

Sugar Hill Sentinel



"Sparks in the Park" - July 3rd

Thursday July 3, 2014 at E.E. Robinson Park, 6:15pm until 10pm. You're invited to join us and enjoy a fun filled evening. Celebrate a FREE night of live music, inflatable rides, and the best fireworks in Gwinnett County. Concessions and food will be available. Music begins at 6:15 with "**Gasoline Brothers**" followed by the "greatest show on surf," **The Yacht Rock Revue**. Fireworks begin at 9:50. Come early and bring your blankets, chairs, picnic and friends, Parking and shuttle service is available at the Sugar Hill Church on Hwy 20 from 6:15 and continuing to midnight.



75th @ Sugar Hill - Anniversary Celebration

❖ **SAVE THE DATE! - AUGUST 2nd** ❖

Come out for our FREE day events starting with a 5K run at 8am and enjoy the parade, car and motorcycle show, carnival, music and food as the City of Sugar Hill celebrates our 75th Anniversary party. When the sun starts to go down - join us for this add-on ticketed concert and/or community dinner. Featuring the Bacon Bros, Andy Velo, and the Alexis & Haley Band - enjoy 3 hours of premium entertainment running the gamut from rock, country, and contemporary. The dinner includes a southern buffet (one pass) featuring ribs, BBQ chicken, fried shrimp, brisket, and a fried lobster tail. Make it a combo (concert and dinner) and save \$10 in advance. Tickets go on sale June 2nd. For more information visit our website at: www.SugarHill75th.org

SUGAR HILL RESIDENTS TO SELECT GRAND MARSHAL FOR PARADE

Do you know someone that exemplifies exceptional Sugar Hill attributes? Residents will have the ability to select the **Grand Marshal** for the 75th Anniversary celebration parade on August 2nd. Submit your nomination by emailing Scott Andrews at:

sandrews@cityofsugarhill.com. Subject: **Grand Marshal**



Student Clean-up Day @ Sugar Hill set for June 15



Pictured above are: MyAhn Byrd, Joe Leggo, Joey Graham, Michelle Michels, and their teacher, Nick Boyers.

“We want to make a difference in our community and keep the environment clean” said Joey Graham a 4th grader at White Oak Elementary. This small group of 4th graders approached Mayor, Steve Edwards and the City and asked to lend a hand by picking up in Sugar Hill. The City of Sugar Hill will partner with Target, Kona Ice, Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful and other schools to implement **Student Clean up Day**. This volunteer event will take place on Sunday **June 15th from 2pm to 5pm at Gary Pirkle Park**.

Teachers Matt Smith and Nick Boyers are leading the efforts of the 4th graders. Boyers states, “we believe giving students ownership and choice over their learning goes a long way toward motivating, engaging, and allowing students to take their learning to a deeper level.

When teachers give students the opportunity to look at content through a lens that is relevant to them the result is a learning experience that lasts a lifetime.” For more information on how your organization can get involved, contact Scott Andrews at 770-945-6716 or sandrews@cityofsugarhill.com.

City welcomes Shiv Mandir of Atlanta to Sugar Hill



Ms. Neetu Singh (Committee Member) , Dr. Shalini Pandey (Vice Chairman of Shiv Mandir of Atlanta), Senator Renee Unterman (District 45), Mayor Pro Tem Mr. Marc Cohen, Ms. Priya Sahetya (Committee Member) and Mr. Sunny Duddilla (Chairman of Shiv Mandir of Atlanta) are pictured left to right.

Shiv Mandir of Atlanta had a very humble beginning, started by a few well respected community members in Atlanta. Their main aim was to have a temple that was not just for a place of worship but also as a place for community involvement, for senior citizens to meet, and a place for teaching the rich religious values and cultural heritage of India to the younger generation. Over the years there was tremendous growth in the number of members and people visiting the Temple in the old location at Global Mall. Shiv Mandir has been providing religious and community services to a large and diverse group of people in Atlanta; including health fairs to senior citizens who do not have access to health insurance. Anticipating the growth, the members of Shiv Mandir purchased land (11.4 acres) in the City of Sugar Hill. On May 10th, 2014, Shiv Mandir of Atlanta performed Shilanyas Pooja (Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony) and over 2,500 people came to witness this great religious and cultural event. Chairman of Shiv Mandir of Atlanta Mr. Sunny Duddilla said, “we are excited that our temple will call the City of Sugar Hill our new home soon and we look forward to working with people and businesses of this beautiful City.”

