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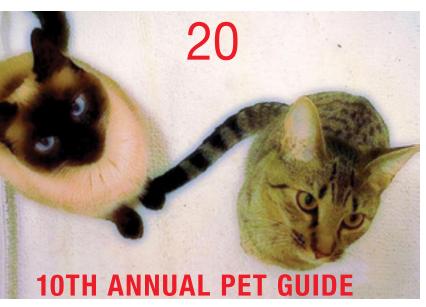
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PUBLISHER'S NOTE



Much has been written about the first

Thanksgiving regarding the brave band of
people who landed in Plymouth to start a new,
better world for themselves, their families and for
future generations. Well, this month, like every
edition, the EAST COBBER features a brave
band of people (a/k/a pilgrims) who landed in
East Cobb and who are making a better life for
others right here, right now. In this edition, you
can read about the East Cobb natives that are

creating travel programs to help heroin addicts (page 8), leaders from different faiths coming together for a special ecumenical celebration (page 46), and P.K. Beville who created a nonprofit to celebrate senior citizens (page 62) — to name just a few East Cobb "pilgrims." All of the East Cobbers spotlighted in this issue are modern-day pilgrims. Many, if not most have been transplanted to the area and are determined to help build a better world right here in East Cobb. Sharing their stories is my way to give thanks for their earnest efforts to better our East Cobb community.

I hope you will consider the EAST COBBER your Thanksgiving table. This publication unearths the riches of East Cobb County and shares the harvest of stories with you. Every month we hope you'll sit down with an EAST COBBER and feast on the information and ideas contained in this publication, take time to appreciate the many blessings bestowed on East Cobb and share your good times with your neighbors, family, and friends. Remember, you are always welcome to "break bread" with us year-round.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Cynthia M. Rozzo

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P.S. SIT! STAY! Go to pages 20 – 29 to read up on the latest local info for pet lovers and be sure to enjoy the photos of our readers' pets.

On the Cover

This month's front cover features Daniel Wu. the new owner of New Lucky China, surrounded by family and the restaurant staff. New Lucky China is celebrating 15 years of great Chinese food and good times. At its new location on Gordy Parkway and new owner (Daniel Wu also owns the successful Fuji Hana), New Lucky China is sure to become THE destination for family celebrations and special moments in northeast Cobb.

Like its sister restaurant,
New Lucky China offers
an extensive menu of
sushi, and Chinese entrees
for dine-in, take-out and
catering.

New Lucky China is located at 3045 Gordy Parkway in Marietta/East Cobb.

For more information, you can read their story on page 6 or visit www. newluckychina.com.

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For more than 15 years, East Cobbers have stopped by New Lucky China for their favorite Chinese cuisine. Many will remember the small traditional restaurant that was originally located in the Sandy Plains Centre Shopping Center at the intersection of Sandy Plains and Shallowford Roads. From those humble beginnings in the late 1990s, New Lucky China is no longer just a place to stop by for take out or a quick meal. It's now a destination for an evening out. A large spacious restaurant with beautiful contemporary décor, New Lucky China continues to offer the tried and true Chinese dishes, with a newly added sushi menu, at its current home on 3045 Gordy Parkway.

There are also new faces at New Lucky China. Owner Daniel Wu purchased the restaurant from the Hoang family in February 2016. He enlisted Yan Li, a family member who brought experience in the Chinese food industry, to partner with him as the restaurant manager. Wu also recruited his sushi chefs from another East Cobb restaurant, Fuji Hana, where Wu is the manager. The sushi chefs now divide their time between the two restaurants.

"Our sushi menu was so successful at Fuji Hana that I decided to offer sushi at New Lucky China," explains Wu. "The added sushi bar has been well received. Plans for the future include adding Thai food to the menu."

The New Lucky China chef and many staff members remained with the new management, continuing to offer customers their favorite Chinese dishes as well top-notch service with which they had become accustomed. According to Wu, sesame chicken and Mongolian beef are still high on the list of favorite menu items. An extensive offering of both beer and wine is available. Convenient dining hours also stay the same. New Lucky China is open seven days a week. The restaurant serves lunch daily from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. For dinner, the hours are 3:00-10:30 p.m. from Sunday-Thursday and 3:00-11:00 p.m. on Friday-Saturday.

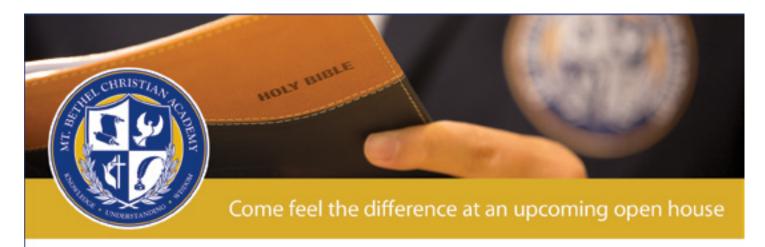
As the new restaurant manager, Li says she appreciates how New Lucky China customers have remained loyal with the change in management. "We have a lot of customer support," she says. "But we are not resting on what was done before we got here. We are always looking to make improvements to the restaurant for our customers. All comments are welcome."

Of course, take out is always available at New Lucky China. But if you haven't dined at the new location on Gordy Parkway, you should give it a try in the near future. As Wu puts it, "The restaurant gives an upscale vibe to the East Cobb dining scene."

For more information on New Lucky China or if you need take out, call 770-565-9666. For a complete menu and other information, visit www.newluckychina.com.

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EAST COBBERS LEAD VOLUNTOURISM PROGRAM TO HELP HEROIN ADDICTS

eroin is one of the most addictive drugs on the planet and heroin addiction in the Atlanta area is skyrocketing at an epidemic level. In 2015 there were over 200 deaths due to overdose in the metropolitan Atlanta area, more than 300 across the state. Heroin and other opiates are readily available and the number of young people experimenting with the drug, becoming immediately addicted, is at a horrific rate of growth. Relapse in recovery is all too common: on average 90% of users will relapse within the first three months of their recovery.

"Hope is the New Dope" is an initiative to provide those recovering from addiction to stay on the road to recovery through valuable community service. As a part of the "Power of Peace Project", developed by East Cobb native and a Walton graduate, Kit Cummings, young people struggling with addiction or mourning the loss of a loved one due to overdose have the opportunity to enrich their lives and harness the confidence in themselves to stay sober by helping those also in desperate need.

Cummings has extensive experience working with at-risk youth, globally, nationwide and in his native Georgia. He has worked with the Georgia Drug Courts, University of Georgia, Kennesaw State University, Atlanta Public Schools, Oprah's Atlanta Belief Team, Atlanta Crime & Safety Task Force.

Over the Thanksgiving holiday 25 young adults, families impacted by addiction and other travelers will be a part of the Guatemala Bottle School Project, building a school for the most impoverished children in South America. The innovative schools are built with "eco-bricks" created through recycled plastic bottles. "Hope is the New Dope" is the opportunity for recovering addicts to give back to children in dire need, and experience the "natural high" of selfless volunteerism. They will dedicate the school in memory of those who have lost their lives because of heroin overdose. It is a collaborative effort between the WorldVentures Foundation, Hope is the New Dope Tour with the Power of Peace Project and Hug It Forward.

This "Voluntourism" effort is led by another East Cobb native and Lassiter graduate Nadine Psareas,







Nadine Psareas

who is no stranger to the heartache of heroin addiction. Her 23-year old son Nick is a recovering addict and she understands the probability of relapse all too well. As the marketing director for WorldVentures, she saw the potential to aid young addicts through travel and meaningful, hands-on volunteer labor to build an entire school. Psareas is leading the effort to raise the funds needed to make the trip possible. The estimated comprehensive cost is \$50,000. The WorldVentures Foundation has secured nearly \$20,000 and generous individuals have contributed another \$15,000, primarily through the GoFundMe website. The leadership at GoFundMe was so impressed with the creativity of melding volunteerism, new approaches to maintain recovery to addiction and humanitarian aid to the children of Guatemala that they donated another \$1,000. Importantly, the young adults struggling with addiction are required to raise funds to sponsor their trip.

"We are reaching out to everyone in the community who has experienced the trauma of a child with addiction to help make this trip happen," states Psareas. "This can change a young person's life. It can save it."

Those wanting more information on supporting or participating in the program can learn more at www.powerofpeaceproject.com and www.hopeisthenewdope.club.



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PTA CELEBRATES DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

By Carmen Melendez, Chair, Diversity and Inclusion, East Cobb County Council of PTAs

TA, as a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote the well-being of all students, has historically cared about and devoted time to issues related to diversity and inclusion. PTA understands and embraces the uniqueness of all individuals; and recognizes that each student possesses unique points of view, based on his/her culture, traditions, and values. This PTA priority committee is titled Diversity & Inclusion in recognition of its dual purpose: celebrating diversity and promoting inclusion.

Over the past few years, East Cobb has experienced a large influx of people from all over the world. These families have chosen East Cobb as a place to live and raise their families due to its proximity to global-based businesses and its reputation for outstanding schools. As a result, a variety of diversity programs have been implemented in our public schools. One good example is Kincaid Elementary School's "World Explorers Club." This club began in 2009, with a participation of 50 students, and has steadily increased student participation to 78 students in this past school year. Approximately 15 to 20 parents participate and contribute to the success of this program. As a result, students have the opportunity to learn and embrace a variety of cultures from countries such as China, Russia, India, Korea, Brazil, New Zealand, Spain, Ireland, Italy, France, Ukraine, and Argentina. In an ever-changing globalized world, school activities that focus on promoting diversity have proven to be highly beneficial for both American students and also foreign ones. It provides students the opportunity to gain first hand

exposure to different cultures. Secondly, it allows students and parents to share their unique cultural background and history.

The second purpose of this committee is inclusion. This refers to encouraging the school atmosphere to be more open and cooperative. In this manner, the students feel like they fit in. Sometimes due to physical or a mental challenges, race, religion or socioeconomic differences, students may feel alienated. This can bring a sense of hurt and pain, and can make students prone to bullying and depression. PTA's stance is to celebrate the unique value of every student. Every time a student learns from a diverse culture it enriches his/her life experience and increases his/her emotional intelligence. This provides students with the confidence and skill sets to empower themselves as they mature and go through life's challenges. If you would like more information about our priority committee, please visit our website www.ecccpta.org.



Carmen Melendez has been an East Cobb resident since 2003. She has two children, a fifth grader at Kincaid Elementary School and an eighth grader at Dodgen Middle School. She araduated in Law from UAM in Madrid, and also obtained a Ph.D in Spanish Linguistics in 2009.

Currently she is the committee chair for Diversity and Inclusion for the East Cobb County Council of PTAs. Along with her extensive volunteering in PTA, she enjoys writing academic papers, photography and traveling.











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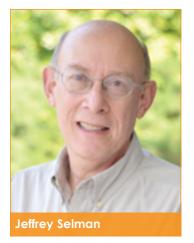
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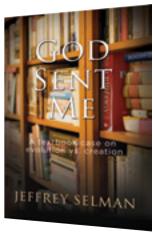
EAST COBB AUTHOR TO PRESENT AT BOOK FESTIVAL OF THE MJCCA

n Thursday, November 17, at 10:30 a.m., East Cobber Jeffrey Selman will present his book, God Sent Me, at the Book Festival of the MJCCA (Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta), 5342 Tilly Mill Road, Dunwoody. This program will be In Conversation with Michael Jacobs, Editor, Atlanta Jewish Times, and is Free with an RSVP.

