



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



**Closing Notice:** City administrative offices will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2024, in observance of Labor Day. Sanitation schedules will remain the same, with no yard waste or large item pickup next week.

# HUMAN RESOURCES



**Travei McFadden**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 8/26



**Shiler Laguerre**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 8/26



**Harry Reyes**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 8/26



**Braxton Harris**  
HRIS & Payroll Specialist  
Human Resources  
Hired: 8/26



**Gill Guimaraes**  
Community Center Attendant  
Parks and Recreation  
Hired: 8/26

# ≡ Welcome ≡ to Smyrna!

# POLICE DEPARTMENT



### Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 18  
Citations: 127  
Warnings: 26  
Calls for Service: 631

# COURT SERVICES



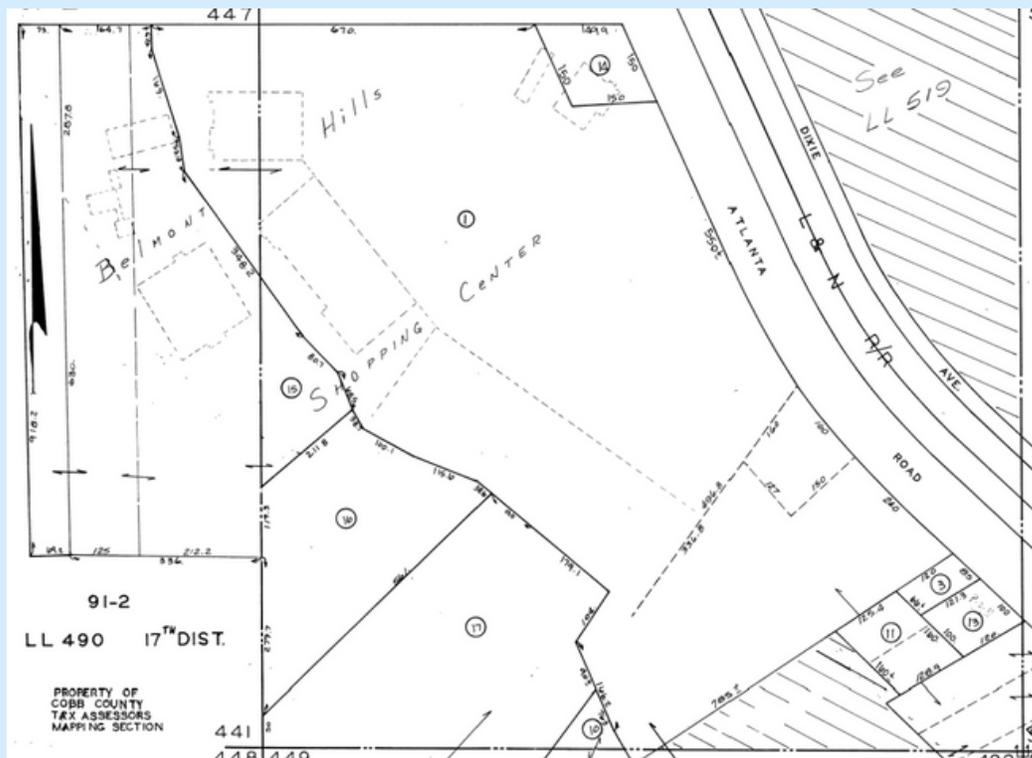
### Court on 8/20 (Red Light Camera Court)

Cases: 4  
Failures to Appear: 2

### Court on 8/22

Cases: 61  
Failures to Appear: 11  
Pre-Trials: 21  
DUIs Completed: 2

# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



**Digitization Project:** The museum is now receiving and storing the fruits of a digitization project of two large bound copies of city land lots from the 1960s period. This image shows the layout of the old Belmont Hills Shopping Center in land lot 490. The land lots were mapped in 1832 as part of the breakup of Cherokee Nation territory. Each 40-acre lot received a 3-digit number that is still used in Cobb County real estate records today.

**Cemetery Cleanup:** Enjoy a morning outdoors with history and our special volunteer opportunity! Learn how to clean cemetery markers at Daniell Cemetery in the Bennett Woods neighborhood. Email Jennie Eldredge at [jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov](mailto:jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov) to volunteer.

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

## CEMETERY CLEANUP

Enjoy a morning outdoors with history and our special volunteer opportunity!

