

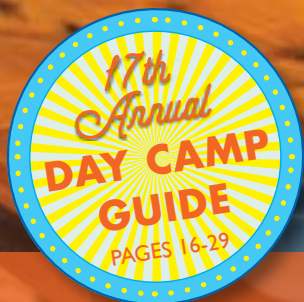
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PUBLISHER'S NOTE



When you read this issue, the azalea bushes and cherry trees should be bursting with color against the beautiful blue Georgia sky. We'll be serenaded by the sounds of chirping birds and whirring lawnmowers. Signs that spring has sprung and summer is just around the corner. Ahhh, summer . . . school will be out and how will your children pass the lazy, hazy days of summer? This

April issue features our 17th Annual Day Camp Guide. We have put together a chart of day camps offered right here in East Cobb County and/or a short drive away. While day camp can help your child learn a better backhand in tennis, acquire a stronger stroke in swimming, or get in touch with nature, the true payoff of camp will be apparent when s/he becomes a bit more self-reliant, self-sufficient, and self-confident. So be sure to check out pages 16- 29, and discover the many options— (at least 75 camps are listed) to make this the best summer yet! And when you register or visit any of the camps listed, please let them know you heard about their camp from the EAST COBBER!!

Earth Day is April 22. Started in 1970, Earth Day has since blossomed into an international celebration of our planet. Thanks to succeeding Earth Days, people have become more aware of the role that the environment plays in helping sustain life in this fragile world of ours and that we need to take an active role in protecting it. Like Earth Day, the EAST COBBER magazine helps us understand the consequences of our actions and the impact they are having on our world. Like nature, our East Cobb community needs to be appreciated and taken care of. If we don't take action now there might not be much of a world left for our children to pass onto theirs. The information spotlighted inside this and every issue celebrates our East Cobb world and hopefully inspires you to appreciate the people and events that make East Cobb such a great place to live and worth preserving!

Happy Earth Day!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cynthia".

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On the Cover

This month's front cover features East Cobb Sharon Mason who, after a nationwide search, was selected to be the President and CEO of the Cobb County Chamber of Commerce.

As President and CEO, Sharon oversees a 35-member staff, 1,100+ volunteers and 2,500+ companies to implement The Chamber's mission and strategic priorities. As Sharon explains, "I will direct the Chamber's efforts to create jobs, strengthen the economy and quality of life for businesses and the community while building Cobb County's reputation regionally, nationally and beyond." Sharon has 15 years of chamber experience, including the past decade at the Cobb Chamber.

Sharon Mason is an Atlanta native and an active member of the Cobb County community including serving on the MUST Ministries Board of Directors, Marietta Rotary Foundation Director in 2015-2016, and Past President of Friends for the East Cobb Park, to name a few. She also is active in the region including currently serving on the executive committee for the Regional Business Coalition, the Atlanta Regional Commission's strategic planning steering committee and is presently in Leadership Atlanta. She is a graduate of Leadership Cobb, Honorary Commanders, Regional Leadership Institute, Chamber Institute for Organizational Management and is active in these alumni associations.

Sharon lives in East Cobb County with her husband, Mike, and daughter, Addilyn, who attends Timber Ridge Elementary School. Says Sharon, "My husband, daughter and I enjoy taking fun trips together as well as hiking on the trails together on Sope Creek, the Roswell Mill and the trail near the Chattahoochee Nature Center. We also love spending time with our neighbors and friends in surrounding neighborhoods."

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- Morehouse Glee Club, Dr. David Morrow
- Spelman Glee Club, Dr. Kevin Johnson
- Uzee Brown Society of Choraliers, Dr. Uzee Brown
- Georgia Spiritual Ensemble, Dr. Oral Moses

The GSO Chorus will join with their partner choristers to form a 200+ voice ensemble to power the performance from outbursts of spiritual joy to the exploration of social justice. This concert will be presented twice. The special performances are scheduled April 20, 8pm, at the Ray Charles Performing Arts Center on the Morehouse Campus in Atlanta; and, on April 21, 8pm, at the The Marietta Performing Arts Center.

Featuring the music of African-American composers, this concert constitutes the fourth installment in a multi-year and multi-ensemble series dedicated to American music. It includes the world premiere of *Moonlight Waltz* by the GSO's own N. E. Wheeler, the Georgia premiere of Daniel Bernard Roumain *Human Songs and Stories* and the Georgia premiere of William Grant Still's *And They Lynched Him on a Tree*.

MUSIC OVERVIEW

Jonathan Bailey Holland, *Motor City Dance Mix* -

Originally commissioned by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, this work is aimed at to make you move in your seat with the music.

N. E. Wheeler, *Moonlight Waltz* - This world premiere commissioned work is by a member of the GSO. Compositional, it is an enlargement and reworking of a single movement of source material from a string symphony that Wheeler previous completed.

Adolphus Hailstork, *Shout for Joy* - Of the piece, Hailstork says "I wanted to capture the feeling of a great European festival anthem while using African-American sounds." The jubilant work features organ, strings, brass, and percussion with chorus.



GSO conductor Timothy Verville in rehearsal


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William Grant Still, *And They Lynched Him on a Tree*-


This Georgia premiere tells the story of a man who was convicted of a crime and lynched by a mob circumventing the justice system. As the only lynching drama in classical music, and with its segregated chorus parts, it stands alone in addressing and confronting the impact of lynching in America.

Daniel Bernard Roumain, *Human Songs and Stories* - The modern musical approachability of this piece creates a background to the guiding direction of the narrator and the statements presented by members of the combined choruses. All elements on stage work together to create a picture of community and the shared human experience.

For over six decades, the Georgia Symphony Orchestra has engaged audiences through imaginative programming, visionary leadership, and critically acclaimed performances. The organization is built on the foundation of music appreciation and community involvement. With those guiding principals at its core, it has witnessed steady growth over 67 years. Audiences across the region have been consistently enriched by the musical gifts of the orchestra.

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FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IS THE KEY TO HIGH PERFORMING SCHOOLS

By Illana Burkhart, Family Engagement Chair, East Cobb County Council of PTAs

Consistently ranked as one of the best places to live in Georgia, East Cobb is also home to some of the state's highest ranked schools. Top-notch academics combined with diverse extra-curricular activities contribute to the success of a school, however one of the key factors that make our schools stand out is the level of family engagement.

According to a recent study by the US Department of Education, "raising the next generation is a shared responsibility. When families, communities, and schools work together, students are more successful and the entire community benefits." The study shows that the more families are invested in the life of the school the greater student achievement is in both grades and test scores, attendance is higher, graduation rates are higher, and alcohol and drug use is lower.

Creating a partnership between families and schools goes beyond attendance at events like movie nights or Open House. There are many ways to be involved on a deeper level:

- **Get to know your school's administrators and office staff.** These are the people on the front line and responsible for everything that happens inside the school. Being a familiar face will help strengthen the relationships between home and school. Most schools hold regular Lunch and Learn or Parent Forum meetings where parents have a chance to talk with administrators about strategic plans for the school. Make a point to attend these and build relationships with school staff. It will help you not only understand the decision-making process but also have a chance to give input or ask questions.
- **Routinely check in with your child's teachers.** Ask for ways you can help them create supportive learning environments. Is there anything they need for their classroom? Are there resources your kids need at home to help reinforce classroom instruction? Sometimes the simple act of letting a teacher, and your kid, know that everyone is on the same team is a powerful tool.

- **Attend PTA, Foundation, and School Council meetings.** Get involved. There are DOZENS of meaningful volunteer opportunities that help you be part of the parent leadership team in your schools. Not only will you know what is going on at the school, but also you will be connected to the people making decisions and have an opportunity to provide input into the process. Even as little as an hour of your time can make a difference.
- **Build relationships with families of similar interests or backgrounds outside of your usual social circles.** Parents who share similar backgrounds and interests can form powerful advocacy groups to work together for the benefit of their students.
- **Talk often with your kids about school.** Ask questions that go beyond "How was your day?" or "What did you do in school today?" Especially during middle and high school, frequent communication is important. Helping students navigate these years starts with a strong family support system. Regular communication will help you identify potential issues before they become full-fledged problems.

Becoming more engaged will not only help your own child but will increase the overall performance of the entire school. Every one of us can help keep our East Cobb schools on top! 🏆



Illana Burkhart is the Family Engagement Chair for ECCC PTA's, and serves as Co-President of Davis Elementary PTA. She moved to East Cobb in 2014 and has two children who attend Davis Elementary School, a second grader and a fifth grader.

She has a passion for community engagement and has worked in the non-profit sector for over 15 years. She and her family are sports and outdoor enthusiasts. She is a past board member of The First Tee of Aiken and currently serves on the US Forest Service National Recreation Resources Advisory Committee representing the Southeast Region.

GET KIDS **EXCITED** **ABOUT LEARNING**



Do you want your child to be enthusiastic about math and problem solving? Jasmina Patel is sharing

her passion for math and learning by opening a Seriously Addictive Mathematics (SAM) location in East Cobb. SAM is an enrichment program that teaches mathematics to children ages 4-12 using the world-renowned Singaporean approach.

SAM is a holistic program imparting a multitude of skills to educate young minds. More than just rote learning, drill and practice, SAM teachers focus on other skills, such as critical thinking, logical reasoning, bar modeling techniques and complex word problems. The SAM Acceleration Program teaches students "how to do math," but the main emphasis is on the explanation of the "why."

A teacher and curriculum developer for close to 20 years, Jasmina recognizes the benefits of small classrooms. "I love the approach that SAM provides because it allows for a powerful and trusting relationship between child and educator. It encourages independent thinking and complex problem-solving in a fun, creative and experiential learning environment," says Jasmina.

The SAM curriculum provides a foundational understanding of mathematics and how mathematical knowledge can be applied in the real world. Props, tools and manipulatives are used to introduce mathematical concepts. Once children understand the concepts, they can easily solve mathematical problems. Because every child is unique in how they learn, SAM certified teachers design a customized learning program that is tailored for each child. At the end of each class, the teachers meet with parents to review the lessons and how the child is progressing.

"I am personally appreciative about the difference we will be making in the lives of our students. As any parents of these children attest to, learning new skills in math improves their children's self-esteem, which radiates in every aspect of their daily lives. Even the most accomplished math students are challenged with Singapore's most advanced problems, and when they acquire the skills to solve these advanced problems, the increase in their confidence is incredible," shares Jasmina.

For more information about SAM's programs and summer camps, call 678-388-9495 or visit them at 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite B-130, Marietta, GA 30068.

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COBB POLICE STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY RELATIONS OVER COFFEE

Cops stopping for a coffee. Not unusual. Cops stopping for a coffee and engaging in discussions about work and safety in the community? Well, yes. At the direction of the new Cobb County Police Chief Mike Register, the Cobb Police Department has implemented a "Coffee With A Cop" program county-wide so residents can have an opportunity to sit down with police in a non-crisis situation. Each police precinct has a designated Community Engagement Officer. Nathalie Jegg, a Cobb County police officer since 2006, is the Community Engagement Officer for Precinct IV which encompasses East Cobb County.



Officer Jegg has been brewing up some chitchat at various locations in East Cobb since last fall, when the program began. Her meet-ups aim to strengthen the community-officer relationship through conversations. "Hosting a "Coffee With A Cop" is non-confrontational in which people can talk and ask questions," she says. "It's even vice versa, so I can actually learn about the community as well."

"We hope people come to these events. It allows them to have a coffee and enjoy some casual conversation with their local police," Officer Jegg says.