No Place for Hate in Sugar Hill

On June 9 the City of Sugar Hill will honor White Oak Elementary counselor Jennifer Diaz, and her peer group for their outstanding work to make bullying a thing of the past in Sugar Hill. Mrs. Diaz, the ambassador for the program states, "**No Place For Hate** has become a point of pride and solid identity among the Lanier Cluster schools. Students in Sugar Hill know that at our schools, we stand up against bullying and we work hard to include everyone. Most importantly, because of NPFH, our students are building the courage to stand up for themselves and become allies for those that need help. I think this is something that we all want for our children." The City stands with Jennifer Diaz, White Oak Elementary, and all other participating schools on this great initiative.

Community Theatre Establishing Roots in Sugar Hill



The City of Sugar Hill is getting dramatic, as the city's first Community Theater group is being formed. **The Players Guild @ Sugar Hill** will hold their inaugural production dates September 5, 6, and 7, with more information coming in the near future. Ane Mulligan, president of the board for the **Players Guild**, announced Alan Hyma as the director of the first production. "Alan comes with many years of experience in community theatre in Dearborn, Mich. The concept of the group was spawned by Mayor Steve Edwards. Steve has supported the arts and has talked to me for years about having a community theatre in Sugar Hill," said Mulligan. The director of production Alan Hyma stated, "as an individual with over 10 years of experience in community theater, I am simply amazed at the support that our group has received from the city. It is evident that city officials share the same passion and commitment as the members of the Players Guild @ Sugar Hill to bring top-quality, family-friendly theater to the North Gwinnett area. We, as an organization look forward to a long partnership with the City of Sugar Hill in its efforts to provide the very best for the citizens." For more information on how you can get involved as an actor, assistant, or sponsor, call 770-713-7295.



Music Mayhem Series @ Sugar Hill

Do you, or your group have musical talent? The City of Sugar Hill is calling all musicians, and aspiring musicians to take their talent to the stage. On **Saturday, October 18** the City of Sugar Hill will host the first ever **Battle of the Bands**. Leading up to this exciting inaugural event auditions will be held on Thursday evenings for our **Music Mayhem Series** starting in mid-July. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks. To enlist your band in the battle, contact Scott Andrews at sandrews@cityofsugarhill.com, or 770-945-6716.

Sugar Hill Gas Customer Assistance Program

For the second year the City of Sugar Hill and the North Gwinnett Co-Op partner together to offer assistance to individuals and families needing help with paying their gas bill. Since the program began, 14 families have benefited. The City's natural gas bill includes a section on the payment coupon that allows customers to add \$1, \$2, \$5, or another amount to their payment to help those individuals and families requiring assistance in paying their utility bill. When a person requests assistance they are directed to the Co-Op where they may apply for a voucher to be credited to their gas utility account. Only customers of the Sugar Hill natural gas utility shall be eligible to receive assistance under this program. If you would like more information about this program, please contact the City of Sugar Hill **Customer Service Department** at 770-945-6716.

Construction Watch - State Road 20 Widening Project

According to Gwinnett County D.O.T., construction activities along the State Route 20 corridor from Peachtree Industrial Boulevard to Burnette Trail have been focused on utility infrastructure relocations for water and sewer, gas, power, telecommunications and cable TV. Roadway work has included clearing and grubbing, wall construction, box culvert extensions and storm drain pipe installation for stage one of the project. Major embankment construction is occurring as the utilities are complete and new roadway construction will begin within months.