Learn how to clean cemetery markers at Daniell Cemetery in the Bennett Woods neighborhood.

Instruction by Jennie Eldredge, Museum Manager  
email [jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov](mailto:jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov) to volunteer

**Saturday  
September 7  
9 AM - 12 PM**

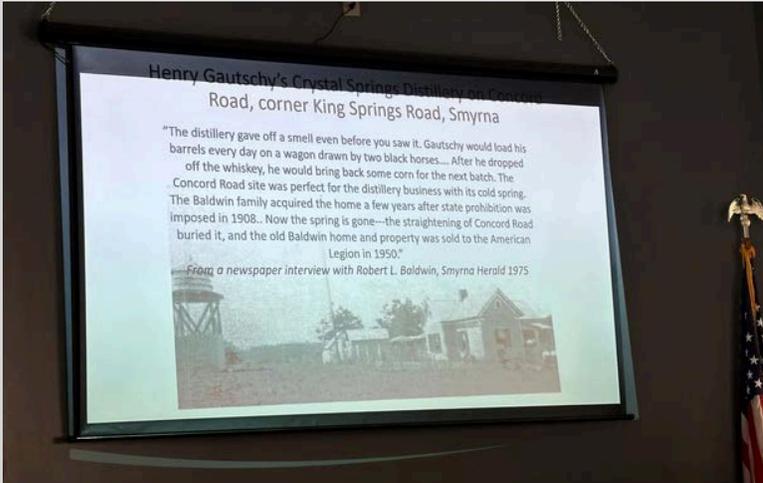
# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



## Weekly Visitors

Library: 4,187

Museum: 10



## Cheers! Here's to the Sunday Lecture:

Historian Dr. William Marchione presented a fascinating lecture about the social and political history of liquor production and consumption in Cobb County on Sunday, August 25. At one time, there were so many stills in Cobb County that the smokestacks were clearly visible when flying over the area. Next month's lecture will be on September 8 when two architectural historians will discuss the different eras and styles of residential architecture in Smyrna.

**Library Facility Updates:** Bingle has nearly completed installation of the architectural lighting on the exterior, and Hemma has nearly completed the LED lighting upgrades for the interior. Carter Construction has begun the bathroom renovations, starting with demotion of the upstairs public bathrooms. Downstairs bathrooms are available to the public while the upstairs bathrooms are unavailable. Carter is limiting the noisiest parts of demolition and construction to the early hours before the library opens to the public.



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**Back-to-School Recycling Tip:** To kick off the back-to-school season, Keep Smyrna Beautiful will be sharing some school-focused recycling tips and reminders. Our final tip of the month is recycling adjacent; sometimes it's better to reuse than recycle. To reduce waste, bring a reusable water bottle and lunch box, and don't forget to add a Keep Smyrna Beautiful water bottle sticker! When you can, use refillable pens and shop for lightly used school clothes each fall.

**Recycling Center:** This past week, the Smyrna Recycling Center shipped out 26,520 pounds of glass, 16,177 pounds of cardboard, 5,908 pounds of mixed paper, 6,580 pounds of mixed metal, 1,812 pounds of paint, 876 pounds of #1 plastic, 408 pounds of hard-to-recycle plastics, and 2,400 pounds of reusable books.



**Whitefield Academy Great Day of Service:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful was thrilled to support another year of the Whitefield Academy's Great Day of Service coordinating a litter cleanup on Buckner Road, alongside Keep Cobb Beautiful. Eighteen volunteers picked up 11 bags, totaling approximately 165 pounds of litter!

**Great Southeast Pollinator Census:** Thank you to everyone who joined Keep Smyrna Beautiful in participating in last week's Great Southeast Pollinator Census, a citizen science project that collects data about pollinators throughout the southeast for use by scientists and home gardeners alike. [Learn more about how you can support pollinators.](#)



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**Volunteer Opportunities:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful is always looking for volunteers to help keep Smyrna clean, green, and beautiful! Individual and group opportunities are available, including storm drain marking, invasive species removal, litter cleanups, and community events. Learn more [on our website](#).



