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## CONCERTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2015 NORTH GEORGIA STATE FAIR

The 83rd Annual Superior Plumbing North Georgia State Fair will take place Thursday, September 24, through Sunday, October 4, at Jim R. Miller Park in Marietta.

Attracting nearly 300,000 people from throughout metro Atlanta, North Georgia and surrounding states, the North Georgia State Fair is the largest fair in metro Atlanta and the second largest in Georgia.

The Georgia Lottery Concert Series for the 2015 North Georgia State Fair under the covered arena includes:

• Danny Gokey on Friday, September 25, at 8 p.m. • Mark Wills on Saturday, September 26, at 8 p.m. • Montgomery Gentry on Wednesday, September 30, at 8 p.m. • Dustin Lynch on Thursday, October 1, at 8 p.m. • Kellie Pickler on Friday, October 2, at 8 p.m. • Eric Paslay on Saturday, October 3, at 8 p.m.

Danny Gokey— After being a third-place finalist on season eight of American Idol, Danny Gokey signed with RCA Nashville and began a career in country music and released his debut album, “My Best Days.” After leaving RCA Nashville, he moved his musical direction towards Contemporary Christian and released his first Christian album, “Hope in Front of Me.”

The title single spent three weeks on top of the Christian Charts in 2014. His second single “More than You Think I am,” is currently in the Top 20 on the Christian Charts.

Mark Wills— One of Georgia’s favorite sons, Mark Wills is a multiplatinum-selling country music star with eight top-10 hits to his name including “19 Something,” “Wish You Were Here,” and “Don’t Laugh at Me,” all of which (more) received nominations for Single, Song and Video of the Year by the Country Music Association. Wills won the Academy of Country Music award for Top New Male Vocalist in 1998. In 2002, his single “19 Something,” spent six consecutive weeks at No. 1 and was the most-played song of the year.

Montgomery Gentry— Is an American Country duo who has charted more than 20 Chart singles including five No. 1 Hits to date. The duo was inducted into the Grand Ole Opry in 2009 and hasn’t slowed down! They just released their newest album, “Folks Like Us,” in June of 2015.

Dustin Lynch— Broken Bow Records artist, Dustin Lynch, occupies a unique place in today’s Country Music. Thanks to his classic sensibilities, he’s been heralded as the heir to George Strait’s throne. Yet with one listen to, “Where it’s At,” it is obvious the young Tennessee native knows how to combine his traditional influences with an edgy intensity that places him at the vanguard of today’s contemporary Country scene.

Kellie Pickler— Kellie is an American country music artist and television personality. Over the course of three albums, hundreds of concert appearances and a breathtaking 2013 win on ABC’s Dancing with the Stars, she has earned the admiration and attention of countless fans, serving as both inspiration and role model. Kelli has just released her newest single, “Feeling Tonight.”

Eric Paslay— This young man definitely knows how to craft a hit song. Jake Owen, Rascal Flatts, Love and Theft and the Eli Young Band have all had No. 1 singles thanks to Paslay’s song writing prowess, but fans who have seen him on stage will testify there is so much more to the tall, Texas red head than his song writing chops. As his debut album lead single “Friday Night,” reached the top of the charts and his follow ups “Song About a Girl,” and “She Don’t Love You,” have both charted the Country Charts.

Advance tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 for adults, and \$11.00 for a book of 21 ride tickets – which is 50% off. There is a \$1.00 fee for postage and handling. Advance tickets go on sale Wednesday, July 1, 2015. Visit our website to order tickets by credit card at [www.northgeorgiastatefair.com](http://www.northgeorgiastatefair.com) or send a check or money order to: North Georgia State Fair, P.O. Box 777, Kennesaw, GA 30156. Orders must be postmarked by Wednesday, September 16, 2015.



## MARIETTA/COBB DRIVER'S EDUCATION PROGRAM AWARDED \$364,190

GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF 20 VEHICLES FOR DRIVING INSTRUCTION

Marietta/Cobb Driver’s Education (MCDE), a joint program of Cobb County Schools and Marietta City Schools, received a \$364,190 grant award from the Georgia Driver Education Commission (GDEC). Grant funds are for the purchase of 20 vehicles for driving instruction, textbooks for additional classes, and safety equipment. MCDE serves high school students in Marietta City, Cobb County, Bartow County, Fulton County and surrounding areas.