Here are the "Coffee With A Cop" meet-ups scheduled for April:

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Chick-fil-a- Eastlake
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Officer Jegg is also available to come visit your club, homeowners association, or school. You can contact Officer Jegg at nathalie.jegg@cobbcounty.org or 770-499-3981. ☎


HOST A FRENCH STUDENT THIS SUMMER



The Diaz Family hosted a French student last year. This photo was taken while they were visiting Stone Mountain. Pictured from left - right are: Ashley Diaz, daughter, Fiona; French teen, Joséphine; son Eliot, and Craig Diaz.

Twenty French teens (ages 14-18) from professional French families will be coming to the Atlanta area from July 6-26 and retired French teacher Linda Farmer (she taught both French and English at Lassiter High School for 24 years until she retired in 2008) is looking for host families who will show their student warmth and hospitality. These French teens from Paris to Provence want to experience American life first-hand and to be totally immersed in the English language. Ms. Farmer, along with a French chaperone, will oversee the program. "This is a wonderful opportunity," says Farmer, "for Atlanta-area families to add an international dimension to their lives with many far-reaching benefits."

LEC (Loisirs Culturels à l'étranger), the Paris-based sponsor, provides these students with comprehensive medical insurance and gives host families compensation for room and board. All come with ample spending money for expenses outside of the home and each has had three to six years of English depending on age. No French language skills are needed!

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CHATTAHOOCHEE PLANTATION WOMEN'S CLUB PLANNING ANNUAL CHARITY GALA



Carie Buchanan, Jen Risey and Tina Engberg, the Charity Committee for the Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club.

The Charity Committee of the Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club is thrilled to announce its annual charity gala event will take place Saturday, April 28 at 7pm under the stars at 100 Atlanta Country Club Drive. The gala will feature a private concert by Yacht Rock Schooner and food catered by celebrity 'cheftainer' Alex Reethof (an East Cobb resident). The charity gala will benefit Gathering Industries. The charity committee is led this year by Carie Buchanan, Tina Engberg, and Jennifer Risey. This year's event is an all-inclusive charity dinner and concert for the glitterati focusing on the evening's gastronomic delicacies and phenomenal entertainment. The dress code is "Farrah Fabulous," and if you still have your Famolares, wear 'em

Yacht Rock Schooner is all about 72 degrees and smooth jams from the sunny beaches of 1978-1984. They will perform songs by Michael McDonald, Kenny Loggins, The Doobie Brothers, Hall & Oates, Lionel Richie, The Bee Gees, Steely Dan, Jackson Browne and more.

Chef Alex Reethof has been in the culinary and hospitality industry for more than three decades and hosted his own cooking show "Back to the Table." Alex has been a chef for fine dining establishments from Seattle to Sarasota and owns a successful 'cheftainment' business. He is the driving force behind "Good Eating Great Cause," a culinary tour and competition fundraiser for SafePath.

Gathering Industries is a nonprofit organization co-founded by Lake Dawson and Alex Reethof that provides management and training skills programs for homeless individuals in the culinary arts to make them employable. Their mission, through training, is to help those individuals that seek a second chance. Working in collaboration with a host of Atlanta restaurants and Atlanta Missions, Gathering Industries thoroughly trains homeless individuals in all facets of the restaurant business with an in-depth emphasis on culinary skills and food handling. Gathering Industries provides kitchen training through their box/catered lunch program. The Gathering prepares and rehabilitates the homeless with dignity for future jobs and helps them to become self-sufficient.

Funds raised from the charity benefit will be directed to Gathering Industries' purchase of new kitchen equipment and refrigeration as well as a food truck. For tickets and further information, please visit: www.chattahoocheeplantationwomensclub.org

The Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club (CPWC) was originated in 1970 as a garden club. There were 33 women in this first club and its purpose was to "Beautify the Community". Through the years the club became more social and community-service oriented while also maintaining a gardening interest group. All women that live (or members that formerly lived) within the club's boundaries are invited and encouraged to join and become involved in their club's activities.

Because of the growing size of the community and surrounding neighborhoods, it is necessary to restrict its membership to the boundaries designated in our by-laws, as described following:

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The Walt Disney World Dining and Special Event reservation window opens 180 days (6 months) in advance. If you are hoping to dine at Cinderella’s Royal Table with Cinderella and friends or enjoy a fabulous meal and fireworks from California Grill, the 180 day window is critical. These and other highly sought after reservations go quickly. Book early to get a jump start on your dining reservations!

Maintain Flexibility

A \$200 refundable deposit secures your reservation and locks in your pricing. Your deposit is 100% refundable up to 30 days before travel. If your travel plans change, your deposit and any additional funds paid toward your trip can be moved to your new dates. If you are unable to travel and cancel prior to the 30 day mark, all money is refunded to you.

WHEN “LAST MINUTE” WORKS

Flexibility = More Fun

Last minute trips to Walt Disney World can be just as magical as those planned months in advance. The key to last minute planning is flexibility. Resort, dining and FastPass reservation times may be limited for high demand experiences. When thinking of your choice of resort, consider what is most important to you – do you just need a comfortable bed and place to shower? Must you have a pool with a waterslide? Pick the most important aspect of your resort experience and select an



available option using that criteria. For dining, consider eating brunch or an early dinner – you may have more options at your favorite place or one your friend considers a “must do.” For FastPasses, pre-select three options even if the attractions are not your first choice. Continue to monitor options online and via the My Disney Experience app, you never know when availability will change. Any time you save in line, frees you up for other attractions.

Use a Planner

Using a planner will save you time. A good planner will ask what is most important to you in terms of resort, dining and attractions and inquire about the details of your travel party. Armed with that knowledge, a planner can quickly make suggestions based on availability. There is no need for you to spend hours researching or asking around only to find those options not available. A planner can also provide you with tips and tricks for all parks – no research necessary! For example, how do I minimize my wait time in line for Space Mountain without a FastPass? My daughter has to meet Ariel, but we cannot get a reservation for her character breakfast – what do I do? How early do we need to find a place to watch the parade or fireworks?

Celebrate the Spontaneity

Much of our lives are structured and planned – consider your last minute vacation a chance to break the routine. Celebrate the spontaneity: have ice cream for breakfast, watch a movie in the pool one evening, stay up late and savor the beauty of the parks after dark!

While many laugh and do not believe in planning too much for vacation, I am convinced now, more than ever, that you maximize your experience and your money by doing so – whether months in advance or last minute. A Disney vacation is expensive and it should be magical for everyone involved. Use an expert and take the hassle out of planning.

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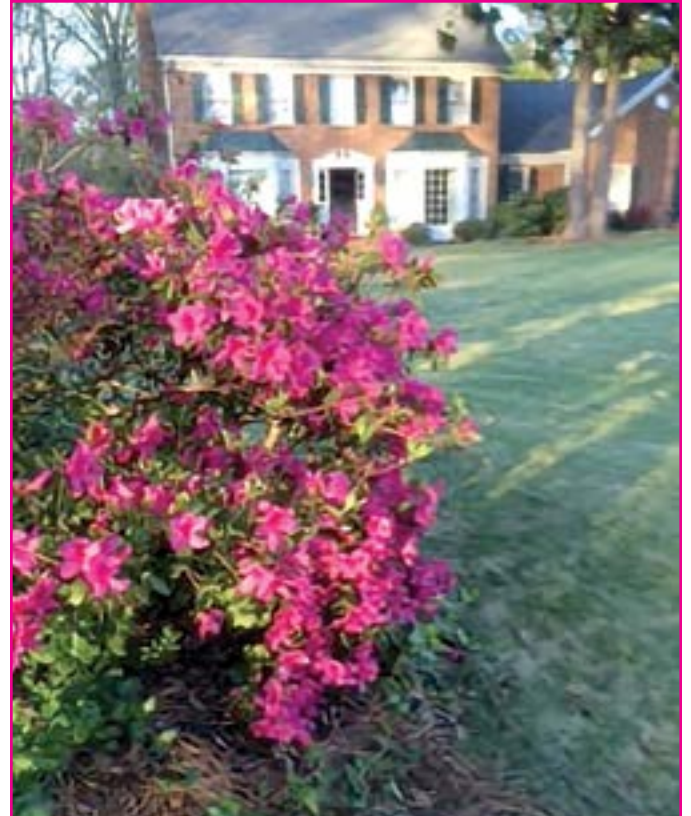
COBB MASTER GARDENERS SPONSOR 16TH ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR

As azalea blooms enliven our beautiful suburb, residents of some of East Cobb's most beautiful homes will open their gardens and allow admirers to get a peek thanks to the 16th annual Garden Tour. Hosted by the Master Gardener Volunteers of Cobb County this beloved annual event is your chance to tour six beautiful gardens in East Cobb County. The Through the Garden Gate tour is designed to demonstrate to the public how the Master Gardener Volunteers of Cobb County maintain their own landscapes. For the past 16 years, several private gardens and various projects are selected to be on tour. These are not "connoisseur" or "checkbox" gardens, but rather "teaching gardens" providing real-life lessons and inspiration. Visiting gardens at their prime in spring is always a joy. Master Gardener Volunteers of Cobb County hope you will visit the selected gardens on Saturday, May 12, 10am to 5pm.

These gardens will delight the senses and give inspiration and encouragement to gardeners and would-be gardeners alike. Master Gardeners will be on site providing interpretation and educational opportunities for tour guests. Plant lists and printed educational materials will also be available at each garden.

All gardens are located in the East Cobb area. Master Gardener docents will be available at each site to answer questions and help you to create a healthy and functional garden. This year's theme is on gardens and the five senses. "We want you to experience the many ways gardens inspire, not only to dig and plant, but to photograph, sketch, cook, take a whiff, and compose!" says JoAnne Newman, Chair of this year's event. The garden tour is also offering hands-on demonstrations of some basic gardening skills and a cooking demonstration at Hyde Farm. Your support of this annual garden tour helps the Master Gardeners of Cobb County provide funding for school and community gardens and other horticultural education programs in Cobb County.

The Garden Tour admission is \$15 per person. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the event at any of the gardens on the tour for \$20. Children 17 and under are free. All entries to the gardens must have a ticket. Tickets may be purchased in advance from a Master Gardener or at the UGA Cobb County Extension Office, 678 South Cobb Drive, Suite 200, Marietta 30060 or at any garden on the day of the Tour. Call 770-528-4070 with questions. Only cash or checks will be accepted.



The Herbert Garden awaits visitors.

The gardens are not wheelchair or stroller accessible. Only service animals are allowed. Tour will be held rain or shine.

Here are the gardens featured on this year's Garden Tour:

Jazz It Up At Joe's

The Washington Garden

2192 Deep Woods Way, Marietta 30062

From tots to teens to empty nest, Master Gardener Joe Washington's garden of 34 years as evolved. The sound of soft jazz is the perfect match for a stroll from the sunny front to the shady back – the perfect spot to kick back and relax! A variety of native and nonnative plants complement the hardscape features. Joe has enjoyed years of designing and completing his garden projects with an eye toward low maintenance and simplicity of care. As a special treat, visitors "of a certain age" will learn that you are never too old to garden if you adopt some helpful adaptive gardening tools and techniques.

Seed What It's All About

Murdock Elementary

2320 Murdock Road, Marietta 30062

Kindergarteners and First Graders enhance their science education at Murdock outside by planting a summer vegetable garden entirely from seeds and harvesting the vegetables in the fall! Students and staff will be on-hand to demonstrate how seamlessly the indoor classroom and outdoors work together to enrich their educational programs. And, visitors will learn to hone their garden skills with several hands-on demonstrations including proper pruning techniques from the Master Gardeners. Don't be late for class!

