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Spring 2020

Calendar of Events

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March

- 3 Meet with the Mayor, 5 p.m.
- 3 Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 4 Museum Commission Meeting, 4 p.m.
- 9 Beautification Foundation Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Events Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 16 Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 16 Planning Commission Mtg., 6:30 p.m.
- 18 Council Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 25 Bulk/White Goods Collection Day
- 30 Neighborhood Leaders Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 31 Public Safety Foundation Mtg., 5:45 p.m.

April

- 1 Museum Commission Mtg., 4 p.m.
- 4 Tartan Day South - Historic Columbia Speedway
- 7 Meet with the Mayor, 5 p.m.
- 7 Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 9 Events Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 10 City Hall Closed - Good Friday
- 13 Beautification Foundation Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 18 Spring Plant Exchange - Cayce City Hall
- 20 Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 20 Planning Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Housing Authority Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 22 Council Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 25 4th Annual Soiree on State - Poplar St. to Railroad St.
- 27 Neighborhood Leader's Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 29 Bulk/White Good Collection Day

*April 10 Garbage, Yard Trash and Recyclables will be picked up on Wednesday, April 8.

Tartan Day South

The 10th annual Tartan Day South Highland Games and Celtic Festival returns to the Historic Columbia Speedway in Cayce Saturday, April 4. This popular festival includes Highland athletics, traditional dancing, world class Celtic music, pipe bands, Sheep Dog herding, birds of Prey, traditional food & drink, genealogy, a classic British car show, Celtic Clans & Societies, archery and swordplay, medieval encampments, kid's play area and much more! For more information, visit tartandaysouth.com.

City Reflections

A Letter from Mayor Elise Partin

The unimaginable happened in our City. An innocent child went missing, and won't be coming home. In the search for her and through our grief, we all became part of Faye's family and thank them for sharing her with us.

What happened was unspeakable evil. But, in the midst of tragedy, we saw who we are in the worst of times. And, what we saw is a lot of good that can help us as we move forward.

Cayce Public Safety received a frantic 911 call about a missing 6 year old. This was the extent of the initial knowledge, and our staff responded swiftly. Because of the existing goodwill and established working relationships between our city, the FBI, SLED, Lexington County Sheriff's office and neighboring jurisdictions, we received overwhelming multi-agency support to immediately

and thoroughly begin looking for Faye. The search progressed quickly, as all levels of staff took essential steps towards finding Faye. We owe a great debt of gratitude to the dedicated professionals of Cayce Public Safety, our chief, the city staff and all the agencies who worked tirelessly to bring Faye home.

The community response was also positive and impactful and connected us all to our common humanity. The prayers for protection and safety for Faye began in our small community and rippled across the United States. You answered our call to share Faye's picture so that no stone went unturned in our search to bring her home. Your voice was heard around the nation and resonated in the hearts of communities both near and far.

Today, tomorrow and into the future, we will grieve for



Faye, for her family and for our community's loss. Yet, we also stand together as a community that is humbled by our common pain and strengthened by our love. I encourage you to honor Faye's life by looking out for one another and finding the good in each other. When we falter in hope and become sad, let's extend a helping hand, a kind word and comforting embrace. By our actions, we remind ourselves, our neighbors and our country how blessed we are when we come together.

Warm regards,

Elise Partin

Hospitality Tax Grants Available

The City of Cayce is now accepting applications for grant funding from the Hospitality Tax Fund. Nonprofit organizations planning events open to the public that will bring tourism to the City of Cayce are invited to apply. Funding is available for events and projects planned for July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Deadline to apply is May 31, 2020. Grant awards will be announced in June. For additional information, contact Sarah Jane Harris at 803-550-9545 or sharris@caycesc.gov

Plant Exchange

The annual Spring Plant Exchange will be held Saturday, April 18 at Cayce City Hall, 1800 12th Street. Everyone is invited to bring seeds, bulbs, clippings/cuttings, potted house plants, shrubs, and even trees, but you do not have to bring a plant to participate. Labeling of plants begins at 9 a.m., and the Plant Exchange begins at 10 a.m.



New Museum Exhibit

The Cayce Historical Museum currently has an exhibit called the Angel's Share and the Devil's Cut: A History of Alcohol in Cayce, S.C. The exhibit explores the history of alcohol in the Cayce area from the 18th century trade in rum for deerskins with Native Americans visiting Fort Congaree I and II to the 21st century businesses of Steel Hands Brewery and Southern Essence Distillery. Included in the exhibit are several rare bottles including South Carolina Dispensary bottles. The exhibit will be up through April 17, 2020.

Save the Date - Hot Flash 5K

Join the Woman's Club of Cayce for the Hot Flash 5K, a race that celebrates the challenges of life. This run/walk is for both men and women and will be held on Saturday, May 2 at 8 a.m. on Cayce's Timmerman Trail. Register at www.strictlyrunning.com.



