

# Dunwoody

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## DNCA in Action

### *What your DNCA has been doing...*

☞ DNCA again supported Briars North's Halloween with a \$300 donation towards security.

☞ We proactively worked with city leaders on a residents request for a crosswalk on Tilly Mill Road at Binghamton. The City found it would not be safe and proposed one at Stonington but that intersection is also in Doraville. DNCA continues work with Dunwoody and the City of Doraville to try and realize this safety improvement.

☞ Visibility at Binghamton Rd and Tilly Mill Rd. was severely restricted. DNCA convinced the City to cut back the cypresses to improve visibility.

☞ DNCA pays annually for Neighborhood Watch Calling Posts that go to everyone in the DNCA communities. These Calling Posts inform our residents of crime and other critical information.

☞ DNCA maintained sponsorship of the annual Dunwoody Police Depart-

ment Holiday "Thank You" Luncheon held on Dec. 3rd along with Carrabba's catering. Carrabba's provided the food and we provided



desserts, beverages, poinsettias, and paper and plastic supplies.

☞ We also continued sponsorship of the annual Fire Station 18 Holiday Dinner. Serendipity catered the meal and we also provided desserts, poinsettia and paper and plastic products.

☞ Our Beautification Committee landscaped three of the Dunwoody North monuments with winter plants and hired Dunwoody resident Chris Holland of Southern Seasons Lawn Care to weed and plant around the three monuments that get sunlight.

☞ We sponsored the 2nd annual Dunwoody North Social in November

and look forward to you joining in next year.

☞ Your membership paid for printing, bags and delivery of two Newsletters.

☞ We worked with Dunwoody and Dekalb Public Works to get the street side on Laurelwood near the Water Works cleaned up where people have been dumping their yard debris.

☞ We continue working with the City to help a resident who was having constant disturbances related to a Home Occupation Business that is in violation of the codes. They have yet another court appearance with the City in March.

☞ We have open lines of communication for lost or found pets.

☞ We communicate with our community and can do so more efficiently should each community member become a DNCA member.

Please support DNCA with your membership dues so we can continue to serve our neighborhood and community.

# Public Meeting & Board Election

6:30 pm - Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Dunwoody North Driving Club Clubhouse

4522 Kingsgate Dr. 30338

{See insert for more information and mail-in  
ballot for absentee vote}

## Beautification

The holidays are behind us and most of our lawn and garden activities revolve around basic maintenance for the coldest months in Georgia. Before we know it, however, bulbs will be emerging, blossoms popping out and lawns greening up for another fabulous spring. The Beautification Committee invites you to celebrate spring with us by participating in the annual Plant Exchange. This Dunwoody North gathering brings gardeners together to exchange their excess plants while enjoying the company of neighbors. This year our Plant Exchange will be on Saturday, April 20th, from 10 am until noon at the home of Pat and Terry Cloud, 4369 E Kings Point Circle.

The Yard of the Month program also kicks off in April with monthly awards given to the finest landscapes in our Dunwoody North neighborhood. Each month between April and October, one home on each side of Tilly Mill Road will be chosen as the best example of a well maintained and beautifully balanced landscape. Professionally maintained landscapes are not always the best, as sometimes the simplest landscape arrangements come together in a magnificent way. Judges are always looking for variety, color, originality, and neatness. Whether or not you strive for the level of Yard of the Month, remember to keep your landscapes trimmed and to dispose of yard debris in a timely manner. Well kept yards are enjoyed by all of us and help to maintain property values. You can view 2012 recipients of Yard of the Month on our website under the "Neighborhood/Beautification" menu.

The Beautification Committee would like to extend its appreciation to the Garden Club for its generous donation of \$500. The Beautification Committee operates on a very small budget, in addition to whatever donations come in during the year. These funds are used to purchase seasonal plants to enhance the four neighborhood monuments, as well as, maintain the base plants that are already in place. Upkeep of the monuments is done by the committee with members bringing water from home for irrigation. The committee could use additional volunteers for this task, particularly in the summer months.

