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Communication For Our Customers and Community

Special Victorian Christmas Announcement

Tonight is the last night for our 32nd Annual Victorian Christmas, and even with the rainy forecast the show must go on! Event organizers have revamped tonight's celebration to allow the event to continue with some modifications. Please plan to join us where it's safe and dry inside the Municipal Building and Auditorium located at 144 E. Jackson St. Inside, children can visit with St. Nick and enjoy crafts provided by the Thomas County Public Library. The Junior Service League's Children's Christmas Shop will also be inside along with the Thomasville History Center's Christmas card station. There will be some entertainment inside including stilt walkers roaming the halls. Lastly, all community acts that were scheduled for the amphitheater tonight will be performing instead at the Municipal Auditorium. For more information, please click [here](#).





Blueprint: 2028 Continues with Code Update

Blueprint:Thomasville 2028 was unanimously approved by Thomasville City Council in July of this year. Building on the confidence, momentum and energy created during the comprehensive planning process, the focus now shifts to implementation. That initiative, according to City planners, will begin next month when a 12-18 month process kicks off that will address Thomasville's development code.

The goal is to utilize a public process that will educate the community on the importance of code updates while also illustrating how this builds upon the vision set by the community during the initial Blueprint process. Through our comprehensive planning, a review of the City's development codes found that there were several inconsistencies in need of a full update. Updating the code should make the process much easier for those interested in investing in our community. The code updating process will begin next month with a meeting designed to gather initial public input. Holding the public meeting will allow the community to have a voice in the process and ensure that the new code meeting community needs and objectives.

The interactive presentation and discussion will be held on Monday, January 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Thomasville's Council Chambers. During the workshop, a presentation will be given followed by open dialogue regarding the code's needed updates. Audience response software will also be used to help gather data. The ultimate goal is to join multiple documents into one unified ordinance and to eliminate conflicting regulations, streamlining the approval process. While the January workshop is first, there will be additional opportunities for the community to provide input.



City of Thomasville Awarded CDBG Grant

The City of Thomasville recently received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$750,000 from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Thomasville is utilizing this grant for water and wastewater improvements in the Fletcherville community.

Construction began in the area on December 11th, resulting in detours at the intersections of Fletcher St. and College St. and Lester St. between Bartow St. and College St. For more detailed information regarding the project, including construction and detours, click [here](#).

Utility Payment Options: You're in Control!

In the hustle and bustle of holiday season, it's important to find ways to save time. With this in mind, the City of Thomasville would like to remind customers that they have several different options available when it comes to paying their utility bills.



The City of Thomasville accepts online payments using the Utilities Online portal available at Thomasville.org, where customers can pay from anywhere they have an internet connection. There is also a mobile app available for free in both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. Customers can also establish an automatic bank draft to be paid on their due date. In addition to those convenient options, customers are still able to pay by phone using the

interactive voice response (IVR) software or they can come directly to the office at 111 Victoria Place and pay either with a cashier or through the convenient drive through. Lastly, customers can still mail in their payment if preferred.

For more information on the multiple payment options available, please click [here](#) or call the City of Thomasville's Customer Care department at 227-7001.



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Scheduled CNS Outage

A scheduled CNS outage is planned for January 15-16, 2019 from 11:59 pm on the 15th to approximately 7:00 am on January 16th. All CNS services will be affected including telephone,

internet, and cable.

Work is expected to take 6 hours to complete, but will continue until all work has been done. Customers that will be impacted by the outage will receive inserts in the mail with their December statements. If you have any questions about this planned outage and the work being done, please call Customer Care at 227-7001.

TFR Reminds You About Holiday Fire Safety

Exciting celebrations and bright displays are staples of the holiday season. However, these displays can also pose safety risks. With the holiday season upon us, Thomasville Fire Rescue would like to stress to the community the importance of fire safety during the holidays.



Electrical distribution and lighting equipment are the causes in 43% of Christmas tree fires, and two thirds of related injuries resulted from fires that started with a Christmas tree. The top three days for home candle fires are Christmas, New Year's Day, and New Year's Eve, as well. Unwatered Christmas trees catch fire quickly and burn rapidly, causing life changing devastation in a matter of seconds. Some important steps you can take to ensure fire safety during the holidays include keeping real Christmas trees watered, ensuring electrical connections are good, and

keeping watch on burning candles. Small steps can prevent tragedies such as home fires. For more statistics and further information on fire safety, click [here](#).

Sunday Shopping in Downtown Thomasville

Several of your favorite downtown shops are open for business on Sundays throughout December. This is a great chance to get your holiday shopping done while supporting local business! Below is a list of shops and restaurants with Sunday hours. Hours vary, so please check with individual stores for specific hours of operation.

AJ Moonspin
Al Dixon Menswear
Ally B Boutique
At Home in Thomasville
Billiard Academy
The Bookshelf
Shop Caroline Hill
Farmer's Daughter Vineyards + Tasting Room
Fuzzy Goat
Hicks Clothing Co.
Leap Frogz
Mode Boutique of Thomasville
Onward Reserve
The Sweet and Savory Sisters
Signature Clothing Lounge
SouthLife Supply Company
Spence & Lane
Sweet Cacao Chocolates
Sweet Grass Dairy Cheese Shop
Table Works Plus
The Plaza Restaurant & Oyster Bar



Christmas and New Years Holiday Schedule

The City of Thomasville offices will be closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 in observance of the Christmas holidays. City offices will also be closed Tuesday, January 1, in observance of New Years Day. Because of the holiday observance, some City services will be affected. For a list of service schedules, including Solid Waste collection schedules, click [here](#).



Public Meetings & Events Calendar

- 12/18: 3:30 p.m. - Georgia Initiative for Community Housing Team Meeting
- 12/20: 10:00 a.m. - Called Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
- 1/7: 5:30 p.m. - Blueprint 2028 Presentation and Discussion
- 1/9: 4:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 1/14: 6:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 1/14: 7:00 p.m. - City Council Meeting
- 1/23: 4:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 1/28: 6:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 1/28: 7:00 p.m. - City Council Meeting

A full meeting calendar is available [here](#).

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