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BUHI Trolley CirculaTour Continues

Two Tours Remain: Sept. 10 and 24

BUHI CIRC, the Buford Highway CirculaTour, showcases the highway's cuisines and connectivity and encourages visitors to take public transportation and seek support for a Buford Highway area circulator, or shuttle, whether a bus, trolley, or streetcar.

Tours were conducted in July and August and will continue Sept. 10 and 24, 2-5 p.m. Attendees will enjoy opportunities to meet and talk with business owners and employees. Tickets include a guided trolley ride and food samples from each shop. Additional food and beverages may be purchased separately. Tickets for each tour go on sale a week prior to the event at welovebui.com. Restrooms are available at each stop.

The July tour began at Hello Gorgeous Boutique and Café, a clothing and accessories store and casual café, 3400 Malone Dr., a short walk from the Chamblee MARTA Station. The tour featured desserts and beverages at Hello Gorgeous; White Windmill



City Receives \$44K Grant from Georgia Department of Transportation

The Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) has awarded the City of Chamblee a Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council (REBC) grant of \$44,445. This grant is for beautification of the area around the city's monument sign on Peachtree Boulevard.

Georgia DOT also awarded \$600,666 in REBC grants in 2016 that will be used for enhancement and beautification projects along Georgia's state routes.

Since 2008, Georgia DOT has awarded 143 REBC grants totaling more than \$5.5 million to local governments and civic groups throughout Georgia. The program uses revenue from permit fees paid to Georgia DOT by outdoor advertising companies for vegetation removal in front of outdoor advertising signs. Funds from the grants are allocated toward purchasing and installing plant material along state routes.

Any organization, local government, or state agency may apply for a grant of up to \$50,000 for landscape enhancement of the state right-of-way that involves the local community and displays the area in an attractive manner. Awarded funds may be used for landscape plant material, sod, topsoil, mulch and labor costs. A local commitment to long-term maintenance is also required. The REBC encourages the use of Georgia-grown materials for projects.



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GOT NEWS? Send press releases, announcements and other materials for consideration to thesignal@chambleega.gov. All material provided is subject to editing.

Mural Artist Michael Jones Selected

After public input, the Chamblee Main Street Program and Downtown Development Authority selected Michael Jones as the artist for the proposed mural on Peachtree Road. There will be public meetings this fall to engage the community in assisting the artist with mural design. Installation will begin once the design is set, subject to MARTA review.

This location was identified in the Chamblee Renaissance Plan as a key gateway into downtown Chamblee. Adding vibrant art to drab spaces is an opportunity to highlight cultural and historic themes in the community while creating memorable landmarks. Chamblee is working with its partners to identify other opportunities for public art throughout the city.



Murals by artist Michael Jones.
See more at letter75.com



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Police and Community Relationships



A Message from the Police Chief

Over the July 8 weekend, large and unprecedented numbers of families came by the Chamblee Police Department offering support to the officers. This was not only in the form of snacks and lunches, but also in words of overwhelming compassion and support that were much appreciated.

Our officers came to work that weekend with heavy hearts for our brothers and sisters in Dallas, along with a desire to protect our citizens during difficult times. Relationships between the police and the communities we serve are crucial not only in combating crime but also in forging ahead to maintain a safe and thriving community. We strongly believe these partnerships will continue to strengthen our ties with the residents we proudly serve.

What's on the horizon? Chamblee is a participant in an innovative program being launched in metro Atlanta called One Congregation One Precinct. The mission is to join the various resources of faith-based institutions with law enforcement agencies to enhance public safety and police-community relations. We joined fellow law enforcement agencies and clergy downtown to work out the details of this program. I am excited about this partnership and the possibility of building trust by partnering officers with faith institutions.

National Night Out, held in August, had an even greater significance this year with an opportunity to promote positive police-community interactions and safer neighborhoods. Eight of our neighborhoods participated.

It takes the entire community, in which everyone takes part, because public safety is everyone's business.



— Police Chief Donny Williams



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Building Unity, Cooperation, Trust and Understanding

National Night Out, an event to foster police and community relations, is celebrated annually nationwide on the first Tuesday in August. This year several Chamblee communities hosted events and enjoyed food and fellowship with our officers. This event is an excellent way to meet your neighbors and discuss issues with the officers serving your community.

More than a dozen Chamblee officers visited the many neighborhood events throughout the city and spent time meeting neighbors and listening to their concerns. As usual, it was a lovely time for both officers and residents!

If you would like to host a get-together next August, contact officer Chris Poythress, cpoythress@chambleega.gov.

Hello to New and Returning Employees



Jesse Bloodworth
Public Works (rehire)



Christopher Franklin
Public Works



Angel Hidalgo
Police Department



Ronald House
Police Department



Carissa Paris
911 Communications



Kevin Tucker
Public Works



Sidney Wilder
Public Works



James Witherspoon
Public Works

Chamblee High School Streetscape Out for Bid

The city has released a request for proposals for the construction of a streetscape and intersection improvements along Chamblee Dunwoody Road, beginning at Harts Mill Road and ending at Peachtree Boulevard in Chamblee. The design includes a better decorative fence with an enhanced crosswalk that will be signalized and lined.

Chamblee's project managers met with Chamblee High School officials to discuss the design and the timeline of the project. It is the city's intent to cause the least amount of disruption to the school year and its activities as well as only affect one school year.

Construction is expected to begin in late November and the city was given a detailed list of dates that construction would need to work around. The construction is expected to be a nine-month project; therefore, the school should have a beautiful and safe streetscape by the beginning of the 2017 school year.

GOODBYE TO OFFICER DAVIS

A Career of Faithful Service

The Chamblee Police Department will soon say goodbye to one of our favorite officers, Sgt. JJ Davis. Davis is retiring for the second time and looks forward to spending time working on cars and training dogs. He also plans to travel overseas on vacation.

