

At the time of printing the Dunwoody Digest, all events inside Dunwoody parks and with Dunwoody non-profit partners have been canceled through mid May per the recommendation of Georgia's Governor Brian Kemp as part of efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Coronavirus.

It is our hope that our city's full schedule of Spring events can be rescheduled as soon as possible. Please follow updates via D-News, distributed via email every Friday by texting DNEWS to 22828.

## May

10 Mother's Day



# June

4 Dunwoody Beekeepers Club Dunwoody Nature Center 6:30 p.m.

**FREE First Saturday** Native American Hikes Dunwoody Nature Center 10:30 a.m. 12 noon

Dunwoody's Food Truck Thursdays is scheduled to open for the season on May 21. Sponsored by the Dunwoody Homeowner's Association, the evenings will include music and an array of food trucks, beverages and desserts every Thursday night through October from 5 p.m. to dusk at Brook Run Park.

#### Groovin' on the Green

Outdoor concert Dunwoody Nature Center 7 - 9 p.m.

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Summer Exhibition Opening Reception Spruill Gallery 6 - 9 p.m.

#### 13 Saturday Morning

Volunteer Day Dunwoody Nature Center 9 a.m.- noon

#### Groovin' on the Green

Outdoor concert Brook Run Park 6 - 9 p.m.

14 Preservation Celebration Donaldson-Bannister Farm 2 - 5 p.m.



Look for the Dunwoody Farmers Market to open May 23 at Brook Run Park on Saturday mornings from 8:30 a.m. - noon through October 31.

20 Soulstice Yoga Dunwoody Nature Center 10 - 11 a.m.

#### **Family Backyard Campout**

Dunwoody Nature Center 4 p.m.

> B98.5 FM "B at the Movies" Brook Run Park dusk





Many Dunwoody residents consider the "Everything Will Be OK" sign that sits outside the Spruill Gallery on Ashford Dunwoody Road a symbol for Dunwoody, a motto for our city, and a sign of hope when times are troubling. No doubt, its message has been at work in recent weeks.

How did it all begin? And what kind of impact has its message had on many passerby? See excerpt below from the Spruill Center for the Arts' website. Individuals' stories are chronicled at spruillarts.org.

> At the opening of Spruill Gallery's 2009 Emerging Artists exhibit, local artist Jason Kofke erected a simple, yet powerful piece on the side of an old smoke house on the grounds of the Spruill Gallery. The plain white panel read "EVERYTHING WILL BE OK" in hand written black type at the corner of busy Ashford Dunwoody Road and Meadow Lane.

> The sign became an instant sensation... ...and remained for months, compelling passersby to stop and contemplate the words. Many shared their individual stories of how the message affected them. Periodically, the sign was replaced with other artistic work but an outcry from the public called for the sign's permanent return. Although the sign currently displayed on the Spruill Gallery grounds is a replica, its message has not faltered and nor has the response.

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## April 1 is Census Day.

The United States mandates a regular census – an enumeration of its population – in Article 1, Section 2 of the Constitution. Managed under Thomas Jefferson—then Secretary of State—the first census was taken in 1790 and has been a part of history each decade since.

The most direct result of census findings is the apportionment of the 435 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives. Results of the 2020 Census population counts will determine the number of representatives granted to each state. Redistricting counts for the coming decade will be reported on March 31, 2021.

#### But there's much more.

Census data is the key to forecasting transportation needs, planning for schools and housing, as well as hospitals, nursing



homes, public safety and religious congregations. For these programs and services, billions of dollars in federal and state funds are distributed to communities based on their population needs – determined directly from the census count. <u>United States</u>

By now you have received your invitation to complete the 2020 Census. For the first time ever, citizens will be able to complete the confidential questionnaire online via the identification code sent to each household in mid-March. Telephone and mail-in options are also available. Responses may be made mid-March through mid-April. In May, census workers will begin knocking on doors at all homes that have not responded.

The goal: Count every person living in the United States, once, only once and in the right place.

# How long will it take to complete the Census?

Do I count my son or daughter in college as part of my household?

What about people with more than one residence?

What about people in nursing homes or hospitals?

My ex and I share custody. Where should our children be counted?

Should I count an employee or relative that lives at my home?

What about babies? Or people who die on or after Census Day?

Where should military personnel be counted?

