Debi West Honored at City Council Meeting

Mayor Steve Edwards and the City Council honored a local educator at the council meeting on April 10, 2017. Debi West is a visual arts educator at North Gwinnett High School where she also holds the position of Visual Art Department Chair and Fine Art Department Co-Chair. Ms. West has had a decorated career in which she has received virtually every award in her field. In 2005 she was named Gwinnett Teacher of the Year as well as National Art Educator of the Year. In 2006 she won the NAEA Marion Ouin Dix Leadership Award. In 2009, Ms. West was honored as Georgia Art Educator of the Year and Woodruff Arts Leader in Arts Education. She has also held the title of 2011 State Youth Art Month Honorary Art Educator and 2012 National Art Honor Society Sponsor of the Year.

Recently, Ms. West was able to add another paint stroke to her colorful career as she was named the Southeastern Secondary Art Educator of the Year by the National Art Education Association. The association recognizes excellence in Art Education for the entire Southeastern Region including Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and the Virgin Islands.



Debi West believes that being an art educator is an honor. Her philosophy is that through art, students learn their true potential through experimentation and bringing projects to life. Her belief is that the visual arts are the key to developing human potential, for the arts are the visual stories that document our world.

Sugar Hill is proud to be a supporter of the arts and fortunate to have art advocates like Debi West in the community. We congratulate her on this great honor and the accomplishments garnered throughout her career. For information on how to support the arts in Sugar Hill, please contact the Sugar Hill Arts Commission at: artscommission@cityofsugarhill.com.

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Passport and US Postal Services at City Hall

Did you know that now you can schedule your passport appointment online? City Hall provides passport services Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM by appointment. We also provide passport photo services for a small additional fee. To schedule an appointment, please call the customer service department at 770-945-6716 or schedule online at www. cityofsugarhill.com/ app/passports/. In addition to the passport services, the City also provides Postal Services on the main level next to the parking deck. The contract Post Office provides many services including stamp sales, certified and insured, express mail, priority mailing and domestic packages. Some services are not available at this facility. Please call 770-945-6716 for verification of service. The hours of operation for Postal Services are Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM.













Player's Guild @ Sugar Hill

Sugar Hill's City Council Chambers made the perfect backdrop for Players Guild @ Sugar Hill's production of *12 Angry Jurors*. This powerful play saw a full-house audience for each performance, and theatre patrons loved it. Comments about professional actors, the quality of the performances, and "When is your next play?" were heard after every show. Our 2017 Season is on www.pgatsh.com including details on Be My Baby,coming June 2-11 at Artios Theatre, 415 Brogdon Rd. Sugar Hill. Be sure to "like" us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/sugarhillplayersguild/.

Preventing Water Pollution From Hazardous Wastes

Now that the weather is warmer it is time to start home improvement projects, gardening and other outdoor projects. During this time of year it is especially important to protect our water from hazardous waste products. You can do your part by reducing, recycling and disposing of hazardous materials that may be in your home. Here are a few tips on how you can help our environment:

- Never dump vehicle fluids down the storm drains which lead directly into our streams
- Regularly tune your vehicles and fix all leaks
- Recycle all batteries
- Use pesticides and herbicides sparingly and only as a last resort
- Take paints, stains, varnishes and sealers to an approved collection site. Call 1.800.CLEANUP or go to www.cleanup.org for a site near you
- Wash your cars at commercial car washes or on a grassy area

Remember that putting anything other than stormwater in the city's stormwater system is a violation of the Illicit Discharge and Illegal Connection Ordinance.

Thank you for your efforts to protect our environment and better our community!



Historic Preservation Society's Then and Now

Shelley-Howerton home on Level Creek Road now and circa 1930's. This is Daisy the cow standing in several inches of snow. This property was built in the 1860s and is located on Level Creek Road.







Ready to dig? We'll help you do it safely!

Call 811 at least a few days before you start any digging project. Whether you are planning to do it yourself or hire a professional, smart digging means calling 811 before each job.













