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## Food, Friends And Our Future Wesident's Ocessage by Gerri Penn, DNCA President

DNCA hosted a festive luncheon for our Dunwoody Police Department on December 6th. I want to thank Carrabba's (Brett Cavalli), Barbara Dodds, chair for the event, Corlette Muery, Lisa Unkefer and all the bakers from the Dunwoody Home and Garden Club for their contributions of time, food and holiday decor. The Fire Station #18 holiday dinner was on December 13th. Thanks for that celebration go to Serendipity Catering, Amy Stafford, chair for the event and to Sally Soderberg, Joyce Foster, Bobbi Sedam and Mary Alice Bancroft for desserts and decorations.

We are fortunate to have Brent Walker, Parks Manager, City of Dunwoody Parks and Recreation, as our speaker for the DNCA annual general membership meeting. The City staff has been working on a Master Plan for Brook Run Park and has conducted

public meetings for citizen input. Please come to our annual meeting on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and hear what is possibly in store for Brook Run Park as well as other Dunwoody Parks.

Our Civic Association is very lucky to have such a dedicated Board of Directors. I hope you will take time to fill out the registration form in this newsletter to join or renew your membership in DNCA. Come to the general meeting

on February 22, and as a dues paying member, cast your vote for your 2011, DNCA Board of Directors.

At this time our Civic Association is making yet another effort to become more eco-conscious with our newsletter. We currently print our newsletter on recycled paper, but in an effort to further reduce waste we are considering a new electronic newsletter to be distributed via email quarterly. If your Board adopts this policy, quarterly distribution will allow you more immediate access to what is going on in our neighborhood and community. In order to sign up for the quarterly newsletter, please provide your email address in your registration form. For those of you who do not have email, you can still receive the annual printed February newsletter. Please be sure to note on your registration form that you wish for the February 2012 newsletter to be mailed to you.

If you want to get involved in DNCA, please e-mail me at president@dunwoodynorth.org.



#### Dunwoody North Civic Association Meeting February 22, 2011



Featured Speaker: Brent Walker, Parks Manager for the City of Dunwoody Parks and Recreation.

6:30 PM Social.

John Heneghan and Doug Thompson, our Dunwoody City Council members are planning to attend.

7:00 PM Elections of new and returning DNCA officers. Vote on By-laws change.

7:30 PM Speaker - Brent Walker, Parks Manager for City of Dunwoody Parks and Recreation.

Where: DNDC Clubhouse 4522 Kingsgate Drive Dunwoody, GA 30338

Brent Walker grew up in Birmingham Alabama, went to Auburn University and started his career with the City of Auburn Parks & Recreation Dept. in 1995. He moved to Atlanta in 1999 and worked for the City of Decatur Parks & Recreation Dept. until 2001. He then went on to Gwinnett County Parks & Recreation Dept. and did everything from running community centers to running a historic preservation farm. He started his employment with the City of Dunwoody in June of 2010. He lives in Pine Lake with his 9-year-old son where he served as City Councilman for 5 years.

## Seguitalication in Linuwoody on't let the chill in the air fool

you! The Georgia planting season is just around the corner so now is the time to plan your garden. With spring bulbs sprouting their first shoots, Dunwoody North gardeners will soon be bringing their gardens to life by fertilizing, planting and transplanting. The Beautification Committee is here to help you with your projects. The Dunwoody North Driving Club parking lot will be the site of the first annual community plant exchange, tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 14th.

Is that Liriope running rampant in your yard? Do you have too many Hostas and not enough Day Lilies? Dig up the plants you don't need and bring them to the plant exchange. The plant taking over your garden may be just the thing to add a needed splash of color to your neighbor's.

The Yard of the Month season begins April 1st and continues through October. Judges will soon be scouring the Dunwoody North communities for beautiful landscapes. Manicured lawns and flowerbeds are considered

top priority. Variety of plantings and color, garden pathways and other personal touches that add to the overall aesthetics are also considered. Judging for each month is completed by the 26th of the previous month. We understand that your yard is always a work in progress and so we look for the best examples during the constantly changing seasons.