# FIRE DEPARTMENT

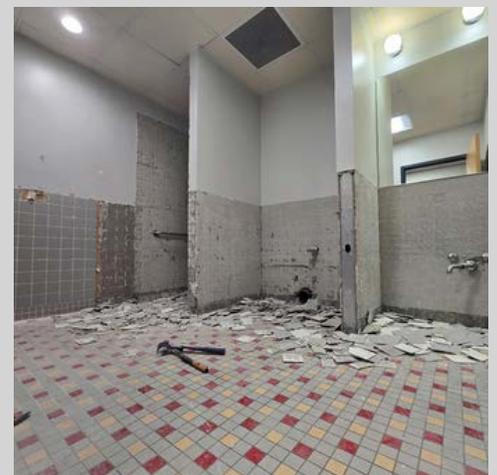


**Rooftop Rescue:** On Thursday, August 22, Smyrna Fire Truck 4, Rescue 1, and Rescue 4 were able to rescue a patient trapped on their roof after suffering an orthopedic injury. The Smyrna Fire Department crews worked together to move the patient to safety, where he was transported to the hospital for treatment.

### Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 2  
Medical: 105  
Other: 45  
Total: 152

**SPLOST Bathroom Renovation Project:** Work is underway with the Fire Station 1 community bathroom renovation project. The project will modernize the restroom facilities which were original to the building in 1999.



# WATER DISTRIBUTION

The City of Smyrna Water/Sewer and Utilities office is committed to its fundamental objective:

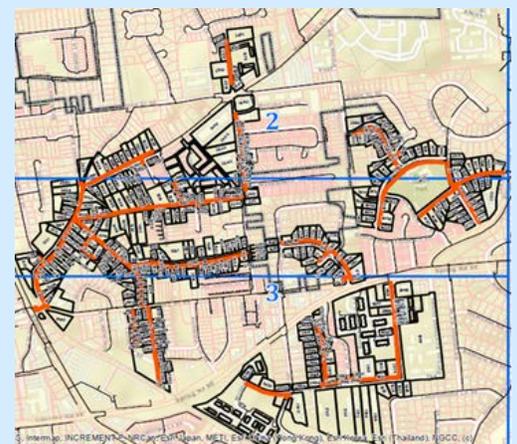
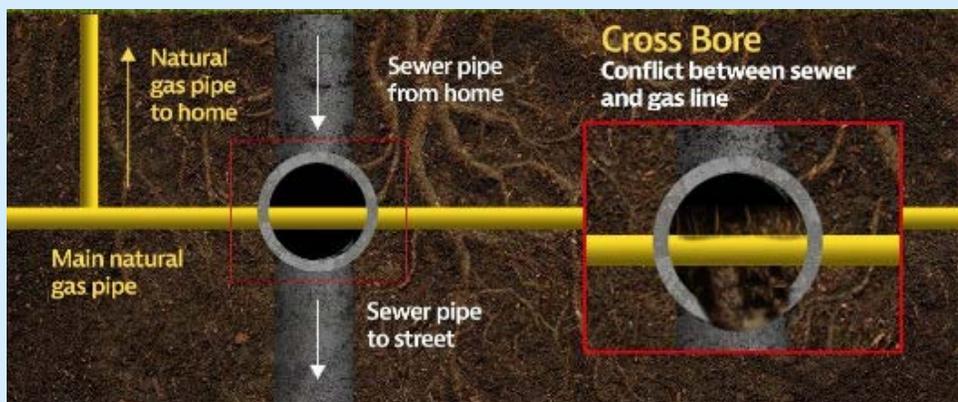
- To provide our citizens with a water supply and system of the highest quality, which includes wastewater collection
- Protect the system by meeting or exceeding all regulatory requirements in an environmentally sound manner
- Ensure the city's needs are met

## Work Orders

- Water Main Breaks: 1
- Sewer Backups: 8
- Water Service Leaks: 4
- Resolved Work Orders: 39

**Water Line Replacement Projects:** Various water line replacements are happening around the city. Contractors complete these projects as part of the ongoing thirty-year water line replacement program. Staff members select lines based on criteria such as age, size, and pipe material. Current projects include:

- Creatwood Trail: The final punch list is being completed on this project
- Spring Drive: The final landscaping is being completed on this project.
- South Cobb Drive: The final landscaping is being completed on this project.
- King Springs Road: This project is now complete.
- Lake Court Area: This project will begin on September 3. Signs and letters will be distributed to homeowners this week. A map of this project is pictured right.