Farm to Table

Hyde Farm Community Garden

726 Hyde Road, Marietta 30068

There is no better place to prepare and taste your veggies than right on the farm! And there is no better place for growing them than at the historic Hyde Farm property in East Cobb. The Community Garden at Hyde Farm was opened for "bed renters" in late 2017. The newest project of the Cobb Master Gardeners, the garden features 50, 4' x 8' raised beds and a large pollinator garden. Visitors will not only experience how a community garden works, but learn the health benefits of growing and preparing the harvest in the adjacent kitchen. Come on in!

On the Waterfront

The Lok Garden

1811 Baldwin Farms Drive, Marietta 30068

Twenty years ago, the lakeside garden of Master Gardener Maureen Lok and her husband, Jan Michael, was a "boring" mix of lawn, junipers, and "meatball shrubs." No traces remain. Today, they are surrounded by a healthy assortment of native and favorite trees and perennials. Their vision is a peaceful, shady retreat for the family to enjoy and for flora and fauna to flourish. Their garden is a certified Wildlife Habitat. Like many lots in Cobb County, steep slopes and erosion have presented drainage and gardening challenges. Learn how they have redesigned the garden to meet those challenges and oh yes, take in that view!

Thanks for the Memories

The Young Garden

4066 Sweat Creek Cove, Marietta 30062

Pat and Tom Young's garden is affectionately known as "Waldo Gardens." It bears the name of a special kitty that passed not long before they built and moved into their home in 2007. Their garden is a living album of people, pets, and plants loved. The Youngs painstakingly restored the topsoil removed during



Murdock Elementary School's Garden


construction and blended the formal front yard into the steep, natural, yet stunning back which is also certified Wildlife Habitat. Guests will enjoy discovering the garden's special features and perhaps get a glimpse of the resident breeding hawks.

The Artful Gardener

The Hebert Garden

4145 Jefferson Twp Parkway, Marietta 30066

Split rail and picket fences, colonial style homes, and large lots welcome you to the enclave of Jefferson Township. Master Gardener and former art educator Jayne Hebert took full advantage of all her yard has to offer. The garden features a wide variety of flowering perennials, parterre raised beds, grape vines, blueberries, fruit and nut trees, and more, all set against a lovely backdrop of the home and 100-year-old barn. Her artistic eye is apparent as you will discover artfully integrated garden antiques with flea market finds. Visitors will especially appreciate her handmade deer fencing.

The mission of the Master Gardeners of Cobb County is to advance the horticultural education of its members and to promote the knowledge, interest, appreciation, and enjoyment of gardening and to extend this knowledge and enjoyment to the members and the public. To learn more about Master Gardeners, their projects, read their garden articles, and find out how to become a Master Gardener, please visit their website: www.cobbmastergardeners.org. 

EAST COBBER DAY CAMP GUIDE

Summer day camps are fun and education all rolled into one. EAST COBBER has collected information on the wide range of wonderful day camps to fit all ages and interests, including sports camps, adventure camps, Christian camps, art camps, science camps, dance camps and more. Many day camps listed throughout these pages are held right here in East Cobb and some are just a short drive away. Please note, as extensive as this day camp chart is, it is still just a sampling of all the day camps available. We recommend you visit the websites noted on each listing for even more offerings.

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3D Dolphins Princeton Early Prep 2877 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite B, Marietta 30062 770-417-8841 • www.princetonearlyprep.com	5-12	\$160	8:30am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Andretti Indoor Karting & Games Race Kamp 1255 Roswell Road, Marietta GA 30062 678-496-9530 • www.andrettikarting.com	8-14	\$375	9am-4pm			✓				✓			
Art Camps - The Art Place Mountain View 3330 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta 30066 770-509-2700 • www.theartplace.us	4-18	\$60-\$135 + Supply fee	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Art Camp - SMART Club!* Addison Elementary School 3055 Ebenezer Road, Marietta 30066 404-313-2999 • www.smart-clubs.com	PreK-9th Grade	\$159-\$239	9am-3pm+		✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs					
Art Camp - SMART Club! Junior Counselor Program* Addison Elementary School 3055 Ebenezer Road, Marietta 30066 404-313-2999 • www.smart-clubs.com	6th-12th Grade	Call for rates	8am-5:30pm		✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs	✓ Mon-Thurs					
Atlanta Gifted Academy 2060 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-726-0123 • www.atlantagiftedacademy.com	PreK-5th Grade	\$250 + \$150 Reg fee	8am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Atlanta Junior Rowing Association 245 Azalea Drive, Roswell 30075 770-835-5769 • www.ajracrew.com	12-18	\$150/Session	7:30, 10am or 6pm		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Atlanta Swim Academy Camp H2O 732 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30068 770-973-3120 • www.atlantaswimacademy.com	4-12	\$260-\$325	8:30am-5pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Camp Acworth 4425 Beach Street, Acworth 30101 770-917-1234 • www.campacworth.org	6-14	\$115-\$140	9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Camp Faith Faith Lutheran Church & School 2111 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-973-8921 • school.faithmarietta.org (Student Life tab)	15 mos-8th Grade	\$125-\$230	9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Camp Horizon (Special Needs) Windy Hill Community Center 1855 Roswell Street, Smyrna 30080 770-528-2570 • cobbcounty.org/parks	7-21	\$125	9am-4pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Camp Invention* Sedalia Park Elementary School 2230 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 1-800-968-4332 • www.campinvention.org	K-6th Grade	See website	8am-4pm		✓								
Camp Kingfisher-Chattahoochee Nature Center* 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-992-2055 • www.chattanaturecenter.org/camp-kingfisher	4 years - 9th Grade	See website	9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Camp Ruach! Congregation Etz Chaim, 1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta 30068 770-977-3384 • www.etzchaim.net	14 mos-PreK	\$88-\$256	9:30am-1:30pm or 8am-5pm		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Chabad of Cobb Summer Camp 4450 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-565-4412 • www.chabadofcobb.com	3yr-Rising 6th Grade	\$225-\$275	9am-1pm+ 9am-3:30pm+					✓	✓	✓	✓		
Circus Camp Northeast Cobb YMCA, 3010 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30062 678-569-9622 • www.circuscamp.org	6-12	\$60-\$310	9am-4pm			✓						✓	
Cobb Soccer Academy Mt. Bethel Elementary School 1210 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30068 217-714-4308 • www.CobbSoccerAcademy.com	Rising 1st-6th Grade	\$110	9am-12pm	✓ Tu-Fri									
Cobb Soccer Academy Tritt Elementary School, 4435 Post Oak Tritt Road, Marietta 30062 217-714-4308 • www.CobbSoccerAcademy.com	Rising 1st-6th Grade	\$110	9am-12pm		✓ Mon-Thur								
CourtCamp – Mock Trial Day Camp St. Catherine's Episcopal Church 571 Holt Road, Marietta 30068 678-637-7029 • www.CourtCamp.com	Rising 6th-12th Grade	\$195	1-4pm				✓						
Club SciKidz Science and Technology Camps East Cobb Presbyterian Church 4616 Roswell Road, Marietta 30062 678-493-5651 • www.clubscikidz.com	PreK-9th Grade	\$285	9am-4pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
D-BAT Marietta Baseball & Softball Camps 1666 Roswell Road, Building 300, Marietta 30062 678-403-2632 • www.DBATMarietta.com	5-12	\$150-\$250	9am-2pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Fellowship Christian School Future Stars Basketball Camp 10965 Woodstock Road, Roswell 30075 404-408-5997 • www.fellowshipchristianschool.org	Rising 2nd-5th Grade Boys	\$150	9am-12pm							✓			
Fellowship Christian School Summer Camps* 10965 Woodstock Road, Roswell 30075 404-408-5997 • www.fellowshipchristianschool.org	PreK4-8th Grade	\$50-\$200	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
Fullers Park Kids Summer Camp 3499 Robinson Road, Marietta 30068 770-509-2737 • cobbcounty.org/parks	6-11 12-15	\$125	9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The Garden School 4010 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 770-765-2362 • www.thegardenmarietta.org	5-12	\$280	9am-2pm			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
The Georgia Ballet-Summer Dance Camps* 1225 Field Parkway, Marietta 30060 770-528-0881 • www.georgiaballet.org	6-12	\$250	9am-4pm			✓				✓			
Georgia Dance Conservatory Hip Hop Camp* 49 W. Park Square, Marietta 30060 770-428-0007 • www.georgiadance.com	6-12	\$176	9:30am-12:30pm				✓						

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Georgia Dance Conservatory Tap Camp* 49 W. Park Square, Marietta 30060 770-428-0007 • www.georgiadance.com	6-12	\$176	9:30am-12:30pm					✓					
Georgia Ensemble Theatre Summer Conservatory GET Summer Camps 950 Forrest Street, Roswell 30075 770-641-1260 • www.get.org	2nd-12th Grade	\$175-\$615	9am-4pm		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
GPT Summer Tennis 2018 Camp Olde Towne Athletic Club 4950 Olde Towne Parkway, Marietta 30068 770-578-9901 • www.GPTennis.net	7-18	\$335	9am-2pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Harrison Tennis Center Summer 2018 Jr. Camps 2653 Shallowford Road NE, Marietta 30066 770-591-3151 • cobbcounty.org/parks	4-17	\$45-\$180	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
High Meadows Day Camp 1055 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-993-7975 • www.highmeadowscamp.org	Rising K-9th Grade	\$1230	9:15am-4pm		3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓			3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓			3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓		
High Meadows Day Ants Camp 1055 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-993-7975 • www.highmeadowscamp.org	4 yrs- Rising Kin	\$960	9:45am-1:45pm		3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓			3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓			3 WEEK CAMP ✓ ✓ ✓		
Hyde Farm Nature Camp for Elementary School 721 Hyde Road, Marietta 30068 770-528-8829 • www.cobbcounty.org/parks	Rising 3rd-5th Grade	\$65	9am-1pm				✓						
Imagine It... at Unity North Unity North Atlanta Church, 4255 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta 30066 404-771-2828 • UnityNorth.org	5-12	\$99	9am-1pm				✓						
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church-Sports Camps* 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30068 678-784-5317 • www.johnsonferry.org/youthsports	See website	See website	See website			✓ Impact Cheer, Youth Tumble	✓ Tennis, Senior Tumble	✓ Flag Football, Tennis, Dance		✓ Day Camp			
Kell High School Nike Basketball Camp 4770 Lee Waters Road, Marietta 30066 1-800-645-3225 • www.elitehoopsbasketball.com	9-15	\$285	Mon-Thur 9am-3pm Fri: 9am-12pm			✓							
KIDS 4 CODING Computer Camps* 11050 Crabapple Road, D115B, Roswell 30075 770-642-0004 • www.kids4coding.com	7-16	\$329-\$639	See website	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Kids Zone Weekly Day Camps Kids Zone Daycare & Learning Center 137 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite 1100, Marietta 30068 770-933-6900 • www.kidszonelearningcenter.com	5-12	Call for rates	6:30am-6:30pm*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
KSU Summer University* Kennesaw State University-Continuing Education 3333 Busbee Drive NW, Kennesaw 30144 470-578-6765 • ccpe.kennesaw.edu/youth/summeru	Rising 1st-12th Grade	\$249-\$299	9am-3pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Lassiter High School Girls Youth Lacrosse Camp 2601 Shallowford Road, Marietta 30066 770-592-7926 • lassiterladieslacrosse.org	K-8th Grade	\$125	9:30am-12:30pm				✓						
Lassiter High School Trojan Volleyball Camp 2601 Shallowford Road, Marietta 30066 404-309-1142 • www.lassitervolleyball.net	Rising 3rd-5th 6th-8th Grade	\$85 \$115	9am-12pm 1-4pm								✓ July 17-19		
Life University Womens Soccer Camp 1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta 30060 816-225-2020 • Samantha.Clark@live.edu	Rising 9th-12th Grade	\$305	9am-3pm			✓							
Marietta Cobb Art Museum Summer Art Camps* 30 Atlanta Street, Marietta 30060 770-528-1444 • www.mariettacobbartmuseum.org	5-18	\$180-\$280	See website		✓	✓	✓			✓			
Marietta Community School Summer Enrichment Camps 2018 Marietta Middle School, 121 Winn Street, Marietta 30064 770-429-3170 • www.mariettacommunityschool.com	4-14	\$140 (5 days) + \$135 Reg. fee	6:30am-7pm		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Marietta's New Theatre in the Square Young Voices United 11 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta 30064 770-426-4800 • www.theatreinthesquare.net	6-18	\$120 + \$25 Reg. fee	7:30am-6pm		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Marietta's New Theatre in the Square Summer Film Camp 11 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta 30064 770-426-4800 • www.theatreinthesquare.net	15-19	\$300/1 wk \$600/2 wks	7:30am-6pm	✓	✓								

