



WHAT WOULD DUNWOODY BE WITHOUT THE DUNWOODY FARMHOUSE?



Dear Friends and Supporters,

Imagine a parking lot where our beloved Cheek-Spruill Farmhouse now stands. Unthinkable! But in 1994, it was slated to be torn down to make way for a parking lot. We formed the Dunwoody Preservation Trust (DPT) and bought and rehabilitated it for current use.

Now known as “the Dunwoody Farmhouse,” it's not only our community's central gathering place, which we light and decorate for the holidays, but also its unofficial symbol.

The Dunwoody Farmhouse was just the beginning.

Since then, we have:

- With help from the City of Dunwoody, saved the Donaldson-Bannister Farm and manage it as a public park and a special events venue that in 2019 hosted 56 events, both private and public.
- Added a variety of educational opportunities at the Donaldson-Bannister Farm - including school and Scout tours, twice-a-week yoga and History Alive, which educates an average of 25 adults every other month.
- Three years ago, started Camp Flashback, Dunwoody's only history camp for kids. This summer, when most other camps delayed opening or didn't open at all, we held Camp Flashback for 125 campers over 5 weeks - with zero reports of virus from anyone.
- Rehabilitated and manage two historic cemeteries, the final resting place of some of Dunwoody's founding families.



But what if there had been no DPT back in 1994?

There would probably be a parking lot where the Dunwoody Farmhouse now stands, and there would probably be a subdivision at the site of the Donaldson-Bannister Farm.

What about now?

We are truly grateful for the financial support from the City of Dunwoody for the maintenance of the Donaldson-Bannister House, but we have to earn the funds to pay for everything else we do. Until now, we've paid our way with the profits from our Lemonade Days Festival. Last year, an estimated 85,000 people attended. But this year, COVID-19 forced us to cancel Lemonade Days!



How do we carry on without our #1 source of funding?

Like every other non-profit, we've applied for numerous grants and received a few small ones. But how do we compete with food banks and other life-sustaining groups for limited funding?

It all comes down to you.

Canceling Lemonade Days cost us a crucial \$75,000 that we absolutely depended on. We have no choice but to ask *you* - our loyal members, sponsors and other supporters - to help us replace at least some of it. Please consider an immediate donation today.

Two easy ways to give.

- Go [here](#).
- Mail your check to the Dunwoody Preservation Trust, PO Box 888658, Dunwoody, GA 30356.

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If you're happy to see a historic farmhouse rather than another parking lot in the heart of Dunwoody, please contribute today. Even the smallest amount can make a difference.

Most gratefully and sincerely yours,

MJ Thomas, President
The Dunwoody Preservation Trust

P.S.

We're working on a big surprise for you. Please watch your inbox next week for the news!



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