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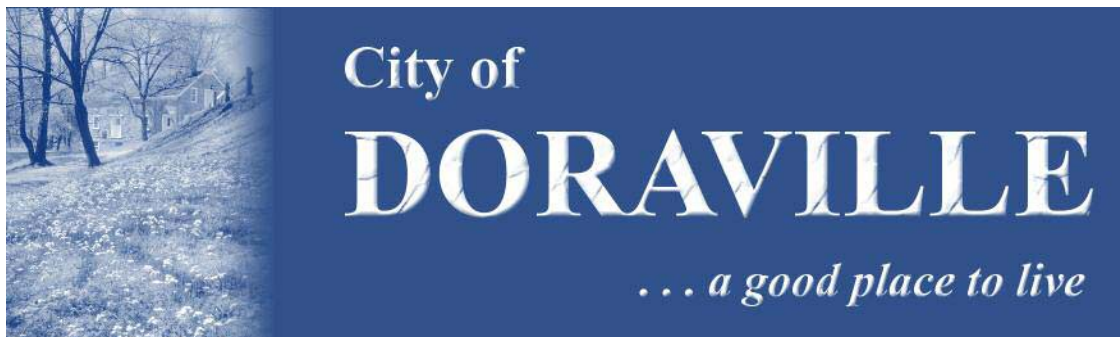
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## Mayor's Report . . .

We hope that by the time you receive this newsletter we will have had a successful work session with the businesses of Doraville.

We are working on a number of our parks such as English Oak Park, which should be well underway at this time. Halpern Park and Autumn Park are also being studied.

The Doraville Pool is being cleaned and will be ready to open. Contact Carol Stephens with any questions concerning the pool or Honeysuckle Park.

On May 28th, all City Offices and the Library will be closed to commemorate Memorial Day. Originally called Decoration Day, Memorial Day is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. Let's not forget the sacrifices of our troops and their families.

Respectfully,

*Ray Jenkins*

Mayor

## LIBRARY NEWS

On April 4th, Doraville Library was hopping with activity. Twenty-eight children came for the Easter Bunny Bash and enjoyed stories, games, treats and an Easter Egg Hunt.

The following week, Bingo the Clown entertained the children at the Wednesday morning Storytime. He demonstrated how people transform into clowns and then amused the children and parents with humor, magic, songs and games.



The Library has many new travel guides to destinations all over the U.S. and the world. Be sure to check them out to help you plan your vacations this summer. Remember, any resident of DeKalb County can register for a free library card and use all the resources available within the Library as well as on the Library's website.



## THE CHIEF'S CORNER

Hello everyone. I hope everyone is having a good spring, and that you are getting ready for the summer. I'm not sure with the recent weather that summer is on the way. It sure doesn't feel like it.

I would like to let everyone know that Chief King is currently attending the F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. This is a great opportunity for Chief King to attend the most prestigious law enforcement academy available to local and state law enforcement, and it's one that is well deserved. During his time at the National Academy, Chief King will have a rigorous academic schedule focusing on such topics as management, liability issues, training and leadership. The knowledge that Chief King will receive is second to none and from some of the best instructors the F.B.I. has to offer. Aside from an intense academic curriculum, Chief King will also participate in strenuous physical training. Each week, he and the rest of his academy class will participate in Challenge Runs. These runs are in addition to his normal schedule of physical training and progressively increase in difficulty, culminating with the Yellow Brick Road, a 6.5 mile run through the Marine Corp obstacle course. We know Chief King will do well at this academically and physically demanding academy.

We are continuing to move forward with the Citizen's Police Academy. The Special Operations Division has done an excellent job organizing this academy, and we hope the participants are receiving a lot of good knowledge. In addition, the hiring process for the Code Enforcement/Quality of Life positions is moving forward. We have received a lot of good applications and should be scheduling interviews in the near future.

As always, should you need the Chief's office, please don't hesitate to give us a call.

Respectfully,

Capt. C. D. Atkinson

Doraville Police Department

## DORAVILLE SENIORS BIRTHDAY CLUB

If your birthday is in May, the Doraville Seniors Birthday Club would like to help you celebrate your birthday with a potluck luncheon at the Doraville Civic Center on May 16th, at 11:30am. All seniors are invited. After lunch, any senior who would care to stay is invited to play Bingo. There are also other games available.

The 55 Alive Driving Class is scheduled for 9:00am on May 21-22. The classes will be held at the Civic Center.

Anyone having questions about the Doraville Seniors Birthday Club and their activities, please feel free to call Jackie Beyer at 770-457-9744.

## ANIMAL CONTROL

### Squirrels

I guess you could call them "Rats with Tails." They look like rats and chew almost anything just like rats. If you have a squirrel infestation in your yard, more than likely there is a food source that is desirable and easily accessible to the squirrel. Acorns and even pine cones will be eaten by squirrels. Eliminating the food source is the most important step in the removal of these creatures. Let me reiterate, REMOVAL OF THE FOOD SOURCE will alleviate the overabundance of squirrels.

The saying, "When you get rid of one, there are three to take its place," holds to be quite true. This is nature at its best, working to repopulate the species. It is not a failure of man or even Animal Control. All we can do is attempt to prevent home infestation and overpopulation and use appropriate actions to capture or kill these "Rats with Tails" as humanely as possible.