When the Cobb County public school board placed a disclaimer against evolution into the Georgia county's new high school science textbooks, the implications were clear—separation of church and state and accurate education were at risk. East Cobb County resident Jeffrey Selman, along with several other like-minded citizens and the ACLU, marched into battle with a lawsuit against the forces undermining science education. This narrative shines a light on just what it takes to protect freedom and reminds the average citizen to "wake up and get to work!" God Sent Me is the account of one citizen making himself heard and taking action to preserve constitutional protections in the conflict between scientific evolution and religion-based creationism.

Born in the Bronx, N.Y., Selman attended Lehman College. He worked for the U.S. government in the "War on Poverty" as a VISTA volunteer with the Navajo. After teaching in both elementary school and high school in New York City, Selman transitioned to became a computer programming consultant for 20 years. He is a member of the Georgia State Curriculum Committee. Selman was the initial plaintiff in the Cobb County evolution disclaimer suit, and a participating plaintiff in the Cobb County Commission sectarian invocation suit. He is an advisory board member of Georgia Citizens for Integrity in Science Education (GCISE), and president of Americans United for the Separation of Church and State, Atlanta, Georgia





Chapter. He has also been a speaker for the defense of American Freedom and the support of Separation of Church and State. Selman is married with one child.

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To RSVP to the Jeffrey Selman event, or for information about other Book Festival of the MJCCA events, call 678-812-4005, or visit www.atlantajcc.org/bookfestival.





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Since the inaugural event in 2012, Georgia Gives Day has activated more than 54,000 donors, who have given upwards of \$9 million to support more than 2,400 organizations across the state. Donors can give directly to nonprofits on Georgia Gives Day—or any day of the year—through GAgives.org by selecting the organization of their choice, or searching for the cause or locale closest to their hearts.

"We're ecstatic that, year after year, Georgia Gives
Day continues to break fundraising records in support of
nonprofits across the state," said Karen Beavor, president
and CEO of the Georgia Center for Nonprofits (GCN), the
organization responsible for envisioning, launching, and leading the annual day of giving. "One of our top goals at GCN
is bringing more attention and support to the fantastic work
nonprofits do in Georgia—and there are so many worthy
local causes to support. Georgia Gives Day makes it easy for
people to help their communities thrive with just a few clicks."

Georgia Gives Day is also a popular way for nonprofits to engage new supporters and energize existing donors. According to a survey of all donors who participated in Georgia Gives Day 2015,

nearly one in ten were making their first-ever donation to a nonprofit, 14 percent were giving to a new nonprofit, and 21 percent

donated more than they had planned to give.

Georgia Gives Day 2016 will once again feature a host of prize competitions throughout the day—including subsector-specific giveaways and "power hour" bonuses—giving nonprofits more bang for their campaign investment. Stay tuned for more information on these and other initiatives,

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WALTON SWIM AND DIVE TEAM TO RAISE FUNDS AT MARGARET GILBERT MEMORIAL MEET

hen Walton high school swim and dive team hits the water along with swimmers from five other schools at the Margaret Gilbert Memorial Invite Meet on Saturday, December 10, it won't be just to compete. They will also be fundraising for a great cause. This swim competition is a cancer awareness fundraiser, in memory of Margaret Soulen Gilbert, who passed away in 2009 after fighting breast cancer.

Since 2009, the Walton Swim & Dive program has hosted the Annual Margaret Gilbert Memorial Invite Meet every December. This meet is dear to the hearts of Walton High School's coach, Sharon Loughran, her team and to all who have been touched in some way or another by the horrible disease of cancer.

Coach Loughran met Margaret Soulen Gilbert while swimming and competing for the Virginia Tech Swim and Dive Team. Coach Loughran wanted to honor her former college teammate and friend, while raising breast cancer awareness, by dedicating the annual Margaret Gilbert Memorial Meet in her friend's memory.

Each year, the participating high school teams compete in the water and on the diving board as well as participating in a friendly fundraising competition. The meet has a festive air about it and many athletes wear a pink cap in honor of the fight against breast cancer. Each team collects loose change and donations and puts them in team-specific donation



Walton swimmers get ready to race at last year's Margaret Gilbert Memorial Meet.

buckets as the athletes and team supporters arrive at the meet. The high school that raises the most money for this cause is awarded a small trophy. All proceeds raised by this event sponsor Margaret's four daughters and three sisters to walk in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day fundraiser to fight breast cancer.

"I am always looking for ways for my Walton swimmers and divers to do something that has greater value than just thinking about winning state championships," Coach Loughran says, "It's important to teach young people to do good in their community."

The Walton Raiders Swim & Dive Team invites the community to the 8th Annual Margaret Gilbert Memorial Meet on Saturday, December 10, at 1pm. Admission is \$5. The meet is at the Central Aquatic Center, 520 Fairground Road in Marietta.

For those who would like to contribute in Margaret's memory but cannot attend the meet, visit waltonswimanddive.com.

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2012 and in February
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as a Field Training Officer (FTO). FTO Taylor is very knowledgeable in his position as a patrol officer and FTO, and strives daily to better himself. He has already successfully trained two recruits this year, both of whom are now functioning well as solo officers with the department.

FTO Taylor strives to make his recruit, as well as others on the shift, rise above the minimum standards set by the department. He has become a shift leader and is regularly sought out by his fellow officers when they have questions or need advice.

In September of 2016, FTO Taylor received the "Service Above Self' Award from the Rotary Club of East Cobb for an arrest of an individual who had provided a false name to FTO Taylor. After an investigation, it was discovered the male was a convicted serial rapist who had accidently been released from the Georgia State Prison System in April of this year by mistake after being sentenced to three consecutive life sentences.

One of FTO Taylor's greatest attributes is his ability to adapt to any situation and get the job done. He never complains and readily accepts any assignment he is given; he then simply gets it done and exceeds in its execution. FTO Taylor has become the standard of what a Cobb County Police Officer should be.



■ SGT. DAVID THORP 2016 CIU-4 DETECTIVE OF THE YEAR

Sgt. David Thorp's professionalism is unparalleled. Upon Sgt. Thorp's transfer to CIU-4, he began to change the mindset and focus of investigations to identify the recurring offender and, through historical research, secure charges for all criminal activity, rather than

the single, particular case assignment. The idea was to focus on the 10% of the population committing 90% of the crime. This improved way of conducting case investigation has produced a tangible, positive impact on crime. CIU-4 has successfully tracked several patterns of criminal activity to a few different groups committing that particular type of crime. The crime rate of that specific criminal offense has shown to drastically reduce once the respective suspects are arrested. In one example, Sgt. Thorp and Det. Strayhorn worked together to identify a suspect in recurring landscaping thefts. Through researching historical data and related crimes, the individual was charged with 15 separate cases dating back one year. In another case, he created a link analysis chart identifying a suspect and his associates and friends. As similar criminal activity occurred, he and the unit detectives were able to charge the suspect and several of his associates.

As an officer, Sgt. Thorp worked in CIU-3 and Crimes against Persons. He uses his prior investigative experiences to seize opportunities to not only share his knowledge, but to allow the detectives to develop their own methods of solving problems and gaining knowledge. While carrying a greater caseload than any supervisor of other investigative units, he has still proven to be a valuable mentor to the unit detectives.

Sgt. Thorp is a fine example of the high standards required by the Cobb County Police Department.



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■ LT. NATHAN MCCREARY MORNING WATCH COMMANDER OF THE YEAR

Lt. McCreary was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in March of 2016. He was assigned to the Morning Watch. Lt. McCreary came from Precinct 2 which covers the South Cobb Area

around Six Flags Park. Lt. McCreary was selected for this honor by the officers of the shift. Typically, this honor is for an officer on the shift and not a supervisor. The Officers felt that Lt. McCreary has done an exceptional job of improving the morale and esprit de corps on the Morning Watch.

Since coming to Precinct 4, Lt. McCreary has proven to be a very motivating individual and eager to engage his officers. He maintains a high level of competency and job knowledge. Lt. McCreary has been able to motivate the officers to excel in their performance, consistently leading the Precinct in numerous statistical categories to include DUI Arrests, Traffic Stops, and Traffic Citations. During the month of September, the Precinct 4 Morning Watch lead all of the Uniform Division in Traffic Stops and Citations.

Lt. McCreary was assigned several specialized details by the Chief's office and selflessly took on the Public Information Officer position during a shortage in that unit.



■ BLAIR LE VASSEUR KELLY FIELD TRAINING OFFICER (FTO); DAY WATCH OFFICER OF THE YEAR

FTO Kelly was hired by the Cobb County Police Department in July of 2006 and in August of 2014 he was activated as a Field Training Officer. In April of 2014 Officer Kelly

was selected to the Cobb County S.W.A.T. Team. Since then, FTO Kelly has proven to be highly motivated and eager to teach new recruits. He maintains a high level of competency and knowledge in his job and has consistently been one of the top producers in all categories on the shift. He is the one officer you want responding to any crimes in progress. He is quick to take charge and give commands to younger officers. He is the officer supervisors have confidence in when making high stress decisions. He is a true shift leader and well-liked and respected by all officers.

FTO Kelly sets a high standard for all officers to follow. He is willing to give up an off day if it means another officer gets to be off to spend time with their family. He is a great role model for both younger and older officers to follow. He loves his job with the Cobb County Police and it shows every day he comes to work.

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CFA Breeder Assistance & Breed Rescue, Inc.

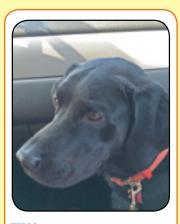
www.cfabreederassist-rescue.org Charlene Campbell, CFABreedRescue@aol.com A program of the Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA) that helps with advice, food, physical assistance, and placement of cats.

DOG CLUBS

Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club

www.atlantadpc.com

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Bulldog Club of Metropolitan Atlanta

www.bulldogclubofmetropolitanatlanta.com The Bulldog Club of Metropolitan Atlanta is a member of The Bulldog Club of America's Division VIII. Their goals are to protect the interests and advance the welfare of the AKC Bulldog.

Cavaliers of Greater Atlanta

www.ckcscatlanta.org

A sanctioned breed specialty club licensed by the AKC to conduct dog shows and matches. Membership is maintained in the American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club (the ACKCSC), which is the AKC parent club for the breed. The purpose of the club is to protect and advance the interests of the breed by promoting quality breeding, sportsmanlike competition and the education of members and the general public.

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www.chattahoocheeweim.ora

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DOG CLUBS

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www.kennesawkennelclubinc.org

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HORSE CLUBS

Georgia Federation of Saddle Clubs

www.georgiafsc.com

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Georgia Horse Council

P.O. Box 1307 • Dacula, GA 30019

678-835-8206 • www.georgiahorsecouncil.com

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770-640-5550 • www.petfinder.com/shelters/GA175.html All Paws Considered is an all no-kill pet rescue organization. They rescue neglected, abused and homeless animals and provide them with needed medical care and rehabilitation until permanent homes can be found.