#### How are the homeless counted?

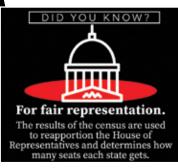
I received and completed the American Community Survey. Am I exempt from completing the Census 2020 survey?

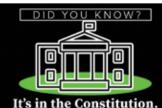






Federal law protects your census responses. Information can not be shared with immigration agencies, law enforcement or government programs.





The U. S. Constitution requires a census every 10 years. The census covers the entire country and everyone living there.



\$675 billion at stake. Allocation of funds for state, county and community programs are determined by census data.



It's 10 questions and will take approximately 10 minutes. Questions include number of people at the address, their names, sex and race, whether you rent or own your home and phone number.

Students who live with their parents while attending college are counted at their parents'/guardians' home. Students living on campus while in college in the U.S. are counted with the college/university. Students living off-campus are counted at their off-campus residence.

They should be counted at the address they sleep most of the time. If a determination can not be made, they are counted where they are staying on April I.

Residents and patients should be counted at the address where they sleep most of the time. Likewise, hospital and nursing home staff are counted at the address they sleep most of the time.

Children with more than one residence are counted at the address where they sleep most of the time. If they stay at both places equally and a determination can not be made, they are counted at the address they are staying on April I.

Yes, if they live at your home most of the time. All residents living at the address are counted at the location they live.

Babies born on or before April I are counted at the residence they will live and sleep most of the time, even if they are still in the hospital on Census Day. People who die before April I are not counted. People who die on or after April I are counted at the residence where they were living/sleeping most of the time.

U.S. military personnel assigned to barracks inside the U.S. are counted at the military barracks. U.S. military personnel stationed outside of the U.S. are counted at their U.S. residence where they live and sleep most of the time.

People at shelters will be counted at the facility at which they are staying on Census Day. The Census Bureau will partner with service providers and send Census workers to visit non-sheltered outdoor locations to ensure that people experiencing homelessness are included in the Census.

No. The American Community Survey, the American Housing Survey, and dozens of others are randomly distributed annually to individuals and businesses from the U. S. Census Bureau, but it is not the same survey. Completion of the U.S. Census is mandatory for all residents.

Everyone counts. The census counts every person living in the U.S. once, only once, and in the right place.

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#### Learn more

The City of Dunwoody has formed a Complete Count Committee and will be available to provide computer access and/or assistance by request.



Call us at 678-382-6700 or via email at communications@ dunwoodyga.gov for Dunwoody Census shopping bag!

## Dunwoody is hitting it out of the park.

Friends since Little League, three Dunwoody High School graduates are making their way in the big leagues.

Play ball

"This area is rich in baseball," said Chan English, DHS baseball coach. "Between Murphey Candler Park, Dunwoody Senior and the area's travel teams, we are able to nurture a lot of talent."

Kevin Smith, a left-handed pitcher, graduated from the University of Georgia and was drafted by the New York Mets. Currently on their feeder team in Port St. Lucie, Fla., he joined the major league team for spring training in March.

Charlie Madden, a graduate of Mercer University, was drafted as a junior, but chose to complete his degree before joining the Boston Red Sox. He is in his fourth season and a AA player on their minor league team.

Jonathan Langley played at Georgia Tech as a walkon and graduated with a degree in supply chain management. He landed a job as bullpen catcher on the staff of the Los Angeles Dodgers.



"We're lucky, and we're proud of these players," said English, who had 70 players try out for spring ball at DHS. English said he encourages young players to diversify and play other sports to avoid putting too much stress on the same muscles.

Dunwoody High School's baseball program helped shape other professional players. DHS grad Jeff Abbott played for the Chicago White Sox in the late '90s. Danny Rueckel was a relief pitcher in the minors in the early 2000s. And more recently, Hudson Randall played for Detroit's farm team, the Lakeland Flying Tigers, and Chris Epps was drafted by the Astros for their feeder team, the Corpus Christi Hooks.







around dunwoody the chilly temperatures didn't stop hundreds of volunteers from joining the community service efforts scheduled throughout the city on january 20 for the martin luther king, jr. day of service. Organized by the city of dunwoody's parks & recreation department and jack and jill, inc., volunteers worked at projects throughout the city, as well as tree and daffodil plantings at brook run park. An additional 200 trees were planted at the park over georgia arbor day weekend in february.



