

City of Douglas

"Working Together To Serve You Better"

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 3, 10, 17, 24 Citizens' Academy Program, 6pm, FMI: 383-0277

April 4, 11, 18, 25 Munch & Music, Emma Ward Park, 12Noon

April 6, Douglas Singles Dance, Gym B, 7:00pm

April 9, City Commission Meeting, City Hall, 7pm

April 10, Downtown 2nd Tuesdays, 5pm-8pm, Downtown Douglas

April 10, Honky Tonk Angels, 7pm, Martin Centre

April 11, Historic Pres. Meeting, 11am, FMI: 384-5161

April 14, Puppet Show, Martin Centre, FMI: 912-632-8173.

April 18, Cemetery Meeting, 10am, FMI: 389-3405

April 19, Downtown Dev. Authority Meeting, 11am, FMI: 384-5161

April 19, Planning & Zoning Meeting, 6pm, Council Room

April 21, 2012 Talent Show, Martin Centre, FMI: 501-9179

April 23, City Commission Meeting, City Hall, 7pm

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GEORGIA CITIES WEEK: "THE MAGIC OF CITIES"

APRIL 22 – APRIL 28, 2012

Monday, April 23, the City Commission will hold its regular meeting and will recognize the winners of the "If I were Mayor" Essay Contest. The contest was held in February and allowed 6th graders in Coffee County to write an essay about how they would run the City.

Tuesday, April 24, Douglas City Cemetery, at 10am, there will be a Closing Dedication service for the historic African American section of the cemetery.

Wednesday, April 25, Coffee Alliance for Arts will host Munch and Music at Emma Ward Park at 12noon, and will showcase the talents of the Coffee High School Show Choir. Bring your own lunch.

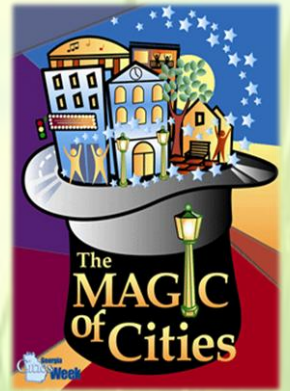
Thursday, April 26, The Commit 2B Fit Walk, 5:30pm. The Walk begins at the Coffee County Alternative Education Center (old Pre-K Academy).

Thursday, April 26, A Town Hall meeting will be held at the C.E. Weir Center at 6:30pm, which will give citizen's the opportunity to talk to local officials about concerns they may have that involve our city services.

Friday, April 27, The Customer Service Department will host its Customer Appreciation Day from 9am-4pm at City Hall, to express appreciation to loyal customers by serving popcorn and drinks.

Friday, April 27, The weeklong celebration will conclude with the Coffee County Relay for Life Walk that begins at 7:00pm, through Saturday morning, April 28 at the Coffee Track on South Peterson Avenue. FMI: 384-4895

For more information on Georgia Cities Week activities, please call (912)383-0277 or visit www.cityofdouglas.com.



Help Wanted JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Full-time Grounds Maint. Worker - \$9.63/hr. Deadline: 4-2-2012

Full-time Facility Service Worker - \$9.63/hr. Deadline: 4-9-2012

Full-Time Customer Service Specialist - \$10.63/hr. Deadline: 4-16-2012

Part-time Aquatic Supervisor - \$10/hr. DOE Deadline: 4-5-2012

Part-time Lifeguards - \$7.25/hr. DOE Deadline: 4-5-2012

Part-time Parks Maintenance Worker - \$7.25/hr. Deadline: 4-5-2012

Part-time Swim Team Coach - \$10/hr. Deadline: 4-5-2012

Part-time Youth Program Worker & Part - Time Youth Program Assistant - \$7.25/hr. Deadline: 4-5-2012

For more information about job opportunities with the City of Douglas, contact Human Resources at 912-389-3494.



Saturday, April 21

7am-3pm

Central Square

Complex

For more information, call (912)383-0277 or email bthomas@cityofdouglas.com

YARD SALE PERMITS WILL INCREASE TO \$5 BEGINNING MAY 1ST

Garage and yard sales may be held by individuals for the purpose of disposing of personal items no longer needed or wanted, however; a permit must be obtained from City Hall prior to the sale date. The City of Douglas will increase yard sale permits to \$5.00 beginning May 1st.

When citizens go to City Hall to obtain their permit, they will be asked to complete a form that lists the date or dates of the sale, the name of the person conducting the sale, and the location of the sale. Only two (2) sales may be held by an individual in any calendar year and they cannot last no longer than two (2) consecutive days. As stated in city ordinance, any person found guilty of violations of the conditions of the ordinance, shall pay a fine as set in the schedule of fees and charges.

For more information, call the [Customer Service Department](http://www.cityofdouglas.com) at (912)389-3499 or visit www.cityofdouglas.com.



CLOSING DEDICATION FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN SECTION OF CITY CEMETERY

On Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 10:00am, the City of Douglas will hold a Closing Dedication Ceremony of sections M, N, and O, which have served as burial sites for the African American community.

The historic African American section is located in the north-eastern (back) portion of the cemetery. Originally, the land was part of a farm owned by the Gaskin family. The earliest interments occurred in the 1840s, about 50 years before Douglas was established as a town. Unrecorded graves were discovered in July 2005, which led to years of discussion and led to the decision to close this section by the City of Douglas Cemetery Committee and Mayor and Commission.

Community members wishing to attend this dedication should drive straight into the Cemetery until you reach the gazebo. Turn right at the gazebo, take the first left roadway to reach the section in the back of the cemetery.

For more information on the Cemetery Dedication of the African American Section, please call (912)389-3405 or email wbolder@cityofdouglas.com.