The GDEC awards funds to programs that promote, aid and encourage the successful completion of a Georgia Department of Driver Services (DDS) approved driver training course for students who desire to qualify for a Georgia Class D driver’s license as required by O.C.G.A § 40-5-22, also known as Joshua’s Law. An approved program includes 30 hours of classroom instruction and six hours of behind the wheel driver training instruction.

“Marietta/Cobb Driver’s Education Program continues to set the standard for driver’s education both statewide and nationally,” said MCS Superintendent Dr. Emily Lembeck. “MCDE has grown into the largest teen program in the state, serving students in counties beyond Cobb/Marietta and offers a first rate course for minimal charge thus allowing a large population of students to complete driving instruction.” “This is great news for the Cobb County School District and will save us approximately \$125,000” said Chris Ragsdale, Cobb County School District Superintendent. “It is also an excellent example of how we work as partners with the Marietta City School District to benefit all of our stakeholders within Cobb County.”

MCDE is under the umbrella of Marietta Community School, a division of Marietta City Schools. The program owns 49 cars and has 54 licensed instructors, most of whom are also certified school teachers. It is the first public school program licensed by the Georgia Department of Motor Vehicle Safety and celebrates 30 years of operation since its opening in 1985.

For more information about the Marietta/Cobb Driver Education Program, visit [http://www.mariettacommunityschool.com/drive\\_ed/](http://www.mariettacommunityschool.com/drive_ed/).

## MARIETTA'S PASTOR'S POLICE ACADEMY RECEIVES STATEWIDE RECOGNITION

The Marietta Police Department Pastor’s Police Academy Program has received statewide recognition by having been selected by the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police and by Motorola, Inc. as one of three finalists for the prestigious Dr. Curtis McClung Award of Excellence. The Motorola/ Dr. Curtis McClung Award of Excellence is awarded in recognition of an inaugural and innovative program that fulfills a department’s goal or vision for their community. Final selection of the award winner will occur at the G.A.C.P. Conference in Savannah, July 27, 2015.

The Pastor’s Police Academy was conceptualized to reach out to faith-based leaders of all races and cultures in order to increase mutual understanding and resolve any community concerns. There are 54 churches in the city limits of Marietta and all pastors and youth pastors are invited and encouraged to attend the Pastor’s Police Academy which meets for two hours, once a week for four weeks. Throughout these four weeks pastors study the law, judgmental use of force, cybercrime, and other related current topics. Pastors are welcome to ask questions, contribute new ideas, voice concerns or discuss contemporary police-community related issues while attending these sessions.

The first Pastor’s Police Academy was so successful not only in creating lasting friendships between the group of Pastors and officers, but also prompted the creation of a permanent group which meets once a quarter called “The Faith-Based Forum”. This forum, which is designed for graduates of the Pastor’s Police Academy, will enable them to continue to meet and exchange ideas. The Marietta Police Department is currently accepting applications for the next Pastor’s Police Academy which begins in early September. If you have any questions or interest in applying please contact Sgt. Foster at 770-794-5358.

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### CONGRATULATIONS



### BRYAN STEPHENS NAMED INTERIM DIRECTOR

The Cobb County Community Services  
Board (CCSB) announces that Tod Citron is  
leaving his post in June as executive director  
and will be replaced by Bryan Stephens as  
interim executive director.

The Cobb and Douglas Community  
Services Boards provide mental health,  
developmental disability, and substance  
abuse services to more than 10,000 residents  
of Cobb and Douglas Counties annually.

Stephens, who currently serves as the  
agency's clinical director, will assume his  
new position June 29. Employed by the  
CSB since 1992, Stephens is a Licensed  
Professional Counselor and holds an  
Executive MBA from Kennesaw State  
University.

"Tod Citron has led this agency to great  
accomplishments in the past decade and a  
half and he will be missed, but we wish him  
well in his new position," said new Cobb  
Community Services Board Chairman  
Wyman Pilcher.

"We believe that Mr. Stephens will do  
a wonderful job supporting the agency's  
mission to provide a progressive array of  
community-based behavioral health care  
and developmental disability services as we  
move forward," Pilcher said.