Level Billing

The City of Sugar Hill offers an innovative program that allows you to your monthly gas utility bill payment. By averaging your bill and flattening out the peaks, as well as the valleys, you are able to achieve a consistent bill for your gas utility services. This convenient program lets you pay the same amount each month. Knowing what your bill will be every month takes the surprise out of your utility bill. It also makes it easier to budget in advance. We will continue to read your meters as usual and you will receive information on your actual usage so you will know how much gas you are using. If you are interested in this program, please call City Hall at 770-945-6716 to see if the plan will work for you. Our Customer Service Representatives can calculate your Budget/Level Billing Plan payment for you before you decide to sign up for this service. In order to ensure faster service, please have your account number ready when you call. If you are ready to sign up for level billing, please fill out the agreement in your gas bill and return it to City Hall. The agreement may be mailed, dropped in night drop, faxed, e-mailed, or delivered to City Hall. Please call to confirm receipt if this form has been mailed, e-mailed, or faxed.

Level Billing Example



Mosquitos

The City of Sugar Hill provides a spraying treatment to control the mosquito population in the area. The spray application will happen in two rounds:

1st round

North of Hwy. 20 - week of May 15th South of Hwy. 20 - week of May 22nd

2nd round

North of Hwy. 20 - week of July 17th South of Hwy. 20 - week of July 24th





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Natural Repellent

Although the City of Sugar Hill takes preventative measures against mosquitos, there are many beautiful and low maintenance plants that will repel these disease carriers from your home as well. Consider planting a combination of marigolds, citronella, lavender, basil, peppermint and rosemary throughout your yard. Many of these selections are edible herbs that will bring flavor to your kitchen in addition to dissuading bugs from taking residence. These plants can be placed in gardens as well, reducing the need for dangerous pesticides.









Clean-Up Our City!

In cooperation with Advanced Disposal, the City of Sugar Hill will once again be offering "Clean-Up Our City" Days this year during the week of May 8th on your normal pick-up days, for residents within the city of Sugar Hill only.

Advanced Disposal will collect:

- Broken / Discarded Lawn & Garden Equipment
- Broken / Discarded Appliances (NO refrigerators or freezers)
- Other general debris lying around the yard or basement
- Furniture (Maximum of 3 small pieces)
- Please place above items by the street and they will be picked up at no charge.

Advanced Disposal will not accept:

- Construction Debris
- Mattresses
- Yard Trash or Trimmings
- Hazardous Materials or Chemicals
- Engines Containing Gas or Oil
- Propane Tanks & Gasoline Cans
- Automotive parts, tires or batteries
- Household Garbage must be in a Sugar Hill bag or cart



Toastmasters

Toastmasters International is a world leader in communication and leadership development. The club focuses on improving speaking and leadership skills by regularly giving speeches, gaining feedback, leading teams and guiding others to achieve their goals in a supportive atmosphere. The Sugar Hill chapter of Toastmasters meets every Wednesday at noon at City Hall. Guests are welcome to visit and find out more information about the club. There is no obligation to speak at your first visit, and you can always grow at your own pace! Every Toastmasters journey begins with a single speech.



Get Involved

To learn how to get involved in one of the many city groups and commissions, visit our website, www.cityofsugarhill.com.



















Arts

History

Women's Club

Music

Theater

Youth

Business

Community

Development

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May 1 May 2	7:00 PM 5:30 PM	City Council Work Session Youth Council Meeting
May 8	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
May 11	5:30 PM	Business Alliance Meeting

7:00 PM **Planning Commission Meeting May 15** May 16 5:30 PM **Youth Council Meeting May 17** 7:00 PM **Historic Preservation Society May 18** 6:00 PM Thursdays @ The Hill **May 25** 6:00 PM **Arts Commission Meeting May 25** 6:30 PM Women's Club Meeting **May 26** 7:00 PM Collective Soul @ The Bowl **Closed Memorial Day May 29** City Hall **May 30** 6:30 PM **Downtown Development Authority Meeting**

Wednesdays 12:00 PM Toastmasters

June

June 5	7:00 PM	City Council Work Session
June 6	5:30 PM	Youth Council Meeting
June 8	5:30 PM	Business Alliance Meeting
June 10	7:00 PM	Boz Scaggs @ The Bowl
June 12	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
June 15	6:00 PM	Thursdays @ The Hill
June 19	7:00 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
June 20	5:30 PM	Youth Council Meeting
June 21	7:00 PM	Historic Preservation Society
June 27	6:30 PM	Downtown Development
		Authority Meeting
June 29	6:00 PM	Arts Commission Meeting
June 29	6:30 PM	Women's Club Meeting

12:00 PM Toastmasters Wednesdays