Davis first served his country as a United States Marine from 1969 to 1972. He was a motor officer and was stationed at Okinawa and at Da Nang Airbase in Vietnam. After leaving the service, JJ returned to his home in Chicago where he attended barber school and became an accomplished barber. He brought his barber skills to Atlanta where he styled and cut hair for several prominent Atlanta and DeKalb residents.

One of those distinguished clients was the late Captain Derwin Brown. Captain Brown persuaded JJ to join the DeKalb County Police Department and that is how he began his law enforcement career.

Davis began his career with DeKalb PD in 1986. After a few years on patrol he joined the narcotics unit. He grew out his beard, let his hair go, and traveled all over the worst areas of DeKalb buying narcotics undercover. He was recruited to the SWAT team in 1995 and soon found his niche as a K9 officer and trainer. He worked with four different working dogs in his career and was involved in countless drug busts and felony apprehensions.

During his 11 years on the SWAT team Davis received numerous commendations and awards. He spent his last few years with DeKalb handling taxi permits and was admired by the drivers as being strict but fair. He retired in 2009 after serving the citizens of DeKalb County for 24 years but only stayed retired for three months.

Davis was recruited to take over Chamblee's Code Enforcement unit. He was already well known to the Chamblee Police Department because he lived in the city and had assisted the department with his K9s. As Chamblee expanded, the unit grew from just him to currently five officers. Code Enforcement was one of the reasons areas outside the city limits twice voted to be annexed into Chamblee.

Sgt. Davis has a personable way about him that allows him to confront a property owner about a violation, while doing it in such a kind way that no feelings are hurt. His contributions to our city are truly appreciated and his record of public service is exemplary. We wish him the best in all his future endeavors!



Gang Investigator Alex Cushenan

Outstanding Employee of the 2nd Quarter

Alex Cushenan began his career with the Chamblee Police Department in September 2011. He was briefly assigned to the Uniform Patrol Division but rapidly moved up the ranks and was promoted to detective in 2014. He made an immediate impact in the Criminal Investigative Division and has distinguished himself as a superb gang investigator. He was selected as the Chamblee Police Department Employee of the Quarter for his achievements in gang investigations.

In June, while conducting undercover operations, Cushenan observed three known gang members walking along Plaster Road. From previous investigations, Alex knew that one of the gang members had outstanding warrants for armed robbery and aggravated assault. He followed them for a short distance and noticed that two of them were armed with handguns. He contacted takedown units and the three gang members were arrested after a short foot chase. Two handguns were recovered and the gang members were arrested on various charges (including violation of the



Georgia Controlled Substances Act, weapons violations and obstruction).

Later the same day, Investigator Cushenan followed up on a lead regarding the whereabouts of another gang member wanted on an outstanding armed robbery warrant. Cushenan located the wanted gang member and arrested him without incident. That same gang member was a suspect in several violent felonies in Brookhaven and DeKalb County.

In June, Cushenan received a letter of commendation from the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office Fugitive Squad for providing

them crucial information about a known gang member wanted for murder, which led to the arrest of that gang member.

In July, Cushenan attended the annual Georgia Gang Investigators Association (GGIA) conference in Augusta where he shared his knowledge related to gangs with fellow gang investigators from all over Georgia. It was at the GGIA conference that Alex was selected to represent the State of Georgia at the National Gang Investigators Conference in Chicago.

Alex's interaction with the community and fellow gang investigators, and his great rapport with gang members have quickly made him the resident expert in gang-related matters. His gang knowledge and expertise are constantly being sought out by members of local and federal law enforcement agencies.

Investigator Cushenan concentrates his efforts on making Chamblee a safer community in which to live. His outstanding service and dedication are to be commended.

Good job, Alex!



Tough Cops Win Gold

Three Chamblee police officers participated in Georgia's Toughest Cop Competition in June as part of the Georgia Police and Fire Games in Carrollton. All three – Valerian Khoshtariya, Mike Beller, and Dylan Calvin – won gold medals in their respective age groups. Assistant Chief Beller won overall and beat officer Khoshtariya by three seconds. Khoshtariya was the winner in 2015.

The next day officer Khoshtariya competed in Bullseye and Combat Shoot competitions. He won first overall in the Combat Shoot and second in the Bullseye.

The Police and Fire Games are Olympics-style athletic competitions that began in the 1960s. They gradually spread nationally and are among the most physically and mentally challenging competitive events for law officers in this country. The Georgia Police and Fire Games were formed in Carrollton in 1984. The games will move to Dalton next year.



Council Member Receives Certificate of Excellence



Chamblee Councilmember Thomas S. Hogan II received the prestigious Certificate of Excellence from the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute at the Georgia Municipal Association's (GMA) 83rd annual convention in Savannah in June.

The Georgia Municipal Training Institute, a cooperative effort of GMA and the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government, provides a nationally recognized series of training opportunities for elected city officials. To receive a Certificate of Excellence, an official must complete a minimum of 120 units of credit, including at least 54 hours from the required list and the Robert E. Knox Jr. Municipal Leadership Institute. The training program consists of a series of more than 50 courses.

"This is an outstanding achievement," said GMA Executive Director Lamar Norton. "We commend Councilmember Hogan for this accomplishment and for the dedication he's shown in using this valuable resource to become a more effective city official."

Based in Atlanta, GMA is a voluntary nonprofit organization that provides legislative advocacy, research, training, and employee benefit and technical consulting services to more than 520 member cities.

Tax Rate Maintained

In July, following three public hearings, the city council voted unanimously to maintain a tax rate of 6.40 mils for 2016. The decision was made after serious discussion in which reducing the rate was weighed against the need for capital improvements

Chamblee has recently committed to significant capital improvement projects

tax
rate
6.40
mils

that will improve the quality of life for residents. These projects include allocating \$500,000 for new sidewalks, \$1.7 million for road paving, and a soon-to-be-released

Parks Master Plan that includes recommendations on capital improvements to recreational land and facilities. These are long-term efforts.

