

**Financial Reporting**

**City Awarded Certificate of Achievement**

For the sixth consecutive year, the City of North Augusta has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting. This award is for the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for 1987.

The Certificate of Achievement, awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized financial report promoting full disclosure of its financial status. Such reports must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A copy of the CAFR is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Storm Drainage Assistance Offered**

In 1982, the City of North Augusta instituted a program whereby individual property owners could obtain assistance for storm drainage improvements on or near their property. Under this policy, the City furnishes the necessary engineering, supervision, labor, and equipment to perform the improvements at no charge. The property owner's only responsibility is to pay for the materials used.

A similar program has also been adopted for the placement of new concrete curb and gutter or sidewalks within public rights-of-way. Many citizens have taken advantage of these programs to improve their property. If you have questions concerning this program, contact the City Engineering Department at 279-9453.

**North Augusta Animal Shelter Provides Pets For Adoption**

Many people have called the City's Animal Control Officer with questions concerning the North Augusta Animal Shelter. The North Augusta Animal Shelter is a private, non-profit organization which offers dogs and cats for adoption. It is not a department of the City.

Animals offered for adoption by the Shelter are those which have been picked up by the City's Animal Control Officer. By City ordinance, these animals are kept for a five-day period at Dr. Hawk's Animal Hospital. If unclaimed after the required five-day period, these animals are offered to the Animal Shelter for possible adoption. This is the only method by which the Animal Shelter collects animals. They do not accept stray animals from the public.

All animals offered by the Animal Shelter for adoption have been spayed or neutered and have been given all shots

required by law. Dogs have been checked for heartworm disease, and cats for feline leukemia. Adoption fees established by the shelter are as follows:

	Cats	Dogs
Male	\$30	\$40
Female	\$40	\$50

Adoption fees are used to offset the costs of operating the shelter. Anyone interested in adopting a pet, or volunteering their time to work with the shelter, should contact Barbara Bennett, at 279-1332, or Lynn Foltan at 278-2285. The shelter, located on Detour Road, is not staffed on a regular basis. If you desire to adopt a pet, or would like further information about the shelter, you must contact either Mrs. Bennett or Mrs. Foltan. Questions concerning the City of North Augusta's animal control policies and regulations may be answered by calling 279-9453.

**Citizen Volunteers Provide Service to City**

The City of North Augusta is fortunate to have many citizens willing to give of their time and talents in service to the City through their participation on a variety of boards and commissions. These citizens, appointed by City Council, provide a vital service to the City without compensation, and are to be commended for their work.

**Municipal Election Commission**

- Gerald Croom
- Verlon McDowell
- O. Douglas Smith

**Street Paving and Lighting Committee**

- Leonard Aiken
- Carolyn Baggott
- Herbert Fletcher
- Glen Heath
- Frank Holmes
- Thomas Hughes
- Tommie Johnson
- William Thweatt

**Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals**

- Leroy Danforth
- K.S. Kotti
- Yancy Skinner
- Cathy Stallworth
- Ernest Warnock

**Building Code Board of Adjustments and Appeals**

- Michael Baugh
- W.E. Byrd
- William Hughes
- Milledge Johnson
- Jimmy Lamar

**Planning Commission**

- Danny Beavers
- Mark Bennett
- Robert W. Clark
- Richard M. Fletcher
- David Maddox
- Ed Meloan
- Joseph L. Thomas

**Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission**

- Pat Carpenter
- Rosemary Heatherly
- Louvenia Matthews
- Ranny Moorehead
- Michael Norton

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**CITY DIRECTORY**

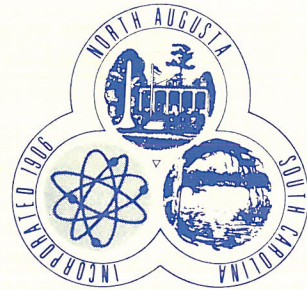
Fire Emergency.....	911
Police Emergency.....	911
Public Safety Department	
Administration.....	279-2123
Clerk of Court.....	279-8262
Records.....	279-8262
Public Safety Director..	279-3636
Finance Department	
Taxes.....	279-0330
Waterworks.....	279-0330
Business License.....	279-0330
Mayor.....	279-0333
City Administrator.....	279-0333
Planning/Community Development	
Planning & Zoning.....	278-0817
Code Enforcement.....	278-0817
Public Works/Utilities	
Animal Control.....	279-9453
Engineering.....	279-9453
Sanitation.....	279-9453
Streets and Drains.....	279-9453
Parks and Recreation.....	278-2358
Community Center.....	278-2358

**Easter Egg Hunt To Be Held March 25**

The North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department, in conjunction with the North Augusta Optimist Club, will be sponsoring the fifth annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, March 25, 1989, at Lions Memorial Field. There will be three age groups for children from ages 1-9. All hunts begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at 11 a.m.