A drone captured Brook Run Park dusted with snow in January during construction.

# **New at Brook Run Park** BY THE NUMBERS



# UTILITY RELOCATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS Uncrossing Wires

he most time-consuming element of transportation projects today is utility coordination, which involves the identification and relocation of transmission lines for power, internet, gas service and more.

"We have more providers now than a decade or two ago when you add in fiber and high-speed internet," said Dunwoody Public Works Director Michael Smith. "If we're widening a road, adding sidewalks or improving an intersection, we might identify ten different utilities with lines overhead or underground. Coordinating their relocation can be challenging."

For the Roberts Drive pedestrian and road improvements, the Dunwoody public works team identified 10 utility poles that needed to be moved. The process took about four months.

"Relocations are taking longer," Smith explained. "In this strong economy, there is a lot of construction activity, and most cities and counties in the region are directing SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) funding to transportation projects. We are all competing for the same resources from the utility companies to move their facilities for our projects."

Utilities are identified during the design phase of transportation projects. In some cases, it saves time and money to design around utilities. For example, project managers decided against relocating a pole supporting transmission lines during the



intersection improvement project at Mt. Vernon and Vermack/Manhasset Roads. Moving the pole would have added \$100,000 or more to the cost of the project. It would have also pushed back the project timeline.

For public projects, utilities are responsible for the cost of relocating distribution lines, which are the smaller, local lines supported by shorter poles. If a project requires the location of transmission lines, which power the region from taller poles, governments bear the cost.

For the Georgetown Gateway Project, utilities are estimating that the relocations could take up to three years, according to Smith. The city will soon receive bids from contractors for the construction, and the contractor will be responsible for coordinating the relocation timeline with the utilities. The purpose of the Gateway project plan is to enhance the visual appeal, walkability and safety of Chamblee Dunwoody Road from I-285 to the intersection at N. Shallowford Road by adding street trees, wider sidewalks and a shared use path.

"With every new project, we're paying extra attention to how utility relocation might impact the timeline," Smith said. "We plan to be creative and flexible as we face this growing challenge."

# MAKING STREETS SAFER DUNWOODY'S VRU law in effect May 1: New Rules of the Road

## Dunwoody's new Vulnerable Road User Ordinance

goes into effect on May 1, 2020. It is designed to make streets safer for everyone. The ordinance goes further than state law by adding penalties for drivers who hit or act aggressively toward bicyclists, pedestrians or other VRUs.



Who are VRUs? Pedestrians and anyone in a wheelchair or riding a bicycle, scooter, skateboard or moped, and utility and construction workers.

# **Drivers shall:**

- Allow at least 3 feet when passing any VRU.
- Stay a safe distance behind any VRU if it's not safe to pass. Drivers MAY go into an oppositedirection travel lane to pass – ONLY if it is clear, safe and legal to do so.
- Move to the left lane if the roadway has two or more lanes of traffic moving in the same direction to give VRUs more room in the right lane.
- Stop for VRUs in a crosswalk.

# **Drivers shall not:**

- Make unsafe turns in front of VRUs.
- Intimidate or harass.
- Throw objects at bicyclists or other VRUs.



around durwoody citizens gathered to welcome dunwoody's new mayor and council on January 2, 2020. Lynn deutsch was sworn in as mayor; stacey harris and joe seconder were sworn in for council posts 4 and 5, respectively, along with incumbent council member john heneghan, who was also elected mayor protem.

# Bicyclists, Pedestrians and other VRUs shall:

- Wear bright or reflective clothing at night when on the roadway.
- Ride as near to the right side of the right through lane as is safe.
- Yield right-of-way to pedestrians on sidewalks.

# **Penalties:**

- Up to six months in jail or probation.
- Up to a \$1,000 fine.

Penalties may be reduced or waived if the driver completes a driver safety and pedestrian awareness class.

#### **Reminders - Under State Law:**

- Pedestrians shall stay on sidewalks or in crosswalks when provided.
- Only children 12 and under on bicycles and adults accompanying them can ride on sidewalks.
- Helmets are required for children under 16 riding bicycles.
- Bicyclists shall follow all traffic laws, which include traffic signals and posted signs.



around dunwoody THE DUNWOODY NATURE CENTER'S NEW ECO CLASSROOM WAS DEDICATED IN JANUARY..... IN FEBRUARY, DUNWOODY PARKS & RECREATION AND THE DUNWOODY POLICE DEPARTMENT HOSTED TWO FREE COMMUNITY CPR CLASSES AT THE NORTH SHALLOWFORD ANNEX.



he Dunwoody Police Department rolled out a 2020 initiative to fight property crime with technology. Partnering with residents and business owners, a new GIS mapping system plots the locations of participants' private security equipment to create a network that might be helpful in solving personal and property crimes.

