



**School starts
Thursday, August
8th!**

**Please adjust your driving schedules
to accommodate the traffic and
buses .**

Watch out for our children!!



**AMERICAN RED CROSS
Northeast Georgia Chapter**

*9th Annual
Don Gordon Memorial Golf Tournament*

**August 26, 2013
Polo Golf & Country Club
6300 Polo Club Drive,
Cumming, GA 30040
(770) 887-7656
infoatpolo@heritagegolfgroup.com**

**GRHOF 2013 YARD SALES
Sept. 14....Oct. 12....Nov 9
8:00 am—4:00 pm**

**Call (770) 893-3407
to reserve a space
(\$10 per space)**

**BACK TO SCHOOL
ROUND-UP**

**School Supplies are needed for all
grade levels and will be distributed
to
qualified students of Dawson
County School System.**



School supplies will be available for low income families, children in foster care and families meeting other eligibility requirements. Families must be Dawson Co. residents and students enrolled in school in Dawson Co. for the 2013-2014 school year.



**A donation box is available at
Dawsonville City Hall with a list
of suggested items. Please
contact Family Connection at
706-265-1981 for questions or
information on how you can
help the students in your
community!**



CITY OF DAWSONVILLE

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cityhall@dawsonville-ga.gov

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 4:30

**For After-Hours
water or sewer system
emergencies please call:
(706) 974-7688
or
(706) 429-6211**

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****Drop off your brochures, flyers, menus for your business/
restaurant at the Chamber of Commerce. Now in 2 locations:
Inside City Hall and at Hwy. 400 beside Kroger/Ryans area****



The Georgia Racing Hall of Fame museum is open 7 days a week, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. on Sunday. For more info call 706-216-7223.

The Dawsonville Moonshine Distillery is open Tuesday through Sunday. Stop in for a free sample!! For more info, call 770-401-1211.



Remember to..



SHOP LOCAL!

**CITY OF
DAWSONVILLE**



Mayor and City Council

Voting meeting at 5:00 p.m.
First Monday
of every month
(unless a holiday)

Work Sessions at 5:00 p.m.
Third Thursday
of every month
(as needed)

City Planning Commission

Meeting at 5:00 p.m.
Third Monday
of every month
(as needed)

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



**2013 Elected Officials
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Dawsonville Profile

City News for the Residents of Dawsonville



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Message from the Mayor



Vibrant and sustainable downtowns have myriad features in common: walkable street plans with short blocks and alleyways, a moderate mix of uses and densities: easily accessed daily destinations like schools, libraries, parks and playgrounds in addition to traditional businesses and restaurants; and features such as trees, greenery, lighting, seating, and other pedestrian amenities. Downtown Dawsonville has many of these elements. In fact, Dawsonville possesses almost all of these vital ingredients, but has lacked, up until now, a uniformed approach to collectively harness these elements into an overall downtown plan.

We started with a visioning process to develop a three step master plan, based on a strategic vision and implementation plan: Where are we now? Where are we going? How do we get there? As part of this engagement process, we relied on four proven methods for receiving valuable public input:

- ◆ Written and electronic surveys
- ◆ Interviews
- ◆ Focus groups
- ◆ Electronic town hall meeting

As a result, the key issues that must be addressed to move downtown toward the community's vision of the future were identified. This plan proposes some solutions to these issues, but it is important for the community to focus on addressing the issues and not get stuck on any particular solution they do or do not like. There are multiple ways to address the issues. This plan presents some ideas for solutions based on the input received from the community. The issues are:

- ◆ A lack of public green space, trees and other public amenities, such as seating, exists
- ◆ Downtown needs more retail, restaurants and activities
- ◆ Downtown needs better connectivity to link places like City Hall, The Bowen Arts Center, the schools and the courthouse.
- ◆ The buildings should look nicer; downtown is not walkable, and the traffic is intimidating, particularly truck traffic.

An inventory and analysis was done and suggested solutions presented. A work program has been established and is being implemented through the coordination, marketing vision and a design and economic development committee consisting of chairpersons Nick Nicodemus (Coordination); Christy Haynes (marketing); Peter Hill (Vision & Design); and James Grogan (Economic Development). The complete Downtown Master Plan is available on our website at www.dawsonville-ga.gov, at the Dawson County Library and at City Hall. Any interested citizen that would like to be a part of this important project may contact one of the above chairpersons.

Pay Your Water Bill On-Line with a Credit Card



Go to: www.dawsonville-ga.gov with your Account # and PIN #
Click on: Online Bill Pay button
(Your account number and PIN # are located on your bill)

Online Bill Pay