Each age group will have prize eggs which can be exchanged for an Easter basket.

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**Public Safety Department Year-End Statistics**

The North Augusta Department of Public Safety received 25,511 calls for service during 1988, an increase of 13 percent over 1987. Of this number, 351 calls were fire related. During the year 5,805 arrests were made, including 194 arrests for driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol. In addition, 6,301 traffic warnings were issued in 1988, up from the 4,980 issued in 1987. Much of this increase in traffic warnings can be attributed to increased enforcement on Martintown Road.

The department investigated 649 motor vehicle traffic accidents during the past year. These accidents resulted in 230 injuries and total property damage in excess of \$1.4 million. Of these

accidents, 82 occurred on private property, primarily in parking lots.

Municipal Court cases totaled 5,021 in 1988. As in past years, a juvenile defensive driving training program was conducted. This program was attended by 172 juvenile traffic offenders.

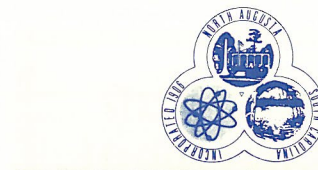
The department's Crime Prevention office conducted programs and tours, including the Neighborhood Watch Program, that involved over 4,400 persons in 1988.

The department also experienced a significant increase in the number of false fire and police calls in 1988. A total of 846 false alarms, up from 678 in 1987, were answered by the department.



The City's Parks and Recreation Department has undertaken a beautification program at sites throughout the City. Here, Todd Gillespie, City Beautification Supervisor, inspects river birch trees recently planted at Lions Field. Other improvements have been made to the large traffic island at the intersection of East Martintown Road and Knox Avenue, and at Public Safety Station 2. Later in the year, the traffic islands at Georgia Avenue and Knox Avenue, and at Martintown Road and Carolina Avenue will be improved. In addition, the department plans improvements for Butler Park, and Martintown Road at Bunting Drive.

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**Public Safety Station 2 Dedication Planned March 30th**

All North Augusta area residents are invited to the dedication ceremonies for the new North Augusta Public Safety Station 2 on Thursday, March 30, 1989, at 4:30 p.m. Station 2 is located at the intersection of Five Notch Road and Frontage Road at Interstate 20.

Operations at this 9,000 square-foot facility began February 1st. The station features:

- a two-bay area sized to house four fire-fighting vehicles.
- a training room capable of seating

50-75 persons.

--a five-lane pistol range for training of public safety officers, and for use in courses offered to the general public in firearms safety.

--living quarters for the three employees assigned to man the station 24 hours a day.

Public Safety Station 2 was constructed at a cost of \$750,000 by R.W. Allen and Associates of Augusta. The facility was designed by VGR Architects of North Augusta. Its location

will enable the department to improve its operations by increasing response time to the northern portion of the City and fire coverage area.

**Municipal Election Scheduled April 25th**

The North Augusta Municipal Election will be held on April 25, 1989, for the election of Mayor and three members of City Council.

The Republican Party will select its candidates for City Council in a primary scheduled Tuesday, March 7, from among the following persons:

- Jim Baggott
- Fran Butterworth
- Bill Gray
- Earl Sasser
- Ellen Smith
- John Steele

Tom Greene is the Republican candidate for the office of Mayor.

The Democratic Party will not hold a party primary. Dan Sanders is the Democratic candidate for Mayor. There are no Democratic candidates for City Council.



New Public Safety Station 2 complex located at the intersection of Five Notch Road and Frontage Road at I-20. Dedication ceremonies will be March 30th at 4:30 p.m.

**Tax Payments Due May 1st**

Tax notices for 1988 on real property, merchant's inventory, and personal property (boats) were mailed by the City's Finance Department in mid-January. These taxes are to be paid by May 1, 1989, to avoid delinquent penalties and costs. Please contact the Finance Department's tax clerk at 279-0330 if you have not received your tax notice.



A training room capable of seating 50-75 persons is available at Public Safety Station 2. Future plans call for the construction of a burn building at the Station site to train public safety officers in fire fighting.

## City Purchases New Fire Truck

The North Augusta Department of Public Safety has added a new Pierce-Arrow fire truck to its inventory of fire-fighting equipment. This 1,250 gallons-per-minute pumper will be housed at the new Station 2 located on Five Notch Road along with a 1,000 gallons-per-

minute pumper truck, a brush/woods fire truck, and a water tanker truck capable of transporting 1,000 gallons of water to the scene of a fire.

