

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### Regular Meetings

October 1st, 9:00 a.m.  
October 15th, 6:30 p.m.

### Meetings held at:

Administration Building  
Community Room  
140 Henry Parkway  
McDonough, GA 30253  
Regular Commission meetings air daily on Henry TV  
Charter Channel 180 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99, at 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.



## County Cuts Ribbon on New North Ola Park Expansion



District III Commissioner Gary Barham, along with the County management team and other county officials cut the ribbon on the new North Ola Park Expansion project on Saturday. Moments before the fall baseball season kicked off, District III Commissioner Barham threw out the first pitch.

He also took the opportunity to thank everyone involved with the expansion projects, including county staff and leadership, the Ola Athletic Association, family, friends and the dedicated parents and athletes who participate every season.

“We appreciate everything that everybody has done, and you are what makes this whole organization work down here,” said Barham. “You, the parents, the coaches, everybody. You all have a great organization here (the Ola Athletic Association), and I’ve seen it first-hand.”

Barham also reminded citizens that the project was funded by SPLOST and thanked the citizens for supporting the penny sales tax to support this project.



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**Gold Shield**

Firefighters with the Henry County Fire Department will be hitting the streets Friday, September 28, collecting money for the fallen and injured heroes of the metro Atlanta area for the non-profit Gold Shield Foundation. Donations will assist families with temporary assistance to pay for food, housing, medicine, child care, education and other essentials. For more information, visit [www.goldshieldfoundation.org](http://www.goldshieldfoundation.org)



**Boards Makes Appointments to the Zoning Advisory Board and the Development Authority**

The Henry County Board of Commissioners approved two District I appointments to fill unexpired terms on the Zoning Advisory Board and the Development Authority.

Don Veum was appointed to the Zoning Advisory Board and David Crowe was appointed to the Development Authority, with both terms set to expire on December 31, 2020.

The action came at the September 17 Commission meeting.

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## Ribbon Cutting - continued from page 1

“This park would not be possible if it wasn’t for SPLOST and it paid for every penny of this,” said Barham.

The North Ola Park project involved expanding the original park by 17 acres to include a 300 ft. baseball field for 13-14 year olds; 235 ft. baseball field for 11-12 year olds; full irrigation; large dugouts with player benches; spectator bleachers; score towers including LED scoreboards; LED sports field lighting; two full-sized batting cages with concrete pads and pitchers “L” screens; 6 ft. wide sidewalks connecting both sides of the park together; raised crosswalk;

and 100 plus space parking lot. Work also included a two-lane bridge connecting the original park with the new expansion, constructed by the Henry County Stormwater Department at a cost-savings to the county.

Made possible under the SPLOST IV initiative, the project budget was \$2,901,210 and was designed and constructed by Sports Turf Company, Inc. The project engineer was Breedlove Land Planning and architect was Lyman Davidson Dooley.

For information on this or any SPLOST project, or to view the proposed SPLOST V project list, please visit [henrycounty-ga.com/SPLOST](http://henrycounty-ga.com/SPLOST).

