



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



Holiday Closure Notice: City of Smyrna administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence day.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department at Pride Festival:

Several officers from the Police Department attended the Smyrna is Fabulous Pride Festival for community outreach and recruiting.



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 18
Citations: 185
Warnings: 56
Calls for Service: 686

Welcome to Smyrna: Please welcome our newest officers: Austin Holliday and Cameron Johnson. They graduated from North Central Georgia Law Enforcement Academy on June 24 and are ready to start their training program in the field.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Weekly Visitors

Library: 3,843
Museum: 14

Arts Consultant Visits Library: Library Director Mary Moore had the opportunity to meet Arts Consultant Anna Talarico on Thursday, June 20, while she was touring the City with Richard Garland and Ashley Youmans. Mary showed her the Friends of Smyrna Library art gallery and discussed the contributions of the Friends.



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Bench Ceremony in Concord Covered Bridge Historic District

On Tuesday, June 18, Library Director Mary Moore, Museum Manager Jennie Eldredge, Museum Intern Fiona Rainwater, Councilmember Susan Wilkinson, and Councilmember Rickey Oglesby all attended the dedication ceremony for the new "Bench by the Road" located at the Silver Comet Trailhead in the Concord Covered Bridge Historic District. The commemorative bench and plaque honor the formerly enslaved African Americans of Cobb County and their contributions to our area. Researcher Pat Burns discussed the history of the project as well as Matilda Ruff and her family who had worked at Ruff's Mill and continued to live in the area after emancipation. Susan Wilkinson pulled double-duty at the ceremony as she was also representing the Jonquil Garden Club which helped with Matilda's Garden.



Cemetery Volunteer Opportunity: Come beautify your community by helping to clean up historic Daniell Cemetery (3761 Cloudland Drive) in the Bennett Woods neighborhood on Saturday, June 29 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Volunteers will learn how to clean graves in this cemetery established in 1862. Please wear close-toe shoes and other clothes you don't mind getting a bit dirty. We recommend you bring gloves and plenty of water to drink. Contact jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov to sign up.

Special Visitor at the Museum: Dr. James N. Brawner III, the grandson of Dr. James Newton Brawner who first opened the Brawner Sanitarium in 1910, visited the museum with his wife last week. Mike Terry gave the couple a tour of the Taylor-Brawner House, where Dr. Albert Brawner (the current Dr. Brawner's great-uncle) once lived with his family. They then came to view the new exhibit, *A Mind Without Rhythm: Brawner Hospital and Mental Health in Smyrna*. This exhibit is free to view and will be on display until May 2025.



COURT SERVICES



Red Light Camera Court on 06/18

Cases: 5
Trials: 3

Trials on 06/20

Cases: 125
Failures to Appear: 27
Pre-Trials: 19
DUIs Completed: 25

FIRE DEPARTMENT



New Truck 4 in Service:

Smyrna Fire Department replaced a 2009 ladder truck with a 2023 Pierce Enforcer. The fire truck will be assigned to Fire Station 4 on South Cobb Drive. A "push-in ceremony" was completed to officially put the truck in service.

Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 7
Medical: 100
Other: 46
Total: 153

Deputy Chief Davey Receives Fire Marshal Designation:

Deputy Fire Chief Dustin Davey just received his Fire Marshal designation from the Commission on Professional Credentialing. Chief Davey is one of only 8 fire marshals in the state of Georgia to achieve this designation.



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Community Cleanup: On Tuesday, six KSB volunteers picked up 67 pounds of litter, including 14 pounds of recycling, during a Community Cleanup on Pat Mell Road. This is material that won't end up in our waterways, harming wildlife and polluting water sources.



Monthly Recycling Center Tour: Three adults and three children joined our monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center last Friday. Participants got to look behind the scenes at how the center operates, learn about recycling best practices, and participate in a paper recycling activity. Monthly tours are free and open to the public, but registration is required. They take place on the third Friday of the month from 9:00-10:00 AM. [Register for a tour.](#)

Litter Index: Last Monday, Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers and staff surveyed every ward in the City of Smyrna to report on the annual Litter Index. The Litter Index rates the city based on a series of metrics provided by Keep America Beautiful and helps Keep Smyrna Beautiful to plan programs, projects, and educational efforts. Learn more at <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/litter-index/>.

Environmental Scholarship Recipients: This spring, Keep Smyrna Beautiful awarded Environmental Studies Scholarships to two Campbell High School seniors. The purpose of the \$1,500 scholarships is to support students who are planning to pursue a degree in an environmentally related field. Congratulations to the 2024 recipients, Emma Daxe and Hannah Hoeh! Read more about these two impressive young scholars on the [KSB blog](#).