**If you would like to volunteer for the Beautification Committee,  
please contact Pat Cloud, Chair, at 770-220-0027.**

## Board Member Ballot Biographies:

**Gerri Penn** ✎ Gerri and her husband Roger moved to Atlanta and Dunwoody North in 1981. They have 2 adult children who grew up in Dunwoody North. Gerri has served on the DNCA Board since 1996 in various capacities. She serves on the Board of DHA working on Code Enforcement and Zoning issues and also is the Chair of the City of Dunwoody Zoning Board of Appeals. Gerri is involved with her Temple, Temple Emanu-El, as co-chair of the Caring Committee.

**Samuel Verniero Jr.** ✎ Samuel Verniero, Jr., DD, BA has been a proud resident of Dunwoody North since August, 2009. Samuel has served on various Coalition, Association and HOA Boards in the capacity of President. Samuel was recently appointed by the Mayor and City Council of Dunwoody, Georgia to serve as a member of the Community Council and he remains active in the community, coaching baseball with the Dunwoody Seniors Baseball League.

**David Fowler** ✎ David Fowler has lived in Dunwoody North since 1991. He has two children; Patrick is studying at Santa Monica College and Rebecca is at Mount Vernon Presbyterian. As a business executive, David has owned Managed Risk Sharing since 1994 and is a partner in a new venture, Creative Care Health Concepts. David is a three time President of DNCA and is presently filling the position as Treasurer. He is five time Chairman of the DeKalb Airport Advisory Board and is currently Vice Chair. David was also a DHA board member for the four years leading up to City -hood.

**Amy Stafford** ✎ Amy and her husband Frank moved to Dunwoody North in 2007. Both she and her husband are Nashville natives; but have lived in Atlanta for more than a decade. Amy holds a degree in International Business and Spanish from the University of Tennessee; and additionally studied the Spanish language for several years in Costa Rica. Outside of their work, both she and Frank enjoy quality time with friends and family.

**Joyce Foster** ✎ Joyce and Lon moved to Dunwoody North in 1993 with their three sons, David, Matthew and Daniel. Joyce is retired from DeKalb County where she served as a Contract Administrator in the Department of Purchasing & Contracting. She is a Master Instructor with the Institute of Public Procurement and teaches both online and face-to-face courses. Lon retired a few years ago and is often walking the Foster pugs in the neighborhood. Lon and Joyce feel that Dunwoody North is wonderful place to live.

**Daine Pearson** ✎ Although their Dunwoody North home has been in the family since 1996, when Daine and his mother Frances purchased it, Daine, his wife Coby and daughter Ashley, are relatively new to Dunwoody. Daine lived in Europe for more than twenty years, working in television, creating images for news programs, documentaries and corporate productions. Daine is currently working in technical sales and marketing.

**Jay Kapp** ✎ Jay, his wife, Jennifer and their young children have been residents of Dunwoody North since 2001. He is the president of Kapp Concepts, a marketing and web design firm. In 2011, he was given the "Rising Star Award" by the Dunwoody

# Neighborhood Watch Update



Lisa O. Dierks-Unkefer  
DNCA Neighborhood Watch Chairman  
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I hope you all had a wonderful and safe holiday season. I have no reports of break-ins. Recently, the Dunwoody Police have been successful in arresting a few people breaking into cars in the areas around and in the Dunwoody North subdivision.

Its time to start working on the 2014 Dunwoody North Community directory. I will be meeting with my two Co-Chairman, Cherie' Andrews and James Allison in March for this necessary task. Coordinators and Block Captains will be going door to door to meet our new neighbors for names and phone numbers over the summer and fall to complete this effort. I am asking for everyone's help in making this directory complete and accurate by encouraging new neighbors to participate. This information will also go into the Calling Post data base so we can reach everyone in cases of emergency, such as a break-in, etc.

## Board Member Biographies continued.

Chamber of Commerce, an award given to a business owner under the age of 40 who exemplify leadership and community involvement.

**Pat Cloud** ☞ Pat and her husband Terry moved to the Dunwoody North neighborhood in 2008 following her retirement from DeKalb County Schools. Pat was a special education teacher and consultant during her 31 years with DeKalb. She is a native of Atlanta and spent her early school years attending the old Dunwoody Elementary School. Pat currently serves as chairperson of the Beautification Committee.

