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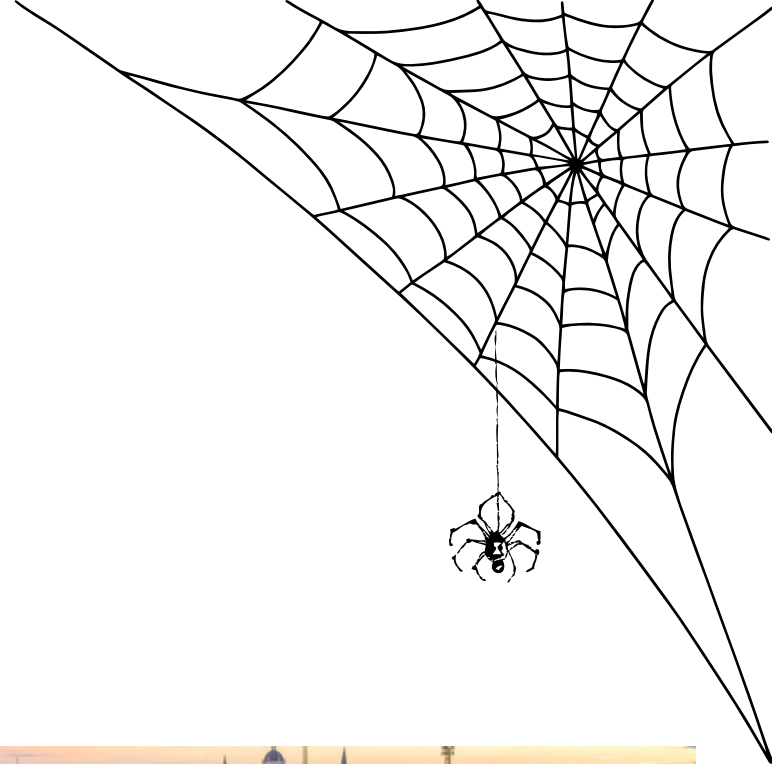
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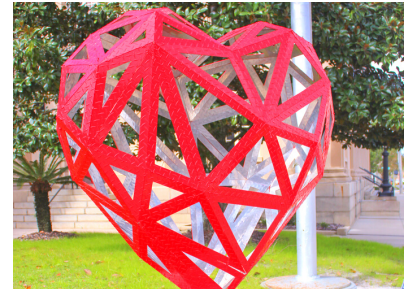


VALDOSTA
A City Without Limits

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Who is Who in HR

YOUR GO-TO TEAM "Whom do I call for...?"

**It can be confusing to determine who in HR to call with your specific questions.
Use the information below to point you in the right direction.**



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EEO Claims, lawsuits, related issues.
Employee grievances and appeals.
Position management, workflow,
reorganization.

Policy interpretation/challenges.
Any issue, problem, or question for which
you are unable to get a timely answer.

Sick Leave Donation.
Staff handbook updates/changes.



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Employment Verification
Employment On-boarding
Job Postings
I-9 Verifications



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Worker's Compensation claims
Property insurance
Employee Trainings
FMLA

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

- JAMES HARRELL, 10/03
- ALVIN C. MAY, 10/03
- DEBORAH ANN SIMS, 10/03
- HUDSON M. TANNER, 10/03
- DWAYNE SCOTT NOBLES, 10/06
- PAUL P. GARLAND, 10/07
- ALVIN HUMPHREY JR, 10/07
- JOEL C. HURLEY, 10/07
- JORDAN EMORY GREENE, 10/08
- GEORGE D. TATUM III, 10/08
- BRITTANY MARIE JENKS, 10/09
- MATTHEW LOWRY MARTIN, 10/09
- REBECCA V. WILLIAMS, 10/09
- LEROY AVELLANEDA, 10/10
- LUCY GREENE, 10/10
- CASSADY LAKE, 10/10
- WILLIAM C. SHIRLEY, 10/10
- MARSHAL B. CALVERT, 10/11
- RUSSELL A. MCBRIDE, 10/11
- EUGENE BROWN JR, 10/12
- KEVIN CHARLES HARP, 10/12
- HARLEY EUENDA MOSS, 10/12
- BRIANNA JAN TAGGART, 10/12
- BARRY L. WILLIAMS, 10/12
- JOHNNY CAILLIER, 10/13
- BENJAMIN FRANKLIN VANN, 10/13
- GRADY M. PADGETT, 10/14
- RONALD TYLER SHOEMAKE, 10/14
- EMILY M. ARNOLD, 10/16
- JOSHUA D. VAN DERA, 10/17
- BERNARD CUMBIE II, 10/19
- JULIE Y. GRANTHAM, 10/19
- ALBERT LEE ANDERSON, 10/20
- BRITTANY BREANN KING, 10/20
- YEUSHECA RENARCA LISSIMORE, 10/22
- JOSHUA CHARLES MCBRIDE, 10/22
- MARIA RODRIGUEZ, 10/22
- NICKOLAS L. JENNINGS, 10/25
- STEPHANIE A. BLANTON, 10/29
- RICHARD DAVIS, 10/29
- CARLA T. GANDY, 10/30
- KENNETH B. HADLEY, 10/30
- STEVEN CURTIS JOLLY, 10/30
- AUSTIN GREGORY WILLIAMS, 10/30
- ROBIN E. JACKSON, 10/31
- JERMAINE DERRICK MITCHELL, 10/31