Angels Among Us Pet Rescue (AAUPR)

PO Box 821 • Alpharetta, GA 30009 877-404-5874 • www.angelsrescue.org

info@angelsrescue.org

AAUPR, a non-profit that educates the public on the plight of animals that have found themselves in high kill shelters throughout Georgia and save as many animals as they can. They see each animal through from the actual rescue to the loving foster home and ultimately to the "forever" home they were meant to have

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6570 James B River Drive • Stone Mountain, GA 30083 678-534-3483 • www.aarfatlanta.org

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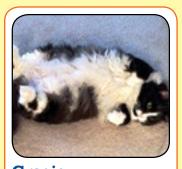


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www.atlantalabrescue.com

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877-404-5874 • www.angelsrescue.org Sundays; Dog City Bakery 4369 Roswell Road, Marietta 30062 *Check website for specific dates/times

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678-910-6382 • www.acap.petfinder.com First and third Saturdays; second and fourth Sundays Pet Supermarket, 1544 Piedmont Ave, Atlanta 30324 *Call Pet Supermarket - 404-879-0580 for specific dates/times.

CANINE CRUSADERS

770-374-6194 • www.caninecrusaders.petfinder.com Saturdays 12-4pm | Petsmart 1285 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30068

CASTOFF PET RESCUE

706-781-3992 • www.castoffpetrescue.org One Saturday/month 12 | Petsmart 6370 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta 30022 *Call Petsmart – 770-343-8511 for specific dates/times.

CATS IN THE CRADLE

770-664-5821 • www.catsinthecradlerescue.org

- > Saturdays 11am-5pm | Petsmart 6370 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta 30022
- > Sundays 12-4pm | Petsmart, 6370 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta 30022
- > Monday through Friday by appointment Petsmart, 6370 North Point Pkwy, Alpharetta 30022

RESCUE GROUP ADOPTION EVENTS

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770-592-8072 • www.cchumanesociety.org

- > Saturdays and Sundays 11am-4pm | Petco 50 Ernest W. Barrett Parkway, #500, Marietta 30066
- > Saturdays 11am-4pm | Petsmart, 142 Woodstock Square Avenue, Woodstock 30189
- *Cats in enclosure are adoptable at Petsmart, 1285 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30068 and at Petco, 50 Ernest W. Barrett Parkway, #500, Marietta 30066 and they can be viewed any day of the week.

COMPANION ANIMALS CONNECTION

678-493-9847 | www.adoptapet.com Saturdays 11am-4pm | Petsmart, 625 West Crossville Road, Roswell 30075

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678-522-2152 • www.fancyfelinerescue.org Saturdays 11am-4pm | Petsmart, 860 Cobb Place Boulevard NW, Kennesaw 30144 Sundays 1-4pm | Petsmart, 860 Cobb Place Boulevard NW, Kennesaw 30144

FURKIDS ANIMAL SHELTER

770-613-0009 • www.furkids.org

- > Saturdays 12-4pm | Petco, 5938 Roswell Road NE, Sandy Springs 30328
- > Dog shelter, 1520 Union Hill Rd, Alpharetta 30005. Open to the public Wednesday 10am-5pm, Thursday 12-7pm, and Saturday 10am-5pm.
- > Cat shelter, 2650 Pleasantdale Road, Suite 8, Doraville 30340. Open to the public on Monday 12-5pm, Wednesday 12-7pm, and Saturday 11am-4pm, or by appointment.
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770-499-2287 • www.goodmews.org

- > Saturdays 10am-4pm; every Sunday except the first Sunday of the month, from 1-4pm; the second and fourth Thursday of the month from 5-8pm. Good Mews, 3805 Robinson Road, Marietta 30068 Saturdays 10am-4pm; and the second, third, and fourth Sunday of the month from 1-4pm.
- > First and third Saturdays 12-4pm | Unleashed 2900 Delk Road, #1450 Marietta 30067

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*Saturdays 12-3pm | Red Bandana, 3162 Johnson
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RELEASHED RESCUE

www.releashedrescue.com Sundays 12-4pm • Petsmart 625 West Crossville Road • Roswell 30075

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www.rmgdogs.org
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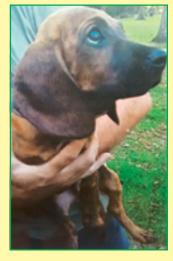


Cobb County Commissioner JoAnn Birrell, Sheriff Neil Warren and Frank Wiggington, Northeast Cobb Business Association.

ast month, the Northeast Cobb Business
Association (NCBA) donated \$15,000 towards the
purchase and training of a new scent dog for the
Cobb County Sheriff's Department. Proceeds came

from the NCBA's 5K9 road race held this past June. The dog that the Sheriff's Office is in the process of purchasing is a Hanover Hound. He is 10 months old and is currently in training in South Carolina. He will be in training until mid-July. The hound doesn't have a name yet, but the Sheriff's Office plans to partner with a local elementary school to see what name they can come up with.

28 November 2016





Should Your Pet Be Our Pet of the Month?

Fill out the information on your pet and send it to: EAST COBBER, P.O. Box 680455, Marietta, GA 30068. Please include a picture with your entry. Or email description and a jpg to: petomonth@eastcobber.com

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Since 2009, Atlanta Lab Rescue (ALR) has been rescuing Labrador Retrievers and Lab Mixes from overwhelmed shelters and abusive situations and placing them in secure, loving homes. Atlanta Lab Rescue averages 40-50 dogs in the program at any given time, and in their first seven years, they have rescued over 3,000 dogs.



To help underwrite their rescue efforts, ALR is holding its 2nd Annual Atlanta Lab Rescue 5K on Sunday, November 20 at Jim Miller Park, 2245 Callaway Road SW, in Marietta. It is the largest fundraiser for Atlanta Lab Rescue. The Atlanta Lab Rescue 5K is open to the community, including: children, strollers and dogs! Yes, runners are encouraged to race with their dogs. Participating dogs should be accustomed to regular exercise, well-adjusted to crowds and noisy environments

with large numbers of people and other dogs. Children under 7 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during the race and dogs must be on a leash at all times per Cobb County laws.

The link to sign up is runsignup. com/Race/GA/Marietta/
AtlantaLabRescue. The race entry will be \$35 and race day registration will be \$40 for the 5K. Runsignup.com

registration will close on November 16th at midnight.

If you are not interested in running but would like to volunteer, email vickijmann@gmail. Additional information about the race is available at www. facebook.com/ALR5KFunRun.

Can't participate or volunteer, but still want to help? Consider donating to Atlanta Lab Rescue at www.atlantalabrescue.com.



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or the past 14 years, the Gobble Jog has become a tradition for thousands of people who get together with their friends and families to kick off their holiday. Today, more than 9,500 runners and walkers pour into the Marietta Square on Thanksgiving morning for the fun and excitement of a great event for a great cause. The proceeds now exceed \$500,000 and continue to benefit MUST Ministries, one of Georgia's recognized servant leaders.

The race is surrounded by a street festival atmosphere, according to MUST President and CEO lke Reighard, "People tell us it's one of the most enjoyable outings they attend all year. There is a sense of family and friends on Thanksgiving Day combined with the deep desire to help their neighbors in need. What better day to show thankfulness and help others?"

Gobble Jog raises much-needed funds for those in poverty in a seven county area. MUST, in its 45th year of



service to those in need, provides groceries, hot meals, emergency shelter, housing, summer lunches for children, employment training and assistance, clothing, and school food pantries. Sign up to run or walk the 10K, 5K, 1M, or Tot Trot (age 8 and younger). Visit gobblejog.org for race event or mustministries.org for more information on the organization, ways to give and volunteer opportunities.



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EVERY SATURDAY

Marietta Square Farmers Market features products that are grown and produced in Georgia, including produce, plants, honey, breads, cheese and other items. Saturday 9am-12pm. Rain or shine. Now open all year. Glover Park-Marietta Square. More info: 770-499-9393 or mariettasquarefarmersmarket.net.

THROUGH NOVEMBER 6

A Chorus Line presented by the Atlanta Lyric Theatre. A Chorus Line, the musical for everyone who's ever had a dream and put it all on the line. This singular sensation is one of the longest-running American Broadway musicals ever. Thursday-Saturday: 8pm. Sunday: 2pm. Tickets range from \$33-\$58. Jennie T. Anderson Theatre, Cobb Civic Center, 548 South Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta. More info: AtlantaLyricTheatre.com or 404-377-9948.

THROUGH NOVEMBER 20

On the Verge or the Geography of Yearning presented by Georgia Ensemble Theatre. Brave, willing and yearning to see it all, three American women explorers begin their trek to Terra Incognita in 1888, taking them through darkest Africa, across highest Himalaya, only to discover they are adrift in time. The heroines navigate through uncharted territory populated with pop culture and possibility. Witty and whimsical safari through place and time. Various times. Tickets: \$29-\$35. Roswell Cultural Arts Center, 950 Forrest Street, Roswell. More info: 770-641-1260 or get.org



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THROUGH DECEMBER 4

Good Mews Décor Market. Get started on your holiday shopping at the Good Mews annual Holiday Décor Market. Choose from festive fall décor, collectibles, ornaments and tree trimmings, knick-knacks and so much more! Proceeds go to Good Mews Animal Foundation, a cage free no-kill shelter for cats. Saturday: 9am-5pm; Sunday: 12-5pm. Free admission. Sandy Plains Shopping Center, 1860 Sandy Plains Road, Suite 202, Marietta. More info: goodmews.org.

NOVEMBER 5

25th Annual Ribbons & Holly Craft Market. Great selection of vendors, unique gifts and objects of art. 9am-4pm. Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-971-2880 or mtbethel.org.

NOVEMBER 5 & 6

The Elegant Elf Marketplace presented by Sandy Springs Society. A high-end gift market showcasing an estimated 85 carefully selected local/East Cobb and regional vendors. All proceeds benefit over 25 non-profit organizations. 9am-5pm. \$5 entrance fee. Lake Forest Elementary School, 5920 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs. More info: www.sandyspringssociety.org.

NOVEMBER 5, 8, 11 & 13

The Atlanta Opera: Silent Night a powerful, true story of the spontaneous Christmas truce between French, British and German soldiers during World War I on Christmas Eve, 1914. Times vary. Tickets: \$35-\$136. Cobb Energy Centre, 2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway, Atlanta. More info: 770-916-2800 or cobbenergycentre.com.

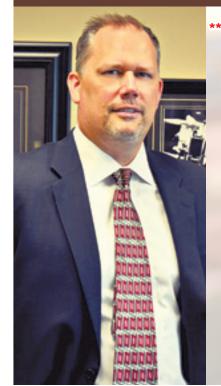
NOVEMBER 6

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park: Artillery Demonstrations. Artillery (cannon) demonstrations show visitors the steps taken to fire cannons during the American Civil War. Each program lasts approximately 30-40 minutes and includes an explanation of the role of artillery during the Atlanta Campaign and at the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. 11am, 12pm, 2pm, and 3pm. Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, 900 Kennesaw Mountain Drive, Kennesaw. More info: 770-427-4686 x.0.

NOVEMBER 7

Mt. Bethel Elementary School Fun Run/Walk/5k. The Fun Run is dedicated to promoting health and fitness for people of all ages—especially children. 5k: 8am; One Mile Fun Run: 9am; 1/2 Mile Kindergarten Trot: 9:30am. \$25. Mt. Bethel Elementary School, 1210 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-578-7248 or mtbethel.blogs.com/funrun.

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NOVEMBER 8

Computer Basics. This class is for the computer novice. Students will be presented with basic computer terminology, a basic understanding of the parts of a computer, and information about using the keyboard and mouse. Prerequisite: none. Space is limited to 8 participants. 3-4:30pm. Free. East Cobb Library, 4880 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-509-2730.