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MJCCA Summer Day Camps • 5342 Tilly Mill Road, Dunwoody 30338 • Temple Kol Emeth, 1415 Old Canton Road, Marietta 30062 678-812-4004 • mjccadaycamps.org	Rising PreK-10th Grade	Call for rates	7:30am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MJCCA Camp Billi Marcus Temple Kol Emeth, 1415 Old Canton Road, Marietta 30062 678-812-3720 • atlantajcc.org/preschool	2-4	Call for rates	7:30am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Moohan Martial Arts Academy 3605 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta 30066 770-973-5425 • www.mymoohan.org	4-12	\$170-\$200	8am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mount Paran North-Sports Camp @ North Mount Paran North Church 1700 Allgood Road, Marietta 30062 678-285-3248 • mountparansports.website.siplay.com	6-12	\$115 + \$50 Reg. fee	7:30am-6pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mrs. Jackie Camp 4814 Paper Mill Road SE, Marietta 30067 727-729-9829 • mrsjackiecamp.com	6-12	\$75/day Discounts available	8:30am-5:30pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mt. Bethel UMC Hoops Camps* 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-971-5280 • www.mtbethel.org	Rising 1st-8th Grade	\$95-\$115	See website			✓ Mon-Thur				✓ Mon-Thur			
Mt. Bethel UMC Soccer Camp* 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-971-5280 • www.mtbethel.org	6-12	\$115-\$140	9am-12:30pm	✓									
Mt. Bethel UMC Sports Camps* 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-971-5280 • www.mtbethel.org	Rising 2nd-5th Grade	\$265-\$290	9am-4:30pm				✓	✓					
Mt. Bethel UMC Volleyball Camp* 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta 30068 770-971-5280 • www.mtbethel.org	Rising 4th-8th Grade	\$80-\$100	9am-12pm								✓ July 16-18		
Ninja, Parkour & More Variety Camp Ninja Quest Fitness, 3910 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 678-384-6500 • www.ninjaquestfitness.com	4+	\$200-\$300	9am-1pm 9am-4pm					✓					
Ninja Warrior Camp Ninja Quest Fitness, 3910 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 678-384-6500 • www.ninjaquestfitness.com	4+	\$200-\$300	9am-1pm 9am-4pm		✓					✓			
Our Pal's Place-Camp O.P.P. 4508 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 678-361-7623 • www.ourpalsplace.org	Rising 4th-9th Grade	\$235-\$245	9am-4pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Piedmont Academy & Early Learning Center Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Road, Marietta 30066 770-423-9578 • www.piedmontacademy.tv	3 yr-5th grade	\$150 + \$50 Reg fee	8am-3pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
Pope High School-Cheer Mini Camps 3001 Hembree Road, Marietta 30062 popecheer.wixsite.com/pope/mini-camp	K-5th Grade	\$75	9am-12pm	✓ May 29- 31								✓ July 30-31	
Pope High School-Fast Pitch Softball Summer Camp 3001 Hembree Road, Marietta 30062 770-578-7900 • popefastpitch.net	6-13	\$120-\$150	9am-12pm 9am-3pm			✓ June 11-14							
Pope High School-Fencing Camp 3001 Hembree Road NE, Marietta 30062 678-524-6810 • www.popefencing.org	Rising 6th-12th Grade	\$240	9am-3pm							✓ July 9-12			
Primrose School of Lassiter* 2821 Lassiter Road, Marietta 30062 770-641-8535 • www.primroselassiter.com	5-12	\$249 + \$100 Reg Fee	6:30am-6:30pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Primrose School of Sprayberry* 2531 East Piedmont Road, Marietta 30062 770-578-4832 • www.primrosesprayberry.com	5-12	\$235 + \$150 Reg Fee	6:30am-6:30pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Prodigy Performing Arts 4005 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 678-697-9320 • www.prodigyperformingarts.com	3-13	\$85-\$140	Varies by age					✓			✓		
School of Rock - Beginner Performance Camp 2469 East Piedmont Road, #1101, Marietta 30062 770-579-0400 • www.eastcobb.schoolofrock.com	5-17	\$425	9am-3pm				✓						
School of Rock - Rock n Roll Performance Camp - All levels 2469 East Piedmont Road, #1101, Marietta 30062 770-579-0400 • www.eastcobb.schoolofrock.com	7-17	\$425	9am-3pm		✓								

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School of Rock - Music Recording Camp 2469 East Piedmont Road, #1101, Marietta 30062 770-579-0400 • www.eastcobb.schoolofrock.com	7-17	\$475	9am-3pm					✓					
School of Rock - Songwriting Camp 2469 East Piedmont Road, #1101, Marietta 30062 770-579-0400 • www.eastcobb.schoolofrock.com	7-17	\$475	9am-3pm								✓		
Science Camp by High Touch High Tech* Northbrook United Methodist Church 11225 Crabapple Road, Roswell 30075 770-667-9443 • www.sciencemadefunatl.net	Rising 1st-6th Grade	\$260	9am-3pm								✓	✓	
Science Camp by High Touch High Tech* Paper Mill Road Baptist Church 3227 Paper Mill Road, Marietta 30067 770-667-9443 • www.sciencemadefunatl.net	Rising 1st-6th Grade	\$260	9am-3pm			✓							
Seriously Addictive Math (S.A.M.) of East Cobb- Spark the Tank: Unplug Your InnerPreneur 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite B-130, Marietta 30068 678-388-9495 • sparkthetank.com	Rising 3rd-6th Grade	\$250	9am-3pm					✓		✓	✓		
Shaping Minds Summer Camps 4880 Lower Roswell Road, Suite 610, Marietta 30068 404-474-2350 • www.mariettasummmercamps.com	5-12	\$109- \$149	9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
The Spanish Academy - Spanish Camp 2663 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30062 770-751-3646 www.thespanishacademy.com/summmercamp/eastcobb	2-8	\$195	9am-1pm		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
Sports Broadcasting Camp Emory University, Atlanta 1-800-319-0884 • playbyplaycamps.com	10-18	\$650	9am-4pm								✓		
Sprayberry Academy 2.0 Camp 2670 Kinjac Road, Marietta 30066 770-672-6289 • www.sprayberry2.com	K-8th grade	\$230	6:30am-6:30pm	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sprayberry Cheerleading-2018 Little Jacket Cheer Camp 2525 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta 30066 678-591-3585 • www.sprayberrycheerleading.com	5-12	\$100	9am-1pm				✓						
St. Andrew Rowing Club Introduction to Rowing 675 Riverside Road, Roswell 30075 770-676-2739 • www.standrewrowing.com	Rising 6th-12th Grade	\$160-half \$300-full day	8:30-11am 5-7:30pm			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
St. Francis School-Academic Morning Camp 9375 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-641-8257 • www.saintfrancisschools.com	2nd-8th Grade	\$325	9am-12pm+							2 WEEKS ✓ ✓			
St. Francis School-Activities Camp 9375 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-641-8257 • www.saintfrancisschools.com	2nd-8th Grade	\$300	12:30-3:30pm+							2 WEEKS ✓ ✓			
St. Francis School-Basketball Camp 9375 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-641-8257 • www.saintfrancisschools.com	5th-8th Grade	\$300	12:30-3:30pm+							2 WEEKS ✓ ✓			
St. Francis School-STEM Camp 9375 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075 770-641-8257 • www.saintfrancisschools.com	5th-8th Grade	\$300	12:30-3:30pm+							2 WEEKS ✓ ✓			
STREM HQ Tech & Robotics Summer Camps 519 Johnson Ferry Road, Building B, Marietta 30068 508-507-8736 • www.stremhq.com	6-17	\$199+	9am-4pm+		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Terrell Mill Tennis Center Junior Summer Tennis Camp 480 Terrell Mill Road, Marietta 30067 770-644-2771 • www.prca.cobbcountyga.gov	5-17	\$180	9am-12pm		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
TLC Hip Hop Camp Teaching Little Children Dance Studio 850 Old Piedmont Road, Suite 1, Marietta 30066 770-590-4234 • www.teachinglittlechildren.com	6-11	\$185 by 5/15/18 or \$195	9am-12:30pm				✓						
TLC Princess Dance Camp Teaching Little Children Dance Studio 850 Old Piedmont Road, Suite 1, Marietta 30066 770-590-4234 • www.teachinglittlechildren.com	3-6	\$185 by 5/15/18 or \$195	9am-12:30pm			✓		✓		✓			
Upbeat! String Camp Dodgen Middle School, 1725 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta 30062 770-642-8111 • www.upbeatstringcamp.com	Rising 6th-12th Grade	\$245 by 5/15/18 or \$260	8:30am-4pm							✓ July 9-12			
Vanguard Elite Sports-The MonStarLab Summer Camp All Tournament Players Park/Ninja Quest 3910 Canton Road, Marietta 30066 678-521-4100 • VanguardEliteSports.com	12-18	\$400/month	6-10pm		✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Thur	✓ Mon-Tues	