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES



- ELAINE M. PLUMMER, 10/23, 26 Years
- LUIS ALBERTO COLON JR, 10/14, 25 Years
- DWAYNE SCOTT NOBLES, 10/18, 25 Years
- TARA LYNN COLTON, 10/12, 23 Years
- WESLEY H. JENKINS, 10/02, 21 Years
- DEMARCUS A. MARSHALL, 10/09, 21 Years
- GENISE JACKSON, 10/16, 21 Years
- MARK L. BARBER, 10/23, 21 Years
- SHELDON E. IRVIN, 10/29, 20 Years
- DARRIET R. GORDON, 10/30, 20 Years
- RONALD TYLER SHOEMAKE, 10/11, 17 Years
- CLARENCE WALKER, 10/26, 17 Years
- WADE H. BRIGGS, 10/16, 15 Years
- MICHAEL KEITH NIEHANKE, 10/16, 15 Years
- ANTHONY M. SOLBERG, 10/16, 15 Years
- FRANK LEE CARTER JR, 10/06, 13 Years
- LINDA G. WHITE, 10/25, 11 Years
- JOSHUA CHARLES MCBRIDE, 10/17, 10 Years
- TRAVARUS L. SANDERS, 10/17, 10 Years
- DARREN M. WILLIAMS, 10/17, 10 Years
- STEVEN MARCUS WEBB, 10/25, 8 Years
- KEVIN JERROD KNIGHT, 10/13, 7 Years
- ANN LIVEY KASUN, 10/20, 7 Years
- VALERIE LOUISE PETERS, 10/05, 6 Years
- RICKY C. HUDSON, 10/10, 5 Years
- MINNIE LEE CLARK, 10/15, 5 Years
- CHADRICK A. HOLLOWAY, 10/08, 3 Years
- COLETON M. CANNON, 10/22, 3 Years
- CARLY MORGAN EAVES, 10/05, 1 Year
- SHERINA AUTHORIA FERRELL, 10/19, 1 Year
- PERRY WAYNE LIPSCOMB, 10/19, 1 Year
- JOHN ISAAC PIPER, 10/19, 1 Year



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**WEAR PINK
FOR A NOBLE CAUSE**

We encourage all city staff to wear pink on October 15, in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Pictures will be taken throughout the day.



CONFINED SPACE AWARENESS

Presented by: Valdosta Safety Committee

OCTOBER 2021

A confined space is a space that is large enough for a person to enter and work but has limited or restricted means of entry and exit. It is not designed for continuous occupancy.

Permit-Required Confined Space

The space contains or has the potential to contain a hazardous atmosphere. The space may contain a material that has the potential to engulf an entrant and has an internal configuration such that an entrant could be trapped or asphyxiated. It may contain other recognized safety and health hazards.

Periodically monitor the atmosphere within a confined space.

Test the atmosphere at all confined space levels; good air near the opening does not indicate good air near the bottom.

Atmospheric conditions may change while you are in the confined space.

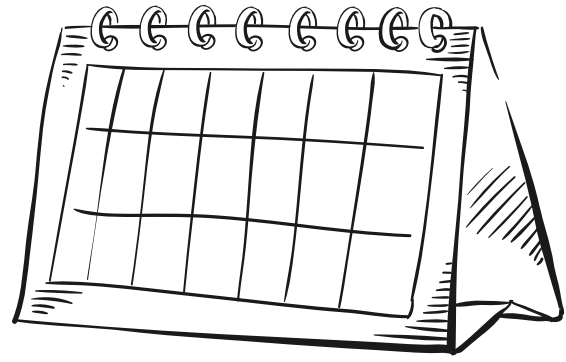
Ensure that a rescue procedure is in place in case an entrant needs to be removed in an emergency.

GET OUT

If a hazardous atmosphere is detected while working in a confined space.

*“Safety
first is
safety
always”*

UPCOMING EVENTS



1 FIRST FRIDAY



Day: Friday, October 1, 2021
Time: 6:00 pm – 11:59 pm
Place: Downtown Valdosta

4 COFFEE WITH THE CHIEFS



Day: Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Time: 7:30 am – 9:00 am
Place: Just Love Coffee Cafe

2 VFD COOKING SAFETY



Day: Saturday, October 2, 2021
Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Place: Participating Local Grocery Stores