The committee has set a couple of goals for the 2011 season including improved signage for our recipients and car magnets to designate judges' vehicles. Without a budget, we depend on donations to help us reach these goals. You can donate by visiting the plant exchange. Further details regarding the date, time, and donations will be available at the DNCA Annual Meeting on February 22nd. We look forward to seeing you there and sharing ideas that will keep Dunwoody North a beautiful place to live.



DNCA's July Yard Of The Month





### We Need Your Photos For The All New DNCA Web Site

he Dunwoody North Civic
Association is in the process
of building a new website and would
like to showcase some of your photographs. The only requirement is that
your images should have been taken in
or nearby our neighborhood. Since we
don't know how many we will receive
there is no guarantee they will be used
but if you are interested in sharing a

few of your best or would like to be a contributing photographer, contact Daine Pearson at 678-253-1420 or DNCA@FamilyPearson.net.

Please keep checking your Dunwoody North website for new changes and current information. Your Dunwoody North Civic Association website is www.DunwoodyNorth.org.







## eighbonhood by Lisa Dierks-Unkefer DNCA Neighborhood Watch Chairman

hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season. I have had no reports of any break-ins of homes or cars for quite some time now. Please stay vigilant about leaving your cars free of valuables and keeping them and your home locked up.

Please e-mail me if you would like to know who the block captain is for your street. If you live on Brookhurst Drive and would like to volunteer, five block captain positions are open. You are needed!

The Dunwoody Police Department has an advanced defensive driving class and vehicle control program for teenagers called "CAT", short for Collision Avoidance Training. The class is open to all teens at least 16 years of age with a valid driver's license. Parents are encouraged to enroll their teens several months before their 16th birthday. The

course is 12 hours, held over 2 days, (Friday evening class and a Saturday behind the wheel training) and taught by trained and certified Dunwoody Police Officers. Registration is \$125.00 per student. You can find all the information including the 2011 schedule on the Dunwoody Police Department web site. Scroll down to "Community Outreach" and then "Teen driving class C.A.T."

One of the services of our Neighborhood Watch is CallingPost telephone notification to all Dunwoody North community residents concerning local burglaries, break-ins, etc. If you are new to the Dunwoody North Communities and would like to be on the CallingPost list, please e-mail me your name, street address and phone number so I can add your information to receive important alerts.

neighborhoodwatch@dunwoodynorth.org

### DNCA Election Ballot And Absentee Ballot

#### PROPOSED DNCA BY-LAW CHANGES

The Board of Dunwoody North Civic Association offers these Proposed By-Law changes on the 2011 Ballot:

#### **ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS**

#### **■** Existing Language:

This association shall be managed and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, which shall consist of the following: 1. President, First Vice President, Vice President of Zoning, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer.

#### **■** Proposed Change:

This association shall be managed and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, which shall consist of the following: 1. President, First Vice President, Vice President of Zoning, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Manager.

#### ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

#### **■** Existing Language:

Section 7. The Directors Shall: 1. Assist the President and officers in accomplishing the objectives of the membership.

#### ■ Proposed Change:

The current Section 7 will be called Section 8. Section 7 will now describe the duties of the Communications Manager. Section 7 and 8 will now read:

#### ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Section 7. The Communications Manager Shall: 1. Manage the Web site for content and accuracy to reflect the mission of DNCA.
- Section 8. The Directors Shall: Assist the President and officers in accomplishing the objectives of the membership.

FOR THE ABOVE AMENDMENTS. PLEASE VOTE:	Yes	No	П

he Dunwoody North Civic Association Nominating Committee, Barbara Dodds (Chair) Betty Brinkley and Jean McHugh present the following for the consideration of DNCA members for officers for 2011.