### LOCK, TAKE, HIDE

Thefts from autos typically increase  
during the summer months. Currently, the  
crime rate is down this year in Marietta and  
the Marietta Police Department would like  
to remind the community of the Lock, Take  
and Hide program. Entering auto crimes  
can be deterred by following these 3 simple  
steps:

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encourages the community to always LOCK  
your car, TAKE your keys, and HIDE your  
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GPS, cellphone, tablet, laptop or even a  
camera in your vehicle can make you a  
prime target for an entering auto crime.

For more information on the Marietta  
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The Glover Park Concert Series features  
The Mike Veal Band on Friday, JULY 31 at 8  
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Blankets and lawn chairs may be set up in  
the park after 4:00 p.m. Personal tables or  
plastic ground coverings are not permitted  
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on the street after 5:30 p.m. Bring a picnic  
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### RETURNING TO THE STRAND, BILL OBERST JR. AS LEWIS GRIZZARD!

Actor Bill Oberst, Jr. has stepped into  
the late Lewis Grizzard's shoes over 1,000  
times in the last decade. Oberst's portrayal  
of the Southern writer and humorist is a one-  
man show authorized by Grizzard's family,  
which says it is the closest thing to seeing the  
late great spokesman of the south onstage  
again since Grizzard's death at age 47.

The two-act performance features  
Grizzard's best-loved stories and jokes,  
along with some poignant and funny  
readings from his books and newspaper  
columns.

The show is presented in two acts and runs  
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The Cobb County Genealogical Society  
meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at  
the Cobb Switzer Library located at 266  
Roswell St., Marietta, from 7:00 PM -  
8:00 PM. The monthly meeting features a  
speaker to talk to the members and guests  
about genealogy related subjects. The  
public is invited to attend and there is no  
charge. For more information visit [www.cobbgensoc.org/](http://www.cobbgensoc.org/).

### CAREER TRANSITIONS

Career Transition Ministries: Meets  
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Meets the second Thursday of the month at  
7:00 PM, at the First United Methodist Church,  
56 Whitlock Ave SW, Marietta 30064. For more  
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our club, email [mariettalions@aol.com](mailto:mariettalions@aol.com) or  
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ROTARY CLUB OF MARIETTA NEWS

MARIETTA POLICE CHIEF FLYNN RECEIVES NORMAN SHIPLEY AWARD



At the recent President's Night Dinner, Rotary Club of Marietta awarded the prestigious Norman Shipley Award to Chief Dan Flynn, Marietta Police Department. The Award honors outstanding individuals in such fields as education, business, health care, public service and community service. Recipients are honored as exemplifying the ideal of service above self in their workplace and the community.

Chief Flynn's leadership within the Marietta Police Department and the relationship the police department has developed with the community were cited as some of the many reasons why he received the award. Creating a Pastors' Police Academy, implementing body cameras for all officers,

championing a Personally Assigned Vehicle Program allowing officers to drive patrol cars home, along with numerous strategies to reduce crime in the community demonstrated Chief's committed to his officers and his community.

The Normal Shipley Award was established in 1985 to honor the memory of Norman Shipley. Mr. Shipley joined the Rotary in 1949 and had a strong sense of service above one's self. Mr. Shipley served his country in World War II, worked with the Red Cross, was a lawyer with an active practice and he also served tenure as Juvenile Court Judge for Cobb County. Norman joined Rotary in 1949 and was an active member before serving as President of the Marietta club in the 1960-61 Rotary Year.

OTHER AWARDS PRESENTED AT PRESIDENT'S NIGHT:

**Rotarian of The Year** (Lamar Franklin Award): Recipient: Abbott Hall. As Editor of The Rotalight, Hall worked countless hours to put together what has won Best Club Bulletin throughout all of the 65+ Clubs in Rotary District 6900.

**Jimmy T. Anderson Award:** Recipient: Mary Ansley Southerland. Southerland was instrumental in the planning and executing Rotary events this year including the 95th anniversary celebration, Santa Send-Off, Light-Up Rotary and Presidents' Night. In addition, she has worked to recruit several new members this year.

**Henry Hill Award:** Recipient: Bebe Adams. As Co-Sergeant at Arms and a long-standing member, Adams plays pivotal role in the running of 45+ meetings each year.