**Atlanta Gas Light Cross Bore Project:** Atlanta Gas Light is inspecting sewer lines in Wards 2 and 3. The purpose of this project is to inspect sewer mains and laterals to ensure no gas lines are going through our sewer system. So far, four cross bores have been found and repaired.

Crossed gas and sewer lines become a concern if a plumber or resident tries to fix a clogged pipe using a mechanical rotary device and puncture the gas pipeline.

# PUBLIC WORKS



**Fanny Williams Historic Site:** The Fanny Williams Historic Site hardscape and landscape is about 95% complete and the remaining items will be completed by the end of next week.

**Demolition:** Demolition of 3030–3050 Atlanta Road will begin on September 3 and will take a few weeks to complete. This is the future site of Smyrna First Baptist Church which is relocating from the corner of King Street at Church Street.



**Streets Department:** The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Completed curb replacement on Cedar Cliff Drive
- Began curb and roadway replacement on Ridge Road
- Cleared building at 2688 Atlanta Road (pictured left)
- Repaired a sinkhole in the roadway on McCauley Road at Valley Drive
- Continued work on the monthly right-of-way mowing list



# PARKS AND RECREATION

Smyrna Parks and Recreation

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## Date Night Paint & Sip

September 6th | 6PM - 8PM  
Smyrna Community Center  
\$45 Per Person, Ages 16+

Relax, have fun, and paint fall-themed masterpieces with someone special. For those over 21 and up, we will be serving alcoholic beverages.



Register today at [smyrnaga.gov](http://smyrnaga.gov)

**Date Night Paint & Sip:** Come enjoy a creative date night with your significant other at our couple's paint and sip! Embrace the vibrant fall hues and paint fall-themed masterpieces with one another on Friday, September 6 from 6:00-9:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. Enjoy delicious drinks and light refreshments while you mingle with other couples from our community. This is the perfect opportunity to relax, have fun, and explore your artistic side with someone special. Please note that both participants must register. The cost is \$45 per person ages 16+. For those over 21, we will be serving alcoholic beverages.

FALL BREAK CAMP

## Arts & Crafts

Sept. 23th - 27th | 9am - 12pm  
Tolleson Park Day Room

At Camp Doodle the Day Away, young artists will explore new mediums and techniques, taking home unique masterpieces and newfound artistic confidence!

The cost is \$100 per Camper, Ages 5 - 12  
Register at [smyrnaga.gov](http://smyrnaga.gov) today!

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**Fall Break Camp:** Let your child's creativity run free at "Camp Doodle the Day Away," Parks and Recreation's fall break arts and crafts camp. Camp will take place on September 23-27, from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, in the Dayroom at Tolleson Park. This camp is open to children ages 5-12 years old and is \$100 per camper. [Register your young artist here.](#)

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## Parents Night Out

Sept.  
**20**  
5pm-8pm



**Parents Night Out:** Have your kids join us on September 20 for a fall-themed Parents Night Out event! Participants will decorate their own mini pumpkins, create adorable scarecrow crafts, and enjoy delicious jack-o-lantern quesadillas for dinner. To end the night, they'll watch a kid-friendly fall classic movie. This event is for children ages 4-12. The cost is \$30 per child and space will be limited. Participants must be potty trained. [Space is limited, so register today!](#)

# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Photography Clinic:** Our highly rated four-week photography clinic is returning. This beginner friendly clinic is perfect for those who are just starting their photography journey or those who want to refresh their skills. Classes are held on Thursdays and start on September 5. The class costs \$60 per person.

## PHOTOGRAPHY *Class*

Sept. 5th – Sept. 26th | 6:30PM – 8PM  
Smyrna Community Center: Jonquil Room

**Master your camera and become a pro!**

Learn how to use your camera (Point and Shoot, DSLR or Mirrorless) and improve your photography skills. These courses are perfect for beginners or anyone needing a refresher course!

The cost is \$60 per person.

[smyrnaga.gov](http://smyrnaga.gov)

**REGISTER NOW**



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**MKS PERFORMING ARTS**

SING | ACT | AUDITION

**BROADWAY BOUND AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES**



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**FALL 2024  
ADULT CLASSES**

Calling all Actors, Singers  
and Musicians!

**CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**



Invest in your passion.

Build your skills as an artist.