The program allows equipment owners to identify their systems via a secure, online portal. If a crime occurs near a camera listed on the map, investigators may request video footage for a specific time period to look for suspicious cars, people or other evidence. Cooperation with any request is voluntary and confidential.

A second component of the program is the installation of license plate readers. Many Dunwoody businesses and communities have purchased LPRs as a means for deterring crime. To learn more, visit dunwoodyga.gov/silentpartners.

## side-loader sanitation trucks are now servicing dunwoody Dos and Don'ts



Do you know the rules for placing your household garbage and recyclables at the street to accommodate for DeKalb County's new line of side-loader sanitation trucks? The new trucks use a six-foot automated arm. The arms extend from the side of the truck to lift up to 500 pounds with an 8- to 18-second dump cycle. While new, efficient and environmentally friendly, the automated system requires proper placement of receptacles. Not

following the rules could delay your pickup.

#### DO

- Use only DeKalb County-issued containers, available in 45-, 65- and 95gallon sizes. Place garbage in secure plastic bags prior to placement in green garbage roll cart. Recyclable items should be placed loosely in the blue recycling roll carts.
- <u>Place roll carts with handles facing your home; lid openings facing the</u> <u>street</u>. Roll carts, excess garbage and bulky items for pickup must be placed 3-5 feet apart from each other.

## DON'T

• Place roll carts next to flower beds, mailboxes or anything that could impede servicing. Vehicles should not block the service area.

Upgrading containers from 45- to 65-gallon is free; upgrades to 95-gallon are available for a nominal fee. Learn more at dekalbcountyga.gov/sanitation, or call 404-294-2900.

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#### Breadwinner — Opening Spring 2020 Shops of Dunwoody

Mon-Sat 8 am-8 pm

Breadwinner Cafe \* Bakery \* Market is all about the freshest salads, sandwiches and soups. Homemade soups, salad dressings and everything in between. Fresh and famous, Breadwinner's homemade breads —peach, pumpkin, banana, cranberry-orange and more — are baked daily. A popular spot in Sandy Springs, Breadwinner's new Dunwoody store will also feature a fabulous array of prepared foods!

#### Menu suggestions:

Turkey chili, Tomato Basil Bisque, Chicken Pesto Panini, Caprese Sandwich, Kale Caesar Salad, Balsamic Orzo Salad.



#### Taqueria Los Hermanos Shops of Dunwoody 5500 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. Mon 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tues-Fri 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Sat 11:30 am. - 10 p.m.; Sun 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

A family-owned restaurant opens its fifth location in the Atlanta area. Fresh, authentic Mexican dishes featuring recipes handed down for generations. Homemade desserts and full-service catering.

#### Menu suggestions:

Mama's Tamales feature one light spicy red chicken tamale, one light spicy green park tamale served with Mexican rice and a cup of black charro bean soup; Brisket Tamales; California Quesadilla with grilled lime-marinated chicken breast, spinach, mushrooms, onions, tomatoes and cheese in a flour tortilla; Molcajete (served for two); and finish it off with the Pastel de Tres Leches signature cake.



#### Krispy Kreme Lower Level at Perimeter Mall near H&M Mon-Sat, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Sun, 12 -7 p.m.

Serving 16 varieties of Krispy Kreme doughnuts plus coffee, ready-to-drink beverages and juices. Fresh doughnuts are prepared locally and delivered twice per day.

#### Menu suggestions:

The Original Glazed Doughnut is always a crowd favorite!



NFA Burger Inside Chevron 5465 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. Tues-Wed 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; Thurs-Sat 11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

With beginnings as a pop-up, NFA was founded by Dunwoody resident Billy Kramer. The menu features burgers, a Jersey dog, seasoned fries, sassy tots and Schmoops for dessert.

#### Menu suggestions:

Build your burger with as many layers as you'd like. The quad comes with four all-beef patties and pickles, American cheese, mustard and Sassy sauce on a Martin's Potato Roll.



