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Members of City Council and the Historic Preservation Society with the city's second historic marker. From Left to right: Darrell Pruitt, Pastor Bobby McGraw, Council Member Brandon Hembree, Margaret Neal, Mayor Steve Edwards, Council Member Curtis Northrup, Council Member Taylor Anderson, Chris Walker (and daughter Ana), Ryckie Fernandez (and son Landon), Joann Burrell, and Ed Lanfear



Maron Buice places a flag at the grave of his late wife. Buice is a former County Commissioner and a Veteran. Mr. Buice has lived in the city since 1932.

Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society

The Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society unveiled a new historic marker honoring the Historic Sugar Hill Cemetery. The cemetery, which was affiliated with the city's first Baptist church, predates Sugar Hill's incorporation in 1939. The City of Sugar Hill recently acquired the cemetery and is working to map out graves and restore headstones at the site.

The unveiling ceremony took place on May 28, 2018 and was preceded by a Memorial Day ceremony at the Veterans Memorial in Downtown Sugar Hill. The Suwanee Creek Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution placed wreaths at the memorial in honor of fallen soldiers. Immediately after, attendees placed flags on the graves of Veterans buried in the cemetery. The event ended with a thank you from Mayor Steve Edwards, the marker unveiling and photographs with members of the community, some of whom have lived in the city since 1932.

Associate Pastor of Sugar Hill Church, Bobby McGraw, spoke to the attendees about the connection between the city and the church, "We're honored that the city loves the history of the cemetery. What's very cool is that there is 132 years of connection between the church and the cemetery. And so to think back 132 years to some of the founders that are buried in the cemetery and their lineage that is still part of Sugar Hill Church today. I have no way of knowing if 132 years ago they would have ever imagined what Sugar Hill has become, but what I do know is that they were people that respected the past and had a vision for the future."

This historic marker is the second that the city has placed. The first was dedicated at what is thought to be the oldest home in

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Sugar Hill, on Level Creek Road. The city has plans to place more markers throughout the city. As Sugar Hill continues to grow, the ties to history remain strong.

The Eagle Theatre's art deco architecture is a nod to the city's beginnings, traces of the city's gold mining history can be found throughout the city, and the Historic Preservation Society maintains a Sugar Hill History museum inside City Hall.

To find out where the next historical marker will be placed, visit a Historic Preservation Society meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM inside City Hall.

E Center Update

Construction of the E Center in downtown Sugar Hill is nearing completion. Keep an eye on the next newsletter for more information about grand opening activities and new businesses coming to Sugar Hill.



Image from May 30, 2018

Sugar Hill Youth Council

Congratulations to the Sugar Hill Youth Council's recent graduates. The Sugar Hill Youth Council is a group of 8 students from the city appointed by City Council. The group's purpose is to acquire a greater knowledge of, and appreciation for, the American political system through active participation in local government. The students assist City Council in solving problems and accomplishing goals of the city by facilitating open dialogue with the youth of the city. For more information about the Youth Council, or to find out how your high school student can get involved, contact City Hall at (770)945-6716.



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Youth Mayor
Lanier High School
Georgia State University



Ethan Shaw
Youth Secretary
Lanier High School
North Carolina State University



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Youth Mayor Pro Tem
Lanier High School
Kennesaw State University

Sparks in the Park

The City of Sugar Hill hosts the largest fireworks display in Gwinnett County celebrating Independence Day. The event, which is held annually on July 3rd, typically brings over 10,000 people to E.E. Robinson Park for a fun-filled night of music, food trucks and fireworks.

The event features live music beginning at 6 PM. The Joe & Joe Show will be opening up for The Mike Veal Band. Food trucks will be available, but coolers are also allowed. A shuttle service will begin at 5 PM at Sugar Hill Church and run until the end of the night. The fireworks begin just after dark. Please leave pets at home as fireworks can be frightening for animals.

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Call for Artists

The City of Sugar Hill Arts Commission is seeking applicants for their annual Sugar Rush juried exhibition. There is no cost to submit artwork for review. The application deadline is July 10, 2018 and artists will be notified of selections by August 15, 2018. Artwork should be available for display the week of October 8, 2018. Cash prizes include \$1000 for Best in Show, \$500 for second place, \$250 for third place and \$100 for People's Choice. Visit www.sugarhillarts.com/events-projects to access the application.