DDA welcomes Grasp Learning to Suite Spot

The City of Sugar Hill and the Downtown Development Authority are pleased to welcome Grasp Learning to the Suite Spot @ Sugar Hill. The former City Hall building which has now become a popular leasing option for local businesses to grow with Sugar Hill. Grasp Learning owners, Gordon and Sewa Fields are thrilled with the opportunity to work out of the **Suite Spot @ Sugar Hill**. "The Old City Hall has been a part of the city's heritage for many years. It will always be a building that holds value and gives character to our downtown and Grasp Learning, LLC is proud to be a part of its future," said Sewa Fields. The owners stress that Grasp Learning is a "tutoring company that offers children personalized one-to-one tutoring with a teacher." Grasp Learning serves students kindergarten through 12th grade and specialize in Math, Reading and SAT Prep. Grasp Learning can be reached at 678-871-5764 . For more information on how your organization can join the other thriving businesses in the City's **Suite Spot**, please contact Scott Andrews at sandrews@cityofsugarhill.com, or 770-945-6716.

Join the Sugar Hill Business Alliance

The Sugar Hill Business Alliance (SHBA) is the leading organization for establishing and growing businesses in northern Gwinnett County. The SHBA promotes social interactions between member business, as well as involvement in City events, and participation in Downtown Development Authority projects and initiatives. The ultimate goal of the SHBA is to expose member businesses to opportunities for continued business growth. Members not only represent great local businesses, but serve as valuable assets to the Sugar Hill community. For more information, contact Scott Andrews at sandrews@cityofsugarhill.com

Community News

- **World Changers** is returning this summer for the fifth year to repair and rebuild residents homes in need of assistance. House painting, handicap ramps and other exterior work will again be offered. Applications may be picked up at City Hall or found on our website. Contact Kaipo Awana for more information at: **770-945-6716**.
- On Saturday, June 7th **Fenski Automotive** will celebrate their 10th year in Sugar Hill and they wish to invite the community to join their anniversary celebration to be held at their shop at 1010 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard Sugar Hill, GA 30518. There will be lots of food and fun to be had for the entire family.
- The City of **Sugar Hill Community Gardens** are located at Gary Pirkle Park. There are still plots available and time to plant! Plot sizes vary and start as low as \$25. Some of the improvements underway include deer fencing for the surrounding perimeter of gardens and new, raised beds. **Call 770-831-7413**

2014 Meeting Schedule :

June

June 2

7:00 PM, City Council Work Session - City Hall Community Room

June 9

7:30 PM, City Council Meeting, City Hall Council Chambers

June 20

1:00 PM, Municipal Court, City Hall

June 16

7:00PM, Planning and Zoning Meeting, City Hall

June 24

6:30 PM, Downtown Development Meeting, City Hall

Everyone is invited to attend Sugar Hill's monthly Council Work Sessions and Council Meetings. All meetings will be held in City Hall located at 5039 West Broad Street, Your comments, suggestions and support help make Sugar Hill a better place.

Videos of monthly City Council meetings are shown on Charter Cable channel 19, @ 6:30 pm, every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of each month.

Agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the Sugar Hill website at:
www.cityofsugarhill.com.

75TH @ Sugar Hill Anniversary Celebration!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2 (8AM-5PM)

Join the City for an All Day and All Night Family Friendly Anniversary Party!

Sugar Rush 5K

8AM

CARNIVAL & ZIPLINE!

11:30AM - 5PM

Live Music

11:30AM - 5PM

FUN RUN

8:15AM

PARADE

10AM

FOOD, BEER & WINE

11:30AM - 5PM

KIDS WORLD

11:30AM - 5PM

CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW

11:30AM - 5PM

CONCERT

7PM - 10PM

TICKET EVENT



**COMMUNITY
DINNER**

5:30PM - 7PM

TICKET EVENT

Event is FREE from 8AM - 5PM!

TICKETS - Visit SugarHill75th.org for more information on Dinner & Concert tickets.

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Interested in Volunteering?

Visit SugarHill75th.org for more info.

FEATURING:

Concert Tickets on Sale June 2nd!



The Bacon Brothers



Andy Velo



Haley & Alexis Band

For more information and to purchase tickets visit the 75th Anniversary website @ SugarHill75th.org

EVENT LOCATION: West Broad Street and the City Hall Complex

CONCERT LOCATION: The Bowl @ Sugar Hill (Behind City Hall | 7PM-10PM)