The following received "Service Above Self" Award for outstanding service to the Club this year: Mark Adams, Norm Aiken, Bill Brumby, Caitlyn Cooper, Jennifer Nelson, Dale Covington James Eubanks, Jim Gantt, Dan Kirk, Bobby Lewis, Morgan McNeel, Lesia Schnur, Mike Straus, Walt Walker, Holly Walquist, Kim Welch.

Pictured above: Pictured above: Dawn McEachern, President of the Rotary Club of Marietta, honoring Chief Flynn. At right Dawn McEachern and Mary Ansley Southerland.



MOVIE IN THE PARK

Come and celebrate the end of Summer with us for a "Movie in the Park". Part of the B98.5 FM's "B at the Movies" series, Marietta is once again proud to host this wonderful event! This fun event will take place on Saturday, July 25, at Laurel Park (151 Manning Rd., Marietta, 30064. The fun begins at 7:00 pm and the movie "Home" will begin after dark. Admission to the movie is free. Bring a blanket, chairs and the family out to this fun evening in the park in Marietta. Concessions will be available for purchase.

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Visit the Community Garden, Orchard, Period Garden and the Cherokee Garden. You can also visit the bee hives!

Bring the whole family and your picnic lunch! We will have a corn roast, watermelon stand and food trucks.

The event will take place on Saturday, August 1 at Green Meadows Preserve, 3780 Dallas Highway, Powder Springs, GA 30127.

CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY PROGRAM

Starts Tuesday, August 4th, 2015 and is every Tuesday for 10 weeks at 240 Lemon Street Marietta, GA 30060

The Marietta Police Department is announcing the upcoming session of its annual Citizens Police Academy. This program provides an opportunity for the citizens of Marietta to have the chance to experience what it is like to be a police officer.

During the program, participants will get an inside look at various units within the police department and learn topics to include: Crime Analysis, Narcotics, Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT), Crime Interdiction Unit, Investigative Services, Traffic Enforcement, Community Response Unit, Crime Scene Processing, and more.

There is no charge for the ten week program, which is scheduled to begin August 4th, 2015. Classes will be held every Tuesday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Academy is open to residents of the City of Marietta or Marietta City business or property owners pending a background check. Applications are available at the front desk of the Marietta Police Department at 240 Lemon Street or online at [www.Marietttaga.gov/police](http://www.Marietttaga.gov/police).

Please contact Officer D. Baldwin, the Citizens Police Academy Coordinator, at 770-794-5356 or by email at [Dbaldwin@marietttaga.gov](mailto:Dbaldwin@marietttaga.gov) with any questions or concerns.

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## FRANKLIN ROAD DRUG FREE ZONE

As of July 1st, 2015, the areas near Franklin Rd and Delk Rd will be designated as a new Drug Free Commercial Zone. A Drug Free Commercial Zone is a specific geographical area in the City of Marietta as being a place where drug trafficking problems exist. Citizens living in the area of Franklin Rd and Delk Rd are concerned with the circumstances that currently surround their area and are asking for police assistance in reducing the occurrences of illegal drug violations.

The Drug Free Commercial Zone will be implemented to reduce all drug related crimes and events. Offenders that are located inside of the Drug Free Zone parameters are subject to increased fines, extended imprisonment, and will not be permitted back into the Drug Free Zone for no more than 24 months.

Signs for the Drug Free Commercial Zone will be placed around the zone boundaries to show all incoming persons that the area has been designated as drug free. The Marietta Police Department will be saturating the zoned area to locate all offenders with hopes to create a reduction in drug related crimes.

The Drug Free Zone law is based on O.C.G.A. 16-13-32.6 and should some desire to make a complaint regarding illegal activities please contact the Anonymous Tip Line at 770-794-6990.



## THE HONEYSUCKLE GARDEN CLUB

The Honeysuckle Garden Club met on April 21st for their 68th Birthday celebration/meeting at the Historic Root House, just off the Marietta Square. The balmy, sunny weather was perfect for outdoor dining; and the members enjoyed tours of the home, kitchen, and gardens.