Cinnaholic — Opening Spring 2020 5590 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd.

A gourmet bakery specializing in cinnamon rolls that can be customized with more than 40 frostings and toppings. Look for fresh-baked, made-from-scratch brownies, cookies, edible cookie dough and more. All products are fresh-baked and 100% vegan and Kosher; free of dairy, lactose, eggs and cholesterol. The Dunwoody location has been certified as 100% Kosher by the AKC. Catering is also available.

**Menu suggestions:** The Cookie Monster with cream cheese frosting topped with chocolate chip cookie double chocolate shipe and chocolate chip cookie

- dough, chocolate chips and chocolate sauce; or the
- Blueberry Pie with cream cheese frosting, fresh blueberries and homemade pie crumble.

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Crepe Delicious Urban Cafe Perimeter Mall Food Court Mon-Sat, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Sun, 12 - 7 p.m.

Creperie and gelateria offering sweet and savory crepes, hand-crafted gelato, as well as a selection of panini sandwiches, salads, and premium beverages. The company is passionate about providing fresh, nutritious, and delicious meals, and is a leader in the overall trend toward healthier eating.

Menu suggestions: Try the Blazing Chicken: chicken breast, lettuce, tomatoes, jalapenos, cheese, and chipotle sauce; the New York: Nutella, NY cheesecake with strawberries, caramel, whipped cream; or any flavor of Gelato Milkshakes, or create your own!

#### Mark your calendars:

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JUNE 13-20, 2020 9<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Looking ahead...



OPENING August 2020 Iron Hill Brewery 1224 Hammond Drive

Iron Hill Brewery was founded by home brewers Kevin Finn and Mark Edelson, as well as Kevin Davies in Newark, Del., in 1996. With 16 locations across Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina, each location has its own scratch kitchen and craft brewery with unique menu items and in-house crafted beers. The brewery will open in the new Twelve24 office building.

#### Menu suggestions:

A classic northeast menu: Try the Cheese steak Egg Rolls, and any of the dishes that incorporate beer into the recipe. Favorites include the Gold Medal Baby Back Ribs with barbecue glaze made from Bedotter Ale, and the Drunk Monk Burger, which uses Wee Heavy ale to caramelize the onions. It is topped with sautéed mushrooms, arugula, rosemary truffle aioli and brie cheese. Signature beers include Pig Iron Porter and the Iron Hill Light Lager. Recently, our Philly Special IPA (a New England Style IPA) has become one of Iron Hill's most popular beers, especially in the summertime!



OPENING September 2020 Lazy Dog 4532 Ashford Dunwoody Road Mon-Fri, 11 a.m. - midnight; Sat-Sun, 9 a.m. - midnight

Elevated dishes that highlight carefully picked seasonal ingredients, as well as handcrafted cocktails and select beers from local breweries. With a large fireplace, wood accents and cozy seating options, the décor is the perfect backdrop for Lazy Dog's made-from-scratch meals and spending time with family and friends. Lazy Dog also offers brunch on the weekends, daily happy hour and latenight offerings.

#### Menu suggestions:

BBQ Bison Meatloaf; Campfire Pot Roast, Housemade Butter Cake; Chicken Cordon Bleu; Pineapple Upside-Down Cake; Smoked Maple Bacon Old Fashioned.

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The Hummus and Pita Co. Perimeter Place

Hyderabad House 130 Perimeter Place

Royal Spice Dunwoody Village Sixty Vines Perimeter Mall

Whiskey Cake Perimeter Mall

Buffalo Wild Wings Hammond Drive



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#### CITY MEETING SCHEDULE (as of print date/visit www.dunwoodyga.gov for confirmation)

## APRIL

April 9: Sustainability Committee Meeting City Hall, 7:45 am

April 10: Good Friday City Hall Closed

April 13: City Council Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

> April 14: Planning Commission Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

April 27: City Council Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

## MAY

May 7: Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

May 11: City Council Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

> May 12: Planning Commission Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

May 14: Sustainability Committee Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

May 25: Memorial Day City Hall closed

## JUNE

June 1: City Council Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

> June 4: Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

June 11: Sustainability Committee Meeting City Hall, 7:45 am

June 15: City Council Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

> June 16: Planning Commission Meeting City Hall, 6-8 pm

### **INSIDE:** Events Calendar

