

DUNWOODY NORTH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

AUGUST 1997

DNCA MEMBERSHIP

reprinted from April 1997 DNCA Bulletin...

Have you ever wondered why your neighbors are members of the DNCA?

Membership gives you the opportunity to interact with hundreds of people throughout your community that you might otherwise never meet. As a member, it is easier to stay informed about what is happening in the Dunwoody North Communities.

Accelerated and aggressive movement by developers has already taken place in your neighborhood. Do you know the outcome of recent rezoning hearings and lawsuits that effect your neighborhood? The DNCA now has a Zoning committee made up of your neighbors who monitor and proactively pursue the issues brought to their attention by other DNCA members. This is a daunting task to perform on your own!

The DNCA has officers who have nurtured long-standing relationships with county commissioners and county departmental directors that provide DNCA with a direct link to those who set policies that affect you and your neighborhood.

The DNCA meetings provide a forum to discuss major neighborhood issues, such as: crime, traffic, and growth, as well as, the opportunity to simply get to know your neighbors. You might find the name of the house painter that did such a great job on Riverglenn, or learn which

company gave the best price for removing those big pine trees over on Sharon Valley.

Guest speakers are often a part of our meetings. Your local and state government representatives, police crime watch units, and various other local organizations to name just a few, are willing participants.

The DNCA members make this informative newsletter possible. If you are reading it, you probably want to know about your neighborhood. The DNCA is your conduit to being well informed about our community, and at only \$10.00 per year, it is a great bargain!

Matthew Kennedy
V.P. Membership

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Board members have received numerous complaints about unkempt yards and boats in driveways.

Please write an anonymous note to your neighbor before contacting Board members.

It is illegal to park boats in front driveways, according to Dekalb County Codes. Also, grass and weeds cannot exceed 18 inches according to Dekalb County Codes.

Please be considerate of your neighbors. This is our neighborhood-let's all take care of it!

LAST CALL - ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS!

This is the last opportunity to pay your dues for the 1997 fiscal year! **If you join the DNCA (dues \$10), you will receive a free directory!** If you do not wish to be included in the directory, please clearly indicate it on the returned form. If you are a new resident of Dunwoody North, or have changed your address since the most recent directory, please return this completed form by **August 31, 1997** and return to:

DUNWOODY NORTH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

**C/O BARBARA DODDS
2573 AMBERLY DRIVE
DORAVILLE, GA 30360
(770) 455-0650**

DUNWOODY NORTH COMMUNITY DIRECTORY INFORMATION

LAST NAME	HUSBAND	WIFE
CHILDREN'S NAMES AND AGES		
ADDRESS		
PHONE NUMBERS:	HOME	OFFICE
OCCUPATION(S)	HUSBAND	WIFE
CHILDREN INTERESTED IN: BABY SITTING, LAWN MOWING, PET SITTING, ETC. (PLEASE SPECIFY)		

DUNWOODY NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

REVERSE 911

Reprinted from DeKalb County Safety Community Relations Unit-Neighborhood News...

COUNTY POLICE TO RING PHONES IN DeKalb HOMES- Don't be alarmed if Public Safety Director, Thomas Brown, calls you at home, as you won't be alone. Director Brown-or rather a computer with a recorded message from the Director will start dialing DeKalb County residences and businesses in the months to come.

This is part of a new community notification system designed to arm citizens with information to keep from becoming crime victims and to ask them to help police locate criminals. The computer can be programmed dial residents county wide, individual neighborhoods, business owners, or The Neighborhood Watch Block Captains/Coordinators to deliver taped messages.

The system can also be used to answer incoming calls 24 hours a day from citizens interested in police information and community programs. This system is not in service currently. No beginning date has been announced. More details will be shared whenever they become available.

WHEN SHOULD YOU CALL THE POLICE?

Call the police immediately about all suspicious activity, and do it yourself! Don't worry about bothering them-that's what they are there for. Don't worry about being embarrassed if you are wrong - think about what might happen if you aren't and you don't call...

WHAT CONSTITUTES SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR?