Election Day

School Holiday

NOVEMBER 9

Planned Giving Seminar presented by Cobb Community Foundation. Topics include: Methods to maximize the value of donated assets, tax considerations and how they should impact your year-end gifting plans, and, other tools which enable you, your family, and your charity all to benefit simultaneously. 10-11:30am. Free. RSVP is requested. The Earl Smith Strand Theatre, 117 North Park Square, Marietta. More info/RSVP: 770-859-2329 or nancy@cobbfoundation.org.



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NOVEMBER 10

Mt. Bethel Christian Academy Main Campus Open House for prospective families for the 2016-17 school year. 10am. Mt. Bethel Christian Academy, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-971-0245 or mtbethelchristian.org.

NOVEMBER 11

Tears to Triumph: The Spiritual Journey from Suffering to Enlightenment. Book signing lecture by renowned spiritual teacher and bestselling author Marianne Williamson offers an impassioned spiritual perspective on the epidemic of depression sweeping our society and joins a growing chorus of voices addressing the over medication of America in her new book. 7pm. Tickets \$65-\$85. Unity North Atlanta Church, 4255 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 678-819-9100 or unitynorth.org.

NOVEMBER 11-12

31st Annual Mt. Zion Craft Show sponsored by the Mt. Zion United Methodist Women. Artists and crafters, door prizes, silent auction, pictures with Santa, bake sale, and more. All proceeds of this show benefit church and local women's and children's ministries. Friday: 9am-5pm; Saturday: 9am-4pm. Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 1770 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-971-1465 or mtzionumw.org.



NOVEMBER 11-12

Atlanta Antique Gun and International Military Show. Fri: 12-5pm; Sat: 9am-4pm. Admission: \$7; Ages 7-12 \$1; 2 day pass \$10, IAMAW Union Hall, 1032 S. Marietta Parkway, Marietta. More info: 704-282-1339 or thecarolinatrader.com.

NOVEMBER 12

Make Your Own Handcrafted Greeting Cards. Learn to make fun and beautiful handcrafted greeting cards using clever card making ideas and a variety of techniques. Participants should bring a pair of sharp scissors, a personal paper cutter, and a full roll of a dot runner scrapbooking or double-sided tape. 3-5 pm. Registration is required. Ages 16 through adult. Free. Space is limited to 16 participants. Mountain View Regional Library, 3320 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info/to register: 770-509-2725 or cobbcat.org.

Mt. Bethel Christian Academy (MBCA) North Campus Open House. If you've not seen the fully renovated Upper School building, don't miss this opportunity to come tour this expansive campus and hear the plans for the continued growth of MBCA's Upper School. 9am. Mt. Bethel Christian Academy-North Campus, 2509 Post Oak Tritt Road, Marietta. More info: 770-971-0245 or contact Cal Boyd, Upper School Director of Admission, cal.boyd@mtbethelchristian.org.

Service and Sacrifice. Georgia Symphony Orchestra (GSO) Chorus reflects on veterans in a stirring program honoring their service. Director Bryan Black guides musically though shared experiences of loss, remembrance, and finally hope with Handel's triumphant "Let God Arise." 8pm. Tickets \$10-\$25. Marietta Performing Arts Center, 1171 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta. More info: 770-429-2390 or georgiasymphony.org

NOVEMBER 12-13

Titan Tidings Christmas Gift Show. Over 110 vendors offering jewelry, holiday and home décor items, clothing and accessories, pottery, glassware, knits, monogramming, gourmet food items, children's items, fine art and much more. The Campus Ministry Mission Trip will be hosting a huge bake sale in the cafeteria with all proceeds of the bake sale going to the mission trip. Sat: 9am-5pm; Sun: 10am-3pm. Blessed Trinity High School, 11320 Woodstock Road, Roswell. More info: 678-277-9083 or titantidings@btcatholic.org.

NOVEMBER 16

9th Annual Chili Cook-off. Join members, staff, and the community for a good-ole fashioned Chili Cook-Off! Top three finishers will be recognized. Not a cook?! Then come sample all of the chili you can eat for a \$5 donation to Why It Matters. Toppings for chili will be provided. 11:30am. McCleskey-East Cobb YMCA, 1055 East Piedmont Road, Marietta. More info/to register: Kristen Gauvreau, at 678-564-2120 or email kristeng@ymcaatlanta.org.





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NOVEMBER 17-19

Guard & Reserve On-site Sale hosted by The Military Family Support Center. The sale is available to retired veterans and active duty personnel and their families who have been granted commissary privileges. Sale features grocery goods, and features a stock assortment of about 1,000 items including fresh meat, fresh produce, chilled and frozen items. Military Support Center, 1901 Terrell Mill Road, Marietta. More info: Susan Edmonds, susan.edmonds2@deca.mil or 478-222-7618.

NOVEMBER 18

The Foxtrotters Dance Club invites singles and couples over the age of 55 to enjoy an evening of dancing to the music of The Continentals Band. The theme is "Baby It's Cold Outside," attire is semi-formal to formal. Doors open at 7pm, the dance is 7:30-10:30pm. \$10, refreshments included. Bring a new, unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots Drive. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-509-4900 or foxtrottersdanceclub.wordpress.com.

NOVEMBER 18 & 19

Veterans Art Show presented by MarketPlace 120. Art by military veterans. Featuring the art of A-Rob, Kip Wilmont, and more. 10% of sales go to the Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans Association. Live music, door prizes and complimentary refreshments. Fri: 5:30-9pm; Sat: 3-7pm. MarketPlace 120, 562 Wylie Road SE, Marietta. More info: 678-540-7511 or marketplace120.com.

NOVEMBER 18-20

Annual Gem and Mineral Show & Sale presented by Cobb County Gem & Mineral Society. Over 35 vendors will show a large selection of gems, fossils, rocks and bead supplies. Friday-Saturday: 10am-6pm. Sunday: 10am-5pm. Cobb County Civic Center, 548 South Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta. More info: cobbcountymineral.org.

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NOVEMBER 19

2nd Annual Gingerbread House Competition & Showcase Gala presented by the Junior League of Marietta-Cobb. The evening includes a jazz ensemble cocktail hour, a seated dinner, silent auction, gingerbread house displays and dancing to music provided by Preferred Sound Productions. 7-11pm. Tickets: \$75/person. Hyatt Regency Suites Atlanta Northwest, 2999 Windy Hill Road SE, Marietta 30067. More info: 770-403-4894 or jlcm.org.

NOVEMBER 19-20

Annual Sprayberry Arts & Crafts Show. Over 150 artists and crafters, raffle and great food. Proceeds go to Sprayberry High School PTSA. Saturday: 9am-5pm. Sunday: 12-4pm. Sprayberry High School, 2525 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-578-3200 or sprayberryptsa@gmail.com.

Visit with Santa. Presented by Jr. League of Marietta – Cobb. Activities includes crafts, games, songs and story time. Sat: 8-11am; Sun: 1-4pm. \$10/person (children under 3 free). Hyatt Regency Suites Atlanta Northwest, 2999 Windy Hill Road SE, Marietta 30067. More info: 770-403-4894 or jlcm.org.

NOVEMBER 21-23

Chattahoochee Nature Center (CNC) Thanksgiving Break: Cardboard Forest. Creativity combined with recycled objects helps create an imaginary habitat – Cardboard Forest! Join in for daily construction. 10am-5pm. CNC Members: Free. General Admission: \$10 Adults; \$7 Seniors (Ages 65+) & Students (Ages 13-18); \$6 Children (Ages 3-12); Children 2 & under are free. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell. More info: 770-992-2055 or chattnaturecenter.org

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NOVEMBER 21-26

Certified Teen Driving Course offered by Safe America Foundation, licensed by the State of Georgia Department of Driver Services. Students will attend the state-required 30 hours of classroom training after which they must complete the required behind-the-wheel training individually within 6 months. 9am-3:30pm. No classes Thanksgiving Day. \$474/classroom + 6 hours behind the wheel training. The Safe America Foundation, 2000 First Drive, Suite 310, Marietta. More info: 770-973-7223 or safeamerica.ora.

NOVEMBER 24

14th Annual Gobble Jog. MUST Ministries' largest fundraiser. Peachtree qualifying race. Packet pick-up Wednesday, November 23, 11am-6pm, Cobb County Civic Center, 548 South Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta. Same day registration for untimed runners only beginning at 6:30am. 10K (7:30am start), 5K (9:00am start), 1K (8:45am start) and Tot Trot (ages 5 & under – 10:30am start). Marietta Square. More info/to register: 678-218-4521 or gobblejog.org.

NOVEMBER 24-DECEMBER 31

Lights of Life. Millions of holiday light displays throughout the Life University campus. Come see Santa and his sleigh (which stands over 65 feet high, making it the tallest in the Southeast.) Pictures with Santa, pony rides. Seasonal drinks and snacks. Friday-Sunday: 6-10pm. Monday-Thursday: 6-9pm. \$5/car. \$10/Friday-Sunday. \$20/bus. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Life University, 1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta. More info: 678-331-4334 or www.life.edu.

DECEMBER 1

Holiday Tree Lighting. Join Santa Claus to kick off the holiday season. Festivities begin at 5pm with performances by local school choruses. Santa will arrive at 5:20pm and light the giant Christmas tree at 6pm. More entertainment will follow while Santa visits with children in the gazebo until 8pm. Historic Marietta Square. More info: 770-794-5601 or mariettaga.gov.

DECEMBER 1, 6, 8, 13

High Tea, a delightful way to spend an afternoon in the 1839 childhood home of Mittie Bulloch. Visit includes a delicious 2-course tea served by ladies in period clothing and a tour of the house decorated for Christmas. 4pm. \$45/person. Reservations required. Bulloch Hall, 180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell. More info: 770-992-1731, ext. 7 or bullochhall.org.

DECEMBER 2-3

36th Annual Apple Annie Crafts and Arts Show. Over 120 of the Southeast's finest artisans and crafters. One of the largest nonprofit shows with a high quality and large assortment of crafts and arts in a festive setting. Proceeds support local charities. Friday: 9am-7pm. Saturday: 9am-2pm. \$3. Under 12: Free. No strollers. Catholic Church of St. Ann, 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-552-6400 or st-ann.org.

DECEMBER 2 & 4

Carols for Christmas. Sing exciting music accompanied by a full orchestra, and be a part of an event that spreads Christmas cheer to the whole community. December 2: 7:30pm. December 4: 5:30pm. Free. Mt. Bethel UMC, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: Sandra Chapman, 770-971-2730 or Sandra.Chapman@mtbethel.org.

DECEMBER 2-4

The Nutcracker presented by The Georgia Ballet. This play features dancing snowflakes, giant toy soldiers, a growing Christmas tree, and a delectable land of sweets. Friday: 8pm. Saturday: 2pm & 8pm. Sunday: 2pm & 5:30pm. \$30-\$40. Jennie T. Anderson Theatre, 548 South Marietta Parkway, Marietta. More info: 770-528-0881 or georgiaballet.org.

DECEMBER 3

Back to Nature Holiday Market and Festival. Meet over forty fine arts artisans. The market contains local vendors selling their handmade, eco-friendly goods for your holiday gift giving. 10am. Free. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell. More info: 770-992-2055 or chattnaturecenter.org.