Before the meeting, Sue Burgess, Master Gardener and horticultural expert, led members on a fascinating tour of the historic garden in which she pointed out the various historic and medicinal plants and how they would have been used in the 19th century home. We had an opportunity to see how a typical Georgia household of that time would have been furnished and organized.

The Honeysuckle Garden Club was founded in 1947 by the beloved Regina Rambo Benson and sponsored by the Flower Garden Club of Marietta. We are honored to have Charter Member Imogene Watkins Reeves as an active member as well as Emeritus Members Bebe

Meaders, Suzanne Schmidt, Jean Reed and Jenny Lee Henderson on our roll. We have also added many second generation members in recent years and look forward to the next 68 years making new friends and memories

## ARE WE READY TO WRITE OFF MODERN MEDICINE ENTIRELY?

BY LINDA OVIATT, YOUR ESSENTIAL EXPERIENCE

Essential Oils are the buzz right now but they are not magic bullets. They are a doorway in your overall approach to healthy living. In a world of overuse of antibiotics and drugs handed out as a Band-Aid rather than a means to help the body heal itself, people are looking for an alternative to treat dis-ease of the body.

The practice of using essential oils has been around for thousands of years and usage dates back to the ancient Egyptians. There are plenty of Biblical references to essential oils as well. Essential Oils stand at the intersection of cutting-edge research and traditional wisdom. Understanding the science behind them helps you to correctly use these powerful plant extracts.

Pure essential oils contain hundreds of different chemical compounds, molecules and isomers that are impossible to manufacture in a lab. These oils and human blood share some common properties and they also have a chemical structure that is similar in human cells and tissues. For someone interested in doing their own research they can start at PubMed.gov.

Aromatically is the most common way most of us are familiar with in using oils. What I did not understand is that unless I use pure therapeutic oil to diffuse I am simply making the air smell nice. There is no medicinal or therapeutic value, in fact may carry risks. Most of us are happy to buy a \$7 bottle of Lavender and know nothing about the purity. Fact is most Lavender sold in America is adulterated with some pretty harsh chemicals. Sadly the oil will now cause rashes, burns and other irritations and you will wonder why you didn't get the benefit or result you thought you would using the oil.

I encourage you to find your own oily path. Be careful however, much of the information out there has merely been copied from other sources and not documented. Good advice since oils can directly affect everything from your emotional state to your lifespan!

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

At the final business meeting of Fraternal Year Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council 4599 elected Jim Orfe to be its Grand Knight for 2015-2016.



Grand Knight 2014-2015 Jeff Wolfe presented award plaques to Charlie Mullaney as “Knight of the Year” and Cesar Rodriguez and his wife Julia as the council’s “Family of the Year”. The recipients are very worthy of the honors bestowed upon them.

Knight of the Year Charlie Mullaney is constantly involved in charity and service projects on behalf of the KofC as well as the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Cobb Extension Shelter and those with Developmental Disabilities. Charlie is a enthusiastic worker who unselfishly gives of his time and seeks to help those less fortunate.

The Cesar and Julia Rodriguez family has been



generously involved in KofC charitable and service activities. In particular they with their children worked tirelessly to provide food and toys to those in need during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. Cesar and Julia also contributed their time and talent as volunteer teachers and chaperones for St. Joseph Catholic Church programs for youth: Parish School of Religion and the Life-Teens Youth Group.

Pictured above, Charlie Mullaney and at right, Cesar and Julia Rodriguez. Congratulations



CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS PREPS LUNCHES FOR MUST MINISTRIES

Last month the City of Powder Springs Police Department and The City’s Wellness Team hosted the inaugural Run for Food 5k event on the City’s lovely Lucille Trail. The event raised \$1,330 for MUST Ministries Summer Lunch program. As a follow up gesture on July 9, 2015, Mayor Vaughn, City of Powder Springs police officers and staff met at MUST Ministries to present the proceeds check and assemble lunches to be distributed to children in Powder Springs and Cobb County. Event co-organizer and Chief of Police, John Robison stated: “The Run for Food event was created to help promote community recreation and fitness, our City trails, and to give back to the community by supporting the Summer Lunch Program. MUST Ministries is a fantastic organization that does a great deal for our community. The officers and Wellness Team members are looking forward to growing this event next year.”