The new pumper truck was purchased at a cost of \$155,818.



The new Pierce-Arrow fire truck will be housed at Station 2.



Public Safety Station 2 features a five-lane pistol range. This range will be used by public safety officers for firearms training. The Public Safety Department, in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Department, also plans to offer courses to the general public in firearms safety and proficiency. These courses will begin in early summer.

## Sanitation Department 1989 Holiday Schedule

The Sanitation Department will be closed in observance of the following holidays during 1989:

Friday, March 26..... Good Friday

Monday, May 29..... Memorial Day

Tuesday, July 4..... Independence Day

Monday, September 4..... Labor Day

Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24..... Thanksgiving

Monday, December 25 & Tuesday, December 26..... Christmas

When a holiday falls on a Monday, customers whose garbage is normally collected that day will have their garbage collected on Tuesday, and Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday.

When a holiday falls on a Friday, customers on Thursday's route will have their garbage collected on Wednesday, and Friday's route will be collected on Thursday.

During the Thanksgiving holidays, garbage and trash will not be collected on Thursday and Friday. All customers will have their garbage collected on Wednesday.

During the Christmas holidays, garbage and trash will not be collected on Monday and Tuesday.

The Sanitation Department employees thank the citizens of North Augusta for their cooperation during these holiday periods.

DIAL 911

FOR EMERGENCY SERVICE

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\*FIRE\*  
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## Youth Baseball, Softball Registration Begins February 25th

Registration for the following Youth Baseball and Girls Softball Leagues will be held Saturday, February 25, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 1, from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m., and Saturday, March 4, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., at the Parks and Recreation Department office at 403 East Buena Vista Avenue:

League	Age Group	Birthday Cut-off	Registration Fee*
Dixie Boys	13 & 14 year olds	August 1st	\$22.00
Dixie Pre-Majors	15 & 16 year olds	August 1st	\$22.00
Dixie Girls Softball	5 - 7 year olds	August 1st	\$20.00
	7 - 9 year olds	August 1st	\$20.00
	10 - 12 year olds	August 1st	\$20.00
	13 - 15 year olds	August 1st	\$20.00

\*An additional \$10.00 is added to non-resident participants.



## February 25th at North Augusta High School

### Third Annual Roundball Classic Concludes Youth Basketball Season

The third annual Roundball Classic, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, will be held Saturday, February 25, 1989, at the North Augusta High School gymnasium.

The Roundball Classic marks the conclusion of the youth basketball season. It features all boys' and girls' basketball teams, ranging in age from 8 to 15. Over 380 players from 42 teams will participate in this year's classic.

Each team plays one, 15 minute game. Winners advance to the next round. Trophies are awarded to division champions. Regular season team champions are also presented their trophies at the Classic.

Games begin at 8:00 a.m. Admission is \$1.00 for adults. All youth are admitted free.

### ADMINISTRATION

City of North Augusta - Incorporated 1906  
Mayor-Council form of government, with City Administrator.

Mayor: Thomas W. Greene

Council: Edward O. Ertle  
William L. Gray  
James L. Harris  
Lark W. Jones  
Earl Sasser  
Ellen S. Smith

City Council meetings are held every first and third Monday at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 400 East Buena Vista Avenue. CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

## Light Pole Replacement Program Begins at Riverview Park

Under the direction of the City's Parks and Recreation Department, light poles at Riverview Park which have been damaged by the endangered pileated woodpecker are in the process of being removed and/or replaced. A total of ten wooden poles will be replaced with concrete poles in 1989.

Two, 115 foot wooden poles on the regulation baseball field have been replaced with two, 100 foot concrete

poles. Plans also call for the replacement of eight, 80 foot wooden poles on softball fields A and B with eight new concrete poles.

Installation of fixtures, re-wiring, aiming of fixtures, and screening and patching small holes in the remaining wooden poles, as well as installing the new concrete poles, is being performed by A & G Electrical Contractors of North Augusta.

## Senior Walk Scheduled May 11th

The North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting the third annual Senior Walk on Thursday, May 11, at 10:00 a.m.

The walk will take place at Riverview Park on the 1.1 mile walking/jogging trail. Refreshments will be provided. There is no registration fee; however, pre-registration is required.

Interested senior walkers can pre-register at the North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department office at 403 East Buena Vista Avenue, or by calling the office at 278-2358.