In addition to these capital plans, city property tax revenues were 3 percent less than projected in fiscal year 2016. Staff has adjusted the revenue projection based on this information. Based on the adjusted revenue projection and the capital project programming, staff recommends that the millage rate remain the same as last year.

Development 101 Continues

The Chamblee Development Department is working to educate residents and business owners on permitting, code enforcement, and zoning. The Development 101 classes began in August with an overview of the Unified Development Ordinance. Classes will continue into December and participants can choose which classes they would like to take, based on their interests.

The classes are free and open to anyone who wants to take them, though spaces are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. So sign up online for the classes you are interested in at chambleega.gov/registerdev101. The upcoming classes are:

Sept. 13 • Zoning

Zoning districts, use table and provision, parking, signs, rezoning process.

Oct. 11 • Building Construction Permitting

Types of permits needed, permitting process, building codes.

Nov. 8 • Code Enforcement

Violations and non-conforming uses, who to contact, penalties and actions.

Dec. 13 • Land Disturbance Permitting

Types of permits needed, permitting process, site codes (buffers, trees, soil erosion, floodplain, stormwater).

Classes last 90 minutes and begin at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation of registration is sent by email. It includes notification of class location, which is tentatively set for a meeting room near City Hall, but will be determined later based on the number of participants.





Marriott Century Center Acquired, \$15M in Renovations Planned

Reprinted from Chamblee Post (August 9, 2016)

In a joint venture between Hospitality Ventures Management Group (HVMG), an Atlanta-based, private hotel ownership and management company and True North Management Group of White Plains, N.Y., Marriott Century Center has been acquired as part of a \$50.75 million two-hotel deal. The acquisition covers the 282-room Marriott Century Center in Chamblee and the 226 two-room suite Hilton Phoenix Suites in Midtown Phoenix, Ariz.

The deal was brokered by Atlanta-based Hunter Hotel Advisors. Robert S. Cole, HVMG president and CEO said in a statement, "Our management team has extensive repositioning experience and an aggressive, yet targeted, approach to maximize value creation within the full-service segment, which now accounts for more than 90 percent of our total portfolio's revenue."

Each hotel will undergo a major renovation program of approximately \$15 million to upgrade property exteriors, public space, back-of-house areas and guest rooms. HVMG will oversee both renovations which are expected to begin in 2017, the release says.

Schools Back in Full Swing, Watch for Kids

Drivers take extra care during the early morning and afternoon hours when students are on their way to and from school. When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch out for children walking or bicycling to school. Drive slowly and watch for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks. Also be aware of children playing or waiting around bus stops.

Red flashing lights and an extended stop arm signal indicate that a bus is stopped, and that children are getting on or off. Cars must stop a safe distance away and stay stopped until the lights stop flashing, the stop sign folds back, and the bus continues.

Chamblee City Clerk Selected to Serve on Advisory Council

Chamblee City Clerk Emmie Niethammer has been selected to serve on the Member Services Advisory Council of the Georgia Municipal Association. The council provides ongoing guidance to the staff on the service needs of the membership and recommends new and expanded services that can help cities operate more efficiently and effectively.

Niethammer was selected based on her valuable perspective as a city clerk in metro Atlanta. The council currently includes a mix of about 30 mayors, council members, city managers and city clerks.



SANITATION UPDATE

Labor Day Holiday Schedule

City offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 5. If your trash and recycle day is Monday, it will be picked up on Tuesday, Sept. 6. All other trash and recycle pickup days will remain the same.

Reducing Liquid on Garbage Trucks

Chamblee Public Works has received a number of complaints about liquid leaking from the garbage trucks. After investigation of the trucks we realize this liquid is from the actual trash the crews are picking up. In an effort to reduce this liquid, we ask that residents refrain from putting liquid in the garbage. We also ask that residents close the lids to the roll carts so that rain does not get into the trash. Public Works strives to keep neighborhoods clean.

RULES OF THE CROSSWALK | A Message from the Chamblee Traffic Unit

The city recently installed four solar power pedestrian cross walk safety systems. They are at Peachtree Road at Malone Drive, Peachtree Road at 5300 Lofts, Peachtree Road at Vintage Pizza, and New Peachtree Road at Watkins. The system includes a solar panel, a sign with LED warning lights, and rectangular rapid flash beacons. It can save lives, reduce accidents and injuries, and increase yielding rates, but only if pedestrians use them and drivers follow the rules of the crosswalk. They use zero electrical dollars and are federally approved.

Basic Crosswalk Rules

The driver should stop and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is halfway to the side of the roadway where the vehicle is traveling. It's illegal for drivers to squeeze by, drive around or cut off a pedestrian in a crosswalk, even if there's room. Remember STOP.

No pedestrian should suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle that is so close it's impractical for the driver to yield.

Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear should not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.

WHAT GEORGIA DRIVERS MUST KNOW ABOUT PEDESTRIANS

PEDESTRIAN + CROSSWALK = STOP, even if the pedestrian is not in your lane.



STOP for a pedestrian in a crosswalk when the pedestrian is anywhere on your side of the road. **Side of the road** means all lanes of traffic going in one direction.



STOP for a pedestrian in a crosswalk when the pedestrian is approaching and in the lane next to your side of the road.

TURNING DRIVERS STOP, EVEN ON GREEN



Before turning right or left on a green light, **STOP for pedestrians**. They have the right of way.

NEVER PASS A CAR STOPPED AT A CROSSWALK

A pedestrian may be crossing and hidden from your view. When stopping for a pedestrian, stop far behind the crosswalk so that other drivers can see the person crossing.