OFFICE	NOMINEE	YES	NO	WRITE-IN
President	Gerri Penn			
Vice President	Open			
Recording Sec.	Carla Young			
Corresponding Sec.	Kendra Gibson			
Treasurer	Joe Bowen			
Communications Mgr.	Daine Pearson			
Member at Large	Mary Alice Bancroft			
Member at Large	Lyn Coltman			
Member at Large	Joyce Foster			
Member at Large	Julie Horowitz			
Member at Large	Rob Maxwell			
Member at Large	Bobbi Sedam			
Member at Large	Vanessa Shapiro			
Member at Large	Mike Smith			

### 2011 DNCA Election Slate

President and Vice President of Zoning - 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 on the City of Dunwoody Zoning Board of Appeals. Gerri is the recording secretary of the Dunwoody North Home and Garden Club and is involved with her Temple, Temple Emanu-El, as co-chair of the Caring Committee. She can be reached at President@dunwoodynorth.org or Zoning@dunwoodynorth.org

First Vice-President: Open Position

Treasurer - Joe Bowen - Joe is the current DNCA Treasurer. He and his wife Debra purchased the first house in Briers North in 1986 and live there with their son Jay. Joe is a native of North Georgia. After graduating from Georgia Southern University, he worked as a tax accountant before starting a computer company in Dunwoody. He and his family are members of Dunwoody Baptist Church. Joe likes to play pool and enjoys time with his family.

Corresponding Secretary - Kendra Gibson - Kendra and her husband, Matthew, moved to Dunwoody North in 2007 after relocating to Atlanta from Grand Rapids, Michigan. Since moving in they have found a hobby in renovating their home, and are looking forward to raising their family in Dunwoody North. Kendra works as Design Manager for an interior design firm specializing in hospitality design.

Communications Manager - 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 residents in Dunwoody having recently moved to the USA. Daine lived in Europe for more than twenty years working as a Producer/Editor/Cameraman/Director of Photography, creating images for news programs, documentaries and corporate productions for international broadcasters and companies. Daine is currently providing technical sales and media production services via his company, Natural Light & Sound.

#### Member at Large- Eight Positions

Mary Alice Bancroft - Mary Alice and her husband Steve have lived in Dunwoody North since 1985. They have two children, Bryce who attends Davidson College in North Carolina and Wes who attends Dunwoody High School. Mary Alice has been on the Board of DNCA since 1985 in various positions. She is a member of the Dunwoody North Home and Garden Club.

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.

Joyce D. Foster - Joyce and her husband Lon have lived in Dunwoody North since 1993. They have three grown sons, one who recently proudly served our community and our country with the U.S. Marine Corps in Iraq. Joyce is retired from DeKalb County Government and has a small business that provides public procurement consulting services. She is a 2010 National Buyer of the Year Finalist; was the 2009 Georgia Public Buyer of the Year; and holds internationally recognized lifetime certifications in public procurement.

Julie Horowitz - Julie is an Atlanta native and a resident of Dunwoody North since 1998. After graduating from the University of Texas at Austin, Julie worked professionally in hospitality management and non-profit manage-

ment. She then attended Georgia State University to obtain her MBA and 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 driving her children around the city, Julie spends her time volunteering and helping to market her husband's practice.

Rob Maxwell - Rob and his wife Brenda have lived in Dunwoody North since 1999 and have three children: Evan, Tyler and Avery. Rob has been a room parent for the past 5 years at Chesnut Elementary School and established and runs the Chesnut Chess Nuts Club. Rob is an avid whitewater kayaker and on most weekends can be found testing his skills on one of the southeast's premiere whitewater rivers. Professionally. Rob is an advertising art director and graphic designer who has worked on such national and local accounts as Hilton Head Hilton Resorts, Eureka Tents & Backpacks, Chattanooga Board of Tourism, and on Councilman John Heneghan's election campaign.

Bobbi Sedam - Bobbi, a long time Dunwoody resident, moved to Dunwoody North in March 2000. She has served on the DNCA Board as Member at Large and then Corresponding Secretary. Bobbi is a Master Gardener with DeKalb Extension Service. She is an active member in several environmental organizations and serves on the Dunwoody Sustainability Commission. She is especially interested in promoting recycling in Dunwoody and DeKalb County.

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.