PARKS AND RECREATION

Camp News: During the week of June 17–21, campers joined the fun of Parks Discovery week. Each day they visited a new park to enjoy themed days. Monday and Thursday campers were excited to participate in Art in the Park & Sports Day, while on Tuesday and Friday they put their thinking caps on for Mystery and Clue Day & Nature Camp. It was another fantastic week of camp, and everyone is looking forward to what’s to come the rest of the summer



Georgia Explorers Camp: Come along and explore all the excitement Georgia has to offer. This exciting camp runs from July 8 through 12 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM each day. Campers will visit nature preserves, hike to one of the largest waterfalls in the state, visit museums, and discover the wonders of art and culture. Register your camper for the field trips that allow them to explore! Cost varies depending upon the field trip.

- Monday: Fernbank Museum
- Tuesday: Marietta Cobb Museum of Art
- Wednesday: Rope's Course & Ziplining
- Thursday: Chick-fil-A Hall of Fame
- Friday: Amicalola Falls

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GEORGIA EXPLORERS
SUMMER CAMP

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JULY 8TH - JULY 12TH
10AM - 4PM

Register for one day or multiple!
 Price varies per field trip, ages 5 - 12

Register at smyrnaga.gov

PARKS AND RECREATION

Theater Camp: Introducing our newest summer camp: Theater Camp! Parks and Recreation has teamed up with a local performing arts school, Michael Karl Studios, to provide children with an exceptional theater experience the week of July 22-26! Theater Camp will be an exclusive one-week camp at the end of the summer that your theater-loving campers won't want to miss! End the summer on an impactful and positive note that will have your campers talking about all they learned and how much fun they had at camp! [Sign up here.](#)



DATE
JULY 22 - 26

TIME
9:00AM-4:00 PM

**AT SMYRNA
COMMUNITY CENTER**

MKS PERFORMING ARTS
MICHAELKARLSTUDIO.COM

**BROADWAY BOUND
SUMMER CAMP**

AGES 5-8 & 9-12

Get ready to sing loudly, move confidently, and act believably onstage. In this one-week camp, we will be learning songs and scenes from hit musicals that will be performed in a final showcase at the end of the week.



Parent's NIGHT OUT

\$30 per child

Let us handle the childcare at the Smyrna Community Center, July 12th, 5pm-8pm!

Have your children join us for an exciting evening filled with kickball, dodgeball, and basketball competitions! We will also have an art competition. Sandwiches will be provided for dinner.
*Children must be potty trained and ages 4-12

Register today at smyrnaga.gov

**RECREATE
Smyrna**
Parks & Recreation

Parent's Night Out: Join Parks and Recreation for Parent's Night Out, on Friday, July 12 from 5:00-8:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. Children ages 4-12 will enjoy an evening filled with fun competitions like kickball, dodgeball, and basketball, as well as an art competition for those who prefer something other than sports. Participants will dine on sandwiches together for dinner. Registration is open and space is limited, so don't miss the fun!

PARKS AND RECREATION



Tolleson Pool: With the heat soaring outside, Tolleson Pool is the coolest place in Smyrna right now! Bring your family and enjoy the refreshing water at Tolleson Pool all summer long. Pool passes are still available. We'll see you Monday through Friday from 1:00–6:00 PM and on Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 AM–6:00 PM. Concessions are available for purchase.

Press Box Refresh: The Tolleson Park press box got a refresh last week. YNZ installed new flooring in the space and gave it a clean and updated look.



Therapy Pool: The Wolfe Center Therapy Pool is closed for two weeks for the installation of a new Pool Pak dehumidification system. While the pool is closed, the pool staff will be doing a deep cleaning of the entire pool facility. Public Works is also taking this time to get the lights above the pool replaced.



Smyrna Market: The Smyrna Market continues each Sunday through October 20. Visit the market to find special treats like homemade jellies, fresh-grown produce, and delicious meat rubs for the cooking fanatic in your house. Along with popular food vendors, there are many others like hand-crafted dolls for that special person. Stop by from 10:00 AM–2:00 PM in the Market Village and see what treasure you might find!

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

207 Inspections
66 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$499,473.15

Commercial (13)

- (12) Interior Renovations
 - Cortland at the Village x11 units (2149 Lake Park Dr SE)
 - Studio Boss (4454 S Cobb Dr STE 102)
- (1) Roof Replacement/Re-roof
 - Villas of Vinnings (18 Villa Ct SE)

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$228,000.00

Building Remodel/Residential (6)

- (2) Additions
 - (3) Roof Replacement/Re-roof
 - (1) Interior Renovation
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$271,473.15

Electrical (7) HVAC (7) Plumbing (4) Sign (1)

New Businesses

Slingco America, Inc.

Electrical Apparatus and Equipment, Wiring Supplies, and Related Equipment Merchant Wholesalers
3100 Jonquil Drive
Ward 2

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Smyrna, GA 30080



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