COMMON DRIVER VIOLATIONS

FAILING TO STOP FOR PEDESTRIANS



Georgia law requires you to stop for a pedestrian in the crosswalk, even when the pedestrian isn't in your lane.

TURNING BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF PEDESTRIANS IN A CROSSWALK



You must stay stopped until the pedestrian has finished crossing the side of the road onto which you're turning. Don't bully pedestrians with your vehicle. They have the right of way. Never turn into a crosswalk when pedestrians are still using it.

BLOCKING THE CROSSWALK



Always stop behind the crosswalk, not in it. Blocking the crosswalk with your vehicle forces pedestrians into moving traffic.

(Georgia Codes referenced: §40-6-91(a) and §40-6-21(a))



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Chamblee Gallery



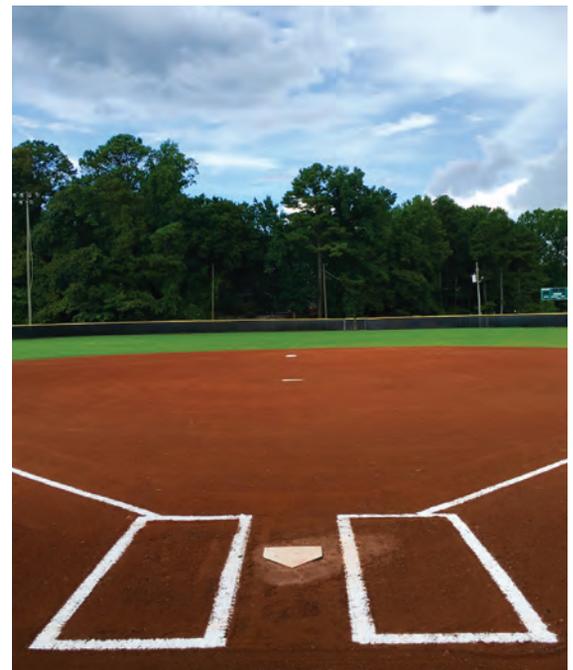
Winning soccer team receiving medals and a trophy at Dresden Park.



ICT dedication ceremony



Pokemon Go is a hit in Chamblee.



The newly renovated Keswick softball field

What's Going On?

Besides what you read in the *Signal*, how do you know what's going on? Here's where to look:

Social Media Accounts

- City of Chamblee
- Chamblee Police Department
- Chamblee Parks and Rec
- @chambleega
- @chambleeparksandrec
- @downtownchamblee

Hashtags

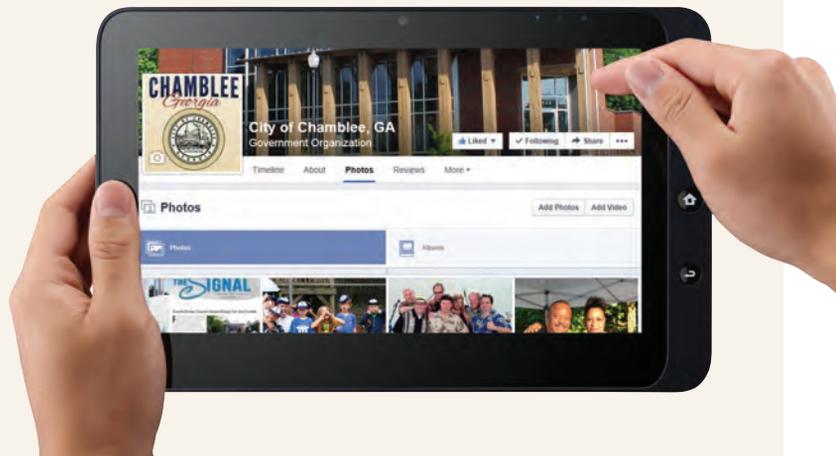
- #chambleega
- #downtownchamblee

Chamblee Websites

- chambleega.gov
- downtownchamblee.com

Chamblee Connect Mobile App

Chamblee Connect, the city's official mobile app, makes it easier to access the city information you most care about. Submit and track requests for concerns like potholes or fallen tree limbs. Download the Chamblee Connect in the Google Play or iTunes App stores.



Record High for Chamblee Camp



Chamblee campers enjoyed crafts, friendly competitions, and spectacular excursions all summer long.

Chamblee Parks and Recreation's annual nine-week summer camp was visited by 60 campers, ages 6-12, each week from June to July. That's a whopping total of 540 campers!

Campers were divided into groups based on their age and participated in a wide variety of activities everyday at Keswick Park including arts, crafts, games, programs, sports, and swimming. Some of the undertakings included science experiments, tie-dyeing t-shirts, constructing characters with fuse beads, and making silly putty. Campers competed in friendly competitions like potato sack races, three-legged races, water balloon tosses, relay races, tug of war, wheelbarrow races and egg runs.

This year's Wednesday field trips were bigger and better than ever. During the outing to Express Jet Airlines campers got to see a passenger jet up close and personal alongside flight attendants and pilots. The Sky Zone indoor trampoline park offered open jumping, SkySlam basketball, and ultimate dodge ball. Campers were able to jump and play games with other visiting summer camps and enjoy lunch in the massive park.

There were also the weekly swim visits to Dyanamo Swim Club which allowed campers to cool down after a long week of camp. Other excursions included riding rides at Legoland Discovery Center, bowling at Bowlmor Lanes, touring inside the Chamblee Police Station, and sliding down the "Ultimate Summer Water Slide."



The "Reptile Gang" came to visit.