**Mike Smith** - Mike and his wife Vickie moved to Dunwoody North in October,

2007. They have two children, a daughter in Chesnut Elementary and a son in pre-school. Mike works with United Health Group as a Manager and Vickie is a Project Manager with Pace Management in Buckhead. Mike is an avid cyclist and is involved with community efforts to bring additional cycling opportunities to Dunwoody.

The positions below are provided for in the DNCA by-laws and require no vote.

Parliamentarian – Barbara Dodds
Barbara has served on the DNCA
Board in the various roles of President,
Treasurer and Parliamentarian since
1996. Much of that time she has
been president or co-president of
the Dunwoody Home and Garden
Club. Barbara has been treasurer of
Dunwoody Homeowners Association
for the past 5 years.

Neighborhood Watch - Lisa 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 Neighborhoodwatch@dunwoodynorth.org.

Garden Club Representative - 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. She has been an active member of Dunwoody Home & Garden Club since 1975 and is currently it's co-president.

President of DNDC - Mike Mey - Mike moved to Dunwoody, Georgia from Ohio in 1998. He met his wife, Dunwoody North native Adrienne King, at the Dunwoody apartment complex where they we both lived. They took the opportunity to buy Adrienne's childhood home in the neighborhood in 2000, and have lived there happily ever since. They have two children Colin and Avery. Mike is excited about serving as President of his neighborhood swim and tennis club and on the DNCA Board for 2011.



he mission of the Dunwoody North Civic Association is to represent the Dunwoody North Communities positions to the city, county or state on issues that concern our neighborhoods.

DNCA also assists the residents of the Dunwoody North Communities to protect and enhance the value of their property. We address such issues as PDK, zoning issues/violation, Brook Run development, new construction and a variety of other neighborhood interests.

It is now time for our 2011 Membership Drive. Please complete the form below and forward your check for \$20 in the enclosed envelope. For your convenience, this membership form is published in the fall and winter newsletters but you need only submit one of these forms and one \$20 check to maintain your family's membership for 2011

Questions? Call 770-452-0707 or email bybowen@bellsouth.net.

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#### 2011 DNCA Annual Membership and Directory Update Form

Please mail your \$20 annual membership check, made payable to Dunwoody North Civic Association to:

Joe Bowen, Treasurer, 2613 Briers North Drive, Dunwoody GA 30360

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#### he newsletter often explains that Dunwoody North Civic Association covers more than Dunwoody North subdivision. A map is included showing the area served. To make it

more interesting, here's a game: Travel on as many streets as possible in the area served by DNCA with-

out traveling on the same street more

than once.

You may cross a street more than once but cannot otherwise travel on it.

The area is east of North Peachtree Rd. and all streets and subdivisions off Tilly Mill Rd. between Peeler Rd. and the CITGO station.

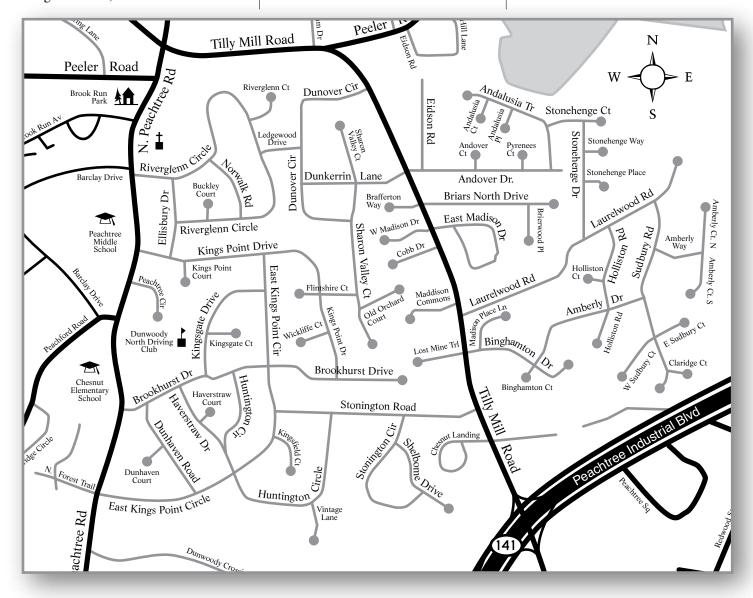
One possible solution travels on 23 streets without crossing any street twice. By crossing Tilly Mill and traveling on it later, another route includes 26 streets. Can you find less direct routes that travel on more streets?