Art Lot in the heart of Cayce

By the time you read this, Cayce's brand new Art Lot on State Street will be well on its way to completion. Funded in part with Central Carolina Community Foundation's Connected Communities Grant, the Art Lot is a small parking lot and art space for Cayce's artists to create and be inspired. As you enter the Art Lot, you will first encounter Cayce Public Safety Foundation's beautiful memorial in tribute to Cayce's fallen K-9's, who have given their lives to protect our citizens. Swatch Graphics designed and created this moving installation. A well-landscaped sidewalk leads you down the right side of the Art Lot to a distinguished Congaree Woman sculpted by local artist Roy Paschal and mounted on a piece of pink granite pulled from the Martin Marietta quarry just a stone's throw away towards the Congaree River. The water flowing from the two urns under her arms represents the confluence of the Saluda and Broad Rivers as they form the Congaree River that is Cayce's eastern border. At the back of the Art Lot is a funky repurposed shipping container that Cayce artists can use as a break from the sun and as a place for performance art of any kind. But this is just the beginning. Come experience it for yourself and take a stroll down the street for coffee, art galleries, and restaurants.



Stop the Clog and No Wipes in the Pipes

A major contributor to bacteria levels in our waterways is sewer leaks and overflows that are mostly caused by disposing of fats, oils, and grease (FOG) down kitchen sinks as well as flushing wipes down toilets. Sewer leaks and overflows can be reduced with proper disposal of food wastes and any type of wipes in the trash instead of down the sink or toilet.

Tips to STOP THE CLOG

- Put strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and empty into trash for disposal.
- Scrape solid FOGs and food from plates, pots, pans, trays, utensils, & grills, into the trash. Never pour fats, oils, or grease down sink drains or into toilets.
- Pour cooled FOGs into a can or jar, cover with grease lid and refrigerate. When full, dispose of can in the garbage.
- Always dispose of wipes in the trash. Never flush them even if the product claims to be flushable.

PLEASE TEACH THIS TO CHILDREN, AND SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS. For more information visit the Lexington Countywide Stormwater Consortium at www.lcswc.com.



Soiree on State

The 4th annual Soiree on State date has been set! This fun music and art festival street party will be held on Saturday, April 25. The gates open at 2 p.m. and the bands start at 3 p.m. and run until 8 p.m. Admission is free and the festival will take place on State Street between Poplar Street and Railroad Street. Again this year, the City will partner with The Avenues Neighborhood Association to combine the Cayce Festival of the Arts with Soiree on State. This partnership has expanded the Soiree on State to include more artists, a kids' area, a variety of musicians, and fun all evening long!

We are thrilled to announce that Tokyo Joe is the headliner again this year! Lead singer Greg Bickley grew up in the Cayce West Columbia area and is always excited to perform for his friends and fans at the Soiree. In addition to Tokyo Joe we will have singer-songwriter Mitchell Lee, the always fun and entertaining Cash Money Experience, and new this year the jazz band, the Sam Edwards Group, will perform in the City's brand new Art Lot.

Vendor applications are still being accepted! To apply to be a food or community vendor, contact Katinia Taylor at Ktaylor@caycesc.gov or 550-9520. To apply to be an artist, crafts or author vendor, visit caycefestivalofthearts.com. We hope to see you there!

City News

The City code states residential solid waste shall be put at a designated collection-site on the day of collection only, prior to pickup - between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Recyclable containers, roll carts and trash containers shall be taken in from the street by 7 p.m. on the same day. We have received several calls from residents about roll carts being left out in front of homes after 7 p.m. on the day of collection. This is a violation of the City Code, and we ask that you adhere to this rule. As always, thank you for passing the word along to your neighbors.

Around Town

Cayce Serves 2020

Cayce Public Safety Foundation will present the 8th annual Cayce Serves Charity Tennis Tournament on Saturday, June 6 at the Cayce Tennis and Fitness Center @ Otarre Pointe. This event will support the Cayce Public Safety Department.

The tournament will be a sanctioned doubles event and will include levels 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 & 4.5. Prizes will be awarded! There will also be a "Clock Your Serve" contest, which is open to anyone who wishes to participate. For more information, call Kay Hutchinson at (803) 550-9529.

A Safer Cayce

Become a member of the Cayce Department of Public Safety's "SafeCam Network," by registering your security camera. SafeCam is a community action program, which allows business owners, tenants and homeowners the opportunity to register their personal security cameras with the Cayce Department of Public Safety. We will NOT have remote access to your camera. Being a member of the SafeCam Network could provide detectives with the ability to solve crimes faster.

REGISTRATION: Registration only takes about 10 minutes. You

will be asked to provide basic information and the location of your security camera/s. VERIFICATION: A member of Cayce Public Safety will follow up with you to confirm your registration. CALL TO DUTY: You will only be contacted by the Cayce Department of Public Safety in the future if there is a criminal incident in the vicinity of your security cameras.

There is no fee for this program, your information is confidential, and you can un-register at any time. For more information, contact Cpl. Josh Addy at (803) 602-2571 or JAddy@caycesc.gov.