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DECEMBER 3

St. Nicks Café. See the play A Suessified Christmas Carol, Santa arrives and each child leaves with a handmade ornament! 9am & 11am breakfast provided; 1pm lunch provided. Tickets: \$12. The Art Place - Mountain View, 3330 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-509-2700 or tapmarietta.com

DECEMBER 3-4

The Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour of six private historic homes all lovingly restored and decorated for the season. Saturday: 9am-6pm. Candlelight tour: 7-9:30pm. Sunday: 10am-6pm. Day tour: \$25. Candlelight tour: \$20. Combination: \$25. Marietta Welcome Center, No. 4 Depot Street, Marietta. More info: 770-429-1115 or 770-426-4982 or mariettapilgrimage.com.

DECEMBER 4

Tower of Talent benefiting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. An extravaganza of some of the most talented child performers in Atlanta. Outstanding child performers, singers, and musicians will perform music from Beethoven to Broadway to rock n' roll and pop. 4:30-6pm. Tickets: \$30-\$100, Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre, 2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway, Atlanta. More info: melisa.morrow@choa.org or www.choa.org/toweroftalent.

DECEMBER 5

Cobb Chamber of Commerce's First Monday Breakfast. Speaker: Kim Bearden, cofounder and executive director of The Ron Clark Academy (RCA). 7:30–9am. Cost of the breakfast: \$30 members; \$60 general admission. Cobb Galleria, Two Galleria Parkway, Atlanta. More info/RSVP: 770-980-2000 or cobbchamber.org.

DECEMBER 6

Cobb Executive Women Annual Holiday Social. Say goodbye to 2016 at dk Gallery on the Marietta Square! Drinks and food will be provided as attendees mingle among the art set to holiday music, provided by saxophonist Ollie Patterson. 6-8pm. CEW Member (single): \$30; CEW Guest (single): \$40; CEW Member + CEW Guest: \$50 total (must register together). dk Gallery, 25 West Park Square, Marietta. More info: Maddie Nachtmann, mnachtmann@cobbchamber.org.

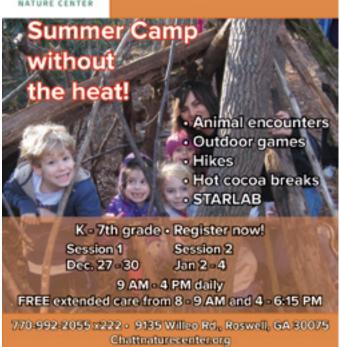
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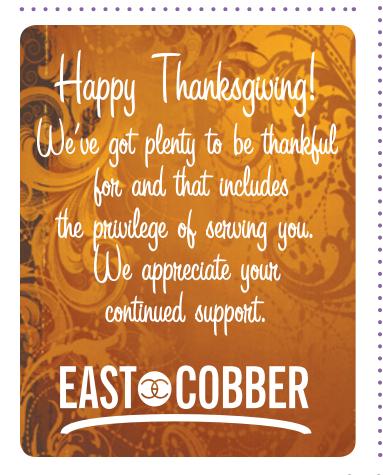
Holiday Lights Celebration. A formal tree lighting Mt. Bethel Christian Academy and Simpson Middle School choirs will perform. Also, a magical visit by Santa for the kids. 5-8pm. Free. Hot chocolate and light snacks will be sold. All proceeds go to Friends of East Cobb Park. East Cobb Park, 3322 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: info@eastcobbpark.org or eastcobbpark.org.

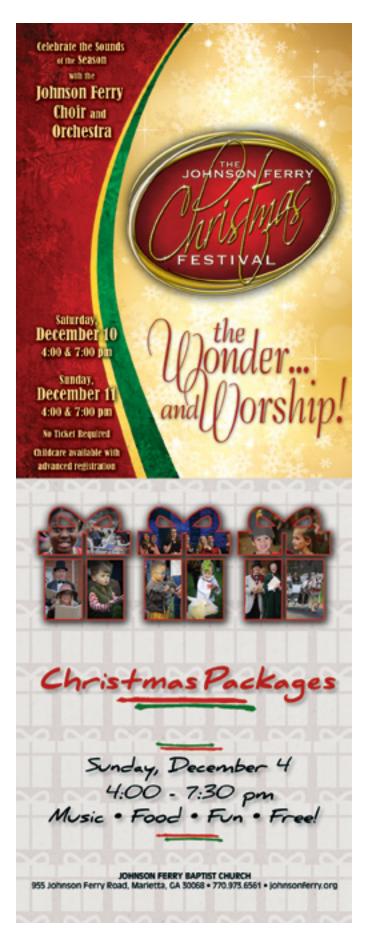




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Holiday Gift Guide





VETERANS CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT COBB

Veterans Day, celebrated this year on Friday, November 11, gives Americans the opportunity to honor the bravery and sacrifice of all who have served in the United States military. Here are some local events planned to commemorate those who served our country.

★Acworth Veterans Day Ceremony

November 11, 2pm.

Veterans Memorial at Patriots Point – Cauble Park 4425 Beach Street, Acworth

The ceremony to honor veterans is held each year at the Veterans Memorial at Patriots Point in Cauble Park. Veterans and current servicemen give comments on what service to the country means to them. Engraved pavers dedicated to those who have served in the armed forces that have been purchased since the previous Memorial Day will be presented at the event.

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November 11, 12pm

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★Marietta 12th Annual Veterans Day Parade

November 11, 11am

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The parade begins at Roswell Street Baptist Church, loops through Marietta Square, and ends between the new Cobb Courthouse and Marietta City Hall. The patriotic parade includes marching bands, drill teams, floats, military vehicles and veterans' organizations. The parade will have both Marietta and Cobb County schools represented by their bands and their JROTC units. Thirty or more parade entries are anticipated along with a display of military vehicles. After the parade, spectators are invited to pay tribute to the men and women who have fought to keep during a ceremony on the Square at noon. This year's Grand Marshall is Captain Ed Gallrein, United States Navy SEAL (retired).

★Smyrna Veterans Day Ceremony

November 11, 11am

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▲ Pictured above are the religious leaders who participated in last year's Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration: Front row: Mansoor Sobhani, SEWA (Sikh Educational Welfare Association) Gurudwara Sahib; Rabbi Steven Lebow, Temple Kol Emeth; Gillian Renault, Vedanta Center of Atlanta; Noor Abbady, Roswell Community Masjid; Hal Schlenger, Temple Kol Emeth. Middle row: Asst Imam Amjad Taufique, Islamic Center of Marietta; Monsignor Patrick Bishop, Transfiguration Catholic Church; Father Jim Nixon, St. Catherine's Episcopal Church; Rabbi Erin Boxt, Temple Kol Emeth. Back row: Rev. Richard Burdick, Unity North Atlanta Church; Dr Tim McConnell, Eastminster Presbyterian Church; Jeff Hickman, North River Church of Christ; Yusof Khalousi, Baha'i Faith Center for Learning; Imam Furqan Muhammad, Masjid Al-Muminum; Rev. Brian Germano, East Cobb United Methodist Church; Rev. Jeff Jones, Emerson Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

his year being an election year, there are many opposing thoughts and beliefs on what is best for the country and our communities. However, this Thanksgiving season a group of religious leaders is looking to unite people and bring peace into their hearts. Together they are sponsoring the 12th annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration. The theme this year is "The Ripple Effect: Together We Create Waves." Scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 7 p.m., the service will take place at Temple Kol Emeth, 1415 Old Canton Road in Marietta/East Cobb.

"This year's event will focus on the welcoming spirit of the United States and will feature many stories about making positive changes in the lives of others," said Bassem Fakhoury from the Roswell Community Masjid. "I think it's a very timely and apt subject in light of the negative political rhetoric associated with the election cycle."

The community is invited to attend this unique opportunity in joining seventeen different local churches and other faith-based congregations in a celebration of life and unity. Come to learn about the various religions and find things in common with others.

"For me, meaningful interfaith partnership begins by learning about other faiths," said Reverend Jeff Jones, a minister at the Emerson Unitarian Universalist Congregation. "It is out of our not knowing that people sometimes respond out of fear. And so by learning

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about other faiths, each of us becomes an ambassador of interfaith work and ministry in the community."

The program will be filled with music, humor and reflections offered by some of the faiths. This will be followed by some reflections given by inspirational speakers representing Baha'i, Christianity, Earthkeepers (First Nation), Islam and Judaism.

"We are happy to open our doors to the community," said Hal Schlenger, the event chairperson. "One of the good examples of Coexisting and learning is that you will hear the beautiful Islamic call of prayer sung from a Jewish synagogue's pulpit. While we each pray a little differently, the purpose is the same."

The Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration is an uplifting and often humorous program where those in attendance can also participate and be a part of something positive. During the reception after the program, there is a Wall of Words where anyone can write their thoughts, comments or feedback on a wall and share what moves them.

"We hope the take away from this year's program is being the change you want to see," Schlenger said.

"So as a community we can do that. The change we want is to see that our religious differences are relatively minor compared to the commonality we all share. This program becomes an opportunity for you to meet people of other faiths and realize they are pretty much the same as you are."

For more information regarding the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration, visit the Facebook page www.facebook.com/Ecumenical-Thanksgiving-Celebration, or contact Hal Schlenger, hal.schlenger@earthlink.net or Temple Kol Emeth, 770-973-3533.



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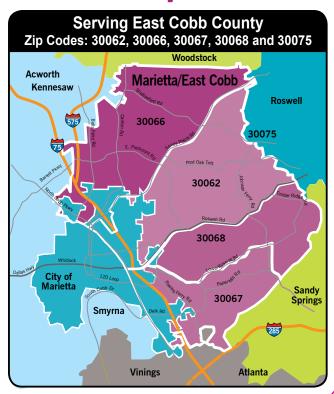
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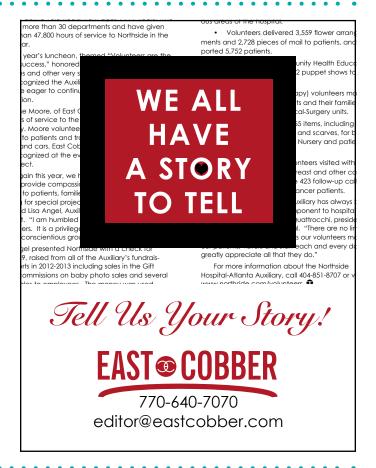
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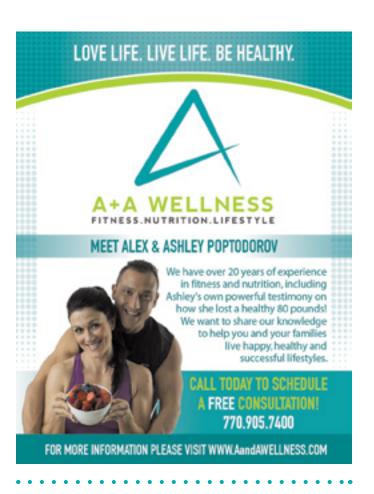


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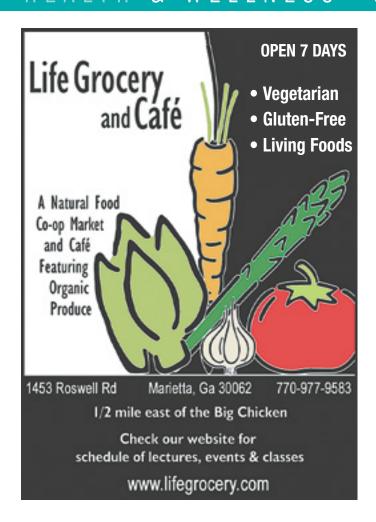
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The Tobacco Quit Line provides free counseling, a resource library, support and referral services for tobacco users. It is available for all Georgia residents age 18 or older and concerned parents of adolescents using tobacco. The Tobacco Quit Line is funded by the master tobacco settlement through the state's Tobacco Use Prevention Section in partnership with the Georgia Cancer Coalition. It has no commercial bias and no products to promote. As a caller, you will receive free, professional support that's tailored to your needs.

