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Douglasville, GA – Celebrate Your America with Douglasville!

The City of Douglasville is gearing up for the Annual Fourth of July Parade. To promote American and community pride local businesses, schools, organizations, and citizens are invited to come out and participate in the parade and Float Competition. This will be a friendly competition and a great way to promote our communities patriotic spirit. Gather up a team and help show the community that you, your school, business, or organization is a pillar of the community.

Who will have the best float? This year's parade theme is *Celebrate Your America!* All floats should illustrate how *you* celebrate America. The winners will be announced at Hunter Park around 1:30 p.m. Judging is based on four categories including: originality, presentation, design, and theme interpretation with theme interpretation having the most weight. The parade begins downtown at 10:00 a.m. on Church Street and continues to Hunter Park. To register for the Douglasville Fourth of July Parade or to participate in the Float Competition, please contact Alice Stephens at 678-715-2039 or stephensa@ci.douglasville.ga.us.

Promptly following the parade, the 12th Annual Fourth of July Independence Day Festival begins at Hunter Park. The S.H.A.R.E. HOUSE invites you to bring out the entire family and enjoy the food, fun, and entertainment with the Douglasville Idol Competition, children rides and games, face painting, indoor market, barbecue, hotdogs and other tasty treats. There will also be a raffle drawing with the winner announced that afternoon. All raffle, event, food, and activity tickets are available by calling 770-949-0626 or tickets may be purchased the day of the festival at the Main Ticket Tent in the park. All proceeds help benefit the S.H.A.R.E. HOUSE. For more information on the Fourth of July Independence Day Festival and Douglasville Idol Competition please contact the S.H.A.R.E HOUSE at 770-949-0626 or visit www.sharehousedouglas.org.

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The Georgia General Assembly established the Town of Douglasville on February 25, 1875. As a "New South" postbellum railroad town, Douglasville developed into a dominant commercial district and transformed from the little farming village of Skint Chestnut into a thriving town. Today, Douglasville boasts historic and natural attractions, shopping and culture, and casual and formal dining options, which are all the ingredients for a perfect weekend getaway. For more details, contact the Douglasville Convention & Visitors Bureau by calling toll-free (800) 661-0013 or by visiting www.visitdouglasville.com.

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