The person submitting the solution with the most streets wins membership for a year. In case of a tie, the winning entry will be the shortest route.

Here's one answer. What is yours?

Start on Norwalk Road, turn left at Riverglenn Circle, turn right at Ledgewood Drive, turn right at Dunover Circle, turn left on Dunkerrin Lane, turn right on Sharon Valley Court, turn right onto

Flintshire Court, turn right on Kings Point Drive, turn left on East Kings Point Circle, take right on Kingsgate Drive, turn right on Brookhurst Drive, turn left on Haverstraw Drive, turn right on Hntington Circle, turn right at Stonington Road, turn left on Tilly Mill Road, turn right on Binghamton Drive, turn left on Amberly Drive, turn left on Holliston Road, turn left at Laurelwood Road, turn right at Stonehenge Drive, turn left on Stonehenge Court, turn left on Andalusia Trail, turn right at Andover Drive, turn right on Pyrenees Court. (3.3 miles total)



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Opolice Chief Billy Grogan got involved in the Law Enforcement Torch Run about 8 years ago after a Special Olympics Georgia athlete spoke at a luncheon he attended. While with the Marietta Police Department, Chief Grogan participated in the Cops on Doughnut Shop fund raising event at Krispe Kreme where he sat on the roof of a Krispe Kreme store in



Polar Plunge, February 2010

Marietta for 60 hours! Chief Grogan organized Georgia law enforcement's participation in another fund-raiser, The World's Largest Truck Convoy for four straight years. One of the highlights for the Chief in his involvement with Special Olympics happened when a winning athlete presented him with one of her gold medals.

Since coming to the Dunwoody Police Department, Chief Grogan and Dunwoody Officers have participated in several Law Enforcement Torch Run fund raising events, including the Torch Run, Cuffed for a Cause (a treadmill walk), a Car Show for Special Olympics and the 2010 Polar Plunge, all benefiting Special Olympics Georgia. The Polar Plunge is a great family event scheduled for February 19, 2011 at Lake Lanier

Islands. Plungers of all ages are welcome. You can see a video of the DPD Team plunging in 2010 at http:// www.youtube.com/ watch?v=Es9JzIlylYc

The Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics,

> Georgia, involves more than 1,000 law enforcement officers from over 100 agencies who take part in a 1,000 mile, two week torch relay to pass the Special Olympics Georgia "Flame of Hope" across the State. All of the 11 relays converge at Emory University (Atlanta) during the State Summer Games Opening Ceremony. The event provides local law enforcement officers an opportunity to volunteer and participate in the communities where they serve and

raise needed funds and awareness for Special Olympics.

The Dunwoody Police Department is an ardent supporter of the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics Georgia and has designated it as their 'charity of choice'. DPD Chief Billy Grogan is the LETR Director for the State of Georgia. He coordinates all fund raising activities by law enforcement in the State.

In the LETR's 2010 calendar year, the Dunwoody Police Department raised over \$12,000. DPD could use your help in 2011 when their goal is to raise \$24,000. You can make a general donation or donate specifically for the Polar Plunge event at www.firstgiving. com\billygrogan. If you prefer, checks may be mailed to the Dunwoody Police Department, 41 Perimeter Center East, Dunwoody, GA 30346. Please mark Attn: LETR and make the check payable to Special Olympics Georgia.



Chief Grogan, center

You can join the Dunwoody Police Department and plunge in with your DPD officers. Find out how and get more info about the event at www.polarplungega.com

You can also follow the 2011 Polar Plunge at www.facebook.com\ polarplungega, www.twitter.com\polarplungega and.....learn more about Law Enforcement Torch Run at: www.specialolympicsga.org



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