Basically, anything that seems even slightly out of place or that occurs at an odd time of day could be criminal activity. Some of the most obvious are:

- A stranger entering a neighbor's house when it is unoccupied may be a burglar
- A scream could mean an assault or robbery
- Anyone removing accessories, license plates or gasoline from a car should be reported
- Anyone peering into parked cars may be looking for valuables on display or a car to steal
- The sound of breaking glass or loud explosive noises could mean an accident, housebreaking or vandalism
- Someone going door-to-door. Watch them for a while. If after a few houses are visited, one or more persons tries a door to see if it is locked or goes into a back or side yard, they could be a burglar.

QUARTERLY CRIME UPDATE

Charles Delk, Crime Awareness Officer, has reported the following for April-June:

BINGHAMPTON DRIVE

4/16 Criminal Trespass

5/14 Property Damage

DUNOVER CIRCLE

5/29 Burglary-forced entry-TV, VCR, jewelry stolen

E. KINGS POINT CIRCLE

5/17 mailbox vandalized

5/20 Stolen vehicle-'94 Nissan recovered
5-21 on Shelbourne Dr.-Sunglasses missing, keys missing (recovered on Stonington Circ.)

HUNTINGTON CIRCLE

4/2 Burglary-forced entry-TV, VCR, phone, CD player stolen

6-27 Criminal Damage

KINGSGATE DRIVE

5/31 Stolen vehicle-'96 Ford

6/10 Burglary-no evidence of forced entry-cash & jewelry stolen

KINGS POINT COURT

5/22 Larceny-theft from vehicle-checkbook & clothing stolen

LAURELWOOD ROAD

5/2 Vehicle recovered here-stolen elsewhere

6/16 Property Damage

OLD ORCHARD DRIVE

4/2 Burglary-forced entry-power tools

STONINGTON ROAD

6/17 Car license plate stolen

Compiled by the Community Relations Unit -7/97.

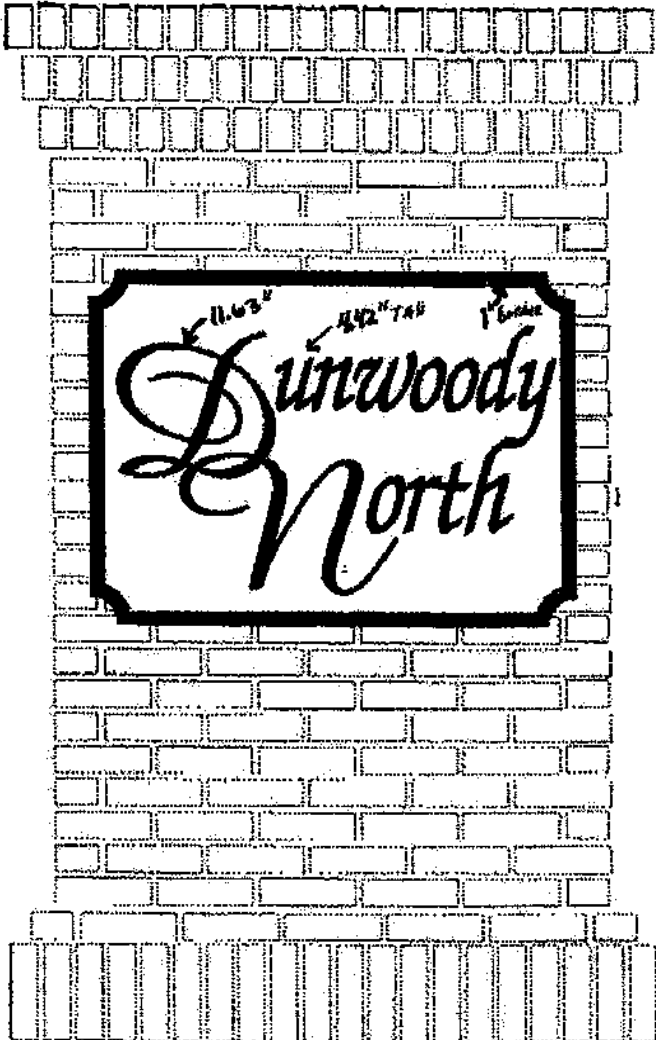
DUNWOODY NORTH CIVIC ASSOCIATION SIGN COMMITTEE UPDATE

Phase I of the committee plan has been completed. The sign committee reviewed pictures of entrances to other Dunwoody neighborhoods and considered the building styles in Dunwoody North. They settled on the design below; both because it met the style criteria and it gave the neighborhood the most "bang for a buck".

