

Employees Guide Newnan Youth Council Tour

The Newnan Youth Council toured Hershall Norred Water Plant and Wahoo Wastewater Treatment Plant in July. The group was provided with masks and hand sanitizer before touring the outside of both facilities. Participants learned the processes necessary to control and manage water and sewerage in the City of Newnan. Employees leading the tour were Brandon Lovett, Director of Water and Wastewater Operations, George Lee, Water Plant and Control Room Manager, Matt Kuehl, Wastewater, Compost and Environmental Services Manager, Thomas Willis, Lead Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and Pat Stephens, Lead Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator.



NewnanUtilities.org Now Available In Spanish



Visitors to NewnanUtilities.org now have the option of viewing the site in Spanish. On all pages of the site, click the flag in the lower right corner to switch between English and Spanish.

Sewell Road Lobby Reopening

Our lobby and drive-thru at 70 Sewell Road reopened on June 1. The Wahoo Creek Customer Service Center will remain closed until further notice. Reopening requires all of us to work together to follow the recommendations outlined by the CDC and the State of Georgia.

- Only four (4) customers will be allowed in the lobby at a time and will be required to follow instructions clearly outlined on signage throughout the lobby
- At no time will more than 10 people be in the lobby area (customer and staff total)

- Upon entering the lobby, customers will be required to sanitize their hands with hand sanitizer provided by Newnan Utilities
- Face masks for customers are optional
- While waiting in line outside the building, customers are asked to practice social distancing and to not congregate in groups
- Plexiglass partitions are in place throughout the lobby to ensure a safe distance between customers and staff
- Directional signage is in place to instruct customers on traffic flow
- Enhanced sanitization practices are in place throughout the lobby, especially at point-of-sale locations



From the first water supply in Newnan from Bolton Spring in 1893, to the first flicker of electricity that lit a downtown Newnan street corner, Newnan Utilities has been committed to delivering the services that enhance the quality of life throughout Newnan. In our second century, Newnan Utilities continues to light and lead the way.



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Wastewater Treatment Team (Left to right): Phillip Shelnett, Pat Stephens, Stacy Davis, Trisha Costa, Matt Kuehl, Chris Benning, Not pictured: Thomas Willis

Expansion and Upgrades at Mineral Springs

Matt Kuehl, Wastewater, Compost and Environmental Services Manager answers our questions about the Mineral Springs project.

Q: What is Mineral Springs?

A: Mineral Springs is one of two Water Pollution Control Plants, owned and operated by Newnan Utilities. Located at 55 Derring Circle, Mineral Springs is responsible for 33% of Newnan Utilities' sewer capacity. Our Diversion Pump Station at Wahoo Creek is capable of sending 100,000 gallons of water per day to Mineral Springs via Snake Creek.

Q: Why was the facility expanded and how will the expansion benefit our customers?

A: Adding 450,000 gallons to the total daily sewer treatment capacity allows us to accommodate anticipated population growth. With the additional capacity and tertiary treatment technologies, our discharge permits are considered in the Metro limits, which means our discharge requirements become more

stringent. We are able to divert sewerage flow from the Wahoo Creek basin to facilitate our new permit and increase flow at Mineral Springs. This allows for more volume to be freed up at Wahoo Creek. This option for diverting allows for sewer availability at Wahoo Creek at the same time.

Water pollution control affects everyone. We are discharging 3 million gallons of treated wastewater into a stream ecosystem every day. Homes and businesses downstream utilize this water and Newnan Utilities is able to ensure the safety of our city's water. We are extending sustainable environmental stewardship to those downstream.

Q: What else would you like to share?

A: By investing in additional sewer capacity, Newnan Utilities has been able to responsibly plan for the future by using the most forward-looking growth models and projections available. The Mineral Springs expansion helps us fulfill our commitment to excellence and environmental stewardship.



