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Each Friday through Aug. 30
4:00-8:00 p.m.
Parking lot across from
Lilburn City Park, 76 Main St.

Produce
Meat
Dairy
Breads
Pastries
Candy

All locally grown or made.

You'll also find hot BBQ, chef demos, music, contests, and fun for kids at the market.

Full list of vendors and events at lilburnfarmersmarket.org and on Facebook.

The Lilburn Farmer's Market is a co-sponsored event with the City of Lilburn that provides a venue for local farmers and producers to sell their products directly to the consumer and promotes a greater sense of community by bringing people together in Old Town Lilburn.

LILBURN BEFRIENDS CITY IN KOSOVO

Lilburn Mayor Johnny Crist recently returned from Kosovo, where he spent time forging an international friendship between Lilburn and city officials in this southeastern European country.

While on a church-related trip, Mayor Crist accepted an invitation to speak with city officials in Suhareka about leadership, democracy, and forming an informal partnership. "Sister cities" create opportunities for cultural and educational exchanges, a peacemaking effort that took root during the Eisenhower presidency.

The partnership has three goals: a youth exchange program to educate and prepare future leaders; a doctor's exchange, because health care is a challenge in Kosovo; and a business exchange, so the country can learn ways to boost its struggling economy.

In July, the Mayor of Suhareka intends to bring a group to Lilburn to



MAYOR JOHNNY CRIST, PICTURED ABOVE, RECENTLY VISITED KOSOVO, WHERE HE BEFRIENDED OFFICIALS IN THE CITY OF SUHAREKA.

learn about the city government, see Gwinnett County, and make friends with doctors and business people. Then Crist plans to return in September with a group of doctors, business people, and artists.

"I was totally shocked in a very positive way. I thought I was going to an undeveloped country, but it was quite the opposite," Mayor Crist said. "I am blessed to have visited Suhareka and have come away forging a relationship that I hope will continue for many years."

BUDGET REMAINS SAME FOR 2013-14

In June, the Lilburn City Council approved the budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014, which begins July 1. The approval followed two public hearings.

The operating budget decreased 1.1 percent from the current year's budget. The millage rate, or property

tax rate, will remain unchanged.

The FY 2013-2014 budget for all appropriated funds totals \$9.8M. Of this total, \$6.2M is for operations; \$171,000 is for the City's Capital Projects Fund, and \$3.4M is for the City's SPLOST Fund Issue 2009. More information is available at www.cityoflilburn.com.

CITY PROJECT UPDATE

Lilburn has many projects under way that will make a big difference in our small town. Here is an update on the major construction taking place in the city. These projects have various funding sources, including the City of Lilburn, Gwinnett County, the Lilburn Community Improvement District, the State of Georgia, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Sidewalks on U.S. 29: Fills in gaps between existing sections, creating continuous sidewalks from Rockbridge Road to Hillcrest Road / Main Street and linking Bryson Park to Lions Club Park. Adds 5 transit shelter pads to Gwinnett County Transit Local 30 Route. Upgrades Holly Ridge Drive/Pine Road traffic signal. The project is nearly complete.

Sidewalks on Hillcrest: Continues existing sidewalk to Indian Trail Road. The engineering contract has been awarded, and work will begin in late summer.