## Henry’s Night Out Set for October 24

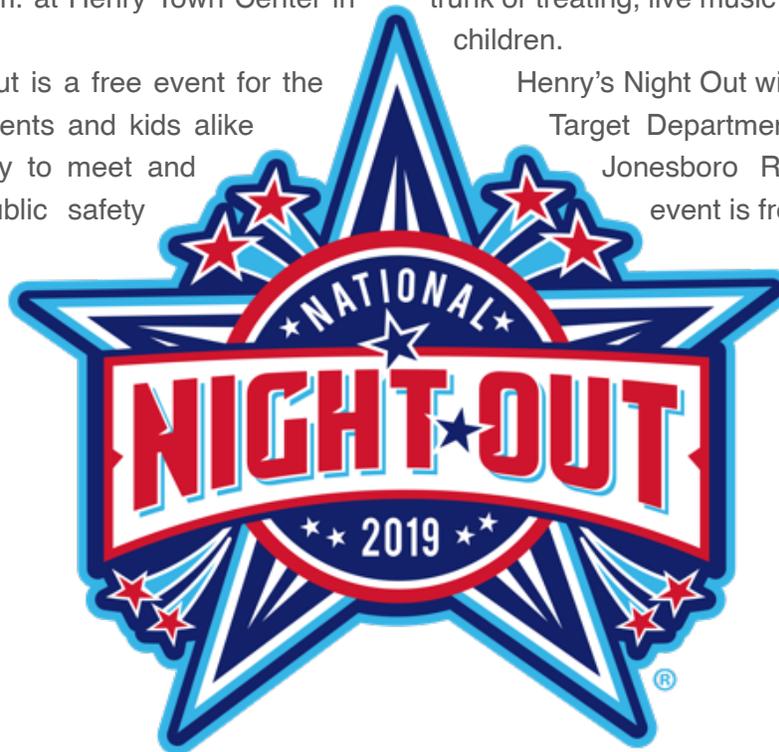
Henry County Public Safety will be hosting its annual Henry’s Night Out event on Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Henry Town Center in McDonough.

Henry’s Night Out is a free event for the whole family where parents and kids alike will have an opportunity to meet and speak with various public safety

professionals.

Attendees will enjoy free food, fun activities, trunk or treating, live music and a costume contest for children.

Henry’s Night Out will take place in front of the Target Department Store located at 1850 Jonesboro Rd., in McDonough. The event is free and open to the public.



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## District 5 Commissioner Bruce Holmes held a ribbon cutting for the new putting green at Village Park and the completion of Anvil Block Road

District 5 Commissioner Bruce Holmes, along with county officials and leadership, held a double ribbon cutting ceremony earlier this month for the new putting green at Village Park and the completion of the Anvil Block Road widening and improvement.

The Anvil Block Road project was constructed with SPLOST IV funds in the amount of \$6.9 million and the project consisted of a four lane divided highway, intersection improvements at Anvil Block and

Fairview rds., landscaping and lighting. The contractor was CMES, Inc. and AECOM provided engineering services.

The putting green was constructed by Synthetic Turf International and was funded through impact fees costing \$145,000.

Village Park is located at 750 Fairview Road in Ellenwood.



## Commissioner Thomas to Host “Plug-In” Contracting Expo

Calling all contractors, developers and business owners! Do you want to connect with others in the building industry who are looking to partner with you? Are you a developer who wants to connect with building contractors? Do you have a company or service and want to connect with partners who need the services you offer? Do you want to learn how to do business with your local government? Then it's time to register for Henry County District IV Commissioner Vivian Thomas' "Plug-In" Contracting Expo to be held on September 28 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Henry County Administration Building in McDonough.

This expo is a free event for contractors, developers and business owners, where they will learn how to do business with and in the county. Attendees will have an opportunity to network and connect with

other professionals in the developer, contracting and construction fields in order to build relationships and business opportunities!

"This expo is a wonderful opportunity for business owners, contractors and developers to participate in the economic boom in Henry County," said Thomas. "This will be a great event for anyone who wants to get 'plugged-in' to flourishing business prospects and economic success."

Although a free event, registration is required for the Plug-In Contracting Expo.

To register for the expo, visit [www.plugincontractingexpo.eventbrite.com](http://www.plugincontractingexpo.eventbrite.com) and for more information, call 770-288-6001.

The Henry County Administration Building is located at 140 Henry Parkway in McDonough.

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## Henry County Citizen's Academy Wraps Up another Successful Class

The Henry County Citizen's Academy wrapped up its second class with a graduation ceremony that coincided with the September 17 BOC meeting.

The eight-week class included presentations from various county departments including Henry County Public Information, public safety, financial services, the Tax Commissioner's office, tax assessor, public works, senior services, parks and recreation and several a more.

Participants had an opportunity to learn about the inner working of Henry County Government and meet staff to learn about various departments' functions and responsibilities.