See the picture for a description of the sign. Additionally, the plan is to put two signs on North Peachtree at each end of the neighborhood and two on Tilly Mill at Stonington and either Binghampton or Laurelwood.

Plans for Phase II are:

- 1) Obtain permission from property owners of potential sites to erect signs.
*** If you are a home owner who would allow a sign and are one of the locations above, please call the sign committee.**
- 2) Obtain drawing of signs and elevations on sites.
- 3) Run through Dekalb Co. approval process.
- 4) Start funding drive.
*** Checks should be made out to Dunwoody North Civic Association with "Sign" in the memo section. . There are more than 600 homes in Dunwoody North. The sign committee was formed by the Civic Association, it is hoped all members will donate to the signs. All non-member donations will be greatly appreciated also.**



The signs are brick with an attached face similar to the DNDC sign. This design is very low maintenance.

Sign dimensions are 4' x 4' x 6'

They are to sit off center with one corner nearest the street and will have faces on two adjoining sides of each.

DUNWOODY NORTH SIGN COMMITTEE

NAME	TELEPHONE
Jerry Penn	770-457-2474
Vicky Pasmanick	770-457-5045 Co-Chair
David Fowler	770-455-8547 Co-Chair
Darrell Dennis	770-457-8366
Carol Throm	770-451-2209
Georgia Hunter	770-458-1602
Verna Minnick	770-451-0711
Tom Dwyer	770-457-5045
Glee Lamb	770-451-6324

A better picture of the sign, a sample face and brick samples can be viewed by contacting David Fowler.

DUNWOODY NORTH HOME AND GARDEN CLUB

1997-1998 OFFICERS

Co-Presidents:
Pat Schaefer 457-0689
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Connie Hamilton 455-7479

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We hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer. We are looking forward to seeing both old and new friends this Fall. As always, everyone is invited to join us at our monthly meetings. Our meetings alternate between day and evening so working residents may join us.

Our first meeting (Welcome Coffee) will be on Monday, September 8, 1997 at 7:00pm at the home of Jane Remaley of Pedal Pushers. Her address is 5840 Wilbanks Drive, Norcross, GA 30092. Her phone number is (770) 662-5724.

All Board members are responsible for refreshments.



* Advertising is a new feature of the Dunwoody North Civic Association Newsletter. Proceeds will be used to partially defray the costs of printing and distributing the newsletters to the membership. If you are interested in advertising in future bulletins, please contact Gerri Penn or Barbara Dodds for information.

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Evening appointments available in Dunwoody North
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WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN BALLOONING?



We are looking for energetic, fun-loving people to join our balloon team as crew. We are a balloonist family that loves to fly our balloon whenever the weather permits. It's all for fun - we do not offer payrides or any other commercial balloon activities. And like you, we live in the Dunwoody North Subdivision.

Crewing is both fun, and challenging. From the thrill of the inflation, to the challenge of the chase (let's face it - the pilot has no idea where he's going!), to the free food afterwards, and best of all - to the wonderful camaraderie and friendships that always develop. And for the reliable and regular - the occasional balloon ride. Anyone can crew - from teenager to octogenarian. We'll teach you all you need to know.

If you are interested in finding out more, and are available to crew either in the evenings and/or in the very early mornings, please call us.

Danni (pilot) or Linda (crew chief)

(770) 455-4843 anytime

Want to earn a free balloon ride?

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The following letter was sent to the DNCA President, Gerri Penn, and has been reprinted for your information. Please call her if you have any questions or other information at 457-2474. Please fill out the INCLUDED application and send it **directly to the county**, if interested.

July 8, 1997

Ms. Gerri Penn
Dunwoody North Civic
2719 Amberly Way
Doraville, Georgia 30360

Dear Ms. Penn,

The Division of Environmental Health of the DeKalb County Board of Health is requesting your assistance in providing radon tests for residents of DeKalb County. Through your cooperation, we would like to provide testing and increase awareness of health risks associated with long-term radon exposure in your community.

