



Recreation Commission Meeting
November 12, 2019

Recreation Services Report



Active Adults

- Veterans Day BBQ
- North Park Pretenders Holiday Play
December 12 & 14 ... 2pm



Athletics

- Two staff attending National Alliance for Youth Sports Conference in Orlando
- Fall sports leagues wrapping up season
- Youth Basketball Program ... practices have begun; games begin first week in December



Programming

- Winter sessions begin November 18
- Upcoming Events:
 - Santa's Mailbox ... starts November 18
 - Pet Photos with Santa Claws ... December 7
 - Jolly Jingle Jam ... December 13 ... ages 2-5
 - Grinchmas Party ... December 14 ... ages 5-10



Recreation Services Report

Other News

- Georgia Recreation & Parks Association (GRPA):
 - Conference held November 4-7 in Dalton
 - Staff presented educational sessions >>
 - GRPA Leadership & Beyond graduates ... Cara Prell, Christine Young
 - Received Agency of the Year Award for population category



You're Invited!!

Department Holiday Luncheon

December 18 ... 11:30am ... Adult Activity Center



Wills Park Report

Wills Park

- Wacky World Playground:
 - Pressure washed, stained
 - Replacing swings, handles, hardware
 - Plan to reopen to public on Friday
- Park Benches:
 - Installed to encourage passive play in park
 - Three benches added at Wacky World
 - Three benches added along walking trail



Playground – Before



Playground – After



Passive Area – Before



Passive Area – After

Wills Park Report

Equestrian Center

- Hosting Georgia Hunter/Jumper Association Grand Finale ... November 13-17
- Will be 250+ horses to show, plus exhibitors from across the Southeast
- Competition for final year-end points for annual awards banquet
- Highlights the Equestrian Center as a regional destination
- GHJA event will have a Wills Park Vintage theme this year



Community Services Report

Alpharetta Special Events

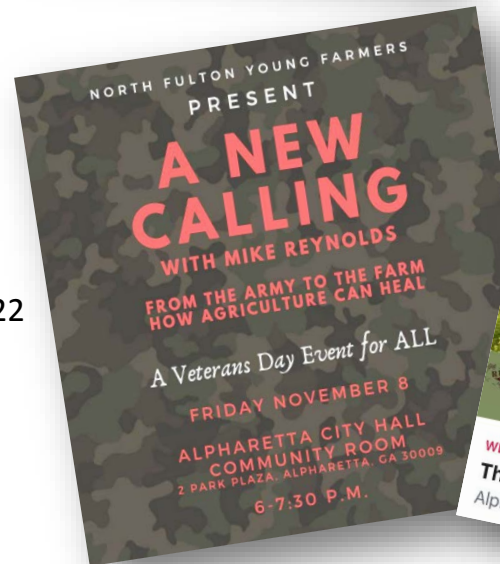
- Wire & Wood Songwriters Festival recap:
 - Great success ... 20K attendees
positive feedback, zero incidents
 - 2020 headliners booked
 - Righteous Guitar presented at council
- Season of Celebration:
 - December 6 from 6-9pm
 - Two new Nutcrackers
 - Falling snow
 - Local dance troupe performances
- Review of 2020 Events ... November 18



Community Services Report

Community Agriculture

- Food Well Alliance ... Love Local Dinner
- Fence is complete! Ribbon-cutting December 9
- Well water for irrigation coming soon...
- Water cisterns installed this month
- Cambridge High School Ag Business
- Young Farmers Program in North Fulton:
 - Veteran Farmers
 - Biggest Little Farm
- Two large volunteer groups ... November 20 & 22



Park Services Report

North Park

- Recent workday with North Fulton Rotary Club
- Transplanted ferns, added azaleas, defined drainage ditch around garden by reflection pond



Garden – Before

Garden – After



Adult Activity Center

- Will be removing storage shed, old deck
- Plan to rebuild a new deck with same footprint
- Shed will not be replaced



Park Services Report

Webb Bridge Park

- Working on three planting projects:
 - Pedestrian bridge near entrance
 - Parking lot median by lower soccer field
 - Parking lot by upper soccer field, which will also include drainage improvement