Field trip to Express Jet airlines



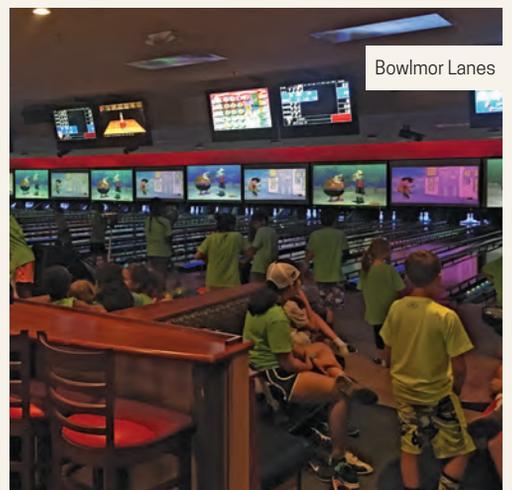
Sky Zone



Legoland



Campers with Officer J.J. Davis



Bowlmor Lanes



Chamblee Home Is Certified 'Zero Energy Ready'

A custom-built home on Loveland Terrace in Sexton Woods is one of the first certified Zero Energy Ready Homes in the state of Georgia. As defined by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) program, a Zero Energy Ready Home offers “a whole new level of home performance, with rigorous requirements that ensure outstanding levels of energy savings, comfort, health, and durability.”

Zero Energy Ready Homes are at least 40-50 percent more energy-efficient than a typical new home, according to DOE. Certified homes are third-party verified to meet high standards for indoor air quality, efficient HVAC design, water conservation, ENERGY STAR appliances and fixtures, as well as numerous other best-in-class building science practices.

As the name indicates, the addition of a renewable energy system (such as solar panels) would allow a Zero Energy Ready Home to offset all or most of its annual energy consumption. The home in Chamblee does not yet have such a system but is designed to make the addition of a system



simple in the future, as the cost of residential solar, wind and geothermal continues to drop.

The 3,764 -square-foot home was built by the Imery Group, which specializes in healthy, durable, energy-efficient homes

in metro Atlanta and Northeast Georgia. Imery Group is one of only two builders in Georgia that have certified homes under the DOE ZERH program since it launched in 2013. This will be Imery Group's fourth ZERH-certified home.



“We’re proud to bring our clients’ vision for this home into existence. The contemporary design will be an amazing setting for family life,” Imery Group CEO Luis Imery said. “It will be a healthy home, and one that helps provide financial stability as the costs of water and energy increase in the decades ahead.”

Imery Group specializes in healthy, durable efficient custom homes in metro Atlanta and Northeast Georgia. In 2014, Imery Group won a Housing Innovation Award from the U.S. Department of Energy for a zero energy home in the Serenbe community south of Atlanta that’s featured in a case study on the DOE website.

In addition to best-in-class guarantees for workmanship, materials and defects, Imery Group also offers unique warranties on energy usage and comfort in new homes. Learn more at imerygroup.com.

West Nile Virus

A mosquito collection from a DeKalb County Board of Health’s sampling station, located in the Ashford Park area, tested positive for West Nile virus.

While most people infected with West Nile virus (WNV) have no symptoms or experience mild flu-like symptoms, it can cause serious and sometimes fatal illness in some. The chance that any one person will become ill from a single mosquito bite is low. The risk of severe illness and death is highest for people over 50 years old, although people of all ages can become ill.

The easiest and best way to avoid West Nile virus is to prevent mosquito bites. While the potential for WNV transmission exists throughout the metro area, this WNV positive collection does indicate a higher risk at this time in this area. Please use the following precautions and remind your neighbors, friends and coworkers to do the same.

- **Apply insect repellent.** DEET (N, N-diethyl-meta-toluamide), picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus and IR3535 are effective repellents recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. For more information visit cdc.gov/westnile/prevention/index.html.
- When possible, **wear long sleeves, long pants and socks.** Clothing may also be treated with permethrin.
- **Use extra care when mosquitoes are most active,** particularly from dusk to dawn.

The DeKalb County Board of Health is aggressively working to prevent transmission of West Nile virus or any additional mosquito-borne viruses, including chikungunya and Zika. Program technicians will be in the area providing additional mosquito control services, including applying larvicide and investigating for mosquito breeding sites. The larvicide product, methoprene, will keep mosquito larvae from developing into flying, biting insects.

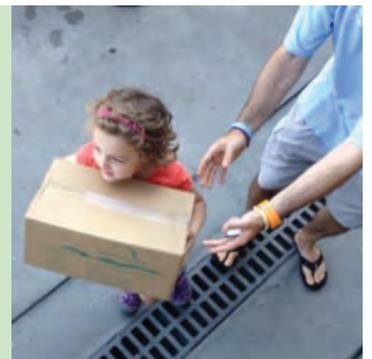
Along with the larvicide treatment, it is important to eliminate any containers and other removable breeding sites that may hold water for five or more days. Some items such as bird baths can be dumped and rinsed twice a week, but do need continual attention. Also, gutters should be cleaned and checked to make sure they drain properly.

For more information about West Nile virus, visit cdc.gov/westnile and/or dekalbhealth.net/envhealth/west-nile-virus.

Volunteer at Senior Connections

You’re never too young to start volunteering!

Senior Connections, a non-profit agency in Chamblee is seeking volunteers to pack and deliver Meals on Wheels for homebound seniors. Volunteers are needed Monday–Friday. For more information visit seniorconnectionsatl.org/volunteer or contact Allison Glass at aglass@seniorconnectionsatl.org or 404-488-6167.



ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF ATLANTA

“Volunteers Work for Free, But They Do Not Work for Nothing”

By: Claudia Eva Colichon, communications intern

A couple of weeks ago, as I walked through the amazingly organized Attic Treasures thrift store on Broad Street, I was greeted by one of the 250 Assistance League of Atlanta (ALA) volunteers that have helped more than 57,000 children and adults in need. In 2015, board members donated more than 8,250 hours of their time to the store.

That same day I met two of ALA's past presidents, Marie Drake and Tobi Cohen, who assured me that, “These volunteers work for free, but they do not work for nothing.”