**Lyn Coltman** ☞ Lyn and her husband, Neville, recently deceased, moved to Dunwoody North in late 1981. Lyn is a Realtor with Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate. Offspring Nick, Mike and Belinda, now grown, swam and played tennis at DNDC. In 1991 Lyn founded a social support group for Australians living in Atlanta and she also belongs to the Georgia Council for International Visitors and the Australian American New Zealand Chamber of Commerce. Lyn's latest hobby is tending her garden plot at the Dunwoody Community Garden in Brook Run Park.

**Julie Horowitz** ☞ Julie is an Atlanta native and resident of Dunwoody North since 1998. After graduating from the University of Texas, at Austin, Julie worked professionally in hospitality management and non-profit management. After obtaining her MBA from Georgia State, she worked in non-profit marketing and technology marketing. Married to Dunwoody psychologist, Dr. Andy Gothard, Julie is a stay-at-home wife and mother to 3 children. When not managing their home, Julie spends time volunteering and helping to market her husband's practice.

**Jack Hamilton** ☞ Jack, his wife Elena and daughter Madeline, have been residents of Dunwoody North since 1996, however, his family has a long history here as his parents bought one of the original Dunwoody North homes on Kingsgate Drive. Jack's older children, Laura and Johnny, graduated from the original Peachtree High School, and Elena's son, Michael, graduated from Dunwoody High School. Jack is with Coldwell Banker Dunwoody and Elena is with DeKalb County Health Department. In his free time, Jack plays tennis at DNDC and supports the DNDC Swim Team, of which, his daughter Madeline is a member.

**Vicky Pasmanick** ☞ Vicky and her Husband Robert moved from Embury Hills to Dunwoody North in 1996 with their three daughters; Greer, Kelley and Annie. Moving to Dunwoody North was perfect as they needed the special services that DeKalb County Schools could offer Kelley; such as Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy. Vicky and Robert were instrumental in improving accessibility on school campuses; getting punch doors for Dunwoody High School and double railings heading down to the Chesnut Gym. After Dunwoody High School, Greer and Annie graduated from UGA, and Kelley from the University of Denver. The Pasmanick's have been residential Realtors since 1995. Their licenses are now with Atlanta Communities Real Estate Brokerage. They are huge fans of our community, active members of DNDC and can't think

If you live within the following street addresses and would like to volunteer as a Coordinator or Block Captain, please e-mail me your name, street address and phone number at [glunkefer@bellouth.net](mailto:glunkefer@bellouth.net). I will provide you the information for these duties which are simple, but yet so important for our community to stay strong and informed.

## Help Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch need a Coordinator for this section and we need:

4389-4451 Shelborne Drive - 10 houses- a Block Captain  
4346-4405 Stonington Circle - 11 houses-a Block Captain  
4406-4452 Stonington Circle - 10 houses -a Block Captain

We need a Coordinator for this section and we need:  
2262-2324 Brookhurst Drive - 10 houses - a Block Captain  
2331-2380 Brookhurst Drive - 10 houses - a Block Captain  
2401-2452 Brookhurst Drive - 10 Houses - a Block Captain  
2453-2496 Brookhurst Drive - 11 Houses - a Block Captain

We need Block Captains for the following house numbers:  
4291-4336 East Kings Point Circle - 10 Houses  
2396-2405 Flintshire Court - 3 Houses  
4564-4571 Kings Point Ct. - 4 Houses  
2380-2396 Ledgewood Drive - 5 Houses  
2274-2330 North Peachtree Court and 4629 North Peachtree Road - 13 Houses  
4472-4525 North Peachtree Road - 14 Houses

We need a Coordinator for the following streets.  
Buckley Court, Ellisbury Drive, Ledgewood Drive,  
Norwalk Road, Riverglenn Circle, Riverglenn Court

Your \$20.00 annual dues pay for many amenities from the DNCA; two of those are the Calling Post messages for crime alerts and the directory. Please help by volunteering and joining the DNCA today!

Sincerely,  
Lisa O. Dierks-Unkefer

# Presidents Message



By Gerri Penn - DNCA President  
President@DunwoodyNorth.org

Dear Neighbors,

Its time again for our Annual Election Meeting. I have been very fortunate to have an amazing Board of Directors this year and I want to thank all of them for their support.

Kendra Gibson left the Board due to conflicts with her other responsibilities. As Corresponding Secretary, Kendra did a great job editing our Newsletters. Thanks so much, Kendra. We will miss you and wish you the best in your endeavors. I want to thank Joyce Foster for filling Kendra's position for this newsletter. Joyce has agreed to run for the position of Recording Secretary.

