

Sharpsburg News

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Holiday Events Planned for Downtown

Christmas Open House Sponsored by Merchants

"New Old Town Sharpsburg" will be holding a one-day Christmas Open House on November 8, 2008 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Santa will arrive at 4:00 pm on a big red fire truck in hopes that boys and girls will come to have their pictures made with Santa. During the event Christmas Carolers will be sharing music with the visitors.

Christmas Tree lighting will be at 6:00 pm

The event is sponsored by the newly reorganized Sharpsburg Merchants Association

Local businesses (SMA) have organized the event and are anxious to show off the "New" Old town Sharpsburg after the completion of Streetscapes. Streetscapes has recently replaced sidewalks to improve the downtown infrastructure. Trees and shrubs have been planted making the area very appealing to visitors.

Vendors will be selling and displaying miscellaneous items. Also on display will be new shops that have opened in the Sharpsburg business district.

Dealers and vendors who might be interested in setting up at this one-day event may contact Karen Waite, 678-463-2775

Open House For Residents



The residents of the Town of Sharpsburg are invited to a Christmas Open House at the recreation center from 4:00 pm -7:00 pm on December 11, 2008.

There will be food, beverages, and a chance to meet the Mayor, Council and Town Clerk.

This is a good chance to talk to your elected officials about any issues or concerns you may have. or just enjoy "good company."

Come take a look at the new office area...sorely needed and just completed. Come give us ideas you may have to improve Our Town.

**Please plan to join us
even if just for a little while.**

Sharpsburg has

TWO WEBSITES:

www.townofsharpsburg.com

www.sharpsburgga.net

Arbor Day December 11, 2008

The regular Sharpsburg Town Council meeting was held at 7:00 pm at the Recreation Center. After the approval of the Minutes of the October Meeting, a Resolution was passed to declare December 11, 2008, Arbor Day in Sharpsburg. This will be Sharpsburg's first Arbor Day.

The Resolution was the next to final step in the process to declare Sharpsburg a "Tree City". The Final step will be the planting of a tree in the Old Town area on December 11th.

This has been an ongoing process since last November. The previous Town Council had already adopted a "Tree Ordinance" which was the first requirement in the process. Also in the 2008 Budget, \$2,000 was designated for the maintenance of existing trees.

During the year the Tree Board has had several meetings including a meeting with Mr. Roy Matthews, Coweta County Arborist. Other arborist have also been consulted for recommendations on caring for the large Oaks near the downtown area and planting recommendations.

Forester Beryl Budd has continued to offer support to the group all year. Forester Budd completed a tree inventory of every tree on the right-of-way in the entire Town of Sharpsburg as well as guidance to the Tree Board during its first year.

Phone Numbers: Mayor Derrick McElwainey, 770-251-1182; Council Persons: Keith Rhodes, 770-251-3796 Connie Turner, 770-254-1386, Gordy Anderson, 678-794-7179. Polly Garlington, 770-251-6484.

Email me if you would like a copy of Minutes of Meetings, the Council Meeting Agenda. or other information.

Questions?? Contact one of us.

Have a  Great
Thanksgiving Day

Editorial By Polly Garlington

What a pleasant surprise tonight, November 3rd, to have real, live residents, merchants, property owners and even the former Mayor Wendall Staley and his wife Margaret attend the Town Council Meeting! Many times there is "next to nobody" in the audience.

Several of the merchants attending had questions to present to the Mayor and Council. Most emphatically they wanted to state at the meeting and to the public that Old Town Sharpsburg is alive and well. All of the merchants attending are relatively new with new ideas, full of energy, and anxious to help restore the activities of previous years.

The Christmas Open House is the third event held since the completion of Streetscapes and plans are already underway for the Sharpsburg Old Town Sharpsburg Festival held the third full week-end in April.

Merchants attending were owners of **The Book Nook, Consign It-Furniture, The Pottery Patio, and Richards Studio of Photography.** Also present, were Herb Bridges, property owner and Eric Richards, the President of the Sharpsburg Merchants Association.



Agenda

Town Council Meeting

November 3, 2008

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Establish Quorum

Review/Approval Minutes

October 6th meeting

Proclamation—Arbor Day

(December 11, 2008)

Polling of Council

(Several Council members had questions either emailed or called to them which were brought before the Mayor and Council)

Mayor's Minutes

Clerk's Comments

Public Comments

At least three merchants had questions and/or comments)

Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 1 @ 7:00

SAVED FOR
YOUR COMMENTS

If you're local resident, merchant, property owner and have an opinion, let us have it.

We would prefer signed articles.

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Budget 2009

Will be displayed on website

As soon as available.



Coupons for Drawing



The 2008 Budget for the Town can be found at www.sharpsburgga.net along with a lot of other information.

Use the coupons below and leave with the Merchant when you visit the shops. All coupons will be collected from participating merchants for a drawing that will be held at the Grand Opening Celebration in Old Town Sharpsburg this Spring. Watch the Website or Times-Herald for dates There will be two drawings: One, the winner must be present to win. The other, winner will not have to be present to win.

Our Old Oak

Trees Need Help

KEEP SAVING CANS

fundraiser

Container will be available at the Town Hall to deposit empty cans

Voter Registration

If you have not registered to vote, you can do so at Sharpsburg Town Hall

Register for Drawing

No Purchase Necessary p

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____ -

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No Purchase Necessary

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Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Polly Garlington

brings you

MARKET WATCH

Home Sales in the East Coweta High School District



BUSH

real estate group

Everyone is talking about the real estate market and the effect on sales and sales prices. I have prepared *customized* information for you.

This is a **report of closed home sales for the last twelve months** using the following criteria: Coweta County, a price range of \$100,000 to \$400,000, Zip Codes, 30277, 30276, 30289, homes in the East Coweta High School District (This does not include the entire 30277 Zip Code area of which some students attend Northgate.)

Whether you are thinking of buying, selling, or just curious, I hope you will find the information interesting.

If you would like additional information about your subdivision, email or call me.

TOTAL LISTINGS	AVERAGE DAYS ON MARKET	MEDIAN PRICE	AVERAGE PRICE	HIGHEST PRICE	LOWEST PRICE	TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME
288	103	\$175,320	\$195,509	\$383,934	\$100,000	\$56,306,681

Sales Price Range	Number Listings	Avg. Days on Mkt.
\$100,000-\$119,999	15	68
\$120,000-\$159,999	92	90
\$160,000-\$199,999	71	103
\$200,000-\$249,999	54	106
\$250,000-\$299,000	29	128
\$300,000-\$349,000	20	119
\$350,000-\$399,999	7	151

Wellsburg Station

TOTAL LISTINGS	AVERAGE DAYS ON MARKET	MEDIAN PRICE	AVERAGE PRICE	HIGHEST PRICE	LOWEST PRICE	TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME
3	124	\$149,900	\$153,100	\$159,500	\$149,900	\$459,300

Info gathered from Ga. MLS



You can receive this Report quarterly by email with a request at my email address.

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