ALA is committed to serving adults and children in need with the eight programs that they successfully run: Bears for Children, Operation School Bell, Links to Education, New Beginnings, Shepherd Center Patient Support, Outreach, Waste Not, and Wee Help. Each is aimed at different groups within the community and surroundings.

As I chatted with Marie Drake and Tobi Cohen, one of the programs that captured my attention was Operation School Bell. Through this program Assistance League of Atlanta manages to provide a week's worth of new clothing, uniforms, jackets, socks, underwear, health kits and shoe vouchers to more than 12,000 elementary school children in need in DeKalb, Fulton, and Atlanta Public Schools. The nonprofit organization is certain that new clothes increase these kids' self-confidence and motivation to do well in school.

The cost of a week's elementary school clothing is \$66.50 and includes four polo shirts, two pairs of uniform pants, a six-pack of socks, a six-pack of underwear, a jacket, belt, personal hygiene kit, and shoe voucher.

Over the past 34 years, Chamblee has had the pleasure to have the Assistance League of Atlanta in our community. ALA is part of a national non-profit organization that is determined to give children



and adults who are down on their luck, a chance.

Attic Treasures is ALA's primary source of income, and all sales go to fund their programs. If you want to help this nonprofit organization, you can donate gently-used clothing or household goods, at the donation door of their thrift shop located at 3534 Broad Street, Chamblee, GA 30341, or go to their website and click the “Donate Now” key.

Attic Treasures is open from 10 a.m. to

4 p.m. on Tuesday through Saturday with extended hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 7 p.m.

Assistance League of Atlanta is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and donations are tax deductible. For details on each program visit their website at assistanceleagueatl.org. For membership information, call 678-643-1202 or email president@assistanceleagueATL.org.

Onion Man Theater Opens

Onion Man Productions began producing plays in Chamblee in June at its new space in the Plaza Del Sol Shopping Center, 5522 New Peachtree Rd. Creator and Artistic Director James Beck says, "Onion Man is thrilled to be opening this new theatre space. It is great to call Chamblee our theatre home. It has taken a lot of work to get to this point, but we look forward to providing high quality entertainment for the people of Chamblee and the surrounding neighborhoods." Beck grew up in the area and graduated from Dunwoody High School in 1983.

In previous years, Onion Man's signature theatre event, Summer Harvest, was only open to Georgia playwrights. This year the shows feature writers from all over the country and will include one writer from England. Onion Man has also expanded its Summer Harvest collection



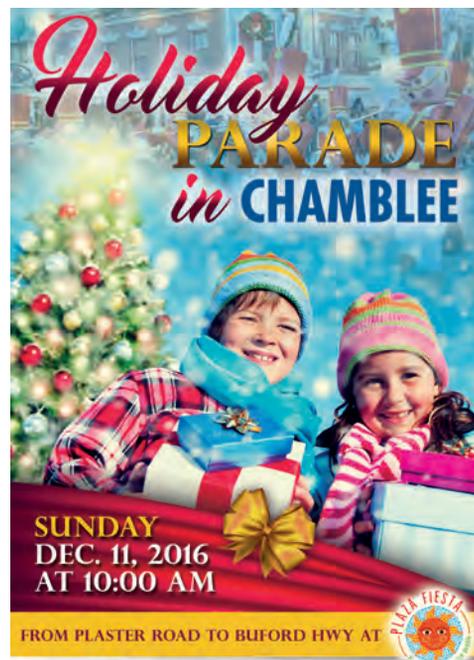
of plays, creating three different shows, or collections. One new collection has been produced each month of the summer.

As with past shows, all the plays are written to share a particular setting. This year the plays are set lakeside – either on a dock or on the back porch

of a lake house. Each show will feature a mix of comedic and dramatic 10-minute plays.

Founded in 2009, the company has produced a yearly collection of original 10-minute plays by local playwrights called the Summer Harvest. Previously, Onion Man produced shows from Lionheart Theatre Company's space in Norcross.

Visit onionmanproductions.com, find them on Facebook, or email james@onionmanproductions.com for more information.



SAVE THE DATE
Holiday Parade Dec. 11

On Sunday, Dec. 11, the city and Plaza Fiesta are partnering to make the holidays brighter by hosting a holiday parade from Plaster Road to Buford Highway at Plaza Fiesta. Find more information on entering a float or volunteering at chambleega.gov.

Downtown Businesses Come Together for Soiree

Hello Gorgeous Boutique hosted its inaugural Summer Soiree in June. It was an evening in which residents and business owners welcomed summer with art, music, fashion, sips and snacks. Hopstix Brewery, a soon-to-be-open brewpub in Chamblee, brought samples of some of their brews. The soiree also featured music by Chamblee resident Scott Cruce.



Maison Robert Closes Its Doors

After 39 years in business, Chamblee's Maison Robert closed its doors for the last time on July 14, Bastille Day. Maison Robert Chocolates has been in business for more than 39 years and has been located in the mid-city district of Chamblee since 2009. In honor of the business and the family's impact on the community, July 14 was declared "Maison Robert Day" in Chamblee.

Daughter Katia has been the owner responsible for running Maison Robert for the past seven years. She decided to close the doors to cut down on her commute and spend more time with family.

"I know how lucky I am to have had the past few years working alongside my parents here," said Katia. "We thank you all for your patronage. You have followed us to three different locations and dealt with our menu changes. You have talked about us around town and because of that we have rarely had the need to advertise. This decision was not easy and has not been done lightly."



BUHI CIRCULATOUR

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Bakery, a Korean bakery and café; Bambu, which specializes in Vietnamese dessert beverages; Hong Kong Bakery, a Chinese bakery; and ZenTea, a tearoom.

The August tours featured classic summertime favorites from Colombian restaurant Las Delicias de la Abuela, Filipino desserts from New Manila Mart, Vietnamese appetizers and drinks from Pho Bac, Chinese dishes from Chef Liu, and Mexican refreshments from Las Paletas Loca. Also featured in August were dishes and treats that are wrapped, including food from Hong Kong, El Salvador, Bangladesh, Mexico, and Northern China.