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The Walker School Summer Programs* 700 Cobb Parkway, Marietta 30062 770-427-2689 • www.thewalkerschool.org/summer	3-18	See website	9am-12pm 1pm-4pm All Day	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Walton High School-Elite Volleyball Camp* 1590 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta 30062 770-856-1254 • www.waltonvolleyball.com	6th-8th Grade	\$250	4-9pm								✓	✓	
Walton High School-Learn-to-Play* 1590 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta 30062 770-856-1254 • www.waltonvolleyball.com	5th-8th Grade	\$200	9am-2pm			✓ June 11-14							
Walton High School-Puzzles and Logic Camp Dickerson Middle School, 855 Woodlawn Road, Marietta 30068 Laura.Speer@cobbk12.org • www.waltonmathteam.com	Rising 4th-8th Grade	\$225 by 5/1/18 or \$250	9am-3pm		✓ June 4-7								
Walton High School-Raider Summer Camp 1590 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta 30062 770-578-3225 • www.raidersfb.org	K-5th/ 6th-8th Grade	\$195/ \$175 add'l sib	9am-1pm					✓ June 25-28					
Walton High School-Robotics Camp* 1590 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta 30062 waltonroboticscamp@gmail.com • waltonrobotics.org	Rising 6th-9th Grade	\$200-\$300	8am-3pm			✓ June 11-14							
Wheeler High School CAMP G.A.M.E.S. Science and Engineering Camp for Girls 375 Holt Road, Marietta 30068 770-578-3286 • www.wheelermagnet.com	Rising 4th-6th Grade Girls	\$250	9am-3pm					✓					
Wheeler High School Science Spectrum 375 Holt Road, Marietta 30068 770-578-3286 • www.wheelermagnet.com	Rising 7th-9th Grade	\$300	9am-3pm			✓							
Wheeler High School STEM Explorers 375 Holt Road, Marietta 30068 770-578-3286 • www.wheelermagnet.com	Rising 4th-6th Grade Boys	\$250	9am-3pm					✓					
WinShape Camp Mt. Bethel Christian Academy North Campus 2509 Post Oak Tritt Road, Marietta 30062 770-977-5991 • www.winshapecamps.org/cobb	K-8th Grade	\$249	7:30am-5pm M-Th 7:30am-11:30pm Fri		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
YMCA McCleskey/East Cobb-Summer Camps 1055 East Piedmont Road, Marietta 30062 770-977-5991 www.ymcaatlanta.org/program-locations/summer-camp/mccleskey-cobb.php	3-5 and 5-17	\$75-\$125 \$185-\$310	9am-12pm+ 9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
YMCA Northeast-Summer Camps 3010 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta 30062 678-569-9622 www.ymcaatlanta.org/program-locations/summer-camp/northeast-cobb.php	3-5 and 5-17	\$75-\$125 \$185-\$310	9am-12pm+ 9am-4pm+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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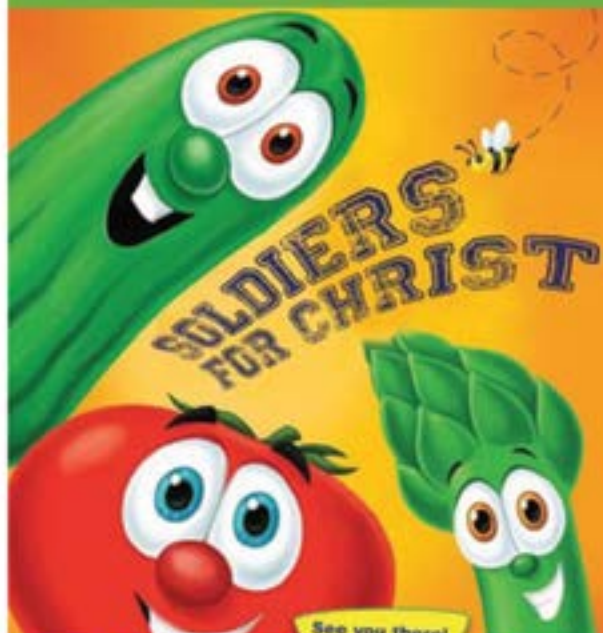

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Athens Y Camp for Boys 1000 Y Camp Road, Tallulah Falls, GA 30573 706-754-6912 • www.athenscamps.org	7-14	\$730+ \$45 store fee	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Camp Chattooga for Girls 1000 Y Camp Road, Tallulah Falls, GA 30573 706-754-3329 • www.athenscamps.org	7-14	\$730+ \$45 store fee	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Camp Horizon Sleep Away Camp 5825 Glenridge Drive, Bldg 3, Atlanta, GA 30328 770-462-4908 • www.camphorizon.net	8-11	Free for Atlanta's foster youth	See website								✓ July 16-21	
Camp Trach Me Away Camp Twin Lakes, 1391 Keencheefoonee Road, Rutledge, GA 30663 770-654-1458 • www.facebook.com/camptrachmeaway	7-18	Free	See website						✓ July 1-6			
Deer Run Overnight Camps-1 week camp 3845 Perkins Road, Thompson's Station, TN 37179 888-794-2918 • deerrun.camp/youth-overnight-camp	6-12	\$749	See website			✓	✓			✓	✓	
Deer Run Overnight Camps-2 week camp 3845 Perkins Road, Thompson's Station, TN 37179 888-794-2918 • deerrun.camp/youth-overnight-camp	12-15	\$1,619	See website			✓	✓			✓	✓	
Deer Run Overnight Camps 3845 Perkins Road, Thompson's Station, TN 37179 888-794-2918 • www.deerrun.camp	Family	See website	See website		✓				✓			
Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta-Camp Misty Mountain 490 Lake Marvin Road NE, Armuchee, GA 30105 706-629-1030 • www.girlscoutsatl.org	Grades 2nd-12th	See website	See website			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta-Camp Timber Ridge 4575 Pebble Brook Road, Marietta, GA 30126 770-702-9600 • www.girlscoutsatl.org	Grades K-9th	See website	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church-Children's Camp at Ocoee Retreat Center 955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta, GA 30068 678-784-5317 • www.johnsonferry.org/youthsports	Rising 3rd-5th Grades	\$315	See website								✓ July 15-19	
Life University Boys Rugby Camp 1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta 30060 colton.cariaga@life.edu • www.liferunningeagles.com	Rising 9th-12th Grade	\$500	noon 7/10-noon 7/14							✓ July 10-14		
Life University Womens Rugby Camp 1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta 30060 979-324-9371 • www.liferunningeagles.com	Rising 9th-12th Grade	\$450	noon 7/5-noon 7/8						✓ July 5-8			
Shining Stars Performing Arts Academy @ Camp Swamp 1400 Maxey's Road, Union Point, GA 30669 352-682-9241 • www.campswamp.com/shiningstars	9-18	\$695	See website					✓				
Sports Broadcasting Camp Emory University • 201 Dowman Drive, Atlanta, GA 30322 800-319-0884 • www.playbyplaycamps.com	10-18	\$1295	See website								✓ July 16-20	
U.S. Space & Rocket Center - Space Camps One Tranquility Base, Huntsville, AL 35805 1-800-637-7223 • www.spacecamp.com	9-18	\$999-\$1199	See website	✓	✓			✓				✓
YMCA - Camp Ocoee 111 YMCA Drive, Ocoee, TN 37361 423-338-5588 • www.ymcacampocoe.org	7 years - Rising 10th grade	See website	See website		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓

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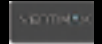
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Yoga Class. This class will help create body awareness, strengthen and stretch muscles and tissues, improve balance, posture and coordination. Appropriate for all levels of students. 12:15-1:15pm. \$90. (April 3-June 19). WellStar East Cobb Health Park, 3747 Roswell Road NE, Marietta. More info/To reserve: 770-956-7827 or wellstar.org.

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Family Fun Time is for families with children of all ages. It lasts 40-50 minutes and can include books, activities, a short film, parachute play, music, and a craft. 3:30-4:15pm. Free. East Cobb Library, 4880 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-509-2730.

EVERY THURSDAY THROUGH JUNE 21

Tai Chi Class. A mind-body practice that has its roots in ancient China, designed to cultivate the body's vital energy (known as "chi") and improve the flow of this energy through the body. 12-1pm. \$90. (April 5-June 21). WellStar East Cobb Health Park, 3747 Roswell Road NE, Marietta/East Cobb. More info/To reserve: 770-956-7827 or wellstar.org.

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.

WEEKENDS THROUGH MAY 13

Good Mews Spring Flea Market. Find great bargains on a variety of items. All proceeds benefit Good Mews Animal Foundation, a local non-profit organization which operates a volunteer-based no-kill shelter for homeless, abused, and abandoned cats. Saturdays: 10am-5pm. Sundays: 12-5pm. 562 Wylie Road Marietta 30060 (behind the U-Haul on Highway 120). More info: 770-499-2287 or goodmews.org.

THROUGH MAY 31

Eco-Tinker: Interactive Exhibits. Head outdoors this spring for our nature-inspired tech and tinker stations – 5 stations where you can experiment and explore. The exhibit stations focus on the science of water – how it moves, how it is used. There's plenty to play with while you learn at the STEM stations. Expand your creative mind and your vocabulary when you visit Eco-Tinker! Members Free. \$10/Adult, \$6/Child, Children 2 & under are free. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell. More info: 770-992-2055 or chattnaturecenter.org.

APRIL 2- APRIL 6

Cobb County Schools Spring Break.

APRIL 6

Scary-etta Trolley Ghost Tour. Join Ghosts of Marietta and The Historic Marietta Trolley Company for a 90 minute "spired" ride aboard the trolley. This tour does include a very brief period of walking, if you have any issues walking please let them know. Tours last approximately 90 minutes and the walk is about 2 blocks. 8-9:30pm. Adults: \$27; Children: \$14. 130 Church Street, Marietta. More info: 770-425-1066 or ghostsofmarietta.com.

APRIL 6 & 7

Spring Native Plant Sale. Attract butterflies, pollinators, birds and more to your garden by adding native plants. Over 120 species of plants available, and horticulturists and knowledgeable volunteers on site to help you plant the garden of your dreams. Herbs and veggies for the edible garden and more. 10am-5pm. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075. More info: 770-992-2055 or chattnaturecenter.org.

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APRIL 10-MAY 10 & APRIL 16-MAY 16

Drivers Education presented by Marietta/Cobb Driver's Education. 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of individual training behind the wheel. This program meets the requirements for Joshua's Law and qualifies for the Teen Driver's Education insurance discount. April 10-May 10, Tuesdays/Thursdays: 6-9pm at Pope High School. April 16-May 16, Mondays/Wednesdays: 6-9pm at Kell High School. \$385. Kell High School, 4770 Lee Waters Road, Marietta. Pope High School, 3001 Hembree Road, Marietta. More info: 770-429-3170 or mariettacommunityschool.com.

APRIL 12

Azaleas and Wildflowers Garden Tour. Enjoy the flowers in bloom. Master Gardeners will guide you to the best locations for enjoying the spring displays. Parking off Post Oak Trift Road beside Chestnut Ridge Christian Church. Free (Donations accepted). 9am-12pm. Wright Environmental Education Center, 2661 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: judybeard1@gmail.com.

APRIL 12-14

Shrek the Musical presented by Wheeler High School. Make room for ogre-sized family fun as the greatest fairy tale never told comes to life in a whole new way. 7pm. General Admission; \$10; Reserved Seating: \$12. Wheeler High School Performing Arts Center, 375 Holt Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: wildcat.theatre@wheelerhigh.com.

Get Your Event Listed!

We'll need: event name, date, description, ticket prices, times/hours, site address, phone number, email, and web address. The deadline for the Community Calendar is the 15th of the month prior to the next issue. Email your info to: calendar@eastcobb.com. Be sure to include any related photos and/or posters.

APRIL 12-15

Murder! At The Strand. An immersive theatrical whodun-it! Using all of The Strand, this interactive, world-premiere event challenges the audience to identify the true story behind a nefarious crime and the criminal with the motive to commit it. This is an opportunity for patrons to experience the historic Earl and Rachel Smith Strand Theatre as never before. Thursday & Friday: 7pm & 8:30pm; Saturday: 3pm, 7pm & 8:30pm; Sunday: 3pm. Tickets: \$40-\$45. Earl and Rachel Smith Strand Theatre, 117 North Park Square, Marietta. More info: 770-293-0080 or www.earlsmithstrand.org.