Downtown Master Plan

The City of Sugar Hill would like to thank those that participated in the 2018 Downtown Master Plan Update. The city's Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) plan is critical to advancing our vision toward a vibrant walkable community in Downtown Sugar Hill. This plan allows city leaders to make informed planning decisions focusing on the expansion of the downtown core, housing needs, pedestrian and bike mobility strategies, and land use policies. For the finalized LCI plan, visit www.cityofsugarhill.com/2018lciplan/

The Splash Park @ Sugar Hill

The Splash Park @ Sugar Hill is open for the season! The Splash Park is subject to closing due to inclement weather, which includes rain. To view Splash Park closures, visit www.cityofsugarhill.com/splash-park/

Hours:

June – August: 10:00 AM – Dusk

September – October: 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Sweet Merchandise

Do you love living in Sugar Hill? If so, you'll love the sweet items we have for sale at the Customer Service desk in City Hall. Visit City Hall during normal operating hours to purchase your favorites!

Mosquito Spraying

2ND ROUND

North of Hwy. 20 the week of July 17th

South of Hwy. 20 the week of July 24th

Concerts at the Bowl

There is still time to get tickets to your favorite concerts this summer. Visit TheBowlAtSugarHill.com today to get your tickets to Vertical Horizon and Fastball, The Spinners, Michael Bolton or Don Felder at The Bowl @ Sugar Hill.

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Sugar Hill Business Alliance Golf Tournament

AUGUST 24, 2018

9:00 A.M.

SUGAR HILL GOLF CLUB

For registration and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.sugarhillbusinessalliance.com



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The Spinners Join the 2018 Lineup at The Bowl

Most often thought of as a Motown recording act, the classic group sound of legendary R&B recording artists, The Spinners, has never lost its universal appeal. Throughout the years they have sold millions of records and topped both the Pop and R&B charts with smash hits like "I'll Be Around" and "Then Came You". Today, original member Henry Fambrough is joined onstage by lead singer Charlton Washington, high tenor Marvin Taylor, tenor Ronnie Moss, and bass singer Jessie Peck' a soul-infused 5-piece band, led by Keith Furguson, backs them up.

The Spinners have six Grammy nominations and have performed twice during the awards ceremony. Inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame in 1999, they have also been awarded the Rhythm and Blues Foundation Awards for their contribution to the genre. The group has performed for presidents, received a star on the Hollywood "Walk of Fame", and has appeared in numerous network and cable specials paying tribute to the 70s's. Today, this legendary R&B group maintains an active touring schedule, performing for fans of all ages in sold out houses around the world.



Music, food trucks, and fun at the Splash Park!

"Make a Splash!" in your community and help us support various organizations throughout the summer! Check out www.cityofsugarhill.com to see who we are supporting this month! You can bring your donations throughout the month to City Hall or to the event night.

June 29, July 27, August 31

6 PM - 8 PM



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JULY

July 2	7:00 PM	Council Work Session
July 3	6:30 PM	Sparks in the Park
July 4	City Hall Closed	Independence Day
July 9	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
July 12	5:30 PM	Business Alliance Meeting
July 14	8:00 PM	Vertical Horizon @ The Bowl
July 16	7:00 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
July 17	6:00 PM	Arts Commission Meeting
July 18	7:00 PM	Historic Preservation Society
July 27	5:30 PM	Splash Night
July 31	6:30 PM	Downtown Development Authority

*Wednesdays 12:00 PM Toastmasters

AUGUST

Aug 4	8:00 PM	The Spinners @ The Bowl
Aug 6	7:00 PM	Council Work Session
Aug 9	5:30 PM	Business Alliance Meeting
Aug 11	5:00 PM	Best of Georgia Beer Fest
Aug 13	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
Aug 15	7:00 PM	Historic Preservation Society
Aug 20	7:00 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
Aug 21	6:00 PM	Arts Commission Meeting
Aug 24	8:30 AM	SHBA Golf Tournament
Aug 25	8:00 PM	Michael Bolton @ The Bowl
Aug 28	6:30 PM	Downtown Development Authority
Aug 31	6:00 PM	Splash Night

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