BROXTON ROCKS EASTER OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, April 8
12Noon – 3:00pm
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!
FMI: (912)383-0277**

THE BROXTON ROCKS

Public Tours, Saturdays @ 10am

Spring Series: 5/5, and 5/19
Fall Series: 9/29, 10/13, 10/27, and 11/3

For More Information call, Ms. Élise Cormier:
Phone: 404- 253-7210, Email: ecormier@tnc.org,
Mailing Address: The Nature Conservancy
1330 West Peachtree Street, Suite 410,
Atlanta, GA 30309



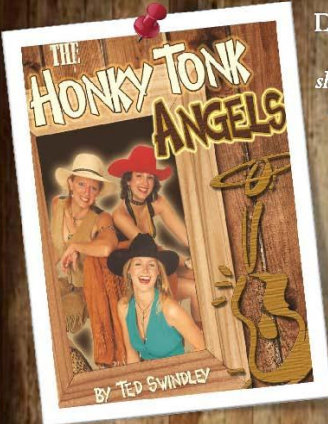
Photos are of the historic African American Section of the Douglas Cemetery.

Coffee Alliance for the Arts with Douglas Main Street invite you to join us for

A Night Out on the Town!



Tuesday, April 10th

Come stroll, shop & dine during Main Street's Downtown 2nd Tuesday before heading to the Martin Centre for the Honky Tonk Angels!



Downtown 2nd Tuesdays, 5-8pm
Select businesses will be open late for shopping and dining. Additional vendors and exhibitors will also be at Atkinson Plaza selling goods.

Honky Tonk Angels, 7pm
at the Martin Centre
The Honky Tonk Angels is a musical tour which will feature classic country tunes by Tammy Wynette, Loretta Lynn, Dolly Parton & many more!





Honky Tonk Angels Admission: \$15
Tickets are available at Heritage Station Museum, the Chamber of Commerce & at the door. FMI, call (229) 314-0310.

The classiest, sassiest show this side of Nashville!

BID ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Police Uniforms and Duty Gear
Bid Closing: April 23, 2012 2:30pm
For more information, call the Purchasing Department at (912)389-3463.


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Tuesday, April 24
6:30pm
Coffee Middle School Auditorium
Admission: \$5 Adults/\$2 Students

For more information, 384-7071, 384-2086


CITIZENS' ACADEMY PROGRAM

The first two sessions of the Citizens' Academy Program have taken place and City Leaders have received good feedback from the students in each class.




Citizen's Academy Program
Douglas, GA 101

Session I – "Getting To Know You" - Attendees learned about the many roles of the Mayor, City Commission, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk, and Human Resources Department. Mayor Dennis, City Manager Terrell Jacobs, Mayor ProTem Olivia Pearson, Jerome Adams (City Attorney), Wynetta Bolder (City Clerk), Judy Carter (Human Resources), were presenters at this class with Georgia Henderson (Central Services) as facilitator.



Mayor Dennis talks about the Role of Mayor.

Session II – "Home is Where The Heart Is"
Attendees learned about the many functions of the Public Works Department and Community Development Department. After the Public Works presentation, students were able to see the heavy equipment used by City of Douglas employees. Jacob Lott (Public Works Dir.), and Dale Batten (Comm.. Dev. Director) were presenters with Blondale Thomas (Facility Supervisor) as facilitator.



Students Brent Miller, Sylvia Miller, Larry Nesmith, Kim Carter, Frank Bussey, Joakima Moore, Greg Miller, Susann Mizell, Patricia Vickers, Donna Simpson, Andrew Bussey, Louise Darby, Erma Jackson, and Carl Wilkerson take a look at the equipment used by City employees.

TINY TOT EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 7 • 11am (SHARP!)

DC Adams Municipal Park Soccer Field

For more information, Call (912)383-7332
or email fitness@Cityofdouglas.com



JUNK FREE WEEK APRIL 16-20, 2012 9AM-3PM



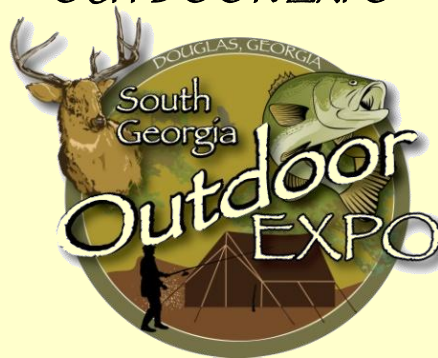
FREE DROP OFF LARGE BROWN AND WHITE GOODS AT CITY POLE YARD LOCATED
AT 607 S. PEARL AVENUE, ACROSS FROM THE POST OFFICE.
NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS OR TIRES. FMI: CALL PUBLIC WORKS 912-389-3450

CITY CREWS CONTINUE TO MAKE UTILITY REPAIRS

Please excuse our progress as city crews continue to make final road improvements along College Avenue, Walker Street, and Pope Drive. These projects have included: changing storm drainage pipes, installing drain boxes to prevent standing water, the addition of handicap ramps, sidewalk/gutter repairs and resurfacing.



VENDORS AND SPONSORS
ARE BEING SOUGHT FOR
THE SOUTH GEORGIA
OUTDOOR EXPO!!



Event Dates: Friday, August 24 1pm-7pm
Saturday, August 25 9am-5pm
Central Square Complex
FMI: 912-383-0277

Douglas Recycling - April

Week 1 (April 2 - April 6) - Blue Cart

Week 2 (April 9 - April 13) - Green Cart

Week 3 (April 16 - April 20) - Blue Cart

Week 4 (April 23 - April 27) - Green Cart

Week 5 (April 30 - May 4) - Blue Cart



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