We Love BuHi envisions a livable, lovable, inclusive Buford Highway corridor and seeks to realize the vision through creative and collaborative events and activities. The Chamblee Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is sponsoring tours that link BuHi and Downtown Chamblee as well.

For information on the tours, contact event organizer Marian Liou, marian@welovebuhi.com. For information on Downtown Chamblee and the DDA, visit downtownchamblee.com.

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NOTICIAS DE LA CIUDAD

Reducir Liquidos en los Camiones de la Basura

El departamento de trabajos publicos de Chamblee a recibido una cantidad de quejas debido al liquido que cae del camion de la basura. Despues de investigaciones, concluimos que el liquido que cae del camion proviene de la basura que recoge nuestro personal. En un esfuerzo por reducir este liquido, les pedimos a nuestros residentes que no tiren liquidos en la basura y que no dejen las tapas del basurero abiertas – la lluvia suele juntarse dentro de los basureros. El Departamento de Trabajos Publicos agradece su ayuda para mantener limpia nuestra comunidad.

Departamento de Desarrollo 101

El Departamento de Desarrollo de Chamblee esta trabajando para educar a los residentes y dueños de locales de la ciudad de Chamblee sobre nuestros codigos de construccion, permisos y zonificacion. Si usted desea asistir a clases gratuitas en español, por favor comunicarse con Claudia Eva Colichon, correo: ccolichon@chambleega.gov.

EVENTOS



Taste of Chamblee

Preparate para complacer tu paladar. El Primero de Octubre, Chamblee tendra el festival mas grande desde el 2008. Tendremos banda en vivo, comida, y zonas para niños. Ven y disfruta de los distintos sabores locales que son encontrados en Chamblee. Celebra con nosotros un dia lleno de delicias culinarias de nuestra ciudad.

NOTICIAS DE LA COMUNIDAD

BUHI Carretilla

We Love Buhi presentara tres tours en donde podras disfrutar de las distintas delicias culinarias y de la conectividad que ofrece Buford Highway. El evento de nombre The Buford Highway CirculaTour tiene fechas en :

Agosto 13 – donde podras degustar platos del restaurante Colombiano, Las Delicias de la Abuela, y distintos restaurants Chinos, Vietnamitas, Filipinos, y refrescos de La Michoacana Loca.

Agosto 28 – degustaras platos de Hong Kong, El Salvador, Bangladesh, Mexico y el Norte de China.

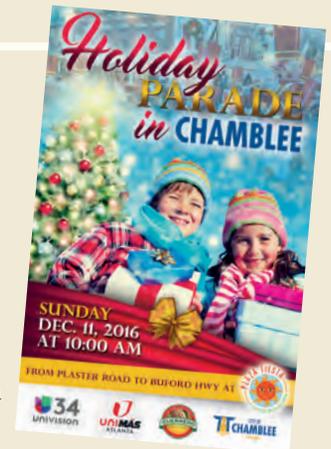
Los tickets que incluyen un paseo en la carretilla con guias, y degustaciones de los distintos restaurantes. Ven y disfruta de un momento agradable, lleno de camaraderia. Los tickets estan a la venta en welovebui.com.



NOTICIAS DE LA COMUNIDAD

Cortejo Festivo – Guarde Esta Fecha

El Domingo, el 11 de Diciembre, Plaza Fiesta y la Ciudad de Chamblee colaborara para hacer un desfile que dara inicio en Plaster Rd. y terminara en Buford Hwy – Plaza Fiesta. Para mas informacion visitenos en chambleega.gov.

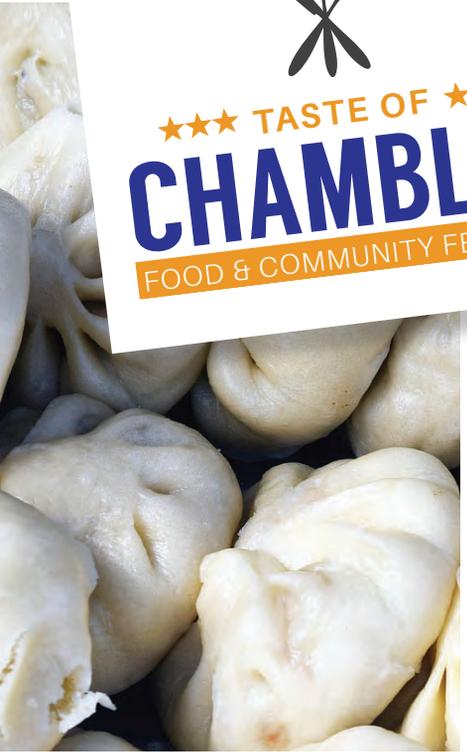


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Para mas informacion visite cdc.gov/westnile.



Get a Taste of Chamblee

Prepare your taste buds and save the date! On Saturday, Oct. 1, Taste of Chamblee returns to downtown Chamblee from 5-9 p.m. The food festival features live music, local fare and a family-friendly kid zone.

Event entry is free. Participants can purchase tickets to enjoy food and beverage sample portions from many of the area's best restaurants. Live music will begin on the stage at City Hall at 5 p.m., so stick around after you satisfy your appetite!

Taste of Chamblee has been one of Chamblee's largest festivals since 2008. This year's event will be hosted by the City of Chamblee, and will celebrate the diverse local flavors that can be found throughout our community.

Elaine Clark Center's Hustle for Hope 5K

The family-friendly Hustle for Hope races will be held Saturday, Oct. 29, at Keswick Park in Chamblee. The races include a 5K at 10 am, 1.5 Mile Fun Run at 10:10 am and, new this year, a Diaper Dash at 11 am and Toddler Trot at 11:15 am. Pre-registration is encouraged and will guarantee a t-shirt. Entry is \$30 with a \$5 increase on Oct. 22. Register at elianeclarkcenter.org or runsignup.com. Day-of registration begins at 9 am.