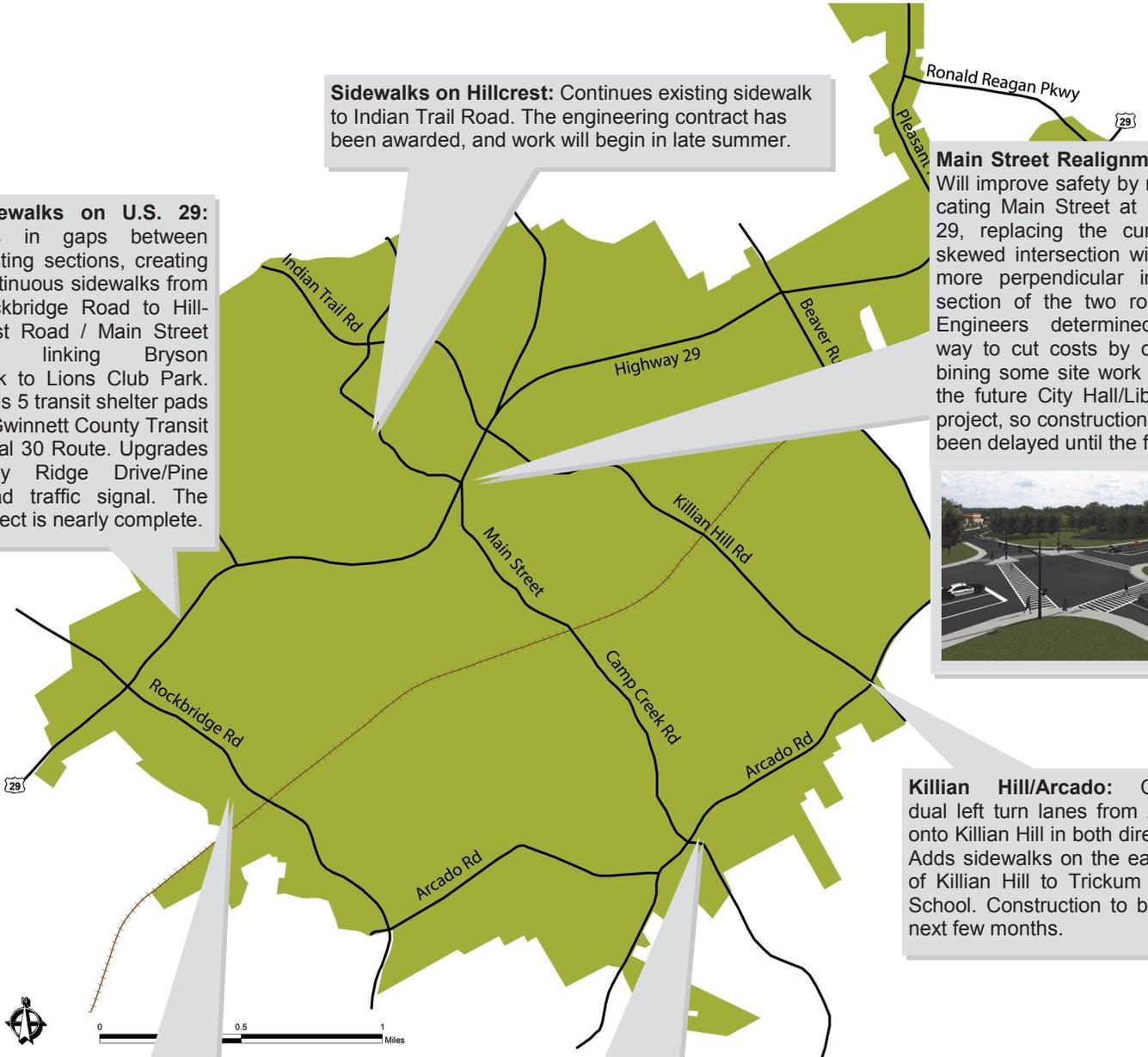
Main Street Realignment: Will improve safety by relocating Main Street at U.S. 29, replacing the current skewed intersection with a more perpendicular intersection of the two roads. Engineers determined a way to cut costs by combining some site work with the future City Hall/Library project, so construction has been delayed until the fall.



Killian Hill/Arcado: Creates dual left turn lanes from Arcado onto Killian Hill in both directions. Adds sidewalks on the east side of Killian Hill to Trickum Middle School. Construction to begin in next few months.

Bike and Pedestrian Trail: Will link Camp Creek Greenway to Lions Club Park, creating nearly a mile of new trail. The boardwalk has been completed, but rain has delayed paving.

Arcado/Camp Creek Upgrade: Will add mast arms for traffic signals, crosswalks, and pedestrian signals at this busy intersection. The project is nearly complete.



INJURED ATHLETE RETURNS TO RENOVATED LILBURN HOME

Building Inspector Larry Arnwine can't remember ever having been greeted with a hug while on the job. But that's how Kai Tumulak Recchia welcomed him to her brother's house, which was undergoing major renovations to accommodate his medical equipment.

On March 23, avid runner Charles Tumulak was taking part in an obstacle race in South Carolina. Charles was completing the Cargo Net when he lost balance and fell head-first 15 feet. The impact left the 46-year-old Lilburn resident with a broken neck, collapsed lung, facial fractures, and a bruised pancreas.