Recent Grants Awarded

Caring Customers is a program of The Newnan Utilities Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to supporting charitable causes that improve the quality of life for the citizens within the communities we serve. For more information please visit: NewnanUtilities.org/caring



Behavioral Youth Resource Development, Inc.
Mission: To empower youth and children by building a foundation for them to live responsibly and successfully.
byrdhouse.org



Mission: To empower individuals, educate our community and connect stakeholders, while advocating for self-directed care, and promoting healthy lifestyle choices aimed at long-term recovery.
cowetaforce.org



Mission: To provide and promote equine-assisted learning for physically and/or mentally challenged individuals by exposure to a sense of freedom and achievement while enjoying the outdoors.
facebook.com/corraltrc



Newnan Children's Museum, Inc.
Mission: To engage children and families in the joyful discovery of connecting to the world around them through meaningful play, and to provide resources facilitating self-esteem and self-sufficiency.
childrenconnectmuseum.com

Toilet Rebate Available For Homes Built In 1993 Or Earlier

The biggest water user in the home is the toilet. Up to 35% of the water used indoors is flushed down the drain every day. Newnan Utilities offers customers an incentive to conserve water within their home.

Replacing inefficient toilets with **WATERSENSE MODELS** can save **13,000 GALLONS** per year *saving more than \$140 PER YEAR in water costs*

- Customers are eligible to receive a rebate on their utility bill for each toilet they replace that meets the following criteria:
- The new toilet shall be installed in a residential home built in 1993 or earlier and replacing an older toilet using 3.5 gallons per flush (gpf) or greater
 - The customer applying for the rebate shall be the owner of the residence
 - The customer applying for the rebate shall be a current customer of Newnan Utilities
 - The customer applying for the rebate must be current on their utility bill
 - The application is available at NewnanUtilities.org under the Water/Toilet Rebate tab and at the 70 Sewell Road office
 - The customer shall bring a valid receipt for the toilet(s) installed when submitting the application
 - It is the customer's responsibility to have the toilet installed, not Newnan Utilities'
 - The customer shall agree to allow Newnan Utilities Employees to enter residence to confirm toilet(s) installation
 - Maximum rebate amount per residence is three toilets per year

Protect Yourself And Others – Quick Tips From The CDC



- Wash your hands often
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others
- Stay at least 6 feet from other people
- Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces

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A Message From School Superintendent Evan Horton



Because COVID-19 continues to present challenges to the school system, please visit coweta.k12.ga.us for the most current information.

The last few months have brought unprecedented challenges to the Coweta County School System. I have been consistently amazed at the relentless efforts of our teachers, students, staff and our community in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. I could never have imagined that, when students and teachers left school on March 12, 2020, that they would not return for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. What followed that date has left me with a deeper appreciation for the people that make up the Coweta County School System. Teachers pivoted to virtual learning almost overnight. Students worked hard to learn material without the face-to-face interaction that we know is so important to the learning process. Members of the CCSS School Nutrition and Transportation staff responded to the challenges of the virus by serving over 100,000 meals in our community between March and May. Principals, administrators

and teacher leaders have also begun to make plans to wrap up this school year and prepare for next year. Through it all our employees have remained dedicated to our students and their families. I could not be more proud of them.
As May became June, our efforts have centered on preparing for the 2020-2021 school year. School and system leaders have been working in collaboration with local and state agencies to develop plans for reopening schools that keep student and staff safety as the leading priority. In fact, we released draft guidelines for reopening schools on June 30th. These guidelines provide a snapshot of what to expect when we return to school in the Fall. I know that one thing is for sure in light of all of the uncertainty that COVID-19 has presented to us. This situation continues to evolve and the Coweta County School System will continue to strive to meet each challenge that is presented to us with the health and safety of our students, staff and community as a top priority.

Sincerely,
Evan Horton, Superintendent
Coweta County School System

Carl Miller Park Reopens With Enhancements And Safety Guidelines

Carl Miller Park reopened on July 6 with important safety measures to help protect visitors and reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread:

- Free standing hand sanitizer pumps will be available for guests to use throughout the park
- We encourage frequent use of hand sanitizers and hand washing in our restrooms
- Increased cleaning of restrooms
- Vendor access will not be allowed
- The Main Pavilion will remain open with picnic tables spaced appropriately to ensure social distancing between groups
- No more than 8 people will be allowed to be seated at a table at one time
- Parties and events are not allowed in the Main Pavilion
- Guests are encouraged to clean table areas and seats before use

Enhanced Amenities Include:

- Newly resurfaced walking trails to enhance your park experience
- New water fountains with refill stations to promote reuse of water bottles – part of our expanded recycling program

Temporary Restrictions:

- Open Daily 8:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Splash Fountain will remain closed
- Pavilion reservations are currently unavailable

