



Recreation Commission Meeting
August 13, 2019

Cultural Services Report

Upcoming Cultural Events

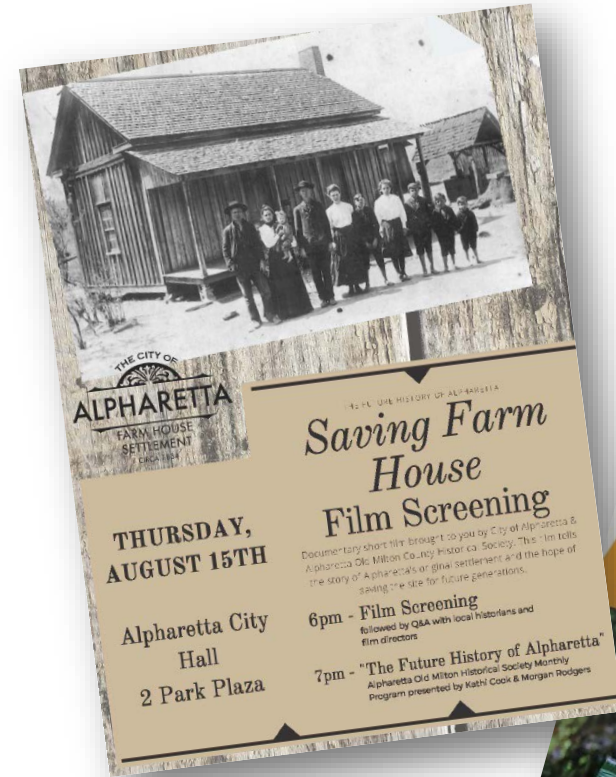
- *Southern Summer Exhibit* ... July 6-Sept 27 ... Arts Center
- *Saving Farm House*, documentary film release ... Aug 15, 6pm ... City Hall
- *The Future History of Alpharetta* ... Aug 15, 7pm ... City Hall
 - Alpharetta & Old Milton County Historical Society program
- *Flower Photography with Joyce Dumas* ... Aug 21, 6:30pm ... Arts Center
 - By Georgia Nature Photographers Association
- *Alpharetta's Music at Twilight* ... Aug 23, 8:30pm ... Downtown
- *Play Me Again Piano*, unveiling ... Aug 24, 1:30pm ... Arts Center
- *Anti-Bullying Discussion & Screening of The Fat Boy Chronicles*
 - By Mike Buchanan ... Aug 27, 6:30pm ... Arts Center

Arts Center

- Outdoor classroom ... new benches
- Arts Center rental agreement to be managed by Arts Alpharetta with rental revenue to be utilized to raise funds for the Arts
- Art Leader Groups ... Arts Alpharetta and City meeting with 10 groups
- Painted baby grand piano installed on terrace ... unveiling Aug 24

Marketing for Cultural

- Website ... updated Cultural Services page, work-in-progress
- Arts Guide ... Art Center classes, workshops
- Online Cultural Calendar ... Partnering with Alpharetta CVB



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Music

- AMPS, Alpharetta Music Project Strategy
 - Music Match Program ... 18 applicants for fall music shows
 - Alpharetta Music City ... new logo for all AMPS events
 - Online Calendar for Live Music ... partnering with Alpharetta CVB



History Update

- Farm House, Alpharetta's original settlement c. 1830
 - Saving Farm House ... 12-minute documentary film ... release Aug 15
- Stories Project, ongoing
 - Editing 70 interviews for shorter viewing in museum
 - Link for longer interviews available on website

Public Art

- Plaque guidelines to communicate info about public art pieces
- Sculptures ... *Miscellany Exhibit*
 - *The Visitor* ... permanent home in Alpharetta
 - *The Laborer* ... landscaping entry to sculpture completed
 - *Hanging* (orange drums) ... renting for another year
 - *Scorpion* ... rent to own over 4-5 years
- Sculptures ... *Omnium Gatherum Exhibit*
 - Presenting placement plan locations to City Council



Park Services Report

Parks Update

- Webb Bridge Park
 - Drainage work along roadway, parking lots
 - Mulching common areas



- Cogburn Road Park
 - Raising tree canopy along walking trail
 - Cutting underbrush, raising canopy at entry



Park Services Report

Parks Update

- Village Green
 - Sod installation on the green
 - Drainage work by interactive fountain