MUST Ministries Summer Lunch Program brings the whole community together to help those in need. MUST volunteers provide a sack lunch each summer weekday to thousands of children. It is the generosity of donations that make the Summer Lunch program a success. Mayor Vaughn stated: “It was a pleasure making lunches for the children. We are so proud to have such a wonderful program based out of Downtown Powder Springs and we look forward to partnering with them in the future.” For more information about the Summer Lunch program or to donate or volunteer visit the MUST Ministries website at [www.mustministries.org](http://www.mustministries.org).

Pictured above: Mayor Pat Vaughn (center) presents check to MUST Ministries.



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## SUMMER CAMPS

The Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art is celebrating a fantastic summer of art camp. This year's theme is "Art Around the World," where each week we explore a new continent and



create artwork representing the culture, history, and people of different parts of the world. The accompanying photograph shows two campers, Sarah McMurtry, 11, and Andrew Owens, 12, working on a project with Rachel Rhule, Director of Education, as they participate in the week touring Africa and discovering its culture through visual art. Summer camps are a great time for diving into discovery, developing creative thinking, and are also just plain fun! There will be a summer camp art exhibition on Thursday, July 30, 6pm-

8pm, which will feature work from every student. This event is free and open to the public, so feel free to stop by and see what great things our campers have created! Visit <http://www.mariettacobbartmuseum.org/summer-camp-2015.html> for more information and to register.

## MARIETTA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Marietta Business Association held its July luncheon at the Mansour Center with a special panel discussion with some of the Cobb Chamber's Small Business of the Year nominees and winners.

Nancy Wright Whatley, Executive Director of the Georgia Business Success Center, moderated the panel of successful entrepreneurs. The panelists included Rhonda Jacobson, Co-Owner of Cumberland Diamond Exchange (2015 SBOY winner), Molly Holm, CEO & CCO of Glory Haus, Inc. (2015 SBOY Top 5), Will Peterson, Owner of Otter's Chicken (2015 SBOY Top 25), and John Loud, President of Loud Security (2014 SBOY winner).



Attendees learned about how these small business owners overcame their greatest struggles and what their motivation was for owning a small business. There was a full house with lots of interaction as questions were taken from the audience once the moderated discussion concluded. Commissioner Tim Lee, Commissioner Bob Weatherford, Mayor Mark Matthews and District Attorney Vic Reynolds were all in attendance of the meeting.

The Marietta Business Association is pleased to continue its work with local business owners as well as its surrounding area schools. Next month, the association will hold a Tailgating Lunch at the Mansour Center Celebrating Marietta High School's positive impact on our businesses and our community. The luncheon will be held Monday August 10, from 11:45-1:00pm preceded by the free networking expo at the Mansour Center from 10:30-11:30am. RSVP online at [www.mariettabusiness.biz](http://www.mariettabusiness.biz).

Pictured above: Rhonda Jacobson, Cumberland Diamond Exchange; Will Peterson, Otter's Chicken; Molly Helm, Glory Haus, Inc.; Nancy Whatley, Executive Director of the Georgia Business Success Center; Julie Michaels, President of MBA, John Loud, Loud Security.

## WEST COBB BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NEWS

West Cobb Business Association held their June luncheon at Lost Mountain Baptist Church. The luncheon featured special guest speaker Bob Weatherford, District 1 Cobb County Commissioner. Commissioner Weatherford shared in detail of that West Cobb



has in store, as well as highlighting West Cobb's top notch public safety. Public Safety is something near to Commissioner Weatherford's heart, and his district is above par when it comes to equipment, skill and continual growth. West Cobb Business Association Leadership was proud to host the Commissioner as well as Chairman Tim Lee.

The luncheon was sponsored by Winnwood Retirement Living and was catered by La Parilla Mexican Restaurant. The next luncheon will be held on July 28, from 11:30-1:00 at Lost Mountain Baptist Church. Register online for a chance to win door prizes and save \$5 on the price of the luncheon - [www.westcobbbusiness.com](http://www.westcobbbusiness.com).

Pictured above Commissioner Bob Weatherford, Brad McMahan, WCBA president, Cobb Chairman, Tim Lee.