The Elaine Clark Center experienced the loss of Peter Joyce earlier this year and the race will be in his honor. Peter was a vibrant child with a limitless capacity for joy that he shared with all. He was a charmer, always quick with a smile or hug. Peter left a huge impact and his legacy will continue for years.

Proceeds from the Hustle will benefit the Frank Clark Memorial Scholarship Fund that enables children and young adults (6 weeks to 22 years old) with special needs to receive support services vital to their optimal development.

To sign up for a volunteer shift, or to become a sponsor, please contact Event Coordinator Christy Murray (cmurray@ecvc.org).



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Halloween is right around the corner, which means it's almost time for Chamblee's Halloween Spooktacular at Keswick Park. The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Activities will include a costume contest for all ages, a spooky haunted house, hay rides, games, a cupcake walk, and more! Put on your best costume and see if you're brave enough to make it through this year's haunted house!

If you're interested in sponsoring an event or volunteering, contact Chris Madden, cmadden@chambleega.gov.



Harvest Festival Oct. 15

Saturday, October 15 • Noon- 6 pm
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 Our second autumn arts and crafts festival features a wide variety of unique handmade items from artists and craftsmen as well as fall fun for the entire family. Admission to Harvest Festival is free; food and beverages will be sold on site. The festival is organized by the City of Chamblee's Main Street Program. Visit chambleega.gov for more details.





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				1	2	3
4	5 Labor Day, City Offices Closed Main Street Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm, City Hall Conference Room	6 Court, 6 pm, Civic Center ARB-Regular Meeting, 7-9 pm, City Hall Conference Room	7 Yoga / gentle, 5 pm, Community Building Yoga 1 / 2, 6:15 pm, Community Building	8 Breakfast Club, 11:30 am, Civic Center Court, 6 pm, Civic Center Recreational Advisory Committee, 7 pm, City Hall Conference Room	9	10 BUHI Trolley CirculaTour, 2-5 pm
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Calendar

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2 Buhi Half Marathon & 5K, 7am, Plaza Fiesta	3 Main Street Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm, City Hall Conference Room	4 ARB-Regular Meeting, 7-9 pm, City Hall Conference Room	5 Yoga / gentle, 5 pm, Community Building Yoga 1 / 2, 6:15 pm, Community Building	6 Breakfast Club, 11:30 am, Civic Center Court, 6 pm, Civic Center Recreational Advisory Committee, 7 pm, City Hall Conference Room	7	8
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Events

Spectacular Scenes from July 4

Chamblee had another great Fourth of July, a day of music, fun, games and – of course – fireworks. The family-friendly event began at 5 p.m. with activities that included a bike parade, trackless train rides, bounce houses, and a corn hole tournament. To alleviate parking issues, the city provided a shuttle from mid-city and Chamblee Plaza. A nationally renowned Journey tribute band played until the fireworks display began. The fireworks did not disappoint.



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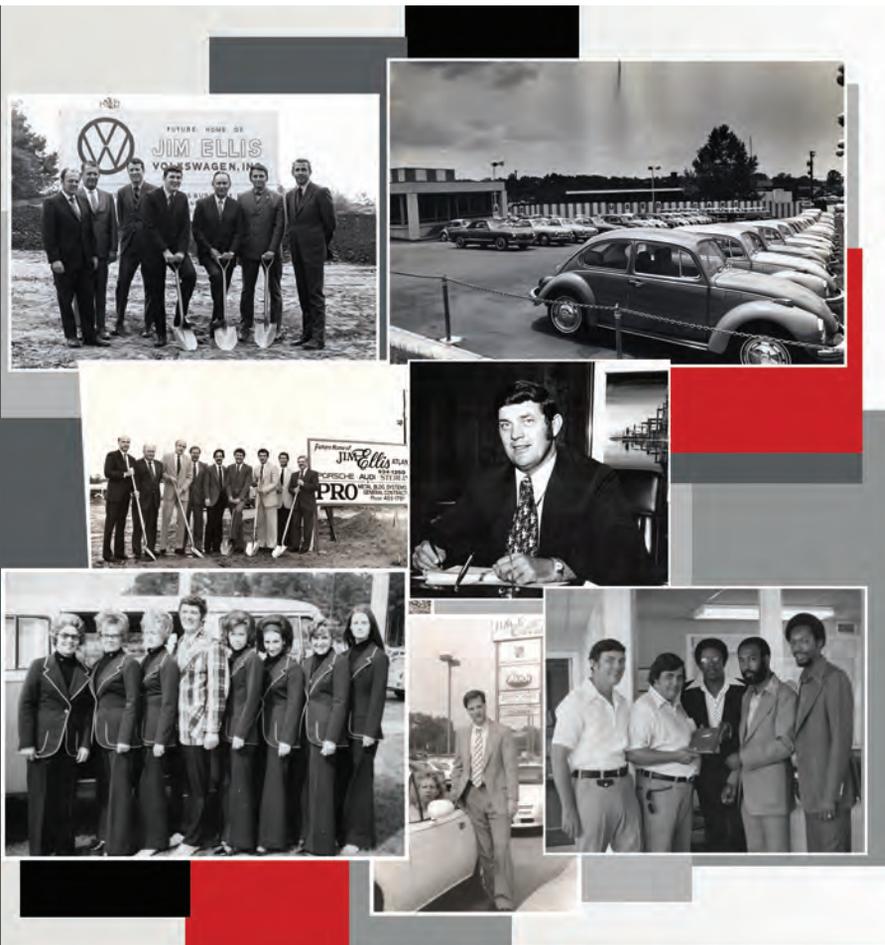
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