Network with other artists in your industry.

All skill sets and experience levels welcome!

**Performing Arts for Youth and Adults:** Calling all actors, singers, and musicians! Parks and Recreation is teaming up with Michael Karl Studios to bring theater classes to the community. For adult participants, there are four different 6-week classes available to choose from for a cost of \$175.

For interested youth, after-school programs will be held on Monday of each week from 3:30-6:30 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. Participants will learn how to sing louder, act bravely, and move confidently onstage. This is a semester-long program for a cost of \$299. Each month will end with a showcase where students will perform what they've learned.

For more information and to register, visit our website.

# PARKS AND RECREATION



**Family Fun Glow Night Paint & Sip:** On Friday, August 23 Parks and Recreation hosted a Family Fun Glow Night Paint & Sip. Families gathered for an immersive glow-in-the-dark experience with neon paints and illuminating black lights. The room was filled with music and joy, and a memorable time was had by all. Families took home their masterpieces and captured the moment with family photos. Our next Paint & Sip is a date night theme and will be on September 6.

EVENTO GRATIS!  
FREE EVENT



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SMYRNA GEORGIA

## Hispanic Heritage CELEBRATION

2:00PM - 6:00PM  
**SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER  
21**  
VILLAGE GREEN PARK

**COME AND ENJOY HISPANIC CULTURE!**  
LIVE MUSIC 6:30PM - 8:30PM!  
LOCAL VENDORS AND FOOD VENDORS!  
TRADITIONAL PERFORMANCES!  
MOVIE IN THE PARK: BLUE BEETLE  
SMYRNAGA.GOV

**Hispanic Heritage Celebration:** Join us in downtown Smyrna on September 21 from 2:00-6:00 PM for the annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration! This event will kick off Hispanic Heritage Month with a DJ, flamenco dancers, Mexican ballet performances, children's activities, and a movie featuring Blue Beetle on the Veterans Memorial Lawn at 6:00 PM. Following the celebration, we will have a concert featuring Arena Sound, a popular Latin American band from the metro Atlanta area. Both events are free, and everyone is welcome.

**Kids Smyrna Market:** Smyrna Parks and Recreation will be hosting a Kids Homemade Market on Saturday, November 16. We are looking for young entrepreneurs, ages 5 to 15 years old, who want to unleash their creativity and turn their passion into profit! This market is an opportunity to sell handmade crafts, tasty treats, and amazing creations. Whether it's art, crafts, or baked goods, we want to see what you can do! This market is a great way to make new friends, meet other young creators, share ideas, learn valuable skills, and get hands-on experience in selling and running your own booth. [Click here for the application.](#)



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## Weekly Inspections:

211 Inspections

81 Sites

## Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$442,560.00

### Commercial (3)

(1) Accessory Structure

- Public Works Construction Projects (2190 Atlanta Rd SE)

(1) Interior Renovation

- El Encanto (2900 S Cobb Dr, Ste A-2)

(1) White Box

- Villar Real Estate Holdings, LLC (2874 King St SE STE D)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$43,500.00

### Pool (1)

(1) In-ground pool

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$100,000.00

### Building Remodel/Residential (14)

(3) Additions

(3) Interior Renovations

(8) Roof Replacements/Re-Roof

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$223,004.00

### Grading (1)

(1) Retaining Wall

- The Alcove Apartments (2200 Woodlands Dr SE, BLDG 15)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$76,056.00

### **Electrical (7) Tree (3)**

### **Sign (1) Plumbing (1)**

### **HVAC (5)**

## New Businesses

### **Global Legacy Enterprises, LLC**

Residential Property Managers

Home Business

Ward 1

### **25 year**

Beauty Salons

821 Concord Road, STE E

Ward 3

### **HUYGENS FOODMART**

Convenience Retailers

3201 South Cobb Drive, STE D2

Ward 3

### **Thr8z by Jay**

Clothing and Clothing

Accessories Retailers

560 Windy Hill Road, STE F

Ward 5

### **Burn Boot Camp Smyrna**

Fitness and Recreational Sports Centers

3150 Highlands Parkway, STE 113

Ward 7

### **Peachhausfurnishedrentals**

Residential Property Managers

Home Business

Wards 3 & 4

### **Glenwood Keys LLC**

Residential Property Managers

Home Business

Ward 6

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