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Fairburn City News

Official Newsletter of the City of Fairburn, Georgia

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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.

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The City of Fairburn government offices will be closed Monday, September 6, in observance of Labor Day. City operations will resume Tuesday, September 7.

Earn \$150 and **Beat Traffic on SR 74**



Are you tired of the rush hour stop-and-go on SR 74?

The Fairburn Park & Ride, located at 8100 Senoia Road, is an excellent

option for Fairburn residents to avoid traffic congestion.

Here's what you'll find:

- Free parking at the 200-space park and ride lot
- Exclusive access for carpool/vanpool meetups and transit riders
- Convenient location along SR 74 •
- Pick-up/drop-off for MARTA Route 188 - Oakley Industrial, with direct access to College Park Station

The South Fulton CID has also partnered with Georgia Commute Options to help you earn rewards when you use the Fairburn Park & Ride. Georgia Commute Options will pay you \$5 per day, up to \$150, when you switch from driving alone to riding transit, carpooling, vanpooling, or another clean commute.

It's easy to get started! Sign up at www.mygacommuteoptions.com, or send an email to Shayla Cato: scato@gacommuteoptions.com

The Fairburn Park & Ride is made possible by the South Fulton Community Improvement District (CID) and the City of Fairburn.

> For more information, visit www.SouthFultonCID.com.

Mayor's Corner



Fall brings a beautiful array of leaves, cooler temperatures, festivals, and high school football! As we embrace the season,

we are faced with a resurgence in the number of COVID-19 cases. Acts such as wearing a mask, getting vaccinated, and simply washing our hands go a long way in keeping our families safe. As we look ahead, we will do so not in fear but equipped with knowledge and guidance from our medical providers regarding the best course of action.

Fairburn is open for business and will continue with measured responses to ensure our community's safety. Duncan Park is filled with activities for all. In our downtown, we continue to host entertainment and are excited to announce the activation of our alley project with an evening of art and jazz. We continue to support the needs of our residents through partnerships that provide free vaccines, monthly food distribution, and mortgage/rental assistance. Available resources are available on our website under community resources.

Infrastructure is equally essential during this time. As we have made a more significant investment in enhancing our sidewalks and roadways in the downtown district, I'm happy to announce an upgrading of Fairburn's water system is on the way. As Chair of the Middle Chattahoochee Regional Water and Sewer Authority, I am working with our governmental partners to give Fairburn control of its water. My commitment to the people of Fairburn is to ensure excellence in service delivery, which sometimes requires increasing our investment in public works.

Our future remains bright as we continue moving forward together and beyond.



September Birthdays Employees

Tyshay Briley Tyshay Briley Wendy Brown Richard Brown, Jr. Kevin Fleming Timothy Giddens Dustin Key Jason Miller Commaleta Thornton Yanko G. Torres Fernandez Vince Lee Uscher Demetrius Valentine

Employee of the Month



congratulations Lt. Jason Ojeda

Fairburn Fire Department

Duncan Park Pool is open every weekend in September

Sessions Schedule 1 pm – 3 pm & 4 pm – 6 pm General admission - \$4.00 2 & under – Free

FAIRBURN POSTMASTER RETIRES AFTER 25 YEARS



Barbara Paxton, Postmaster of Fairburn, Ga, has retired after nine years of service in Fairburn. Ms. Paxton was the Postmaster of Union City before coming to Fairburn.

She began her career at the Atlanta Bulk Mail Center as a clerk, also serving as Supervisor of Customer Services in Union City, Griffin, and the Atlanta Air Mail Center.

She has been a resident for over twenty years. She obtained her Bachelor's in Organizational Leadership from Brenau University and is actively involved in church and maintaining the beauty of her community. Ms. Paxton says, "one of the highlights of my job was the ability to hire and promote individuals." She was a mentor and trainer to several employees. She says her success was attributed to the entire postal team working together to achieve goals.

Ms. Paxton's hobbies include attending local jazz concerts, traveling, and home improvement projects.

She will be enjoying her leisure time with her husband Gerard Paxton, children, grandkids, family, and friends.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration Friday, September 24, 2021

15 W. Broad Street, Fairburn, GA 6 pm – 10 pm



Scheduled Events

Yoga at the Courtyard September 8 / 7pm – 8pm

Movie with the Mayor Saturday, October 2, 2021

Third Fridays on Main Street Back to School Concert Friday, October 8, 2021

> **Fairburn Fall Festival** October 2 / 4pm – 9pm

> > GA Cities Week October 3 - 9



September 17, 2021 7:30 pm 15 W. Broad Street Fairburn, GA

Main Street

Free Giveaway to first 75 to register

Register here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/2euchkwm</u>

Vendors – Food – Fun & More



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