5 VPD OPEN TESTING



Day: Thursday, October 7, 2021
Time: 6:00 pm – TBD
Place: City Hall Annex MPR

3 FPW 2021 PROCLAMATION



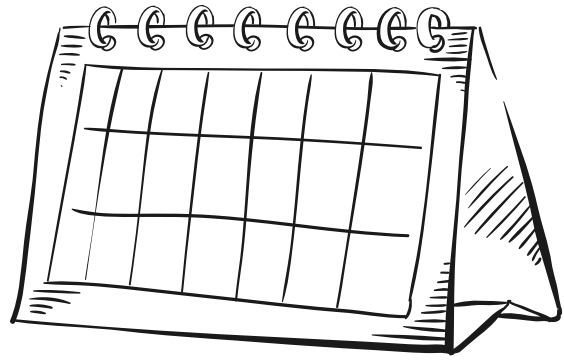
Day: Monday, October 4, 2021
Time: 11:00 am – TBD
Place: Station 1 / FB Live

6 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS



Day: Thursday, October 7, 2021
Day: Thursday, October 21, 2021
Time: 5:30 pm – TBD
Place: Council Chambers

UPCOMING EVENTS



7 LOVE YOUR RIVER - CLEAN UP



Day: Saturday, October 9, 2021
Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am
Place: VSU/Drexel Park (One Mile Branch), Lee Street Pond (One Mile Branch), Troupville Boat Ramp, and Mozell Spells Site - Highway 31 GA/FL Line.

10 TIRE RECYCLE FEST



Day: Monday, October 11 - Friday, October 22
Time: 7:30 am - 3:00 pm
Place: Public Works

8 MAKER'S MARKET



Day: Saturday, October 9, 2021
Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Place: Historic Courthouse

11 TASTE OF DOWNTOWN



Day: Thursday, October 14, 2021
Time: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Place: Downtown Valdosta

12 CLEAN & GREEN DOWNTOWN CLEAN UP



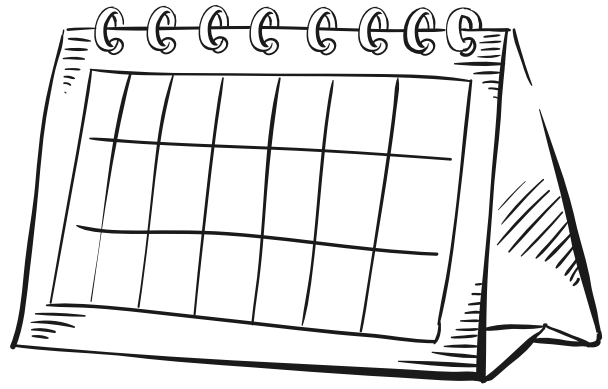
Day: Saturday, October 16, 2021
Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Place: Downtown Valdosta

9 CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

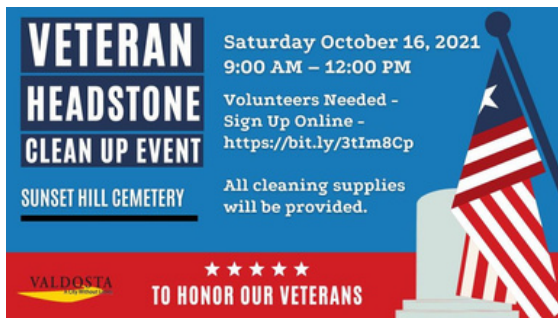


Day: Saturday, October 9, 2021
Time: 3:00 pm - TBD
Place: Georgia Beer Co.

UPCOMING EVENTS



13 VETERAN HEADSTONE CLEANING



Day: Saturday, October 16, 2021
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Place: Sunset Hill Cemetery

15 SEMI ANNUAL HOT SPOT CLEAN UP



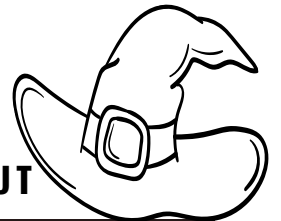
Day: Saturday, October 23, 2021
Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

14 FOOD TRUCK CRAWL



Day: Thursday, October 21, 2021
Time: 5 pm - 8:30 pm
Place: Downtown Valdosta

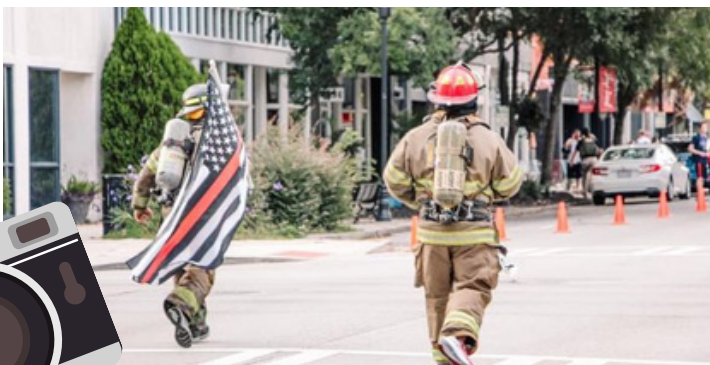
16 WITCHES NIGHT OUT



Day: Thursday, October 28, 2021
Time: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Place: Downtown Valdosta

HALLOWEEN

Photos From Past Events



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