At the Quit Line, a counselor conducts an initial interview with a caller to determine tobacco usage and willingness to quit. An assessment is made based on the caller's needs and multiple options are presented. Callers will receive a customized quit plan, including up to five additional counseling phone calls. Up-to-date information about physician-recommended pharmacological support, such as nicotine gum, nicotine patches, and other items are available. A Tobacco Quit Kit, including materials tailored to the caller's readiness to quit is also available.

So, stop smoking and start dialing: call the Tobacco Quit Line at 1-877-270-STOP. \odot











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EAST COBB SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER

All Cobb residents age 55+ are invited to participate in activities at various senior centers throughout Cobb. The following is a list of activities scheduled at the East Cobb Senior Center located at 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta 30066. Call the East Cobb Senior Center at 770-509-4900 for reservations and/or more details.

Make Plans to Stay Home

November 7 | 10-11:30am Free/Registration required

A 45-minute presentation, conducted by the Atlanta Chapter of National Aging in Place Council, designed to help empower seniors to make choices about self, home and community. The presentation provides a forum for learning about key successful components of aging in place to help address current and future needs.

Dine-a-Round: Xengo Fusion Kitchen & Sushi

November 9 | 11:30am -1pm Separate checks for lunch. Registration required. Everyone meets at the store. XenGo Fusion Kitchen & Sushi, 3162 Johnson Ferry Rd, Marietta.

Veterans Day Celebration

Thursday, November 10 | 10-11:30am Free/Registration required

This year's special speaker is Mike Boyce. Mike served as commander of Marine aviation units, deputy commander of a Marine base, and on expeditionary campaigns to Iraq and Somalia. You can bring your memorabilia with you to share with others. Complementary brunch sponsored by Chick-fil-A.

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Friday, December 2, 10AM KSU Center, Room 400

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EAST COBB SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER

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I Love Lucy Trivia

November 15 | 2-4pm \$3 Cobb residents; \$4 Non-residents

"I Love Lucy" is one of the most revered and acclaimed sitcoms in history. It is universally recognized and almost everyone has at least some knowledge of the show. Come to our trivia and see how much you know. Sponsored by Larry Lupas.



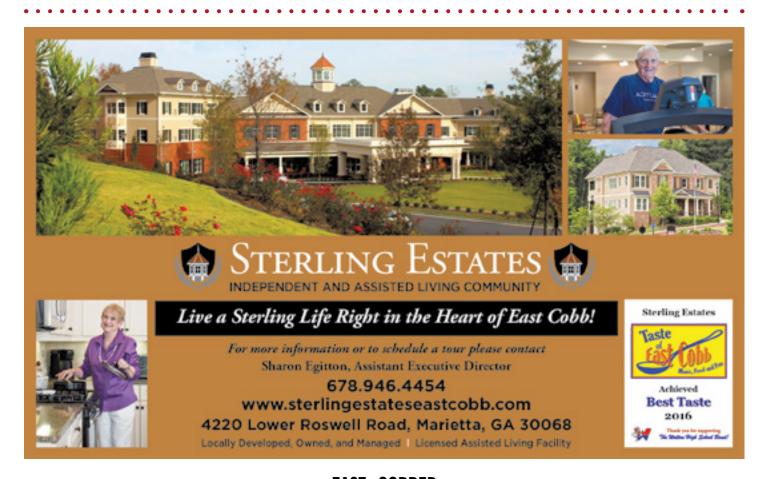


Navigating the Senior Years

November 16 | 10-11:30am Free/Registration required

As you age, it is advisable to plan so your voyage is a pleasant journey. This informative session will explain the decisions that need to be made, along with the legal documents required to protect you and your loved ones. Learn how to protect your assets and qualify for benefits without going broke. Also, become familiar with the signs that indicate that you are not safe living on your own. If you need additional help, learn what type of help is available and how you can get help finding the best place based your medical needs and financial situation. Complimentary lunch will be provided.

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AARP Smart Driver

November 17 | 9am-4pm \$15 AARP members, \$20 Non-members.

The AARP Smart Driver course is a refresher course specifically designed for drivers age 50 and older. Drivers may benefit from a discount on their auto insurance upon completing the course. Refresh your driving skills and your knowledge of the rules — and hazards — of the road. Bring a lunch. Check with your insurance agent about a possible discount. Bring a lunch.

Funeral Home 101

November 18 | 10am-11:30am Planning ahead is always good. Join Mayes Ward Dobbins to learn to help ease your family's emotional burden, avoid difficult decisions at a stressful time, what happens after the funeral and what documents will you need.

Holidays with Lucy and Ricky

November 30 | 12-2pm. Doors will open at 11:45am. \$18 Cobb residents; \$23 Non-residents-Limited space Celebrate with the Ricardo's. Lucy and Ricky will entertain as you dine on a holiday feast of turkey with all the trimmings. Ladies, wear your shirt waist dresses with aprons and men are expected to wear a tie while eating lunch. Here's to a little nostalgia, good food and lots of fun.

Bulloch Hall and Barrington Hall

December 7; Deadline: November 4 | 1-6:30pm. Check-in 12:30p.m.

Step back in time to a more genteel age. The lights and decorations are up and it is time to enjoy Christmas in Roswell. Enjoy a beautiful tour to Barrington Hall and Bulloch Hall to see their magical transformations. Bulloch Hall will be decorated for Christmas just like in 1845 and holiday wishes do come true at Barrington Hall! After the tour enjoy a delicious dinner at Pastis Restaurant.

\$75 Senior Citizen Council member; \$80 Non-member. Payment is due at time of registration. Deadline: November 4. Price includes luxury motor coach, dinner, and driver's tip. No refunds unless the trip is cancelled. Activity Level 2-Limited walking, some stairs and/or inclines.





EAST COBBER STARTS SECOND WIND DREAMS FOR SENIORS

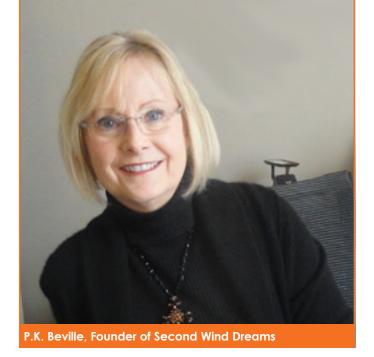
fter many years of working as a geriatrician, East Cobb resident P.K. Beville had become troubled—"sick and tired," as she put it—by how seniors were often regarded by the outside world.

Instead of finding elders to be non-productive and aspiring to little more than living out the rest of their days, she came to know them as "unsung heroes."

With a background in psychology, Beville understood seniors to have dreams of their own, and that they were going unfulfilled. "We were okay with warehousing them, but I found them fascinating, amazing, funny, full of history and wisdom," Beville said.

In appreciating the richness of the inner lives of seniors, Beville "also found a cause," and in 1997 started a non-profit organization, Second Wind Dreams, to address it. "I tried to think of ways to create a bridge from the general population to the people who got us here."

Second Wind Dreams (named after a novel she wrote about the varied lives of nursing home residents) helps seniors live out those dreams.



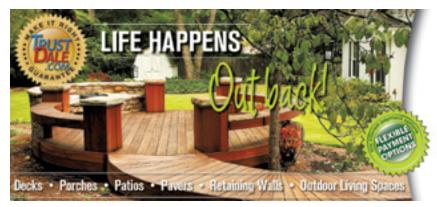
Dinner, cocktails and entertainment from an Elvis impersonator for 92-year-old twin sisters. A ride in a sports car for a gentleman who doesn't get out very often. For just a few minutes, it was the ride of a lifetime.

"I selected the word 'dream' for a reason," Beville said. "They're looking to the future and that's so beautiful. They're dreams that you and I take for granted." Beville said that the loved ones of seniors want to help with this "dream weaving" but often don't know how to help.

Second Wind Dreams connects them and volunteers with those opportunities. A number of individuals and organizations in East Cobb have been involved, including students from Pope High School.

Another growing part of the work of Second Wind Dreams is to provide education about dementia through its Virtual Dementia Tour, a service program that helps fund the non-profit.

For those interested in learning more, or in helping out, visit the Second Wind Dreams website (www.secondwind.org) or contact community relations coordinator June Rondinone at 678-624-0500, ext. 415.



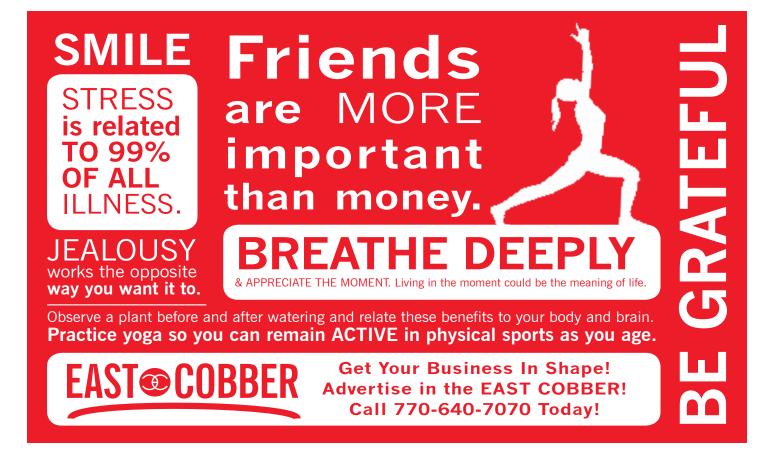


REGISTRATION OPEN FOR ENRICHMENT OF LIFE CLASSES

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Movement (ELM) Winter Session on December
1. Classes run January 10 through February
28. The registration deadline is December 10, and
is open to residents of Cobb and surrounding
counties. Based out of the First United Methodist
Church of Marietta, ELM is proud to celebrate
its 32nd year of serving senior adults. ELM is a
unique non-profit, nondenominational learning
organization operated almost exclusively by Cobb
County volunteers. It offers a full day of classes,
a catered lunch, and scheduled lunchtime
presentations for active adults age 50 and older.
An array of over fifty classes will be offered on
consecutive Tuesdays, from 9:30am to 3pm. The

Winter 2017 program line-up includes: Acrylics, Genealogy, Loom Knitting, Poetry and History to name just a few. Take a class and discover more about you! The registration fee is \$50 per session and students may take up to three classes. A hot lunch is available for \$7, but brown baggers are always welcome.

Registration booklets are available at Cobb Senior Centers and all Cobb County libraries. Registration is also available online at www. elmcobb.org. For more information, call Kelly Daughtry ELM Director at 678-910-1579 or email: elmcobb@gmail.com. First United Methodist Church of Marietta is located at 56 Whitlock Avenue in Marietta 30064.