APRIL 13

Book Signing and Fundraiser. Short readings from selected works followed by refreshments and an opportunity to speak with the authors and purchase autographed copies. Proceeds benefit Family Promise of Cobb County. Free to attend. The Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, 1795 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-977-7473.

Cobb County Master Gardeners Lunch and Learn: Ask the Master Gardener Panel and Plant Swap. A panel of Master Gardeners will answer your questions on any gardening topic, and you can bring a few plants to swap with others. Bring your lunch. 12-1pm. Free. Cobb County Water Lab, 662 Atlanta Road, Marietta. More info: 770-528-4070 or cobbmastergardeners.com.

APRIL 13-15

Tu Tu & More presented by the Atlanta Ballet presents three show-stopping works spotlighting the amazing spectrum of dance today. Friday: 8pm. Saturday: 2pm & 8pm. Sunday: 2pm. Tickets: starting at \$20. Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre, 2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway, Atlanta. More info/tickets: 800-745-3000 or cobbenergycentre.com, or ticketmaster.com.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 13-29

Always...Patsy Cline presented by The Atlanta Lyric Theatre. The show is based on a true story about Cline's friendship with a fan, who befriended the star in a Texas honky-tonk in 1961, and continued a correspondence with Cline until her death. The musical play, complete with down home country humor, true emotion and even some audience participation. Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays: 8pm. An additional matinee performance on Saturday, April 28 and Sundays: 2pm. \$33-\$53. Jennie T. Anderson Theatre, 548 S. Marietta Parkway, Marietta. More info: atlantalyrictheatre.com.

APRIL 14

2018 Run the River. Enjoy a scenic run/walk along the Chattahoochee river. Proceeds will be used to continue Home Stretch's mission of providing housing, hope, and life skills to homeless families. 10K: 7:30am; 5K: 7:45 am, 5K Walk: 7:50 am; Fun Run: 7:55 am. 10K: \$40. 5K: \$30. Family: \$100. Fun Run: \$15. St. Andrew Catholic Church, 675 Riverside Road, Roswell. More info: 770-642-9185 or homestretch.org.

6th Annual Casino Night to benefit Marietta American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association Chapter #519 College Scholarship Fund. The evening begins with cocktail-social hour with hor d'oeuvres, food and chips to play. \$100/players; \$50/non-players. 6-11pm. Infomart Hospitality/Banquet Room, 1582 Terrell Mill Road, Marietta. RSVP and more info: hkipreos@yahoo.com or 770-316-8583.

Date Night Canoe Trip. Join Chattahoochee Nature Center (CNC) canoe guides as they paddle down the Chattahoochee River. After the paddle, join the guides around the campfire to roast marshmallows. 5pm. General Public: \$35, CNC Members: \$30, Ages 21+. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell. For registration/scheduling: 770-992-2055 x237 or scheduling@chattnaturecenter.org.

MORE ONLINE
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APRIL 14

Georgia Street Rod Association Swap Meet and Flea Market. Swap meet and car corral includes all auto and truck parts for sale or trade. 8am-3pm. \$5/adults; Admission is free for children under 12 and women. Jim Miller Park, 2245 Callaway Road, Marietta. More info: 770-517-6701 or gsra.com.

Recycling Day. Bring your recyclable metal, electronic, appliances, paint and paper for shredding. Proceeds benefit Pope High School Band. All you can bring metal, appliances and electronics for a \$10 donation; additional fees for other items. 9am-4pm. Pope High School, 3001 Hembree Road NE, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: popebandrecycling@gmail.com.

Swing For The Soldiers. Enjoy the sounds of Big Band. Enter the Mae West look alike contest. Hot hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. \$29. 7-11pm. American Legion Post 29, 921 Gresham Avenue NE, Marietta. More info/Tickets: 770-973-0014 or www.unitedmilitarycare.org.

APRIL 14 & 15

M2R Trailfest. Marietta's newest and most unique festival. The two-day event starts at Lewis Park near WellStar Kennestone Hospital, through the Marietta Square and ending in the Marietta Confederate Cemetery, featuring artists of every kind along the trail. Saturday starts with a ribbon cutting for the trail to kick off the day's festivities. Art performances, live music, food trucks, and visual installations stretch throughout 2 miles of the trail. Free. Saturday: 3-8pm; Sunday: 12-4pm. Lewis Park, 475 Campbell Hill Street NW, Marietta. Marietta Confederate Cemetery, 395 Powder Springs Street, Marietta. More info: 404-983-8111 or m2rtrail.com.

APRIL 14 & 28

Marietta Square Artisan Market. An open-air fine arts market showcasing the best of local, handmade art and fine crafts. From jewelry to sculpture, paintings and more, there is something for everyone. 9am-2pm on Mill Street between Church Street and the railroad tracks. More info: ArtistsMarketMarietta.com.



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APRIL 16 & 30

Cobb Connections. This networking event provides the opportunity to build relationships and grow business-to-business and business-to-consumer connections. 3 - 4:30 p.m. Cobb Chamber members. Free. General Admission: \$25. Registration required. Cobb Chamber of Commerce, 240 Interstate North Parkway, Atlanta. More info: cobbchamber.org.

APRIL 19-21

St. Ann's Annual Garage Sale. Includes seasonal, office goods, flat screen TV's/PC's, furniture, books, clothes, housewares, toys, baby items and much more. April 19 & 20: 9am-6pm. April 21: 9am-1pm. St. Ann's Catholic Church, 4905 Roswell Road, East Cobb. More info: 770-552-6400 or st-ann.org/womens-guild/garage-sale.

APRIL 20

Mamma Mia & Margaritas! Fun Girls Night Out at the Strand. Sing and dance to the movie Mamma Mia on the big screen while enjoying the Margarita Bar. 8pm. Student, Seniors and Military: \$7; Individuals: \$8. Earl and Rachel Smith Strand Theatre, 117 North Park Square, Marietta. More info: 770-293-0080 or www.earlsmithstrand.org.

APRIL 20 & 21

5th Annual Percussion Ensemble Symposium presented by Lassiter High School Band with special performance by the Florida State University Percussion Ensemble. Proceeds benefit the Lassiter High School Bands. Student ensembles perform approximately every half hour. Friday: 5-9:15pm; Saturday: 9am. Florida State University will perform Saturday at 8pm. \$10 for both days. Lassiter High School Concert Hall, 2601 Shallowford Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: [Facebook.com/lassiterpercussionsymposium](https://www.facebook.com/lassiterpercussionsymposium) or percussionsymposium@lbba.org.

APRIL 20 & 21

19th Annual Cobb Master Gardener Garden Fair & Plant Sale. Over 45 vendors will be on hand for all your gardening needs. Rain or shine. Free. 10am-4pm. East Cobb Park, 3322 Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: www.cobbmastergardeners.com.

APRIL 21

America Volume 4 presented by the Georgia Symphony Orchestra (GSO). Volume 4 of the GSO's multi-year presentation of American music explores black American composers including the world premiere of Moonlight Waltz by the GSO's own N. E. Wheeler, and the Georgia premier of Daniel Bernard Roumain Human Songs and Stories and William Grant Still's And They Lynched Him on a Tree. 8pm. Tickets: \$10-\$20. Marietta Performing Arts Center, 1171 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta 30064. More info/ Tickets: 770-429-2390 or georgiasymphony.org.

Ivy Lane Fashion Show to benefit suicide prevention in East Cobb high schools. Lunch, drinks, music, swag bags, auction, and much more. Two shows at 1pm and 4pm. Tickets: \$30. To purchase tickets online go to ivylanemarietta.com. Sponsorships available. Ivy Lane, 3605 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-578-0506 or ivylanemarietta.com.

Local Lens. Enjoy a screening and Q&A with a Georgia film professional. 4-5pm. Free. Sewell Mill Library & Cultural Center, 2051 Lower Roswell Road. Marietta/ East Cobb. More info: 770-509-4988 or James.mitchell@cobbcounty.org.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 21 & 22

42nd Annual Kennesaw/Big Shanty Festival combines the rich heritage of Kennesaw and the Civil War era with fun-filled activities with arts and crafts, food and live entertainment. The festival kicks off with a parade on Saturday at 9:30am, starting at Adams Park and continuing down Main Street through downtown Kennesaw. Saturday: 10am-6pm. Sunday: 12-5pm. Free. Downtown Kennesaw, 2829 Cherokee Street, Kennesaw. More info: 770-423-1330 or kennesaw.com/big-shanty-festival.

Sandy Springs Artsapalooza. Two-day outdoor festival bringing art to the streets of the city. Children's play area, local musicians, interactive art stations, plus up to 150 arts and crafts participants in every discipline. Saturday: 10am-5pm. Sunday: 11am-5pm. 6100 Lake Forrest Drive, Sandy Springs. More info: sandspringsartsapalooza.com.

APRIL 22

Marietta Big Chicken Chorus Presents *Happy Trails*. This year's special guest is Rooftop Records. 3pm. Tickets: \$15. Marietta Performing Arts Center, Marietta High School, 1171 Whitlock Avenue SW, Marietta. More info: BigChickenChorus.org.

APRIL 27

Glover Concert Series: Band X. Come out and enjoy Band X, a party rock band that will sure to have you singing and dancing in the park. A limited number of tables can be reserved, however personal tables, tarps and plastic ground coverings are prohibited inside of Glover Park and will be removed. Blankets and lawn chairs may be set up in the park. 8pm (rain or shine) Free. Glover Park on the Historic Marietta Square, 50 North Park Square, Marietta. More info: 770-794-5601 or mariettaga.gov/concerts.

APRIL 27 & 28

Atlanta Antique Gun and International Military Show. Friday: 12-5pm. Saturday: 9am-4pm. Daily admission: \$7; Ages 7-12: \$1. IAMAW Union Hall, 1032 S. Marietta Parkway, Marietta. More info: 704-282-1339 or Richard@thecarolinatrader.com.

APRIL 27-MAY 6

Spring Bird Seed Fundraiser Pre-Orders. Just in time for the Great Backyard Bird Count, fill your feeders with Cole's premium birdseed and benefit the Chattahoochee Nature Center. Pick-up in store May 11-13. Chattahoochee Nature Center, 9135 Willeo Road, Roswell 30075. More info: 770-992-2055 or chattnaturecenter.org.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 28, MAY 1, 4 & 6

Carmen presented by the Atlanta Opera. Bizet's powerful masterpiece centers on the beautiful and free-spirited gypsy Carmen, who tempts the hapless Don Jose with uninhibited seduction. When his obsession makes her grow weary, the torment he feels brings their love to a violent conclusion. Tickets start at \$50. Saturday: 8pm; Tuesday 7:30pm; Friday: 8pm; Sunday: 3pm. Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre, 2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway, Atlanta. More info/tickets: 770-916-2800 or cobbenergycentre.com.

APRIL 28

A Garden Faire. Each year the North Fulton Master Gardeners present a one-stop shop for everything you need to make your gardening dreams a reality. Pass-a-long plants, flea/tique, garden demonstrations, garden art and pottery, specialty vendors and more. 9am-4pm (Rain or shine). Free. Historic Bulloch Hall, 180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell. For more info: www.nfmg.net.



The Orange Duffel Bag Dash (ODBI) a fun-filled 5K Trail Run! You'll get that much-loved outdoor exercise while you help homeless and foster care students stay on track with their education! How? ODBI programs are proven to mobilize and motivate high school students toward academic success! Race day: check-in: 6:45-7:45am at the Pavilion for participants who did not Pickup Packets. Event Start: 8am. 5K: \$30; Phantom: \$35. Garrard Landing Park - Covered Bridge Trail, 8000 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell. More info: www.theobdi.org.

