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# Fairburn City News

Official Newsletter of the City of Fairburn, Georgia

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Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

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## City of Fairburn

56 Malone Street SW  
Fairburn, GA 30213  
770-964-2244  
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## Utilities Department

770-969-3481

## Police Department

770-964-1441

## **Upcoming meetings are held virtually via Zoom**

Fairburn City Council meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Planning & Zoning Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month.



## **Fairburn Utilities wins big with Energy Efficiency**

Fairburn Utilities awarded top three in Georgia for saving its customers 8.49% on their electric bills, an accomplishment that translates to revenue of \$11,170.600.

Consumers of the company pay an average of \$123.12, which is lower than the \$133.31 average for Georgia, which makes the company among the lowest in the nation for CO2 emissions.

“This is good news for the residents of Fairburn, a savings that is much needed,” according to the Mayor of Fairburn, Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

When it comes to public works, energy conservation is at the top of the list for many cities as they grapple with sustainably providing services. The City of Fairburn is one of a growing number of municipalities that is an energy provider, a municipally owned entity that provides services to 3,436 customers, servicing major cities that include Atlanta, Sandy Springs, South Fulton, Roswell, Johns Creek, and Alpharetta.

For more information, please visit: [www.FindEnergy.com](http://www.FindEnergy.com)



## **Mayor's Corner**



This year, we have faced many challenges together coming out of the pandemic, only to discover a new normal that was anything but normal. We have suffered the loss of family and friends and dealt with the negative economic impacts on individuals, families, and businesses.

However, I am grateful for the resilience Fairburnites have demonstrated. We have taken on many challenges and are working together to come back stronger than before. We have witnessed the bravery of our children, teachers, and administrators returning to school. I remain inspired by the contributions of students throughout our city who participated in the Art & Essay Contest, sharing their thoughts on how the pandemic has shaped them. The positivity expressed was tremendous!

I am also thankful for the work of staff in beautifying areas throughout our city, with landscaping, a new artist mural in front of Casablanca, and new seating throughout the downtown area making it safer for residents and visitors to walk and visit our businesses.

I am thankful to our veterans who are commemorated this month for their contributions. Although we have suffered much, we have much to be grateful for as we spend time with our family and friends.

Happy Thanksgiving, Fairburn!

Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

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**November Birthdays  
Employees**

- Shareeta Bolden
- Edgar DeSantos
- Earley Michael Grant
- Charles Israel
- LaDarrian Nichols
- Jakela Potts
- Khari Williams



**It Takes a Community to  
Keep Us Safe**

**TIPS TO PREVENT CAR THEFT AND  
BURGLARIES AS WE APPROACH  
THE HOLIDAY SEASON!**

Community involvement makes our city a better place in which to live and do business. To prevent crime and keep everyone safe, the police department needs your help because an all-eyes approach benefits everyone. If you see something suspicious, feel free to call 770-964-1441.

As we move into the holiday season, while out and about shopping or at home celebrating, being aware is a crucial deterrent. I want to share some vital crime prevention tips to reduce your exposure of being a target for vehicle burglaries and thefts.

- Always roll up vehicle windows and lock all doors.
- Hide your personal belongings.
- Store items in your trunk before you arrive on-site; avoid storing items in your trunk after you park.
- Keep cell phone cords or other electronic accessories out of sight.
- Do not keep essential papers in your vehicle.
- Park in a well-lit area.
- Don't leave your car running idle (for the environment and theft).

Look out for suspicious activity, such as people walking up and down aisles and checking vehicle door handles. Watch out for cars moving slowly or stopping for extended periods in parking lots. Keep an eye out for anyone on a bike or scooter with no specific purpose in a parking lot.

The City of Fairburn Police Department sends best wishes for a safe and Happy Thanksgiving holiday!

**Government Offices  
Holiday Schedule**

The City of Fairburn government offices will be closed

**Thursday, November 11th**  
Veterans Day

**Thursday & Friday, November 25-26**  
Thanksgiving Holiday

**Time Change & Fall Fire  
Safety Tips**

As people turn back their clocks on Sunday, November 7th, Fairburn Fire Department reminds the public to review and refresh their fire safety plan for fall. Preparedness tips include:

Change smoke alarm batteries – When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms provide early warnings so people can get outside quickly. Check each alarm battery and test them monthly to make sure they are working. If a fire alarm starts chirping on its own, it is warning you to replace batteries immediately.

Prepare an escape plan – Create a home escape plan and designate a meeting place outside to gather in the event of an emergency.

Thanksgiving is the leading day for home fires involving cooking equipment by at least three times the average number per day. If you plan to use a deep fryer to cook your turkey this year, remember that turkey fryers must always be used outdoors and at a safe distance from buildings. Make sure the fryer is placed on a flat surface and never leave it unattended. Don't overfill the fryer with oil, and keep an all-purpose fire extinguisher nearby. Never use water to extinguish a grease or oil fire. The men and women of the Fairburn Fire Department hope you and your family have a wonderful, safe Thanksgiving Holiday.

**Save the Date**

**Fairburn Holiday Tree Lighting  
Ceremony**  
Visit the Fairburn Website for the  
date & time  
**Frankie Arnold Stage & Courtyard**  
**15 West Broad St**  
[www.fairburn.com](http://www.fairburn.com)

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Dept. of Parks & Recreation

**GEORGIA CARES**  
LOCAL HELP FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE

**NOVEMBER 10TH, 2021**  
**11 A.M. - 12 P.M.**

**FAIRBURN YOUTH CENTER**  
**149 S.W. BROAD ST.**

- State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) of Georgia
- Trained counselors on all parts of Medicare.
- Understand your benefits.

**Register via email:**  
**shjackson@fairburn.com or**  
**(770) 964-2244 ext: #133**



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