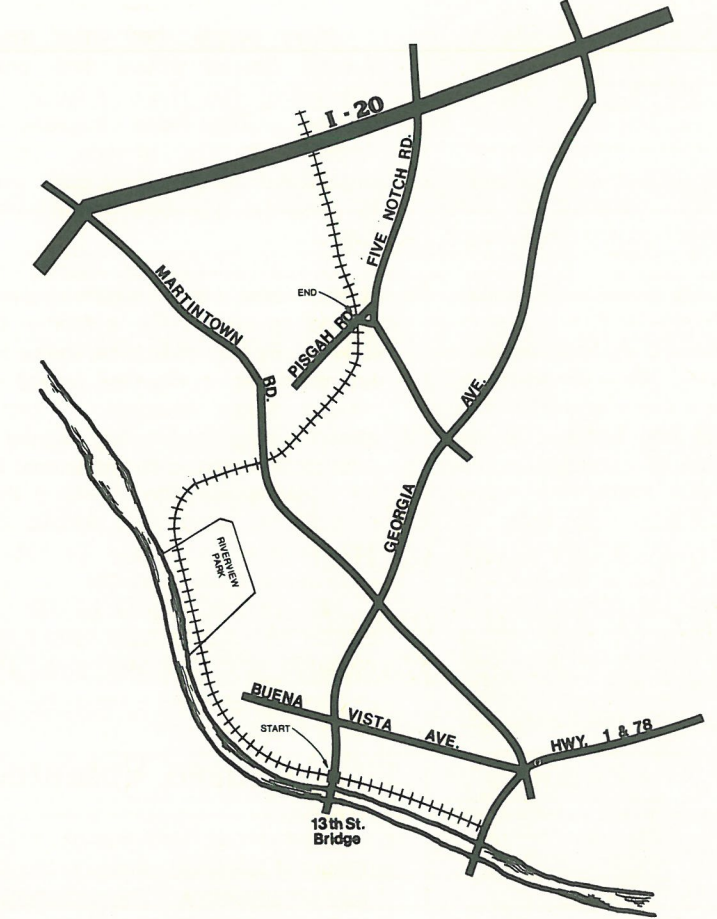
## From Georgia Avenue to Pisgah Road

# Abandoned Railroad Right-of-Way Purchased

In November, 1988, the City of North Augusta completed the purchase of a portion of the abandoned Norfolk Southern railroad corridor. This purchase, authorized by City Council in April, includes the section of railroad right-of-way beginning at Georgia Avenue and running to the City limit boundary line at Pisgah Road. This section is 4.5 miles in length and contains 63.5 acres. It was abandoned for rail purposes in 1983. Funding for the purchase was aided in part by a \$25,000 grant from the South Carolina Land Trust Fund.

The purpose of this purchase by the City was two-fold. First, the City maintains either water or sewer lines in significant portions of the railroad right-of-way, and expects to need additional sections for future utility extensions. The purchase protects the right-of-way from encroachments in these areas.

Second, the rail corridor provides an excellent recreational opportunity for such activities as jogging and bicycle trails, nature walks, etc. The national "Rails to Trails" program provides assistance in the conversion of abandoned rail corridors for such purposes. While no specific development plan for the rail corridor has been prepared, the City's Parks and Recreation Department is exploring possibilities this newly acquired resource provides.



Map showing area of abandoned railroad right-of-way between Georgia Avenue and the City limit boundary at Pisgah Road.

## New Classes Offered by Parks and Recreation Department

A variety of new classes are now being offered by the Parks and Recreation Department. Among them are:

### Baton Class

Classes will meet on Saturdays from 3 p.m. until 4 p.m., beginning March 4, 1989. Pre-registration is required. Each student must furnish her own baton. The instructor is Julie Plymale.

### Decorative Sweatshirts

Classes will be held on Tuesdays from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. This four-week class will feature fabric painting and many other ways to decorate sweatshirts. The instructor is Diane Leimenstoll. Classes will begin March 7, and pre-registration is

required.

### Smocking

This six-week class teaches both smocking stitches and smocked garnet construction. Classes will begin March 7 and will be held at the Community Center on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Kathy Stroman is the instructor.

### Decorative Earrings and Accessorles

A class on how to make beautiful paper and fabric earrings, belts and other accessories will be held on Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Parks and Recreation Department. Classes will begin March 4 and March 9,

and pre-registration is required. Diane Leimenstoll is the instructor.

### Quilting

Beginning quilting classes will be taught at the North Augusta Community Center. The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and will continue for six weeks. Marolyn Floyd is the instructor. Classes begin March 7, and pre-registration is required.

### Shag Dance

Plans for shag dance classes are now being finalized.

Further information on these and other classes, and their fee schedules, may be obtained by calling the Parks and Recreation office at 278-2358.