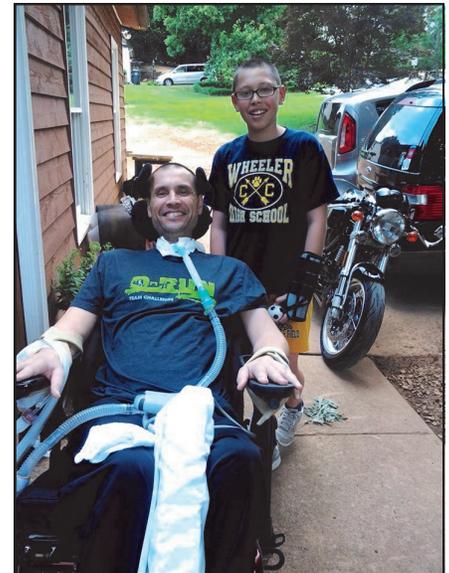
While Charles spent months recovering and learning to live with assistive devices, his family, friends and the community worked to make his house accessible. As his story spread, volunteers and donations came out of the woodwork. Arnwine made several required inspections of the house during the construction, and he said it was heart-warming to see the community support Charles.

"I'm glad so many people were able to contribute," Arnwine said. "It's good to know we live in a place where people want to help out."



ABOVE, LILBURN BUILDING INSPECTOR LARRY ARNWINE ISSUES A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY TO KAI TUMULAK RECCHIA, SO HER INJURED BROTHER CHARLES TUMULAK (PICTURED RIGHT) CAN OFFICIALLY LIVE IN HIS RENOVATED HOUSE.

After \$18,000 in renovations, Charles came home on June 10. He is able to accomplish some daily activities like browsing the web, making calls, sending emails, and watching TV. To follow Charles' progress, like his Facebook page "Fight for a Warrior" or visit www.gofundme.com/chuckstorm.



GREENWAY RECEIVES NATIONAL WILDLIFE CERTIFICATION

The National Wildlife Federation has announced that the Camp Creek Greenway in Lilburn is now recognized as an official Certified Wildlife Habitat site.

The 2.8-mile greenway attracts a variety of birds, butterflies, and

other local animals by providing a wildlife-friendly landscape. The trail is maintained by the City of Lilburn and beautified by the Ladybugs, a volunteer garden club.

NWF began the Certified

Wildlife Habitat program in 1973, and has certified almost 150,000 habitats nationwide.

Visit www.cityoflilburn.com or like Camp Creek Greenway Trail on Facebook for trail information and updates.



DISCARD USED PILLS SAFELY

The Lilburn Police Department has installed the “Big White Box” at its headquarters lobby located at 76 Main St. This receptacle for unused medication is accessible to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Proper disposal of medications prevents drug abuse, accidental ingestion by children, and contamination of the environment.

Items that can be placed in these secure drug drop boxes include

- Expired and unused prescriptions
- Over-the-counter drugs
- Medication samples
- Medicated ointment
- Drops
- Inhalers
- Unopened epi-pens
- Herbals
- Pet medications

No needles, biohazardous materials, or illegal drugs.

PREVENT WATER POLLUTION STENCIL A STORM DRAIN

The City of Lilburn has been issued a federal permit under the Clean Water Act which allows the city to collect and discharge rainwater to rivers, lakes, and streams via the City’s stormwater drainage system. The permit requires the city to educate the public about water pollution associated with stormwater runoff.

The Storm Drain Stenciling Program is one educational method used by the City. You may already have seen the results of this program where volunteers have stenciled the message “No Dumping – Drains to Stream” onto storm drains. The goal of the program is to raise awareness of the fact that everything that goes into a storm drain ends up in a stream.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please register by contacting The Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center at **770.904.3500**. Protecting the water quality of our streams is extremely important. If you notice a potential pollution problem in your area, please report it to the Gwinnett County Stormwater Management Division at **678.376.7193**.



Upcoming Workshop

Topic: Septic Tank Maintenance: Learn how to recognize when a problem exists, what to look for in a good contractor, and what the permitting requirements are for new systems.

When: Aug. 8, 7-8:30 p.m.

Where: Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center Auditorium, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville

Register: 678-376-7193, dwrswreg@gwinnettcountry.com

Report pollution by calling 678-376-7193. Provide as much information as possible by answering the questions Who, What, Where, When, Why, and How. Article contributed by Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources.

NEW RESTAURANT COMING TO OLD TOWN

The Downtown Development Authority has leased 107 Main Street in Old Town to a new restaurant: **1910 Public House**. Renovations are ongoing in preparation for a sum-

mer opening. Follow the City of Lilburn on Facebook and Twitter for an opening date. See photos of the historic building renovations with the City of Lilburn on Pinterest.



