

SUGAR HILL YOUTH GAZETTE

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“Do or do not... There is no try.” - Yoda

About the Youth Council Members

Aysha Jerald (11th NGHS) is a manager of the NGHS Air Rifle team.

Agam Singh (10th Buford HS) participates in the Color Guard program at her school.

Amber Nicholson (12th Lanier HS) is a LSLT Mentor/ member of Lanier HS Track team. She holds the position of Mayor Pro Tem on the Youth Council.

Bryn Pugh (12th NGHS) is an active member of Rising Church. She holds the position of Mayor on the Youth Council.

Roshni Patel (11th North Gwinnett HS) is an involved Band member/ NGHS Beta officer. She holds the position of Secretary on the Youth Council.

Shelby Borek (10th North Gwinnett HS) is a member of the Dance Honors Society.

Taylor Morain (11th Lanier HS) is an active member of the Lanier HS Marching Band.

Kaan Cubukcu (10th Lanier HS) is an active member of the Lanier HS Marching Band.



Members from left to right: Aysha Jerald, Agam Singh, Amber Nicholson, Bryn Pugh, Roshni Patel, Shelby Borek, Taylor Morain, Kaan Cubukcu

Sugar Hill Youth Council

Hello! We are Sugar Hill’s 2015-2016 Youth Council! Delighted to serve the city, we small group of eight work diligently to create events, provide for the community, and advance our knowledge of the the city’s government. Our goals for this year include connecting SH school events to the city, expanding our advertising methods, and creating as many opportunities for community involvement as possible. Recently, we have been working on a number of projects, counting the Youth Ambassador Program, a Thursday’s @ The Hill event, and several other upcoming developments. Subscribe to our newsletter for more updates and events to come!

School Highlights

Lanier

On October 7th, 2015, Lanier High School hosted their first ever “Carnaval del Dia de los Muertos.” Dia de Muertos is a Mexican holiday celebrated throughout much of Mexico and Central America. The holiday focuses on the gatherings of family and friends to pray and remember those who have died, as well as to help support their spiritual journey. This is why the Lanier Relay for Life team chose Dia de Muertos as the theme for the project. The Relay team worked together with the CDAT Academy and its students to create games of chance that would guarantee prizes, unlike the games at a carnival.

Kids of all ages had a great time playing carnival games, most of which were student made mathematical and technological projects, ranging from human-sized Jenga to magic tricks, pneumatic guns, and card games. CDAT raised \$1,700 for Relay for Life due to the handmade games from the students. On the same day as the Carnaval, Lanier High School hosted their most recent science fair. It was a great success, with 25 projects moving on to the regional science fair led by 9th graders, Camryn Flores and Britney Jones, who had an amazing project of reclaiming runoff farm water. Overall, it was a great conclusion to the year for Lanier.



North Gwinnett

Last November, Kirsten Baker and the North Gwinnett Student Leadership Team put on a school wide leadership retreat called, Everest. North Gwinnett partnered with Feed My Starving Children, a non-profit Christian organization fighting world hunger, to pack 100,000 meals. In order to pull off the retreat, 500 students needed attend and pay a fee of \$25 in order to pay for the meals (each meal packed costed \$0.22). The goal of Everest was to get students to understand how it felt to lead in action and serve other people.

After months of planning, discussing, and advertising, the day of Everest finally came. North Gwinnett students came together to sacrifice a few hours of their Saturday to serve several hungry children around the world. In total, North Gwinnett students packed 110,519 meals and fed 302 kids in just two hours. Jenna Scott, a member of the leadership team, stated, “It was an amazing experience to see my friends and classmates participate in the event, and it was even more amazing to think about the impact made in our community and the that North Gwinnett world.”



Buford

The past semester, Buford High School went to GHSA State Championship for: Cross Country, Volleyball, Softball, One – Act, and Football, earning titles in all. Continuing with their motto of “Triple A Excellence”, the Buford Student Executive Leadership Council executed a leadership conference for students in the Buford City School System. These students were chosen by their teachers, because they had shown leadership qualities. At the conference, they were engaged in leadership activities and had the principals of the schools speak. The students were also involved in a haptitude seminar. The council spent months planning the conference and it went successfully. The students are hoping to continue this conference for future years.



This Christmas Break, the Buford Band of Wolves was invited to Orlando, Florida to play for the Macy’s Christmas Parade in Universal. All of the floats that were included in the Thanksgiving Parade got sent down to Universal Studios for the Christmas Parade. The band also performed in the Russell Bowl with 12 other bands from across the country during half time.

The Sugar Hill Ice Skating Rink is closing on
January 31st.

That means theres only 25 days of fun filled skating
left!

Enjoy the ice while you still can!

Tickets are \$10 and skate rentals are \$2





Sugar Hill Youth Ambassadors is a service-oriented, community leadership program for High School Students living in Gwinnett County. We are looking for committed applicants who are interested in influencing our growing community.*

DUE: JANUARY 22nd

Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please answer the following in 150 words or less:

- 1) List the extracurriculars with which you are currently involved in and your role in each.
- 2) What are some of your passions/interests? How would you use your passions/interests during your time as a Youth Ambassador?
- 3) If you had the chance to gain any superpower what would it be and why?

Please attach a brief teacher recommendation.

*Upon admission, students will be required to pay a fee of \$20.

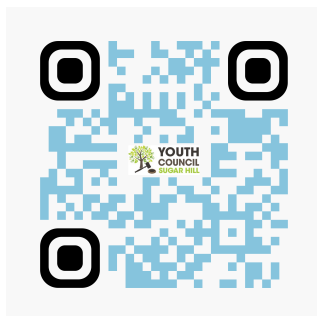
Meetings will occur the 2nd Saturday of every month from 9:00-11:00 AM. Attendance to the first meeting and 4 out of the 6 others are mandatory:

- February 13th
- March 12th
- April 9th
- May 14th
- June 11th
- July 9th
- August 13th

Additionally, there will be several volunteer opportunities available to Youth Ambassadors such as:

- Thursdays @ the Hill
- Monthly Community Concerts
- Sparks in the Park
- Beautify Sugar Hill
- Makersfair, a new event coming in May 2016

In order to strengthen the leadership abilities of the group we will be bringing in community leaders as guest speakers, participating in team bonding activities, and building connections with students from other schools.



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