CLUB CALENDAR

AARP Chapter 2830. First Thursday of each month. 1:30pm. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: Joan Farentino, 770-579-5191.

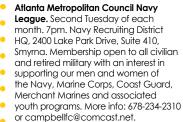
American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Cobb County. Second Tuesday of the month. 7pm. East Cobb Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: cobbcounty-ga,aauw.net.

American Needlepoint Guild. Second Tuesday of the month. 6:45pm. Tiny Stitches, 2520 East Piedmont Road, Marietta. More info: 770-394-0065.

Anne Hathaway Garden Club. Third Wednesday of the month (except July and August). Marietta Educational Garden Center, 505 Kennesaw Avenue NW, Marietta. More info: Nancy Martin, 770-428-7056.

Atlanta Illini Club. Professional and social networking for University of Illinois alumni, families and friends in the Atlanta area. Game watches at the Rose & Crown, 1931 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: www.atlantaillini.com or club@atlantaillini.com.





Big Chicken Chorus. Every Monday evening. 7:00pm. Marietta High School, Chorus Room, 1171 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta. Male a cappella harmony chorus. More info: Frank, 770-587-1264, fehrach@aol.com, or www.bigchickenchorus.org.

Bridge Club. Four free lessons; \$7 thereafter. Wednesday 10am, and Thursdays 7:30pm. Singles are welcome. 1809 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-973-7717.

Business Network International (BNI). The World's largest referral organization. Multiple chapters in the

area, please refer to the website: bnisoutheast.com for listings. More Info: Anita York, 678-888-0200

Cobb County Democratic Committee. Monthly breakfast 2nd Saturday each month. 9am. Marietta Fire Museum, 112 Haynes Street, Marietta. More info: www.cobbdemocrats.org.



Cobb County Gem & Mineral Society.
Second Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm at their Clubhouse, 516 West Atlanta
Street, Marietta 30060. More info: www.cobbcountymineral.org.

Cobb County Genealogical Society.
Fourth Tuesday of the month. 7pm.
First Presbyterian Church of Marietta,
189 Church Street, Marietta. More info:
www.cobbgagensoc.org or
ccgs@cobbgagensoc.org.

Cobb County Republican Women. Fourth Friday of the month. 11:30am. Hilton Atlanta/Marietta Conference Center, 500 Powder Springs Street, Marietta. More info: 770-785-2522 or www.ccrwc.org.

Cobb Marietta Retired Educators
Association. Second Thursday of every
month. 11:30am. Luncheon reservations
required. First United Methodist Church
of Marietta, 56 Whitlock Avenue,
Marietta. More info: www.cmrea.org

Cobb Photographic Society.

Photographers of all skill and ability levels are welcome. First and 3rd Monday of each month. 7-9pm.

American Business Center, Bldg. 700, Suite 702, 1395 South Marietta Pkwy, Marietta. More info: www.cobbphotosociety.com or info@cobbphotosociety.com.

Colored Pencil Society of America.

Atlanta District Chapter 107. First Monday of the month. 7pm. North DeKallo Cultural Center, 5339 Chamblee-Dunwoody Road, Room 2 (second floor in the back), Dunwoody. More info: Nancy Guerine, 678-354-3590.

Dog Hikers of Georgia. Every Sunday. 10am. Various locations. Non-dog owners welcome. More info: Dr. Dan Batchelor, 770-624-7660.

East Cobb Bass Club. Visitors, boaters and non-boaters are welcome. First Tuesday of each month. 7pm. Free admission. Attendees pay for dinner. The Rib Ranch, 2063 Canton Road, Marietta. More info: 770-364-3036 or noeyf1@bellsouth.net.

East Cobb Business Association.

Luncheon and featured speaker. Third Tuesday each month. 11:30am-1pm. Indian Hills Country Club, 4100 Clubland Drive, Marietta. More info: Susan Hampton, 404-218-6216, susan.hampton@lionbank.com, or www.eastcobbba.com.

East Cobb Civic Association. Last Wednesday of the month. 7pm. East Cobb Government Service Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: www.eastcobb.net.

East Cobb Civitans. Second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon for lunch at The Olde Town Athletic Club, 4950 Olde Towne Parkway, Marietta. More info: 770-578-9901 x201.

Fast Cobb Democratic Association.
Fourth Tuesday of the month. 6pm Social. 7pm – Program. Whole Foods,
1311 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta.

Social. 7pm – Program. Whole Foods, 1311 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: Tom Barksdale, 770-715-1218 or tbarksdl@aol.com.

East Cobb Kiwanis Club. Every Wednesday evening. 7pm. Paradise South of the Border, 3605 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: Johnny Johnson, 770-977-2026 or edwardjohnsjewelers@yahoo.com.

East Cobb Lions Club. Second and 4th Tuesday of the month. 7pm. Powers Ferry UMC, 245 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: Don Garrow, 770-955-6914.

East Cobb New Horizons Band. Monday mornings, 11:00am. If you are 50 or older, play a musical instrument and have been looking for a great place to make music, come join us! Great people and good music! To learn more go to our website, ecnhb.com or email webmaster@ecnhb.com.

East Cobb Newcomers Club. Third Thursday each month. 10am-12pm. John Knox Presbyterian Church, 505 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: rdavenport723@sbcglobal.net.

East Cobb Rotary Club. Every Wednesday. 7am. Indian Hills Country Club, 4001 Clubland Drive, Marietta. More info: eastcobbrotary.com.

East Cobb Woodcarvers Club. Every Thursday. 9-11am. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-420-3820.

Georgia Nature Photographers Assoc. Third Thursday of the month. 7pm. Nature photographers of all skill levels are welcome to our monthly meetings. The Mansour Center, 995 Roswell Street, Marietta. More info: www.gnpa.org or info@gnpa.org

Georgia Perennial Plant Association.
Third Tuesday of the month. 7:30pm.
Atlanta History Center, McElreath Hall,
130 West Paces Ferry Road NW, Atlanta.
More info: www.georgiaperennial.org.

Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance. Third Thursday of the month. Social hour: 6pm. Meeting: 7pm. American Legion Post, 921 Gresham Road, Marietta. More info: Dave Hamrick 770-315-3942.

Georgia Tea Party. Thursdays. 7pm. 900 Roswell Street, Marietta. More info: Jerry Kotyuk 404-374-0580 or jerryk623@att.net.

Golden "K" Kiwanis Club. Every Thursday. 10am. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: Joe Vanhorn Jr., 770-424-6654.

Happy Tails Pet Therapy. Orientation for prospective members 1st Thursday or Saturday of the month. 10:30-11:30am and 7-8pm. Blue Pearl Georgia Veterinary Specialists, 455 Abernathy Road NE, Atlanta. Check dates: 770-740-8211 or www.happytailspets.org.

IMPS Bridge Club. An offshoot of the former Newcomers Club of East Cobb, looking for new members. Various formats, dates and times available. For more information contact Roni Fink at 404-310-3448 or phinque999@AOL.com.

Libertarian Party of Cobb County. First Thursday of the month. 7:30pm. More info: www.cobblp.org or call 770-795-1331

Marietta Kiwanis Club. Every Thursday. 12pm. Hilton Conference Center, 500 Powder Springs Street, Marietta. More info: Pat Huey, pathuey@comcast.net or www.mariettakiwanis.org.

Marietta Lions Club. Second Thursday of the month. 7pm. First United Methodist Church, 56 Whitlock Ave SW, Marietta 30064. More info: mariettalions@aol.com or www.mariettalionsclub.org.

Marietta PFLAG. Fourth Sunday each month. 1-3pm. Newcomers are welcome. Pilgrimage United Church of Christ, 3755 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: www.pflagatl.org.

Marietta Rotary Club. Every Wednesday. 12noon. Marietta Conference Center, 500 Powder Springs Street, Marietta. More info: Adele Grubbs, 770-424-8212 or www.mariettarotary.org.

Marietta VFW Post 2681. Dinner with VFW Ladies Auxiliary. First Thursday of the month with separate meetings following dinner. 6:15pm. 140 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: www.vfwpost2681.org.

Martha Stewart Bulloch Society of Children of the American Revolution meets one Sunday per month from September through May, 2-4pm. Osage Terrace Room and Pavilion at Bulloch Hall 180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell. More info: Tammra 770-696-4806 or www.msbnscar.com.

Moms in Prayer for East Side Elementary parents. Fridays 11am. More info: Rachel Bloom 770-973-4705 or familybloom@gmail.com.

National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NAARFE), Second Wednesday of each month. 11:30am. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More Info: 770-971-1719.

Newcomers Club of Cobb County.
Third Tuesday each month. 10am.
Various social activities throughout
the month for those new to Cobb
County or just looking for new friends
and activities. John Knox Presbyterian

Church, 505 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-998-5017 or newcomersofcobbcounty@yahoo.com.

North Metro Mothers of Multiples Club. Third Monday of the month. 7pm. Chicago's, 4401 Shallowford Road, Roswell (comer of Johnson Ferry & Shallowford). More info: www.northmetromultiples.org. Northeast Cobb Business Association.

Luncheon meeting 3rd Wednesday of each month. 11:30am-1pm. \$15. Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Road, Marietta. More info: 770-423-1330.

Northwest Atlanta Mothers of Multiples

A parent's club for families with or expecting twins, triplets, or quadruplets. Second Tuesday of each month. Date and time may change; check our website. More info: www.nowamom. org or 678-404-0034.

Order Sons of Italy in America Marietta Lodge #2607. General membership meeting 2nd Monday each month. Club provides sandwiches, members bring sides. 12pm. East Cobb Government Service Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-928-9314 or degrillmouse@comcast.net.

Peach State Depression Glass

Collectors' Club. Second Tuesday of month except December. Guests welcome. 6:30pm social; 7pm meeting. Marietta Museum of History, 1 Depot Street, Marietta. More Info: psdgc.com.

Polk Street Speakers Toastmasters.

First and 3rd Tuesday of the month. 6-7:30pm. St. James Episcopal Church, 161 Church Street, Marietta. More info: www.polkstreetspeakers.org.

Retired Old Men Eating Out (R.O.M.E.O.) Every Tuesday, 8-10am. Meet for friendship, conversation and to share their variety of antique cars, street rods and muscle cars. Marietta Diner, 306 Cobb Parkway South, Marietta.

Shakespeare Reading Group. First and 3rd Thursday of the month. September-May. 2-4 pm. Senior Wellness Center, 1150 Powder Springs Road, Marietta. More info: Lynne Johnson, 770-591-3474.

Song of Atlanta Show Chorus.

Women's four-part harmony chorus. Every Tuesday, 7:30pm, Northbrook UMC, 11225 Crabapple Road, Roswell. Visitors welcome, More info: www. songofatlanta.com or 770-696-6502.

Sope Creek Garden Club. First Wednesday of the month (Sept-June). 10am. Locations vary. More info: Karin Guzy, 770-955-1303 or karinguzy@ gmail.com.

The Foxtrotter's Dance Club. The 4th Friday of every month (no dance in May. Nov. & Dec. are the 3rd Friday). 7:30-10:30pm. If you enjoy ballroom dancing, come and dance. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-587-1160.

Y Business Network. Every other Friday. 7:30-8:45am. Local business networking and referrals. Northeast Cobb Y, 3010 Johnson Ferry Rd., Marietta. Guests always welcome. More info: ybusinessnetwork.webs.com, Michelle Hutchinson, 770-518-0010.