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States - only cigarette smoking causes more lung cancer deaths. To address this health issue, the Board of Health provides both short-term and long-term Radon tests at no expense to DeKalb County homeowners. To request radon testing, the homeowner must complete a request form and return it to the Board of Health. An inspector will contact the homeowner to discuss radon testing procedures.

Enclosed please find copies of the request form (duplicate as needed). Your assistance in with the distribution of the request forms in your community is vital in reducing the risk associated with long-term radon exposure.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter. If you have any questions, please contact David Pike or Ryan Cira at 404-508-7900.

Sincerely,


Michael R. Smith
Director



Paul J. Wiesner, M.D.
Director

Michael R. Smith, REHS
Division Director

Division of Environmental Health

Richardson Health Center
Suite 320 - 445 Winn Way
P. O. Box 987
Decatur, Georgia 30031
(404) 508-7900
Fax (404) 508-7979

REQUEST FOR RADON TEST

Name: _____
Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code
Phone (Home) _____ (Day/Work) _____

A DeKalb County Board of Health, Division of Environmental Health staff member will contact you to set up an appointment to test your home for Radon.

This is to confirm that I would like my home tested for radon and that the test results will be sent to me by the DeKalb County Board of Health, Division of Environmental Health.

Signature _____

Date _____

BROOK RUN UPDATE

The following letter was sent to the DNCA President, Gerri Penn, and has been reprinted for your information. Please call her if you have any questions or other information at 457-2474.

CYNTHIA A. MCKINNEY
4th District, Georgia

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INTERNET ADDRESS:
cymck@hr.house.gov

July 8, 1997

Ms. Geraldine Penn
2714 Amberly WAY
Atlanta, GA 30360

Dear Ms. Penn:

As you are aware, I have opposed the closing of the Brook Run Center for the Mentally Retarded in Dunwoody, Georgia. This critically acclaimed institution was "de-funded" by Governor Zell Miller and is now slated for closure as of December 31, 1997.

It saddens me to report to you that eight patient deaths have been reported to my office. These deaths all occurred in a period of less than six months. The report of the deaths alarmed me and I felt compelled to call for Federal intervention into the closing of the Brook Run facility. While we have not received an official response from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Donna E. Shalala, we are pressing for a HHS investigation to the procedures the state of Georgia is using to close the facility. Also, in light of the deaths, I have requested that the Medicaid waiver needed to close the facility be held up unless and until the issues I have addressed are answered.

In an effort to keep you informed of our progress, I am enclosing the letters that I sent to Governor Zell Miller and to Secretary Shalala regarding the closing of Brook Run. While we may not be able to totally block the closing of this much needed facility, we can at least try to force the state to come up with a thoughtful and acceptable closure plan - a plan acceptable to the parents of the patients at the Brook Run facility.

Please know that I am very sensitive to your concerns and will work with you in any way possible.

With the warmest of personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,

Cynthia McKinney
Member of Congress

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Update on Ashton Woods

BMR Development has begun work on the Ashton Woods Subdivision on Tilly Mill between Briers North and Laurelwood. Unlike previous developers, BMR was willing to work with Dunwoody North and adjacent property owners in Briers North on a long list of conditions. Dunwoody North was able to use the R-75 zoning category to set a precedent to preserve "low density residential" land use all the way down to Doraville. Prices for these homes are expected to start in the 230's.

On July 22, the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners approved another rezoning to R-75 with a similar list of conditions for the Hunter and Marshall properties, across Tilly Mill from Ashton Woods. The vote was 6 to 1 in favor of the conditional rezoning. The developer is BMR, again, and this property is expected to be developed as a "phase 2" of Ashton Woods. Conditions are very similar to those on "phase 1", except that most lot sizes will be over 15000 square feet. Therefore, density will only be about 2.8 units per acre! Prices will start in the mid-200's.

This assemblage includes some currently undeveloped property fronting on Sharon Valley Ct. Two new houses will be built facing Sharon Valley, which will not be part of Ashton Woods. They will be developed compatibly with the Dunwoody North community. The zoning on these 2 lots was not changed from R-85.

The precedents that have been set will likely bring additional redevelopment on Tilly Mill. The conditional R-75 zoning is far less dense than the previously proposed R-50. The many conditions that have been granted, as well as the expected price range, should mean desirable redevelopment, and hopefully higher property values for all of us.