In the past, it was thought that carrying squirrels out to another forested area a few miles away would solve the problem. This is called relocation, and it does NOT work. Number one: The squirrels return. Number two: You give your problem to someone else. That is definitely not the way this officer feels we should correct the problem.

When squirrels gain access to a home, they will chew cardboard boxes as well as just about anything that is kept in an attic. It is also true that the squirrel will gnaw electrical wires just as the roof rat will. This is a very dangerous problem and another reason to keep these animals as far from the home as possible. To prevent infestation, any tree branches that are close to the home should be cut off to deny access to the roof. This action also keeps other nocturnal animals such as raccoon, opossum, and even the roof rat from gaining access to the home. In addition, playing a radio tuned to rock and roll or a talk station during the day will discourage them from making your attic their home. In the case of an infestation, repairs to the home can and should be undertaken when the squirrel leaves during the day to hunt for food. Victor Rat Traps baited with peanut butter are also a very good end-of-the-line approach to ridding the attic of squirrels, and even rats, one by one.

As I have stated before, capturing to release elsewhere is really a bad idea. The squirrel or rat problem will only get worse until action is taken. That leaves us one alternative: Remove access to the home. Bait and trap any rodent that finds its way to the attic. I recommend using the Victor Rat Trap. Then find the place that is being used to gain entry and have it repaired.

Doraville Denny

# RECREATION DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Classes

Low Impact Aerobics	Tuesdays & Fridays	8:30am-9:30am
Gymnastics	Friday	3:30pm-4:30pm
Ballet & Tap	Friday	4:30pm-5:30pm
G&H Visual and Performing Arts	Day & Evening Classes	Call (404) 468-6974

### Doraville Swimming Pool

**Opens May 28th**

**Memorial Day!**



Admission:	\$2.00 Ages 3-12 yrs • \$3.00 Ages 13 & up		
Pool Passes:	Resident	Family	\$50.00 (5 Members)
	Non-Resident	Family	\$65.00 (5 Members)
	Resident	Individual	\$30.00
	Non-Resident	Individual	\$40.00

***New Senior Swim on Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 am to 12:30 pm***

Swimming Lessons	\$50 for 2 weeks	<b>Sign up on Opening Day</b>	
Session I	June 12th – June 22nd	11:00am - 12:00 noon	Ages 5–12 yrs.
Session II	July 10th – July 20th	11:00am - 12:00 noon	Ages 5-12 yrs.

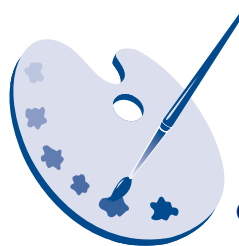
Pool is located behind the Doraville Police Department.  
 Entrance to pool is by the Clinic Care on New Peachtree Road.  
 Having trouble finding the Pool? Call for directions at (770) 458-4186.

### Registrations accepted in May

#### Summer Camp

June 4th through June 29th  
 July 9th through August 3rd  
 Ages 5 to 12 yrs. \$70 per week

Extra charge for early drop off and late pick up.  
 Swimming, field trips and special events.  
 For more information call (770) 936-3850.



#### Summer Art Camp

June 4th through June 29th  
 July 9th through August 3rd  
 Ages 14 & up

Call for more information (404) 453-2653.

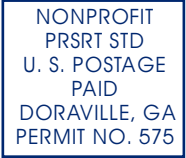
On May 1st, Healthy Hearts (Low Impact Aerobics Class) will be attending the 21st Annual Mayor's Walk at Grant Park in Atlanta.

Walkers 50 years of age and older will be participating.

This is the Healthy Hearts 21st year participating in the event.

We are always supporting fitness for our seniors.





**IMPORTANT DATES**

May 1	Citizens' Police Academy • 6:30-9:30 pm	Police Dept.
7	Council Work Session • 6:00 pm	City Hall
	<b>City Council Meeting • 7:00 pm</b>	City Hall
8	Highway Watch Training • 9:00 am	Library
	Citizens' Police Academy • 6:30 pm	Police Dept.
	<b>CPA Graduation Ceremony • 7:30 pm</b>	City Hall
12	FDL Executive Officers Meeting • 1:00 pm	Library
	<b>Friends of Doraville Library • 2:00 pm</b>	Library
14	Northwoods Neighborhood Assn. • 7:00 pm	Civic Center
	<b>Planning Commission • 7:00 pm</b>	City Hall
16	Seniors' Birthday Luncheon • 11:30 am	Civic Center
	Oakcliff Neighborhood Assn. • 7:00 pm	Civic Center
21	<b>55 Alive Driving Class • 9:00 am</b>	Civic Center
	Council Work Session • 6:00 pm	City Hall
	<b>City Council Meeting • 7:00 pm</b>	City Hall
22	<b>55 Alive Driving Class • 9:00 am</b>	Civic Center
28	<b>Memorial Day</b>	
	<b>Library and All City Offices Closed</b>	

**ON-GOING PROGRAMS**

***Monday***

English Conversation Class • 6-7:30 pm      Library

***Wednesday***

Little Book's Storytime • 10:30 am      Library

***Tuesday & Friday***

Low Impact Aerobics • 8:30-9:30 am      Arena

***Friday***

Gymnastics • 3:30- 4:30 pm      Arena

Ballet & Tap • 4:30-5:30 pm      Arena