

Dawsonville Profile

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Message from the Mayor.....

What a festival weekend we had in Dawsonville! The 51st Annual Moonshine festival was held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday the fourth weekend in October. It is held every year on the same weekend. Weather was not the best for Friday evening and Saturday morning, but the crowds were here anyway. Crowds were great, and we had amazing vendors of all types as well as entertainment and Cars, Cars, Cars! If you didn't come, you missed a great event. The Moonshine Festival is sponsored by K.A.R.E. for Kids, a great organization that provides Christmas for needy children here in Dawson County. The streets were closed, and vendors and exhibits lined our downtown streets. A parade of classic racers drove through town to start the event and many remained on exhibit in the street for the entire event. The Grand Marshal of the parade was Jimmy Spencer a well-known NASCAR race car driver. The Opening Ceremonies were held at 9:30 on Saturday morning and a host of speakers were present but the highlight for me was the singing of the National Anthem by Mr. Dean Honea a seven-year-old from Forsyth County. From funnel cakes, art, craft and moonshine stills we had it all for sale. The Sheriff's office did a great job with traffic control and security for the event. The Georgia Racing Hall of Fame was crowded the entire weekend with spectators.

As we head into the holiday season, we hope that you will be able to join us for the festivities going on here at City Hall.

Please make sure you see all of the enclosed flyers for important information.

Mike Eason, Mayor



Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting
Saturday, December 1st
Parade at 5:00 pm
Tree lighting event immediately following



*food trucks *free hot chocolate *ONE free photo with Santa *dancing, singing, hand bell choir *Outside the Lines Art Studio

2018 Government Meetings held at City Hall upstairs in the G.L. "Pete" Gilleland Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend.

- 7PM Mayor & City Council Regular Mtgs: JAN 8 FEB 5 MAR 5 APR 9 MAY 7 JUN 4 JUL 9 AUG 6 SEP 10 NOV 5 DEC 3
- 7PM Mayor & Council Work Sessions: JAN 22 FEB 19 MAR 19 APR 23 MAY 21 JUN 18 JUL 23 AUG 20 SEP 24 OCT 22 DEC 17
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Planning Commission: JAN 8 FEB 5 MAR 5 APR 9 MAY 7 JUN 4 JUL 9 AUG 6 SEP 10 OCT 8 NOV 5 DEC 3
- 5:30pm Historic Preservation Commission: FEB 19 APR 23 JUN 18 AUG 20 OCT 22 DEC 17
- 5:30pm Dawsonville Downtown Development Authority: JAN 22 MAR 19 MAY 21 JUL 23 SEP 24 DEC 10



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A message from your City Manager

As I write this, Thanksgiving is two days away. I encourage all of us to be thankful for our many blessings. As soon as we think we are in a tough situation, all we need do is look around us and we are sure to find others with greater need. I am thankful for living in Dawsonville and Dawson County. We have a beautiful place to live with good schools, good health care, good economic opportunity, good community esprit de corps, and friendly people. I am also thankful for those dedicated employees I work with every day whose dedication to duty and customer service are commendable.

Please join us December 1st as our community kicks of the Christmas season at City Hall. There will be a Jingle Market from 3PM – 8PM in and around City Hall and the GRHOF, multiple food trucks from 3 PM until 8PM, pictures with Santa, a Christmas Parade at 5PM, tree lighting at dusk, music from the DCHS Chamber Singers, a hand bell choir from the First Baptist Church of Cumming, the Sole Impulse dancers, cookie decoration and roasting marshmallows. Come on out and join us for a great time. Many thanks to our hosts and sponsors, including, City of Dawsonville, Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, Townley Construction, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Medical Plaza 400, John Seibel Photography, Food Lion, Christina and Shane Brooks with Tucker the Truck, Georgia Racing Hall of Fame, Hansard Cleaning Service and Mountain Lake Church.

Bob Bolz, City Manager

ATTENTION UTILITY CUSTOMERS

Effective February 2019, The City of Dawsonville will be offering AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS (ACH) for payment of your utility bill.

PLEASE SEE THE ENCLOSED FLYER FOR DETAILS AND ENROLLMENT FORM

Please contact Tracy Smith at City Hall at 706-265-3256 if you have any questions.



City Hall will be closed on Monday, Dec. 24th and Tuesday, Dec. 25th for the Christmas holiday and Monday, Dec. 31st and Tuesday, Jan. 1st for New Years. Mayor, Council & the staff of the City of Dawsonville wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

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