

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The City of Plains website is currently undergoing a transformation. The site is being updated to better facilitate the needs of the citizens and to provide a user-friendly graphical interface for visitors. Although it is not complete, it can be viewed at www.plainsgeorgia.org. In the future, newsletters will not be printed, but will be posted online. Other features are coming in the near future. Submit suggestions at City Hall.

What's Impacting You Now...

- ◆ The City of Plains now has an **online payment system**. You may now make your utility, tax, and fine payments using a credit card by visiting www.plainspayments.com. A screen shot showing how to navigate the nCourt payment system is provided for your convenience.

City of Plains

www.plainspayments.com
PO Box 190, 101 West Church
Plains, Georgia 31780
229-824-5445
Donna Windham, City Clerk

For More Information
Click Here

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- ➔ Traffic Citations
- ➔ Property Tax
- ➔ Utility Bills

- ◆ The Interim Chief of Police is Detective Frank Alvarez.
- ◆ The new Sumter County Fire Chief is John Ekaitis.
- ◆ The elderly and low-income households are eligible to receive free smoke detectors that will be installed by the fire department.

Jimmy & Rosalyn Carter Torch Club

The Jimmy and Rosalyn Carter Torch Club is in full swing. The group consists of Boys and Girls Club attendees between the ages of 11 and 13 years of age. The goal of the group is to instill the leadership qualities of tolerance, civic responsibility, community involvement, and an appreciation for the democratic process.

The Torch Club is on the move and making a difference in the Plains community. One of their first projects was to clean up the surrounding area of the Boys and Girls Club in Plains. Although the group is housed in the building, the grounds is a recreational spot

for the entire community. Pictures of their worthy efforts are provided. The Torch Club operates under the leadership of Vanessa Furlow, Unit Director of the Club, and Jannisha Wright, Club Advisor. The City's first Junior Councilor was chosen from among this group of young emerging leaders in the community.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS from the Mayor, Councilors, Departments and Staff

CONTACT: If you have any suggestions for the periodic newsletter, contact Councilor Andrea Oates at adoates731@yahoo.com.



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Please Note:
City Hall will be closed on the following dates:

Friday, 12/23
Monday, 12/26
Monday, 1/2

Mayor's Motorcade...Thank You!

Thank you for the city-wide effort to make this year's Mayor's Motorcade a success.

The Mayor and Councilors met the state's double digit challenge for donations. In addition, local businesses and groups were tapped for support in the endeavor: Plains Boys and Girls Club and the Lillian Carter Health and



Rehabilitation Center. In all, 181 items and \$53 was collected. The donated material spanned the broad range of requested items: clothing, personal

hygiene products, and recreational material. Donations went to the mental health residents of West Central Georgia Regional Hospital in Columbus. Items were transported to Columbus by the Americus Fire Department. **Thank you!!!**

Honorary Junior Councilor



The City of Plains has begun an Honorary Junior Councilor initiative. The program is an adaptation of the Honorary Councilor role typically filled by adults in the

Plains community. Each month, an honorary councilor or honorary junior councilor is chosen to participate in the roundtable discussions at council meetings and participate in other city government activities.

Destinee Josey was elected as the first Honorary Junior Councilor. She was recommended by Ms. Vanessa Furlow, director of the Boys and Girls Club in Plains.

She attended the September and October council meetings. She also attended a regional SPLOST meeting held at the Rees Park Economic Development building, a ribbon-cutting ceremony and was in the Christmas parade.

Destinee is the daughter of Stan Josey and Kim Franklin. She is an active member of the Jimmy & Rosalyn Carter Torch Club.