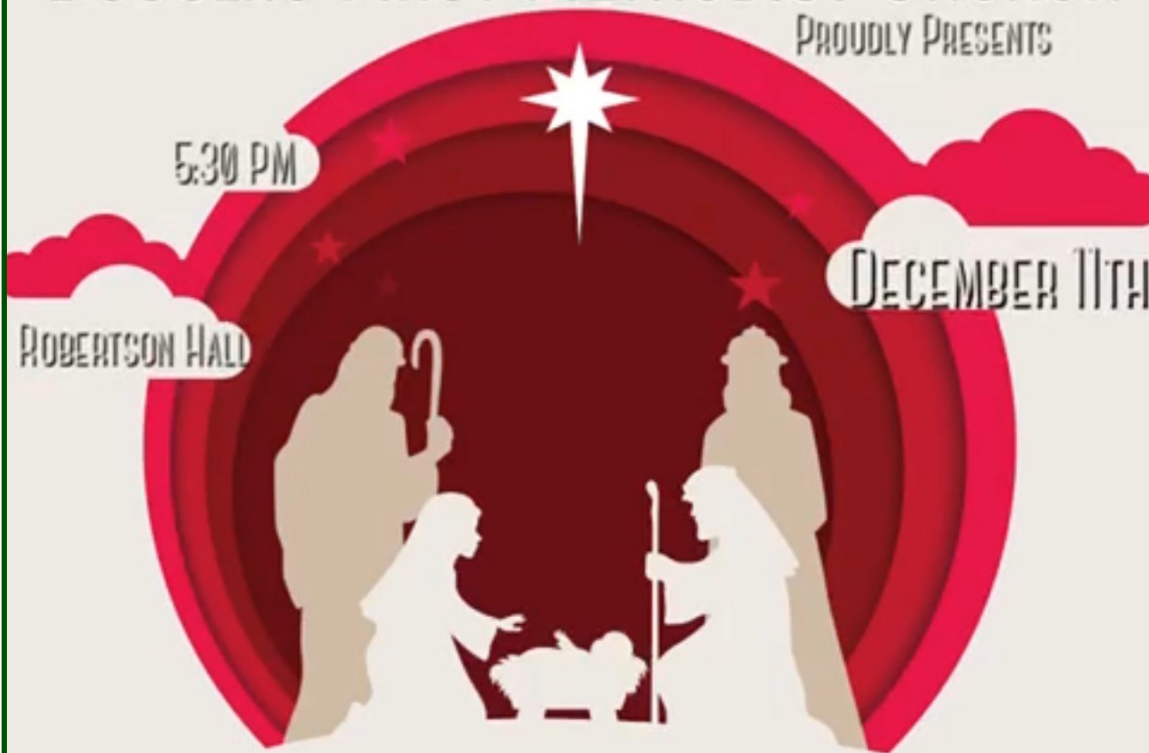
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PROUDLY PRESENTS

5:30 PM

DECEMBER 11TH

ROBERTSON HALL



O NIGHT DIVINE  
SHADOW NATIVITY





# SANTA'S PANCAKE PARTY

Enjoy pancakes with princesses and Christmas crafts with elves, and capture a photo with Santa in a personalized keepsake frame.

COFFEE HIGH SCHOOL  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14  
9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

*Ticket: \$10 per child*

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN ADVANCE THROUGH SANTA'S HELPERS AND CTSO OFFICERS, OR YOU CAN RESERVE YOUR TICKET USING THE LINK PROVIDED BELOW. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ALL TICKET FEES FOR ONLINE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE DOOR.

RSVP FOR SANTA'S  
PANCAKE PARTY HERE!

*For more information:*  
EMAIL:

TARA.CARVER@COFFEE.K12.GA.US



# Book your FREE Santa pic for our Paws & Claus Photo Event



DOUGLAS PETS MART  
1307 S PETERSON AVE  
(912) 493-6055



2-6pm

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Douglas-Coffee County Chamber of Commerce presents

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Tuesday, December 17, 2024

VISIT WITH OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES & SENATORS BEFORE THE 2025 ASSEMBLY SESSION

# Meet & Greet **SANTA & MRS. CLAUS**

Get ready for a magical encounter as Santa Claus himself pays a visit to spread holiday cheer! Bring the whole family for a special Meet and Greet event, where kids can share their wishes, snap festive photos, and experience the joy of the season

**Douglas - Dec 13th 3-5**  
**Waycross - Dec 21st 2-4**

*Georgia Waxing & Skin Co.*



*free family Christmas pictures*

**Dec. 14th 3-6 pm**

*Two little chicks - 108 E Ashley St Douglas Ga 31533*





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*Christmas*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024 -10A - 4P**

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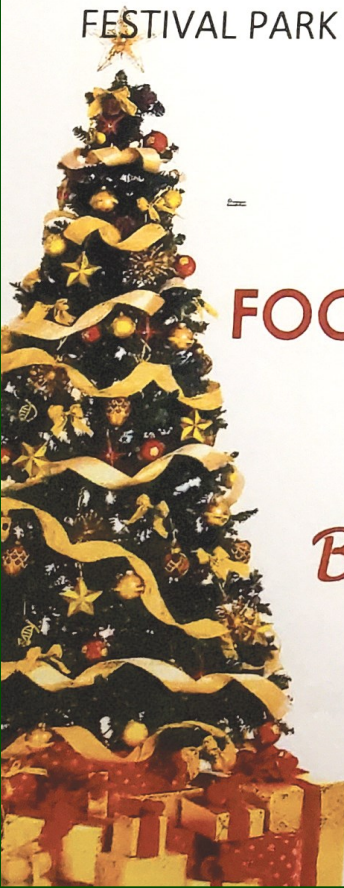
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# Santa is here!



## Join us for our **Holiday Palooza**

**COME AND TAKE YOUR OWN  
FREE PHOTOS WITH SANTA !!**

**MANY DIFFERENT VENDORS WILL  
ALSO BE SET UP!**

**CENTRAL SQUARE GYM - DOUGLAS, GA**

**10am until 2pm**

# DECK THE HALLS WITH PICKLEBALLS

**TOURNAMENT**  
**DECEMBER 17TH**  
**6:00 PM**



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**CHS Tennis Courts - 159 Trojan Way**

Contact [Shana.Harper@coffee.k12.ga.us](mailto:Shana.Harper@coffee.k12.ga.us) for more information!



**American Legion Post and  
Unit 515 Cordially Invite you  
and your guests to:**



**THE COMMUNITY  
Christmas Meal, Toys & Gifts Giveaway**

**Sunday: December 22, 2024**

**TIME: 2:00 – 4:30 P.M.**

**Where: Young's Chapel Missionary Baptist  
Church, 710 Shirley Ave, Douglas, 31533**

***"Everyone is Eligible"***

➤ **OPENING COMMENTS**

➤ **MEAL – FREE**

➤ **PRESENTATION OF TOYS AND GIFTS**

➤ **NO DRESS CODE**

**RSVP: Jerome Loving @ 912-592-6413 by  
December 15, 2024**

**COME, enjoy a meal and show some  
*"LOVE for CHRISTMAS"***

**STACY DAVIS**  
Commander

**JEROME LOVING**  
Coordinator