

**CITY OF  
DAWSONVILLE**

**Special Points  
of Interest:**

- City Council Meeting, Monday, May 3, 2010, 5:00 p.m.
- City Planning Commission Meeting, Monday, May 17, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.
- Dawson County Board of Commissioners regular meeting 6 pm the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month
- Dawson County Board of Commissioners work session 4 pm the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month
- Dawson County Planning Commission 6 pm the 3rd Tuesday of each month

**NOTE: All meetings are held at City Hall in the G.L. "Pete" Gilleland Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend.**

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# Dawsonville Profile

City News for the Residents of Dawsonville

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## GAWP presents OUTSTANDING OPERATION to City

The Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP) is a not-for-profit professional Association founded in 1932 and has a membership of over 5,000 operators, owners, contractors, manufacturers' representatives, engineers, elected officials, industry representatives and others concerned with Georgia's water resources.

GAWP is dedicated to exceptional professional education, dissemination of sound technical principles and scientific information, increased public understanding, and promotion of valid public laws and programs. Their chief purpose is to assist those who have an interest in water, wastewater, and related topics in the State of Georgia.

GAWP holds four major technical conferences over the course of the year and it was at their annual conference in Columbus, Georgia, on April 13th that Dieter Franz, President of GAWP presented the City of Dawsonville with an award for the Outstanding Operation of a Water Treatment Plant in the category of Ground Water serving 1,000 to 2,499 population count.

City staff, Gary Barr, Public Works Director and Russell Chambers, Public Works Associate, attended the event and accepted the award.

Connie Neems, GAWP Inspector said the city's system was one of the nicest she has ever inspected.

Barr gave credit to Chambers stating that he was proud of him. "Russell did all of the homework to determine what our system needed to qualify for the award. After that the rest of the staff made sure our system was in top shape before GAWP inspected the water sites." Barr further explained that everybody involved in the city's system does a fantastic job—it takes the whole team. From Bob Atkins, Geologist to help find viable well sites, to the staff, the Mayor and council, and G. Ben Turnipseed Engineering. Everybody's efforts helped make our water system an "Outstanding Operation."



(L-R) Gary Barr, Public Works Director; Dieter Franz, President of GAWP, and Russell Chambers, Public Works Associate

While there they attended classes and earned continuing education credits applicable to the water and wastewater aspects of their jobs.

Chambers said it was a great experience going to the conference. They attended classes on a variety of topics: new state law, decentralized sewer systems, SCADA system improvements, and techniques for sprayfield maintenance. He looks forward to attending future conferences so that he can continue to improve services.

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday

8:00 am—4:30 pm

**Georgia Racing Hall of  
Fame Museum Hours:**

**Mon.-Fri. 10-4**

**Sat. 10-2**

**Sun. 12-4**

**No Charge for  
Admission**

**For after hours  
water or sewer  
system  
emergencies  
please call:**

**(706) 974-7688 or  
(706) 429-6211**

**City Staff at Your Service**

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**Instant Message Alert System**

The Dawson County Sheriff's Office is now using instant messaging to communicate with the public. The new alert system has the ability to instantly notify the public about everything from car crashes and missing children, to road closings and community events.

Residents who sign up will receive an email when a new alert or advisory is posted. Residents may also receive text messages when they are on the go.

This new alert system opens up the lines of communication and works like a virtual neighborhood watch. Best of all the cost to the resident and taxpayer is FREE.

Residents may sign up by going to [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) and following the easy directions.

**City Hall will be closed on  
Monday, May 31, 2010 in ob-  
servance of Memorial Day.**

**2010 Yard Sales**



**8 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Location: GRHOF  
City Hall  
415 HWY 53 E  
Dawsonville**

**May 8**

**Oct 9**

**June 12**

**Nov 13**

**Sep 11**

Yard Sale Spaces: \$10.00 each.

Set up at 7:00 a.m.

Must provide your own table.

Register and pay before set up.

**Not responsible for damages.**

**Call to reserve a space: (770) 893-3407**

**Garbage Service as usual during the  
Memorial Day weekend. Please be sure  
to put your can out by 6:00 a.m. Mon-  
day morning to assure pick up.**

**RIC Rack**

RIC-Rack was founded in 1992 as a charity thrift shop and food pantry. Located in downtown Dawsonville, the RIC-Rack serves the needs of many residents. Known primarily for the sale of donated clothing and shoes, they now also sell furniture and appliances. As a charity, they depend on the income from the sale of goods to purchase food for the food bank. Currently they supply food to over 300 families per month and the number is growing.

RIC-Rack requests your donations of used furniture or appliances as well as clothing and household items. They are also happy to accept donated non-perishable food items as well.

Typical donations include:

**Clothing/Household**

Shirts/Blouses

Belts

Shoes and boots

Sports coats

Ties

Overcoats

Towels

Bed linens

Pants/Slacks

Dishes & glassware

Pots & pans

Silverware

**Furniture**

Couches

Appliances

Light fixtures

Lamps

Chairs

Tables

Power tools

Mattresses

Decorations

**Food Items**

Canned goods

Soaps/diapers/shampoo

Non-perishable goods

**If you have items to donate and are not  
sure they will accept them, then please  
give them a call.**

RIC Rack also has a new pick up service for furniture—they will send a large truck and crew to meet you at your home. Just call them to schedule a pick up.

The RIC Rack thanks you for your support, both as working volunteers, as well as your donations. Your support helps meet the needs of many in our community.

**Thank you,  
The Staff of RIC Rack**

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