Daine Pearson has agreed to continue doing the layout for the newsletter as well as manage our web site. Thanks, Daine.

David Fowler agreed to come on the Board as Treasurer after Barbara Dodds passed away and will now be running for election at that position. David you are a life saver. Thanks.

We have created a new Board position of Social Media Coordinator. This new position is one of two by law changes that require your vote. Jay Kapp has already been doing a great job with our Facebook page and has agreed to join the Board for this new position if the bylaws are approved. Please 'like' the Dunwoody North Civic Association on Facebook. Jay posts community events on there and does a great job of keeping us informed.

I want to thank all of the dedicated members of the Beautification Committee for

not only judging Yard of the Month but also for maintaining our monuments. Please e-mail me if you would like to join this committee. They really need help maintaining our monuments.

We are still collecting membership dues for 2013. Please read the article on what your DNCA has done and why you should join. We appreciate your support and cannot do our best without it.

Please feel free to e-mail me with concerns or ideas you may have about our neighborhood and I look forward to seeing you at our public meeting, February 26th at the DNDC clubhouse.

Happy and Healthy New Year.

Gerri Penn, President, DNCA

By Law Changes, if approved:

#### In Article IV. Officers

We are eliminating one director from section (b), President of the Dunwoody North Garden Club.

We will add to the list after Communications, Manager, Social Media Manager.

#### Article VI Duties of Officers

If approved, we are adding a new Board position in Article VI, Duties of Officer. It would be listed as Section 8 Social Media Manager and would read:

Section 8 The Social Media Manager Shall:

Manage Social Media avenues on behalf of the Dunwoody North Civic Association to inform and promote our community.

Section 9 will now be The Directors Shall: with the wording remaining the same

## Board Member Biographies continued

of a better area to live!

**Vanessa Shapiro** ✎ Vanessa has lived in Atlanta for over 15 years. She holds a B.S. in Management of Technology from Southern Polytechnic University. She is the Chief Creative Officer for TransansactionTree, Inc., responsible for all aspects of R&D as well as the company's corporate marketing tactics. Vanessa, her husband Jason and son Jake reside in Dunwoody North with their three wonderful dogs. When she is not working, she enjoys walking her dogs, decorating her house and learning about new technology.

**Walter Weeks** ✎ Walter and his wife Era have lived in Dunwoody since 1967, and moved to Dunwoody North eight years ago. They have three children who all graduated from Dunwoody schools. Walter and Era are members of Dunwoody Baptist Church and enjoy participating in discussion groups at Dunwoody Baptist and mission activities such as ESOL. Walter also volunteers his time with Habitat for Humanity. Walter has an MS in Chemistry and has spent most of his working career as a representative for several scientific instrument manufacturers and has had a retirement job with the US EPA.

**Barbara Wood** ✎ Barbara Wood, her husband Bruce, and three sons moved to Dunwoody North in 1969. Originally from Salt Lake City, Barbara and Bruce came here following tours of duty with the USPHS in Thailand, Cambodia, Atlanta, Miami, Philippines and Haiti. Barbara worked as Admissions Coordinator at Brook Run (formerly the Georgia Retardation Center) from its opening in 1969 until she retired in 1995. Following retirement, she worked as a consultant at Brook Run and then for a company providing services for residents discharged when the Center closed in 1997. She worked as a consultant until 2004. She is secretary on the Board for Aldersgate Homes, Secretary on the Board for the Disharoon Condo Association at Big Canoe, and is past president of the USPHS Women's Club. She is in several bridge clubs.

**DCNA Parliamentarian, Corlette Muery** ✎ Corlette Muery and husband Bob have owned houses in Dunwoody North since 1975. They have one married daughter. Corlette is a retired elementary school teacher.

**DCNA Neighborhood Watch Program Chair, Lisa O. Dierks-Unkefer** ✎ In 1999, Lisa and her husband Gary bought the home on Huntington Circle that Lisa grew up in. Lisa has worked for Smith Barney/Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. for over 20 years. Gary has been at Cross Fluid Power for over 17 years. Lisa's interests are gardening and travel. She can be reached on email at glunkefer@bellsouth.net.