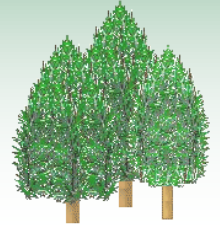




The City of

DOUGLAS GEORGIA

MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER JULY 2011



Working Together to Serve You Better...

UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

- July 4, CITY OFFICES CLOSED
- July 4, Freedom Fest, 5pm, JC Adams Municipal Park, Fireworks after dark!
- July 11, 7pm, City Commission Meeting @ City Hall
- July 12, 5pm-8pm, 2nd Tuesdays in Downtown Douglas
- July 13, Historic Preservation Meeting, 10am, @ City Hall
- July 20, Cemetery Meeting, 10am, @ Douglas City Cemetery
- July 21, DDA Meeting, 11am, @ City Hall
- July 21, Planning Commission Meeting @ City Hall, 6pm
- July 25, 7pm, City Commission Meeting @ City Hall
- July 25, 12Noon, Chamber Power Lunch @ Golf Club FMI: 384-1873

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FREEDOM FEST 2011
Monday, July 4
JC Adams Municipal Park
 Gates open at 5:00pm, Fireworks after dark. For more [info](#), call (912) 381-2441 or (912) 384-4555.

COMMISSIONER ROPER RECOGNIZED AT GMA CONVENTION

Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper Sr. received the prestigious Certificate of Distinction from the Georgia Municipal Training Institute at the Georgia Municipal Association's (GMA) 78th Annual Convention in Savannah on June 27. The Georgia Municipal Training Institute, a cooperative effort of GMA and the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government, provides a nationally recognized series of training opportunities for elected city officials. To receive a Certificate of Distinction a city official must complete a minimum of 204 units of credit, including 12 units of required courses. The training program consists of a series of more than 40 six-unit courses.



Roper is one of 10 city officials to receive this certificate at the 2011 GMA Annual Convention in Savannah.

"This is an outstanding achievement," said GMA Executive Director Jim Higdon. "We commend Commissioner Roper for this accomplishment and for the dedication he's shown in using this valuable resource to become a more effective city official."

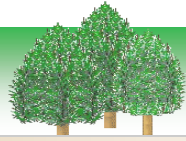
CITY LEADERS AGREE ON PROPOSED AREA TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ANNEXATION

City leaders met on Monday, June 13, 2011 and agreed to consider an approximate two-mile area contiguous to the existing City limits for annexation into the City of Douglas using a method requiring that a referendum approving the annexation be held for the resident electors in the area to be annexed. This would mean that current residents living in the City would not vote to bring in or keep out the properties proposed for annexation. The City will be sharing the many benefits of annexation with the people affected and will be sharing as well, the benefits that annexation would have for our community such as a large enough City population to attract chain retail stores and restaurants. The City is in the process now of researching answers for questions that it knows will be asked and also researching how to provide City services in the proposed area for annexation. Informational meetings will be held with issues and concerns addressed. It is the City's hope that those affected will keep an open mind until all the concerns are addressed and only then form their opinions and ultimately cast their vote.

A large map of the proposed area considered for annexation can be found in the City Hall Planning and Zoning Office at 224 East Bryan Street. For more information, please call Community Development at 912-389-3462 or 912-389-3433.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Downtown 2nd Tuesdays

“Stroll, Shop, Sit, and Eat”

Tuesday, July 12, 2011

5pm-8pm Downtown Douglas

Courthouse Lawn and Sidewalks will host exhibitors/vendors from the Wiregrass Artist’s Guild and Magnolia Marketplace. Live Entertainment at Atkinson Plaza.

For more information, call 384-5161.



DOUGLAS HUNTING, FISHING, AND OUTDOORS EXPO!

The City of Douglas will showcase the first Douglas Hunting, Fishing, & Outdoors Expo at Central Square Complex in downtown Douglas, August 26-27, 2011. Partnering with the Boy Scouts of America, Douglas Police Department, General Coffee State Park, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Georgia State Patrol, Gopher Plantation, National Wild Turkey Federation, the National Rifle Association, and the Georgia Hunting and Fishing Federation, and more agencies, event planners are expecting a great turnout. Exhibitors will fill two exhibit halls and the grounds around Central Square Complex with items relating to outdoor apparel, hunting gear, ATVs, boats, hunting/camping trips, fishing accessories, and more specialty outdoor merchandise. Attendees will be able to participate in onsite activities such as the DNR fishing and laser simulator, Georgia State Patrol’s Impaired Driving Simulator, Hunter Safety Courses, Mechanical Bull Riding, Archery Demonstrations, Camping Exhibitions, cool down on Giant Water Slides, plus shop for the latest gear and apparel for all sorts of outdoor activities, and much, much more! On Friday night, August 26th, there will be a Wild Game Supper with special guest, Neal Rohrbach, from the Outdoor Channel Outfitters. Food vendors will be on site both days.



AUGUST 26 • 11am-7pm

AUGUST 27 • 9am-6pm

Central Square Complex, Douglas, Georgia

For more information, call (912) 383-0277.

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DOUGLAS RECYCLING

June Recycling Pickup Calendar



Week 1 (June 27–July 1)- Blue Cart

Week 3 (July 11-15)- Blue Cart

Week 2 (July 5–July 8)- Green Cart

Week 4 (July 18–22)- Green Cart

Week 5 (July 25–29) - Blue Cart



REMEMBER: Recycling is now City-Wide! (912) 389-3450.