City Center

- Will be replacing roadway trees in the tree wells

Cultural Services Report

Cultural Happenings

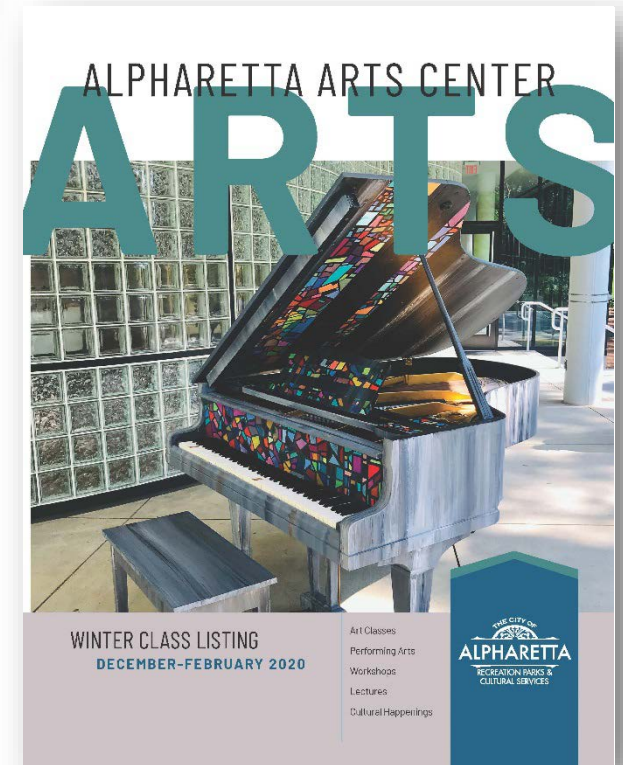
- October Highlights:
 - Arts Appreciation Open House
 - Evening Jazz Night
 - One Family, One Fulton
- November ... calendar handout for upcoming events

Arts Center

- New Winter Classes ... seasonal publication going to print
- 2020 Summer Art Camp ... update
- Open call for artists ... Holiday Market & Art Show ... December 6-8
- Cultural Services Art Grant ... in review process for seven applications
- Parking Update ... utilizing Alpharetta Elementary School parking lot twice weekly
- Arts Center ... exterior signage in the RFP process

History Update

- Wreaths Across America Program ... December 14 ... three cemeteries
- Historic Map Project ... partnering with Alpharetta/Old Milton County Historical Society, City departments of Information Technology and Community Development



Cultural Services Report

Special Needs

- Special Needs Grant ... award checks are being sent
- Adapted Yoga Class ... to be held in black box at Arts Center

Music / AMPS *(Alpharetta Music Project Strategy)*

- Music Match Program ... 2020 applications sent out
- Fulton County Contract for Services ... grant submitted for 2020 program
- Alpharetta CVB will fund Music Match Program for winter sessions
- Alpharetta Performance Venues Consulting ... reviewing existing resources/sites
 - Arts Center Black Box
 - Outdoor Classroom, Wills Park, near community center
 - Event Lawn, Wills Park, behind community center
 - Brooke Street Park
 - Union Hill Park
 - Equestrian Center, Wills Park

Public Art – Sculptures

- Omnium Gatherum Exhibit ... new sculptures being installed
- Alpharetta Business Association ... 25th Anniversary sculpture
- Sidewalk Quotes ... Inspiration on a Rainy Day
- GIS for Art & History Inventories ... inward/outward functions



Project Management Report

Park Development

- Windward Community Park redevelopment construction phase began October 16
- Mid-Broadwell Park ... working with Pond & Co. to finalize design and planning proposal



Wayfinding and Sign Replacement

- Sign Replacement:
 - Phase 1: Rock Mill Park, Northpoint Park signs installed
 - Phase 2: Trail route, wayfinding in Wills Park being finalized



Project Management Report

Old Rucker Farm Park

- Deer fence installation complete
- Entrance fencing installed along Broadwell Road



Wills Park Streambank Restoration

- Applied for Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program Grant to supplement cost to complete this project