



RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS

Duluth Korean spot fails again with multiple violations

It's eatery's second failing score in past 12 months.

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For the AJC

During a recent routine health inspection, Jang Choong Dong, a Korean restaurant in Duluth, had multiple food safety violations, including food temperatures and products held past their discard dates that resulted in a failed inspection.

It was the restaurant's second failing score within the past 12 months. The facility will be re-inspected.

A container of napa kimchi was past the seven-day discard date, as were several packages of tofu. The food was discarded.

Cooked pork was cooling at room temperature but had not reached a safe temperature within the two-hour time limit. Cooked vegetable and pork broths also were below safe temperatures and were reheated.

Among other violations, the ice machine had a mold-like substance. In addition, the dish sink had too many dishes and too little sanitizer. The sanitizer bucket also had a low concentration of chlorine.

Fruit flies and black flies were in the back storage area, along with an accumulation of newspaper, cardboard and empty grocery bags.

JANG CHOONG DONG

3455 Peachtree Industrial Blvd.,
Duluth. Score: 58/U.

ACROSS METRO ATLANTA

Here are other recent inspection scores for area restaurants.

Cobb County

- Burger King, 1201 Cobb Parkway, Marietta. 87/B
- Dough In The Box, 3184 Austell Road, Marietta. 99/A
- El Borrego De Oro, 724 Roswell St., Marietta. 96/A
- Waffle House, 1398 Austell Road, Marietta. 87/B
- Wei Sichuan Chinese Cuisine, 35 S. Marietta Parkway, Marietta. 83/B

Fulton County

- Atlanta Fish Market, 265 Pharr Road, Atlanta. 96/A
- Basil's Mediterranean Café, 2985 Grandview Ave., Atlanta. 77/C
- Carroll Street Café, 208 Carroll St., Atlanta. 100/A
- Monterrey Mexican Restaurant, 2300 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell. 96/A
- Thumbs Up Diner, 573 Edgewood Ave., Atlanta. 95/A

Gwinnett County

- Burger King, 3141 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road, Suwanee. 78/C
- IHOP, 4205 Highway 78, Lilburn. 80/B
- Jet's Pizza, 2695 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville. 100/A
- Planet Smoothie, 911 Duluth Highway, Lawrenceville. 84/B
- Subway, 2133 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road, Suwanee. 96/A

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MORE DETAILS

Information about restaurants is taken from public records and reflects scores from the latest Health Department inspections.

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OPINION



LaDerihanna Holmes, 9, was injured when a car crashed into her home on Cherokee Valley Circle in the Redan area in March 2019. She was outside playing when the car hit her and then the house. She was hospitalized in critical condition with a skull fracture, broken pelvic bone and other internal injuries, her family said. Her family released the video footage of the scene.

Reckless driving leads to a scary question

Do people need to assume mundane activities could be deadly?



Doug Turnbull
Gridlock Guy

The horrifying and gut-wrenching tragedy at Robb Elementary in Uvalde, Texas, has inflamed passions and drawn grief. This, along with the recurring series of other mass shootings that tore through calm scenes of everyday life, bring about many questions of motive and policy.

But the most basic and haunting question is this: Are people in normally non-violent settings – especially innocent children and faculty in schools – supposed to just assume the slight risk that they might get shot?

Comparing deadly crashes to the horror of Uvalde or Sandy Hook might seem impossible because the average wreck has far less carnage. But adding up the number of deaths in cars – deaths during a normal, everyday activity like commuting – conjures up the same ghastly question. Should people in cars or on foot or cycles near them just assume those activities are potentially deadly?

That is a low bar. And if people assume this, many certainly do not drive like it.

Given the gross inattentiveness that so many pay to how they drive, even people outside of the commuting structure also need to take note.

Metro Atlantans had grim reminders of this last week. Are people even safe in their yards anymore?

Paul Nix, 68, rode his mower on a muggy June 8 afternoon in Cumming, when Forsyth County deputies

GRIDLOCK UPDATES

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say 22 year-old driver Kenneth Johnson lost control in a curve and hit and killed Nix. Nix was not playing in the street or waiting by his stalled car on the shoulder. He was cutting his front yard on Hopewell Road and died.

Police shut the road for more than two hours to investigate the incident. They allege Johnson, who failed a field sobriety test, was under the influence and texting behind the wheel. They are charging him with, among other things, first-degree vehicular homicide.

Imagine if Johnson had handled driving with the idea that his decisions could end a life and ruin his own. Might the decisions he made have been different? Likely.

Around 7 p.m. last Tuesday, two Atlanta officers collided while trying to converge on a robbery and shooting suspect. One of the officers reportedly ran a stop sign as they traveled quickly on Sims Street, through a Southwest Atlanta neighborhood. One squad car flipped and landed in a yard.

Milan Johnson had just brought her kids inside from the yard. She said they were seconds from being hit by that police car.

Video from Johnson's home security camera shows the APD cars colliding at an intersection that had a stop sign. The car that flipped slid into her front yard, knocking down that stop sign and a mailbox, and across the small walkway that goes right up to

the front door Johnson and the kids had just entered.

APD is investigating, Channel 2 Action News reports, and has not released the names of the pursuing officers or whether the robbery suspect had been caught.

Police go through extensive vehicular training – I have seen it first hand – and have to make split-second decisions in the heat of crime-fighting moments. But what if the Johnson family had been hit? Would the injuries or deaths have been worth catching the suspect?

These incidents are very different, but they raise the same questions. Should people now wonder if they are safe in their front yards? Should they assume that working or playing outside has more risk? Should yard services get hazard pay?

Getting children to leave the screens and play outside is hard enough.

The government is not going to ban cars. But law enforcement can do more to enforce reckless driving, speeding, and distracted-driving and drunk-driving laws. Officers also should drive judiciously in neighborhoods, where things can go wrong far quicker than on freeways.

But the biggest agents of change are we citizens. If driving is, indeed, more risky these days, then we need to be introspective of our own behavior. Speeding, swerving, and texting are all contagious – and deadly. Maybe we should take a few extra minutes or seconds to consider our decisions and stop the spread.

Children playing and seniors mowing never should have to assume their activities out of the roadway put them in danger from cars, just as students or shoppers should not have to shudder about mass shootings. But until we change our actions as citizens and bolster our laws and enforcement, all will have to assume those risks.

SOUTHSIDE

\$9.6 million in funding to improve main Clayton transit site



Clayton County will get Atlanta Regional Commission funding to help pay for improvements to its Jonesboro transit center. FILE

Allocation stems from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

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Clayton County will soon get funding to help upgrade its main transit center in Jonesboro, including covered waiting areas and restrooms.

The Atlanta Regional Commission said Wednesday it is granting Clayton County \$9.6 million for the improvements. The invest-

ment is part of the region's Transportation Improvement Program, a federal and state funding source for transportation projects.

The TIP allocates \$45 million in funding from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, ARC said.

Other communities receiving funding include Cobb County, which will receive \$11.5 million for its CobbLinc transit system, \$640,000 for road expansion and intersection improvements on Ga. 92 in Henry County and on South Fulton's South Fulton Parkway.