Skip Wells Semper Five K. This race is held in honor of Skip Wells, graduate of Sprayberry High School, a U.S. Marine who was killed in a terrorist attack in Chattanooga. Race is at Kennesaw State University. Pre-packet pickup at Big Peach Kennesaw on April 27 from 4-7pm. Race starts at 8am. \$40. Race: Kennesaw State University, 390 Big Shanty Road, Kennesaw. More info: www.active.com.

APRIL 28

Yard Sale supporting the youth missions of St. Andrew United Methodist Church. Find household items, furniture, clothes and other treasures at great bargain prices. 8am-2pm. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 3455 Canton Road, East Cobb. More info: 770-926-3488.

APRIL 29

Taste of Marietta. Enjoy samplings from local restaurants, live entertainment and kids' activities. 11am-7pm. Festival admission: Free. Food tastes: \$1-\$5. Historic Marietta Square, 4 Depot Street, Marietta. More info: tasteofmarietta.com.

APRIL 30

27th Annual Charity Golf Tournament hosted by East Cobb Lions Club. Proceeds to benefit several local charities. 8am: Registration, continental breakfast and range balls. 9am: Shotgun start. Four-person team, Ft. Lauderdale format. Lunch and awards follow golf. \$125/player. Indian Hills Country Club, 4001 Clubland Drive, Marietta. More info/to register: Don Garrow at 770-955-6914, or dgarrow@bellsouth.net or eastcobbliions.club.

MAY 3

34th Annual Cobb County Prayer Breakfast. Join leaders from Cobb County and surrounding areas as they join to pray for our nation, state, and county. Tickets include a delicious breakfast and program. Coffee social: 6:30-7am. Breakfast and program: 7-9am. \$25. Cobb Galleria Centre, 2 Galleria Parkway SE, Atlanta. More info: cobbcountyprayerbreakfast.org.

MAY 4

Sope Creek Garden Club Plant Sale. Native plants and shrubs from members' gardens: Ferns, ground covers, hydrangeas, irises, day lilies, elephant ears, flowering perennials, and many more. 10am-6pm. Eastside Baptist Church, 2450 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-955-1303 or frogsncats.com/html/sopecreek-gc/scgc.htm.

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MAY 4

Marietta Spring Pops Concert presented by Symphony on the Square. Join the Symphony for selections from Billy Joel, Michael Jackson, Barry Manilow, Star Wars, Wizard of Oz and more. 8pm. \$20. Earl and Rachel Smith Strand Theatre, 117 North Park Square, Marietta. More info: www.mariettaga.gov.

MAY 5

Free Comic Book Day. Each year, participating comic book shops across North America and around the world give away comic books for absolutely free to anyone who comes into their stores. Dr. No's Comics & Games Superstore, 3372 Canton Road, Suite 104, Marietta/East Cobb and Great Escape Comics & Games, 1050 East Piedmont Road, Suite 106, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: 770-422-4642 and 770-973-2253 or freecomicbookday.com.

Golf Tournament hosted by Georgia Federation of Republican Women, a portion of the proceeds benefits STAG Vets Organization. Registration includes biscuits & coffee, Grab & Go lunch, refreshments, and Hot hor d'oeuvres at Awards Ceremony. 8am-6:30pm. \$30-\$5000. Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club, 2459 US 280, Cordele 31015. More info/Participation: cebecnel@gmail.com.

Project82 Kenya 5K Run. All race proceeds will benefit our children's education and healthcare programs in Kenya. \$20-40. Sign in begins at 6am. Race: 7:30am. Fun run: 8:30am. Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb. More Info: project82kenya.com.

MAY 5

Taste of East Cobb. Enjoy samplings from local restaurants, live entertainment and kids' activities. Fundraiser for the Walton High School band. 11am-5pm. Festival admission: Free. Food tastes \$2-\$5 Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, South Parking Lot, 955 Johnson Ferry Road, East Cobb. More info: tasteofeastcobb.com.

MAY 5 & 6

May-retta Daze Arts & Crafts Festival. 41st annual arts and crafts festival. Featuring local artists exhibiting all handmade work, including: pottery, paintings, woodwork, metal, glass, fabric, soap, candles, and more. Saturday 10am-5pm & Sunday 11am-5pm. Glover Park in the Marietta Square, 50 N Park Square, Marietta. More info: mariettaga.gov.

MAY 7

Wheeler Wildcats Golf Classic benefitting the Wheeler High School Athletic Program. Entry includes breakfast, green fees, golf cart, range balls and lunch. Individual: \$140; Team: \$500. Indian Hills Country Club, 4001 Clubland Drive, Marietta/East Cobb. More info/registration wheelerfootball.info@gmail.com or www.wheelerfootball.com.

MAY 9

23rd Annual Marietta Golden K/Lost Mountain Golf Tournament proceeds benefit children's charities. Cost covers breakfast, lunch, golf and prizes. Silent Action items to bid on. 8am. \$100. Sponsorships start at \$125. Towne Lake Hills Golf Course, 1003 Towne Lake Hills East, Woodstock. More info: 678-493-0523.

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Let the spring cleaning begin! Good Mews Animal Foundation announced the location for their annual spring flea market: 562 Wylie Road, Marietta, GA 30060 (behind the U-Haul on Hwy 120). This is their largest fundraiser of the year and they need your help to make it a huge success!

Good Mews needs your help collecting items to make the flea market a success. Donated items will be accepted at the storefront on Saturdays from 10am-4pm and Sundays from 12-4pm now thru Saturday, May 13th. Visit their website, www.goodmews.org, for all the latest Spring Flea Market information, including what items are being accepted. All donated items are tax deductible with receipts provided and 100% of the proceeds benefit the cats and kittens of Good Mews.

In addition to donating to the Good Mews flea market, the community is encouraged to come shop! The annual flea market will be held over several weekends with new merchandise each weekend! Here are the hours of the Good Mews Flea Market:

Saturday, April 7 - Sunday, April 8

Saturday, April 14 - Sunday, April 15

Saturday, April 21 - Sunday, April 22

Saturday, April 28 - Sunday, April 29

Saturday, May 5 - Sunday, May 6

Saturday, May 12 - Sunday, May 13

Friday, May 18 - Sunday, May 20

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Forsyth, Oconee, Cherokee, and Fayette counties are ranked as the healthiest in Georgia according to the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps report, which measures counties across a range of health-related factors. Cobb County ranks seventh out of Georgia's 159 counties.

Health is influenced by a range of factors. However, social and economic factors, like connected and supportive communities, good schools, stable jobs, and safe neighborhoods, are foundational to achieving long and healthy lives. These social and economic factors also influence other important drivers of health and health equity. Social and economic factors impact our ability to make healthy choices, afford medical care or housing, and even manage stress leading to serious health problems. The choices we make are based on the choices we have.

"One of the things that the county health rankings has done for almost the last 10 years is really take a look at and show people that where we live matters to our health," says Michelle Larkin, the foundation's associate chief of staff. "So we look at things like education, jobs, children living in poverty as well as access to health care providers, obesity rates and those types of things."

In Cobb County, just 15 percent of residents are listed as being in poor or fair health, according to the group's statistics. That ranks among the best showings in the United States and well below the statewide average of 19 percent.

According to County Health Rankings & Roadmaps report, about 25 percent of Cobb residents are obese, compared to 28 percent nationwide. About 91 percent of county residents have access to exercise opportunities — defined as living near parks or recreation centers.

The percentage of children living in poverty in Cobb County is 14 percent overall, compared to that rate statewide — 23 percent. Nationwide, 20 percent of children are living in poverty.

A nationwide trouble spot is the increasing number of babies born in the U.S. with low birthweight. Nationwide, 8.2 percent of babies born in 2017 were underweight — a 2 percent increase from 2016, the foundation said. African-American babies are twice as likely to be born with a low birthweight, the group said, and are about twice as likely to die before their first birthday.

Here are the Georgia rankings of healthiest counties:

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- 2 Oconee
- 3 Cherokee
- 4 Fayette
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- 6 Columbia
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The report noted that children in poverty are less likely to have access to quality schools and have fewer chances to be prepared for higher-wage jobs.

For nearly a decade, the annual County Health Rankings have shown that where we live makes a difference in how well and how long we live. This year, the analyses find that meaningful health gaps persist not only by place, but also by race and ethnicity.

The County Health Rankings & Roadmaps, a collaboration between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute (UWPHI), compares counties within each state on more than 30 health-influencing factors such as education, jobs, and access to quality health care. The rankings and detailed information are available at www.countyhealthrankings.org. 



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Basics of Medicaid #2953

Wednesday, April 4 | 10-11:30am

Free; Registration required

Do you have Medicare and make \$1500 per month or less? Do you know that you may get help paying for your Medicare premiums and out-of-pocket medicals expenses from Medicaid? Attend this seminar and learn more about these benefits from Dottie Denham with Cigna.

Dine-a-Round #2930

Wednesday, April 4 | 11am-1:30pm

Separate checks; Registration required

Lunch at Egg Harbor Café, 4719 Lower Roswell Rd., Marietta.

Health Day with Visiting Angels #2908

Friday, April 6 | 10am-12pm

Free; Registration required

Join Visiting Angels for a session on nutrition and healthcare for aging in place. Speakers will present nutrition tips for healthy eating as well as fitness checks, blood pressure checks, and overall information on maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Staying Active & Engaged #2926

Tuesday, April 10 | 10-11:30am

Free; Registration required

Studies have shown that it is beneficial for the physical and mental well-being of seniors when they choose to stay active and engaged with activities. Leading a purposeful life and staying connected socially will help keep you physically healthy and prevent mental health issues like depression. Presented by E.G. Roth with Touching Hearts At Home.

Healthy Brain Game Day #2909

Wednesday, April 11 | 10-11:30am

Free; Registration required

Brain games (or exercises) can improve your brain health by helping you think faster, focus better and remember more! Join Aloha to Aging, Inc. for engaging and stimulating games sure to be enjoyed by everyone.

What Can Occupational Therapy Do For You? #2951

Thursday, April 12 | 10:30am-12pm

Free; Registration required

Join students from Chattahoochee Technical College Occupational Therapy Assistant program for an informative discussion on the importance of OT and how it may help you. Demonstrations of assistive devices and a virtual tour of Cobb Senior Services' Assistive Technology lab via a telepresence robot will give you a look into the broad world of ways to make your life a little easier. Come early or stay after for free mobility test to evaluate your fall risk.

Advance Care Planning #2910

Friday, April 20 | 10-11:30am

Free; Registration required

Advance care planning is making decisions about the care you would want to receive if you become unable to speak for yourself. Come to this seminar to learn more from the Good Life Club.

Tea Party & Teacup Swap #2778

Friday, April 20 | 11am-1:30pm

\$10 Cobb residents; \$15 Non-residents

Celebrate spring with your friends and share something they can treasure forever. Please bring a teacup and saucer to swap with your table partner. Enjoy tea sandwiches, tea cakes by Hazel Morgan and Love Spell Tea blended by Camellia Estate Tea. Entertainment by Refuge Dance Academy.

Hospice 101: What We Do & How We Help # 3079

Tuesday, April 24 | 10-11am

Free; Registration required

In one hour, find out how hospice can help your family, now or in the future. Presented by Caris Rogers with Tapestry Hospice.