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Every Monday. 8pm. Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2881 Canton Road, Marietta, More info: 770-973-5347 or ipm105@comcast.net.

Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse Support Group. First and 3rd Thursday of each month. 7pm. Room 334, Johnson Ferry Church, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. Men and women welcome. More info: 678-578-4888 or info@voicetodav.ora.

Al-Anon. For family and friends of alcoholics. Thursdays, 7:30-8:30pm, Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, Room 345, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-587-0483.

Al-Anon Family Group. Wednesdays. 7pm. Teens 13 and older welcome. Temple Kol Fmeth, 1415 Old Canton Road, Marietta, More info: Paulette L., 678-551-2433.

Alzheimer's/Caregiver Support Group Meeting. First Monday & Tuesday of each month. 10:30am. Open to family members who are assisting an aging loved one both inside and outside of the home. Free respite care is provided for your loved one while we meet. Aloha to Aging/Mt. Bethel Community Center, 4608 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info or to RSVP: 678-439-1177.

Anxiety Anonymous for people who suffer from anxiety, meets the 3rd Thursday of the month. 6:30-7:30pm. Cobb County Government Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-633-1023 or galinabannova@gmail.com

Babywearing Group, Koalamommas, North Atlanta's resource for help, support, and information about baby carriers of all kinds. Meets monthly. Meeting dates/time vary. More info: Jennifer Worrell, jenniferworrell@ bellsouth.net or www.bwiofatlant.org.

A.W.A.K.E. Program stands for "Alert, Well, And Keeping Energetic." A support group for adults who have sleep appea, their family members and friends, and anyone interested in learning more about sleep apnea. First Thursday of the month. 5:30-7pm. WellStar East Cobb Health Park, 3747 Roswell Road NE, Marietta. More info: 770-644-1755.

Bereavement Support. Every Wednesday of the month. 5pm. Counseling Room in Parish Office. St. Ann's Catholic Church, 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-552-6400, ext. 6020.

Breastfeeding Mommy & Me Group. A lactation consultant is available to facilitate supportive discussions over a variety of topics. Mondays 9:30-11am, WellStar Fast Cobb Health Park. Marietta Room 3747 Roswell Road NE Marietta. More info: 770-793-8088.

Cancer Support Group. Second and 4th Monday of the month. 7-8:30pm. Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-794-2978.

Career Transition. Third Monday of the month. 6:30pm. Personal resume reviewing, interviewing, networking, and career assessment help. First Presbyterian Church, 189 Church Street, Marietta. More info: Lee Pence, 770-428-9350, or Bob Sabin 770-795-9084, or visit www.fpcmarietta.org

- Careaiver Support Group. First Monday of the month. 6-7pm. Arbor Terrace, 886 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta, More info: 770-977-4420 or
- ACaudell@arborcompany.com.
- Caregiver Support Group. Second Thursday of the month, 12-1pm. Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, 1795 Johnson Ferry Road,
- Marietta, More info: 770-977-7473 or eharres@ peterandpaul.org
- Compassionate Friends. First Tuesday of each month. 7pm. Assists bereaved families following the death of a child of any age and from any cause. First Baptist Church, 148 Church Street
- NE. Marietta, More info: Ria 770-973-4921 or www.tcfmarietta.org.
- Depression/Bipolar Support Group. First and 3rd Thursday of the month. 7-8:30pm. Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, Room 339, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta, More info: 770-794-2978.
- Diabetes Support Group. A Diabetes Services Social Worker and/or Diabetes Educator facilitates each session. Participants are encouraged to discuss their concerns and share their successes regarding the self-management of their diabetes. Meets 4th Monday of each month except December. 6-7pm. WellStar
- Health Park, 3747 Roswell Road NE, Marietta. More info: 770-793-7828.
- Divorce Care. 13-week course beginning the 3rd Wednesday of August, 6:30-8pm Open to all ages. Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, 955 Johnson • Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-794-2978.
- Divorced/Separated Support Group. First and 3rd Tuesday of each month. 7:30pm. St. Ann's Catholic Church Mary's Chapel 4905 Roswell Road Marietta. More info: 770-552-6400, ext. 6018.
- Divorce Support Group by Visions Anew for women who are contemplating or going through the divorce process. First Thursday of the month, 7-8:30pm, East Cobb Government Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta, More info: www.visionsanew.org.
 - Divorce Support Group/Divorce Care for Kids.
- 13-week program beginning September 7, 6:15-8pm. Mt. Bethel UMC (Church Room 8106), 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta, More info/ to register: Judith Reichenbach, Licensed Counselor, 770-597-9882.
- Diabetes Support Group offered by WellStar Health System. Fourth Monday of the month. 6-7pm except December. East Cobb Health Park, 3747 Roswell Road NE, Marietta, No reaistration required. More info: 770-793-7828.
- Domestic Violence Support Groups. Sessions in English and Spanish. Wednesdays, 6:45-7:45pm. Childcare available for children 6 weeks-12 years. Children over 12 may attend and learn childcare skills. More info: 770-427-3390.
- East Cobb Satellite of CHADD (Children & Adults w/Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder) Parental Support Group, 2nd Tuesday of
- the month, 6:30-8pm, Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church (Room B109) on Lower
- Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: Cappie Suttle, 404-368-9394, east-cobb@chadd.net,

or www.chadd.net/300.

- Emotions Anonymous, a fellowship of people who come together to work toward recovery from emotional difficulties and discover a
- new way of life. Tuesdays & Fridays. 7pm. Roswell United Methodist Church, 614 Mimosa
- Boulevard, Counseling Building, Roswell. More • info: 770-330-1991.
- Families Anonymous (FA) for families who have loved ones struggling with addiction. Every
- Tuesday, 7:30-9pm, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Youth Center, 1770 Johnson Ferry Road, build friendships and receive mothering support, Marietta. More info: 770-971-1465.
- Families of Children Under Stress (FOCUS). To listen, inform and educate, and offer programs for the families and the child with special needs. Last Thursday of the month during school year. 10am. Chick-Fil-A, 1201 Johnson
- Ferry Road, Marietta, More info/to confirm meeting date: Angie, 770-234-9111,angie@ focus-ga.org,or www.focus-ga.org.
- Fractured Families for Parents Estranged from their Children. Second and 4th Sunday. 6:30pm. Call for location. More info: Sandy 404-446-6093.
- Georgia Parkinson's Association. Parkinson's Support Group Meets the 3rd Saturday of each month. 1pm. Northside Hospital Cherokee
- Education Building, 130-B Oakside Court, Canton. More info: James Trussell 706-413-3264

or james@gaparkinsons.org

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support

Group. Second Tuesday each month. 7:15pm. Special auest speaker, Transfiguration Church. Room 102, 1815 Blackwell Road, Marietta. More info: Jeannie, 770-919-9275.

- Grief Support Group Every Wednesday. 6:30-8:30pm from mid-Fall to mid-Spring. An
- educational grief support group facilitated by two nationally recognized grief experts, a licensed clinical psychologist and an ordgined
- pastor. Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: www.mtbethel.org/support.
- Grief Share 13-week program beginning the 3rd Monday of August from 7-9pm. Johnson
- Ferry Baptist Church, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: 770-794-2978.
- JACS (Jewish Alcoholics, Chemically Dependent and Significant Others). For Jewish
- members of 12 Step groups. 7-8pm, first and third Tuesdays of every month except on Jewish holidays. Congregation Etz Chaim, 1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, in the library, More info: 770-928-2523 or teshuva@aol.com.
- Loneliness Bereavement Support Group. Every Wednesday except holidays. 11am. Heritage Hospice, 3315 Hilltop Drive, Marietta, More info: 770-423-5959.
- Marietta Moms. For all kinds of moms new to the area, looking for new friends, or just need-ing support. Daily events for babies. toddlers.
- and older kids. 770-956-0318 or 678-357-3661.

- Mothers Circle Group. Are you a mother raising Jewish children but you are not
- Jewish? Free education and support through a 16-week course, Groups are held in Marietta.
- Intown and North Fulton. More info: Suzette
- Cohen, suzette@themotherscircle.org or www.themotherscircle.org.
- Mothers of PreSchoolers (MOPS). Wednesdays. 6:15-7:15pm. A place where moms can come to practical help and spiritual hope. Childcare provided. Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 1770 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More • info: 770-971-1465 or mtzionmops@gmail.com.
- Overeaters Anonymous. A support group for those who suffer from the need to compulsively overeat. Monday-Wednesday-Friday. 10am. St. Ann's Catholic Church, 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: Betsy: 404-226-4931.
- Parents of Prodigals. For parents of strugaling • teens and young adults. Second and 4th Thursday, 7-8:30pm, Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: Fair Brocard, 770-612-1197 or www.prodigalchildministries.org.
- with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers. Second Sunday each month. 4pm. Roswell United Methodist Church, 814 Mimosa Boulevard, Building A, Roswell. More info: Robin Cleveland, 678-819-3915.

Parkinson's Disease Support Group. For persons

- Spousal Support Group. Third Thursday of the month, 12-1pm, Arbor Terrace, 886 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta, More info: 770-977-4420 or ACaudell@arborcompany.com.
- Veteran's Information Referral Office (VIRO).
- Free help and information for all veterans with VA Disability, VA Healthcare, Employment and Counseling. Second and 4th Wednesday each month. First and 4th Saturday each month, 11am-
- 2pm. American Legion, Post 29, 921 Gresham Avenue, Marietta, More info: 770-427-5900.
- Widowed Helping Others (WHO). Dinner social. First and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6pm, St. Ann's Catholic Church, Nolan Hall, 4905 Roswell Road Marietta More info: St. Ann's Pastoral Care. 770-552-6400 ext. 6018
- Women's Weight Loss Support Group. Join a growing group of local women on the path to weight loss in a non-judgmental environment providing accountability (weekly weigh-in),
- healthy eating/fitness ideas and activities, and emotional support. Meetings held Tuesdays 6:45-7:45pm. Kroger, 3595 Canton Rd, 2nd Floor
- Conference Room, Marietta, (New Chastain
- Corners Shopping Center). More info: Rae Tucker raetucker1@yahoo.com



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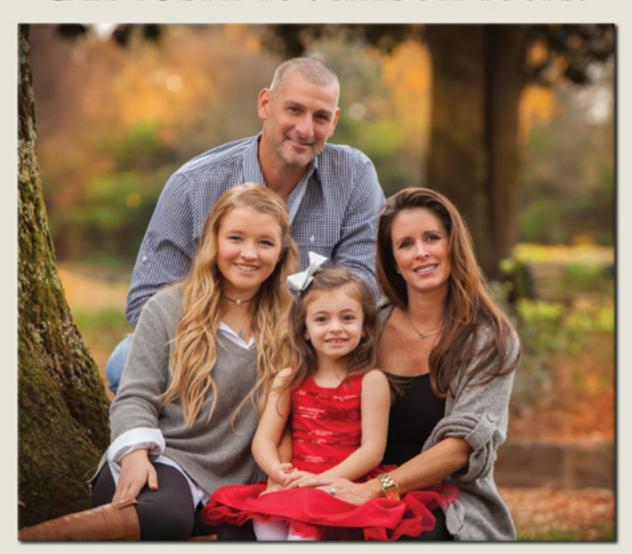
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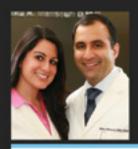
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