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City of LaGrange Partners with LaGrange Daily News for February Litter Cleanup

LaGrange, Ga. February 8, 2020 – The City of LaGrange partnered with LaGrange Daily News for its monthly cleanup Saturday, February 8th.



Roughly twenty-five people participated in the city's February litter cleanup

Roughly twenty-five people participated in this month's cleanup including city employees, LaGrange Mayor Jim Thornton and his wife Corinne Thornton, LaGrange Youth Council members, LaGrange College's Alpha Delta Gamma fraternity members and LaGrange Daily News representatives.

The litter cleanups are always family-friendly, free and open to the public. The city provides vests, trash bags and gloves.



Mayor Jim Thornton and his wife Corinne Thornton pick up litter in a creek

The next monthly cleanup will be Saturday, March 7th, 8-10 a.m. in Jones Street Park. LaGrange College is the community partner.

City Manager Meg Kelsey began this litter cleanup campaign in April 2018 hoping to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is serious about cleaning up our community. Kelsey shut down the city government and hundreds of city employees picked up litter. This initial event was so successful the city decided to begin hosting monthly litter pickups.

The City of LaGrange is proud to be recognized by the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation for this initiative. The city recently won a first place award for litter prevention at the 2019 Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Awards.

If you would like to participate, here is the schedule through April 2020:

MARCH – Saturday, March 7th, 8-10 a.m. in Jones Street Park (LaGrange College, Partner)

APRIL – Friday, April 24th, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. City employees to pick up trash throughout the community

These litter cleanups are always open to the public.

If you are a business or group that would like to partner with the City of LaGrange on these events please contact Katie Mercer Van Schoor at kvanschoor@lagrangega.org.

If you would like to host your own litter cleanup please contact Keep Troup Beautiful at www.keeptroupbeautiful.com or (706) 884-9922.

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