Join the conversation!
Look for **City of Lilburn**.
www.cityoflilburn.com

CODE ENFORCEMENT

In each neighborhood there are folks concerned about the overall appearance of the surrounding area, and for good reasons: the impressions created by appearances directly affect the value of individual properties. Meanwhile, other property owners and occupants are much less concerned about these issues, often because the recession has forced them to work harder and longer to make ends meet. Some residents are living on fixed incomes with little budgeted for property maintenance. To them, cosmetic concerns are far down their lists of priorities.

Best advice: be a good neighbor and follow city codes.

The City of Lilburn has two full-time and one part-time code enforcement officers who respond to complaints and known issues. They enforce city ordinances, which are written to protect property owners, property values, and public safety.

If you have a code enforcement issue, please visit www.cityoflilburn.com and click on "Request a City Service" on the right side of the homepage to make a complaint, or call 770-279-3710.

Be a good neighbor

Mow the lawn and trim the shrubs.

Pick up the debris from your lawn.

Don't park on the grass.

Do not store junk vehicles outside.

Post a visible house number for your own safety.



The City of Lilburn would like you to meet Charlie, a female Spaniel waiting to be adopted at Gwinnett Animal Welfare /Enforcement.

Gwinnettcountyanimalcontrol.com
for more information. ID#32226

Welcome to Our New Businesses!

R.G. Body Shop,

4493 Lilburn Industrial Way, Suite B2
Brewington Painting and More, 5230 Birdlake Drive

Perfect Service, Corp., 342 Emily Dr.

Progress Remodeling and Construction, 5360 Nathan Dr.

Home Brewing Company,

535 Indian Trail Road Suite D

Polo Loko, 440 Pleasant Hill Road, Suite 101

Mudhumati Market,

510 Pleasant Hill Road Suite H

D-O-G's Pet Spa, 5550 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite 4

Lilburn Community Pharmacy, 4025

Lawrenceville Highway, Suite D

Selectronics, 4400 Business Park Ct.

Perfect Service, Corp.,

342 Emily Drive

Ash Co., 103 Stoneview Drive

Sly Fox Process Service,

4317 Velva Way

Haven Restaurant & Lounge,

375 Rockbridge Road Suite 200

Big Mouth Signs, 40 Rockbridge Road, Suite 200

TNT Academy LLC, 79 Main Street, Suite A

Bread Biryani House, Inc.,

535 Indian Trail Road, Suite L

SNTS Training, 465 Pleasant Hill Road, Suite 107A

Nu & Approved Body Look,

4566 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite 220

D&P Auto Body Collision Repair,

4450 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite H-I

Jerry's Electric, 146 Lockring Drive

KNV Services LLC, 550 Pleasant Hill Road Suite B209

Ribas Auto Repair, 800 Indian Trail Road, Suite 105

Vega Insurance Agency, 375 Rockbridge Road, Suite 148

El Burrito Loco, 5319 Lawrenceville Hwy.

Gulf Food Mart, 127 Arcado Road SW

Booksafe America Inc., 5514 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite 1



Small town. Big difference.

76 Main Street
Lilburn, GA 30047
Hours: 8:30 to 5:00
Monday to Friday

770-921-2210 City Hall
770-921-2211 Police
770-279-3710 Annex

Regular Monthly Meetings

@ Calvin Fitchett
Municipal Complex

City Council Meeting—
2nd Monday @ 7:30 pm

Alcohol Review Board—
3rd Thursday @ 7:00 pm *

Town Hall Meeting—
4th Monday @ 7 pm

Zoning Board—
4th Tuesday @ 7:30 pm*

Planning Commission—
4th Thursday @ 7:30 pm*

DDA—3rd Wednesday @
6:30 PM-Annex

* If scheduled business

Johnny Crist
Mayor

Tim Dunn
Mayor Pro-Tem

S. Scott Batterton
Eddie Price
Thomas Wight
Council Members

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Sparkle in the Park

July 4th

4-10 p.m.

Lilburn City Park 76 Main St.

FEATURING



A1A

The Official and Original
Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show



Kids' activities. Concessions.
Lawn chairs and blankets welcome.
No pets, tents, glass, or outside alcohol. Beer and wine available for purchase at event.

Free parking and shuttles:
Lilburn Middle School
First Baptist Church of Lilburn
Salem Missionary Baptist Church
Lilburn International Farmer's Market