- Other
 - Adult Activity Center & Silos, awaiting third quote for painting
 - Storage shed removed at North Park



Community Services Report

Alpharetta Special Events

- Old Soldiers Day Parade recap



- Upcoming Partnered Events
 - Mayor's Corporate Challenge Run ... Aug 22
 - Grilling & Gridiron ... Sept 14
 - European Market ... Sept 21-22
 - Brew Moon ... Sept 28

Community Services Report

Alpharetta Community Agriculture

- Young Farmer Program at Cambridge High School
- Pending Farm Projects
 - Rainwater cistern
 - Perimeter fence
- Food Well Alliance update
- Farm Food Donation
 - North Fulton Community Charities
 - Donations via Growers Connection



- Agriculture Events
 - August Farm Work Days ... Aug 4, Aug 24
 - Great Pollinator Census ... Aug 24
 - Fall Gardening Class ... Aug 24
 - Final Plant/Seed Pick-up ... Aug 24



Wills Park Report

Equestrian Center (EC) – Covered Arena

- Railings replaced, painted; funded by Wills Park Equestrian Foundation
- LED lights on order, to replace dated fixtures; funded by local GHJA
- New PA sound system to be installed; funded by private donor



Wills Park – Field 1

- Back stop netting added along first/third baselines
- Provides trail users added layer of safety from foul balls
- Project funded by AYBA

Wills Park Report

Wills Park – Fitness Playground

- Fitness component installed at playground near recreation center
- Funded through Northside Hospital sponsorship
- Poured surface and surrounding border added to define space, provide easy access



Recreation Services Report

Programming Update

- Open Registration for Fall/Winter starts Aug 14
- Summer Camps ... 9 successful weeks!
 - Wills Park Day Camp ... 1,291
 - Camp Happy Hearts ... 220
 - Specialty Camps ... 877
 - Served total of 2,388 Summer Campers
- End of Summer Bash held July 31
 - Carnival theme event for Wills Park Day Camp, Camp Happy Hearts
 - Over 350 campers and families in attendance
- Aquatics
 - Pool Passes: 141 individual, 569 family, 2102 swiped entries
 - Daily Drop-in: 31,700 patrons to date
 - Total Visitors: 33,800 patrons to date
 - Pool open weekends through Labor Day



Recreation Services Report

North Fulton Special Needs Services & Expo ... July 27

- Highly successful event ... 41 vendors ... 250+ participants
- Substantial interest in participating, attending next year
- Task Force follow up meeting to be held in September

Upcoming Recreation Events & Highlights

- 21st Annual Touch-a-Truck ... Sat, Sept 14 ... North Point Mall
- Drool in the Pool ... Sun, Sept 29 ... Wills Park Pool
- School Year Programming
 - Expanded music programs
 - Youth Basketball Program and new Youth Basketball Academy, Headed up by Carla McGhee ... WNBA, Olympian
 - BRAVE ... Bee Radiant Active Vibrant Energetic ... adaptive gymnastics



Project Management Report

Park Enhancements

- Park Amenities
 - Park Swing in every major park ... six on order
 - Park Benches and Trashcans ... a consistent standard
- Park Facility Enhancements
 - North Park restroom floors to be resurfaced with SaniGlaze
 - Adult Activity Center exterior to be painted
 - Complete restroom/concession painting at Wills/North Parks
 - Ballfield fencing repairs, upgrades
 - Silo Park restoration



Park Repairs & Improvements

- Webb Bridge Park pedestrian bridge

Greenway Repairs

- Greenway bridge near Rock Mill Park ... focus of initiative

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Park Development

- Windward Soccer Park redevelopment
 - Moved from design to review phase for permitting
 - RFP being drafted for playground
 - Finalizing specification for site work, trail construction

Wayfinding & Sign Replacement

- Sign Replacement Phase I
 - Both entrances at North Park
 - Cogburn Road Park
 - North Point Park, Rock Mill Park (greenway)
- Phase II, Wills Park Wayfinding
 - Entrance signage
 - Traffic wayfinding
 - Trail wayfinding
- Preston Ridge Park
 - Final landscaping around sign

Playground Enhancements

- Wills Park Recreation Center playground ... design review phase
- Webb Zone playground ... adding musical component