AARP Smart Driver #2038

Thursday, April 26 | 9am-4pm

\$15.00 AARP members / \$20.00 Non-members (cash or check only)

The course teaches proven driving techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road. Learn age-related physical changes and how to adjust your driving to compensate. Check with your insurance agent about possible discount. Bring a lunch.

The Trigger Effect with Jeremy Logan and Brenda Sevcik #3150

Monday, April 30 | 11am-1pm

\$10 Cobb residents; \$12 Non-residents

This fascinating program is divided into three 30-minute parts. Part I is a presentation providing insight into becoming an author in the modern era. Lunch is followed by Part II, a theatrical presentation of scenes from the novel, The Trigger Effect. Part III is a conversation with the audience about the authors, their work, and the Atlanta literary scene. 📺



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RESOURCES FOR OLDER CITIZENS

Here are some links to some information-filled sites. We do not endorse any of these organizations or guarantee the accuracy of their content. However, you may find resources that are helpful here.

AGING ORGANIZATIONS

AARP - A nonprofit organization that focuses on policies and issues reflecting their members' concerns such as financial security, health care, long-term care, community and improving the quality of life for all as they age
www.aarp.org

Administration on Aging (AoA) - The principal agency of the U.S Department of Health and Human Services designated to carry out the provisions of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (OAA).
www.acl.gov

Aging Careers in Georgia - A comprehensive list of careers, educational and volunteer opportunities within the field of aging.
aging.georgia.gov/aging-careers-georgia

American Society on Aging (ASA) - An association committed to enhancing the knowledge and skills of those who seek to improve the quality of life of older adults and their families, offering professional education, publications and online information and training resources.
www.asaging.org

Leading Age - Is an association of community-based, nonprofit organizations focused on education, advocacy, and applied research.
www.leadingage.org

National Aging in Place Council (NAIPC) - A support network of professionals from the private, public and non-profit sectors who can help you plan for your future housing and care needs.
www.ageinplace.org

National Association of States United for Aging & Disabilities (NASUAD) - Represents the nation's 56 state and territorial agencies on aging and disabilities and supports visionary state leadership, the advancement of state systems innovation, and the articulation of national policies that support home and community based services for older adults and individuals with disabilities.
www.nasuad.org

National Council on Aging (NCOA) - Partnering with nonprofit organizations, government, and businesses to provide innovative community programs and services, online help, and advocacy for people age 60+.
www.ncoa.org

US Department of Housing and Urban Development Senior Citizen's Resources - Housing resources and guides for Senior Citizens and persons with disabilities from HUD.
www.hud.gov/topics/information_for_senior_citizens

GEORGIA-SPECIFIC RESOURCES

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) - Georgia's ADRCs serve older individuals, individuals with disabilities of all ages, families, caregivers and professionals.
www.georgiaadrc.com

Alzheimer's Association- GA Chapter - The Alzheimer's Association works on a global, national and local level to provide care and support for all those affected by Alzheimer's and other dementias.
www.alz.org/georgia

Center for Positive Aging - A clearing house of resources, products, and services for older adults.
www.centerforpositiveaging.org

Department of Community Health (DCH) - One of Georgia's four health agencies and serves as the lead agency for Medicaid and also overseeing the State Health Benefit Plan (SHBP), Healthcare Facility Regulation and Health Information Technology in Georgia, DCH's programs provide access to health care services.
dch.georgia.gov

DHS Division of Aging Services (DAS) - The Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Aging Services (DAS) supports the larger goals of DHS by assisting older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers to achieve safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives. Their website includes information on how to report elder abuse, list of programs and services, how to get involved, publications and list of Area Agencies on Aging.
aging.georgia.gov

Georgia Adult Day Services Association - Find providers, become a member, and learn about adult day service programs as well as their licensing standards and regulations.

gadsa.org

Georgia Long Term Care Ombudsman - The Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman seeks to improve the quality of life for residents of long-term care facilities.

www.georgiaombudsman.org

Georgia Senior Living Association - A non-profit trade association representing Georgia's senior living industry and the growing population it serves. GSLA members range from freestanding assisted living residences and licensed personal care homes to retirement campuses where assisted living may be a component. Information for consumers of services can be found under the consumer tab.

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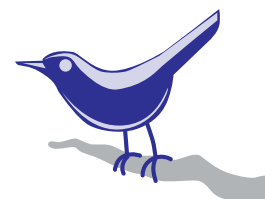
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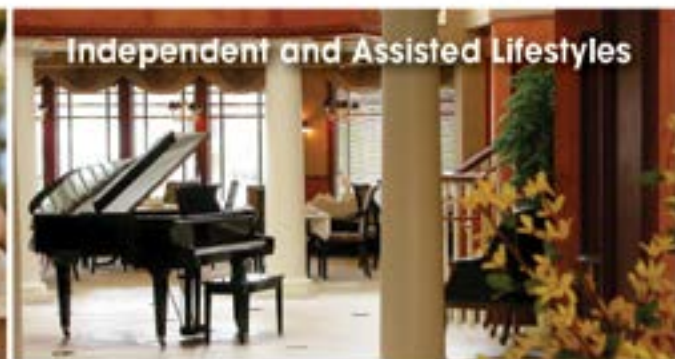
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American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Cobb County. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 7pm. East Cobb Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: cobbcounty-ga.aauw.net.

American Needlepoint Guild. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 6:45pm. Tiny Stitches, 2520 East Piedmont Road, Marietta. More info: 770-394-0065.

Anne Hathaway Garden Club. 3rd 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.atlantailini.com or club@atlantailini.com.

Atlanta Metropolitan Council Navy League. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 7pm. Navy Recruiting District HQ, 2400 Lake Park Drive, Suite 410, Smyrna. Membership open to all civilian and retired military with an interest in supporting our men and women of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines. More info: 678-234-2310 or campbellfc@comcast.net.

• **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. Wednesdays 10am, and Thursdays 7:30pm. Singles are welcome. 1809 Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: 770-973-7717.

• **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.** 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm at their Clubhouse, 516 West Atlanta Street, Marietta 30060. More info: www.cobbcountymineral.org.

• **Cobb County Genealogical Society.** 4th 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.** 4th 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.** 2nd Thursday of the 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 levels are welcome. 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. 7-9pm. American Business Center, Bldg. 700, Suite 702, 1395 South Marietta Parkway, Marietta. More info: www.cobbphotosociety.com or info@cobbphotosociety.com.

• **Colored Pencil Society of America.** Atlanta District Chapter 107. 1st Monday of the month. 7pm. North DeKalb 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. 1st Tuesday of the 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. 3rd Tuesday of the month. 11:30am-1pm. Olde Towne Athletic Club, 4950 Olde Towne Parkway, 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.** 2nd and 4th 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.

• **East Cobb Democratic Association.** 4th Tuesday of the month. 6pm - Social. 7pm - Program. Whole Foods, 1311 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: Tom Barksdale, 770-715-1218 or tbarksdl@aol.com.

• **East Cobb Jewish Networking Group.** Every Wednesday. 7:30am. Sugar Benders Bakery, 255 Village Parkway, Marietta/East Cobb. More info: Vic Anapolle 404-432-0626 or vicanapolle@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.** 2nd Tuesday of the month. 6:30 PM. Come-N-Get It restaurant, 1409 Church Street extension, Marietta. More info: Susan Hampton@lionbank.com.

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

• **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.** 3rd 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.** 3rd 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.** 3rd Thursday of the month. Social hour: 6pm. Meeting: 7pm. American Legion Post, 921 Gresham Road, Marietta. More info: Al Heflin, 404-317-5201.

• **Georgia Tea Party.** 2nd and 4th Thursdays. 7pm. New location: 799 Roswell Street. 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.** 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. 1pm. Marietta Pizza Company, 3 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta. More info: www.cobbip.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.

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Marietta Lions Club. 2nd Thursday of the month. 6:30pm. Come-N-Get-It Restaurant, 1409-E Church Street Extension, NW, Marietta 30060. More info: Steve Hughes, 770-378-0095.

Marietta PFLAG. 4th 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. 12 noon. 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 meeting 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.msbnsr.com.

National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NAARFE). 2nd Wednesday of the month. 11:30am. East Cobb Senior Center, 3332 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta. More info: 770-971-1719.

Newcomers Club of Cobb County meets the third Tuesday of each month from September through May at 10am. John Knox Presbyterian Church, 505 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta. More info: newcomersofcobbcounty.com.

North Metro Mothers of Multiples Club. 3rd Monday of the month. 7pm. Chicago's, 4401 Shallowford Road, Roswell (corner of Johnson Ferry & Shallowford). More info: www.northmetromultiples.org.

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

Northwest Atlanta Mothers of Multiples A 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.

Peach State Depression Glass Collectors' Club. 2nd Tuesday of the 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 sharing a 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. 2-4pm. First Presbyterian Church, Room 050, 189 Church Street, 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.

Sons of the American Revolution. Captain John Collins Chapter, meets the third Tuesday of every month, 6 pm, at Cherokee Cattle Company, 2710 Canton Highway. More info: Earl Cagle 770-579-2748 or ecagle1@bellsouth.net.

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. 4th Friday of the month (no dance in May, Nov. & Dec., 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.

Toastmasters International. Rising Phoenix Club. Every Saturday at 9:45-11am. A great way to improve your speaking and leadership skills. Guests always welcome. East Cobb Government Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Rd, Marietta. More info: www.risingphoenix.toastmastersclubs.org.

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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A.A./Al-Anon/Al-Anon Beginners/Alateen. Every Monday, 8pm. Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2881 Canton Road, Marietta. More info: 770-973-5347 or jpm105@comcast.net.

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.

Alzheimer's/Caregiver Support Group Meeting. First Monday 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: 770-722-7641.

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 gallinabannova@gmail.com

A.W.A.K.E. Program stands for "Alert, Well, And Keeping Energetic." A support group for adults who have sleep apnea, 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.

Babywearing Group. Koalamommias, 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.

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.

Career Transition. 3rd 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

Caregiver 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. 2nd 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 the 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.

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 Groups Adults and M/HS Students. All or welcome. Every Wednesday through May 10, 6:20-8pm. Mt. Bethel UMC, Room B111, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. Closed CCSD Winter and Spring breaks. Free with free childcare. For more information, registering, or counseling: call Judith Reichenbach, Licensed Counselor at 770-597-9882 or email jmr.lpc@gmail.com.

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) 4385 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, Marietta. More info: 770-971-1465.

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. 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:15pm. Special guest 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 ordained pastor. Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta. More info: www.mtbethel.org/support.

Grief Support Group. 3rd Thursday of the month, 7pm. Unity North, 4255 Sandy Plains Road. More info: Kathy Kelcourse, kathzkel@yahoo.com.

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 3rd Tuesdays of the month except on Jewish holidays. Congregation Etz Chaim, in the library, 1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta. 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 needing 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 build friendships and receive mothering support, 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 struggling teens and young adults, 2nd 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.

Parkinson's Disease Support Group. For persons with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers. 2nd Sunday each month, 4pm. Roswell United Methodist Church, 814 Mimosa Boulevard, Building A, Roswell. More info: Robin Cleveland, 678-819-3915.

Spousal Support Group. 3rd 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. 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. First and 4th Saturday of the month, 11am-2pm. American Legion, Post 29, 921 Gresham Avenue, Marietta. More info: 770-427-5900.

Widowed Helping Others (WHO). Dinner social. 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. 2019.

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