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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Why America Celebrates Black History Month

February is Black history month. The one month of the year that is set aside to celebrate the contributions of African Americans. But many still wonder why we need a special month when America is one of the most diverse countries in the world. I selected a few excerpts from "A Reason to Celebrate and Share Our History", by Cris T. Clay. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.

Black History Month is a time when people of African ancestry can come together in memory of our rich past. A past that has largely been hidden from us. It is a time when we are given the opportunity to learn about many of the contributions and accomplishments of African Americans. It is a period when the younger generation can take time to sit and listen to their elders share heartfelt moments of their own experiences and struggles when they were young.

Black History Month promotes opportunities for open conversations and personal interactions between many cultures, in hopes of gaining a better understanding and appreciation for our experiences and daily struggles. A time to openly discuss race, so that one day it will all come together, and people will understand that there is only one race in this world and that is the human race.

February is the one month of the year that we ALL can come together in celebration of what "Can Be" if we all (black, white, brown, etc.) are willing to embrace the past just as we embrace the future. Our community is a place of love, compassion, sharing, and caring. My challenge to you this month is to show that we care for each other, we care for our family and friends and we also care for the place we call home, our community. Blessings, Love, and Happiness from this day forward.

Mayor

Cris Clay is executive director of the Psychology Department's Community Re-entry Program and a member of the University's Black History Month planning committee.

LAW and ORDER

Safety First. The city has received several complaints of gunshots late at night and early mornings. For the safety and respect for others, we are asking that you please do not fire your weapons at random.

It is unlawful and dangerous, remember a stray bullet can have anyone's name on it. So, let's respect our neighbors by adhering to the guidelines of your gun permit.



G.E.D

If you are interested in getting your G.E.D. Please contact Keysville City Hall at 706-547-3007 for more information.



NEW WATER METERS

City of Keysville is going Digital!



The new meters will be 100% accurate. This means that the meter will pick up any small water leaks in your home.

Fork, Knife and Spoon Connection

Easy Valentine Cookies

Ingredients:

1 pkg "Pillsbury Ready to Bake" refrigerated chocolate chunk & chip cookies

1/2 cup Chocolate chips

3 tbs Valentine nonpareils decorating decors

Instructions:

Heat oven to 350F. Separate one package refrigerated cookies into 24 cookies. Arrange two inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake for 9 to 11 minutes or until light golden brown.

Remove from cookie sheet to cooling rack; cool for 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, in microwaveable bowl, microwave 1/2 cup chocolate chips on High; stirring every 30 seconds until chips can be stirred smooth.

Drizzle melted chocolate over baked cookies and immediately sprinkle with 3 tablespoons of Valentine nonpareils decorating decors.



2018 SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

The Mayor and Councilmembers were sworn in by Judge Jackson Cox on January 22 & 30, 2018 for their new term.



2018 BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM

Where:

Charles Walker Human Resources Building - 480 Martin Luther King Rd. Keysville, GA 30816

When:

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Time:

11am - 1pm

Please come join us for love, fun, and history! We are looking forward to seeing you!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I pay my water bill in cash?

No, we can only accept credit card, check or money order.

Can I pay with a postdated check?

No, City Hall cannot accept postdated checks.

After I receive my disconnection notice can I place my payment in the mail or night deposit box?

No, payments must be processed by office personnel.

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