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Monthly Newsletter of Forsyth County, Georgia

March 2019

Join the Great FoCo Cleanup on March 16

Keep Forsyth County Beautiful welcomes everyone to take part in the **Great FoCo Cleanup** by helping remove litter from the community's roadways on Saturday, March 16. The cleanup event is a fantastic opportunity for residents, community organizations, families, businesses or clubs to really make a positive impact on the community! The effort is a part of the Keep America Beautiful Great American Cleanup.



Get more information on the cleanup and learn how to register by visiting KeepForsythCountyBeautiful.org, emailing KFCB@forsythco.com or calling (770) 205-4573.

transportation summit 2019

Attend the 2019 Transportation Summit



SAVE THE DATE: Hear updates on transportation projects happening throughout the county. Join officials with Forsyth County and the Georgia Department of Transportation on **Wednesday, April 10** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Forsyth Conference Center at Lanier Technical College for the 2019 Transportation Summit.

For more information or to register visit cummingforsythchamber.org or call (770) 887-6461

Shady Grove Campground Opens for the Season March 15

Forsyth County's Shady Grove Campground will open for the season on Friday, March 15. Shady Grove offers 110 family-friendly campsites along Lake Lanier.

Amenities include a beach and swim area, boat ramp with courtesy dock, group campsites with picnic shelters, a playground, restrooms and shower

facilities. Site reservations can be made online at parks.forsythco.com up to one year in advance.

Discounts are available for seniors, military and non-profit groups. Please visit parks.forsythco.com to learn more about Shady Grove Campground.



 7800 Allyn Lane Memorial Way | Reservations: parks.forsythco.com

Commissioner's Corner



Cindy Jones Mills
Vice Chairman

If you are looking to get outdoors, there is a good chance you will find something to do in Forsyth County. Our community has an abundance of great natural resources -- from Lake Lanier to Sawnee Mountain to the Etowah River. The county is also home to 25 parks and recreation facilities.

A subarea plan is being developed in the northern portion of the county to establish a trail system which will connect neighborhoods, county facilities and the county's natural resources. The goal of this new east to west greenway is to eventually connect to the Big Creek Greenway, which runs north and south, benefiting the county as a whole.

We will be holding a Community Open House where you can provide input on this plan. The Open House will be Thursday, March 28, from 6-8 pm at the Forsyth County Administration Building (110 E. Main Street, Suite 220).

We look forward to seeing you there!

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File by April 2 for 2018 Homestead Exemption/Age 65 School Tax Homestead

In Forsyth County you may qualify for homestead exemption, if as of January 1 you: (a) own a property, (b) reside on that property and (c) are a legal resident of the county.

You may apply for exemptions year-round, however, you must apply by April 2 to receive the exemption for that tax year. For more information or questions, call the Tax Assessor's Office at (770) 781-2106.

To apply, visit:
Forsyth County Tax Assessor's Office
110 E. Main Street, Suite 260, Cumming
Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Online: Regular and Floating homestead applications are available on the Board of Assessors page at forsythco.com and must be notarized. A notary is available in the Tax Assessor's Office at no charge.

REMINDER: Forsyth Senior Expo is March 23

This FREE event is an opportunity for seniors to meet representatives from healthcare, insurance, real estate, senior living, non-profits and more local businesses and service providers to learn about what is available in our community to meet their needs.



WHEN YOU
CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS



CHANGE YOUR ALARM BATTERIES SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE



Are the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in your home battery-powered? If so, it may be time to replace the batteries! A convenient reminder to do so is when daylight saving time begins Sunday, March 10. Remember -- only working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms can help save lives!



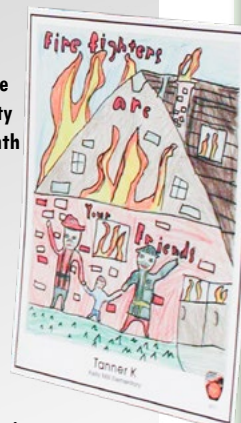
CONTEST

Calling All Third Graders!

A great way to help shape artistic talent as well as to educate children on fire safety, the Forsyth County Fire Department invites all Forsyth County third grade students to enter the ninth annual Forsyth County Fire Safety Poster Contest.

The contest is open to all Forsyth County third-graders. Winners and their artwork will be recognized by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners during an upcoming commission meeting.

Posters are due by March 15, 2019. Instructions and contest rules are available on the Fire Department webpage at forsythco.com. For additional information, call Fire Prevention Training Officer Erin Long at (770) 205-4688.



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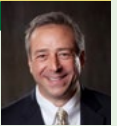
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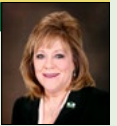
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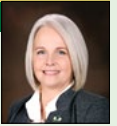
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March Events

March 5

Zoning Board of Appeals

March 7

Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting/Public Hearings

March 12

Board of Commissioners
Work Session

March 21

Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting

March 26

Board of Commissioners
Work Session

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Planning Commission
Meeting

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