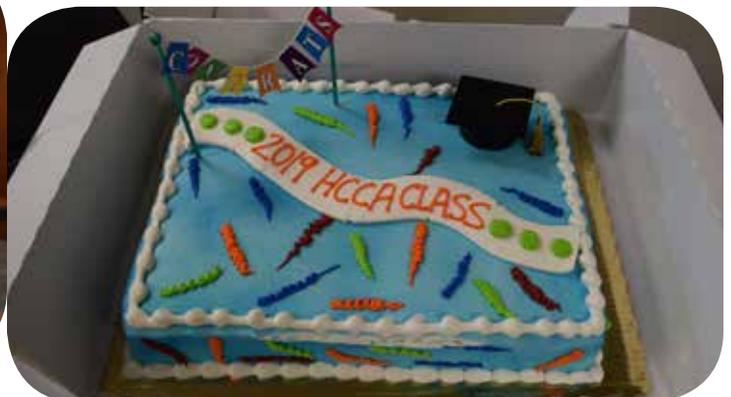
County manager Cheri Hobson-Matthews and Deputy County Manager Brad Johnson handed out certificates celebrating completion of the eight-week program. Those receiving certificates included Angette Clark, Timothy Fuller, Earnest Holmes, Gene

Malone, Allen McCreary, Robert Morris, John Page, Janet Pignatore, Patrick Pignatore, Frederick Skinard, and Patrick Tianx.

Class member Timothy Fuller represented his class at the Board meeting, addressing commissioners.

A 20 year Navy veteran who choose to make his home in Henry County, Fuller said that the Citizen's Academy class was an incredible experience and thanked the management team and staff for hosting the class.

"This was awesome. This was probably one of the best things I eve experienced," said Fuller. "It's a great thing when the community and the government can connect like this. I promise you that all of us will walk away from here, being able to speak to other citizens, friends and family members and tell them how great this thing I, because we want to see Henry County be a great county, and this is a very great start."



## Henry County Pays Tribute to Victims of 9/11



Henry County held a memorial observance at the Jason T. Harper Event Center at Heritage Park in McDonough this morning to honor and remember the tragic events of the 2001 terrorist attacks.

Henry County public safety agencies coordinated the program, which featured keynote speaker First Lieutenant Joseph Parker Cole, who recounted his memories of that day as a six-year old child, and how those memories and his father's service as both a Marine and a police officer, inspired him to enlist in the Marine Corps upon graduation from college.

Henry County Commission Chair June Wood read a proclamation in honor of the day and Henry

County Manager Cheri Hobson-Matthews offered poignant remarks of reflection and the importance of remembrance.

Henry County Fire Department Captain Janet Slagle gave a timeline account of the tragic events, and the Henry County fire, police and sheriff's departments participated in a joint Honor Guard presentation, while public safety leaders each took part in the program. The ceremony was also filled with prayers and memorial music, with Henry County Fire Department Captain Carl Norton performing a bell ceremony in remembrance of the lives lost on 9/11, Captain Travis Miller who played the bagpipes and Lieutenant Rodney Brooks who sang the National Anthem and played Taps.



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## Henry County Stormwater Paint Recycling



-  Saturday, September 21, 2019; Rain or Shine; Residential & Commercial!
-  Jason T. Harper Event Center (sheltered arena @ Heritage Park); 95 Lake Dow Road in McDonough
-  8:00 AM - 2:00 PM. This event is a "drive thru/drop-off" collection.
-  Only brand new (opened & unopened) AND leftover (of any remaining volume) paints (including spray paints) & stains, still in their original containers & NOT mixed with anything will be accepted. Pricing is by container size, NOT by volume.
-  Cash or personal/business check (MUST show ID) payable to: Henry County GA Stormwater

	Latex	Oil
5 Gallon Bucket	\$10	\$15
2 Gallon Bucket	\$4	-
1 Gallon Can	\$2	\$3
1 Quart Can	\$0.75	\$1
1 Pint Can	\$0.25	\$0.40
Any Size or Type Spray Can	\$1	\$1



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Questions? Please Call  
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Thank you for your participation!