ABOUT FACE

dk Gallery’s August portraiture show titled About Face explores the change in direction or attitude of traditional portraiture throughout history to the fresh, contemporary styles of today. All are invited to attend this highly anticipated show on Friday, August 7 at dk Gallery from 5-9pm, located at 25 West Park Square in downtown Marietta. Featuring dk Gallery artists Terrence Gasca, Shellie Lewis-Dambax, Alberto Mier, Catie Radney and David Wendel this show is sure to please.

There is always something new to see at dk Gallery. Each first Friday of the month kicks off Art Walk and a new themed Opening Night on the Historic Marietta Square. Art Walk is a free self-guided walking tour of the Marietta Square’s galleries, museums, cultural venues, restaurants and businesses. Enjoy an evening of shopping, dining, and a variety of the Arts throughout the Marietta Square, including music, dance, visual and performance art. dk Gallery is proud to be a part of the resurgence of the arts in Marietta, where you will find a unique blend of intown culture and small town charm. For more information about the gallery and dk Gallery artists, please visit [www.dkgallery.us](http://www.dkgallery.us).



THE HOT SPOT FOR COOL ART

(Marietta, Georgia – July 10, 2015) – Marietta Square Art Walk brings cool art to summertime fun. Art galleries, museums, boutiques and restaurants host local artists and musicians from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7 during this free, self-guided tour. Visitors can stroll the brick sidewalks of the Marietta Square while enjoying the intown culture and small town charm this Southern city center is known for.

“Fire” will be the Art Walk Mystery Theme at Red Door Art Gallery & Studio. Kathy Grace of Marietta will give a live demonstration at 2 Rules Fine Art of the hand building techniques she employs in her creative pottery. Portrait art will

grace the walls of dk Gallery for their show titled “About Face.”

The Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art is open and free to the public the night of Art Walk, and will feature Metro Montage XV, their annual juried show, plus an exhibition of pieces from MCMA’s permanent collection.

Cold drinks and great food will also be available at this summer art oasis. Pick up your dinner to-go from award-winning restaurant The Marietta Local, from their special Art Walk “Walk-Around” menu, and enjoy drinks at Art Walk’s Beer Garden, in Atherton Square, located behind Cool Beans Coffee. The Beer Garden will host live music by Jennings Music, Marietta Social Club and the Emerson Drummers.

Pictured above: Annie Thrasher of Marietta, Marietta Sart Walk’s June “People’s Choice” winner.

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## LOUD SECURITY ACQUIRES ALARM ASSOCIATES

For almost 30-years, Tom Johnson and his wife, Dawn, have operated Alarm Associates, Inc., of Atlanta, GA as if their customers were their family.

"We had plenty of opportunities to sell," Tom said. "But I was looking for the company that would be right for my customers." He found it in LOUD Security Systems of Kennesaw, GA.

LOUD has now completed its acquisition of Alarm Associates. Terms of the merger were not disclosed.

"We're proud to bring Alarm Associates and its 1,200 customers into the LOUD Security family, said LOUD President John Loud. "We know very well that Tom could have chosen any one of several other companies, but he made a statement by choosing us."

Indeed, Johnson said, he had a number of opportunities to sell Alarm Associates to other suitors. "I chose LOUD for two reasons: they have great customer service and they have a lot of technicians on the street."

Johnson said he was also impressed that John Loud is both an alarm technician and a company owner.

The merger, administered by Steve Rubin of Davis Mergers and Acquisitions Group for Alarm Associates and John Colehower of Mergers and Acquisitions, LLC, for LOUD, is effective immediately.

LOUD Security was founded in 1995 and now employs more than 60 hard-working Georgians. The company has been lauded with national and local awards from companies such as Honeywell, First Alert and the Cobb County Chamber of Commerce. The Atlanta Business Chronicle ranks LOUD Security Systems, Inc. the sixth largest security company in the Atlanta metro area as measured by the number of monitored assets. For more information, contact John Loud at [john@LOUDSecurity.com](mailto:john@LOUDSecurity.com) or 678-300-9785. You can also learn more about LOUD at [www.LOUDSecurity.com](http://www.LOUDSecurity.com).

## SILENT COMEDY SHORTS

Sunday afternoon, August 2 at 3pm the Earl Smith Strand presents its 6th annual silent comedy shorts all accompanied on the Strand's Mighty Allen Theatre Organ and by different theatre organists. These films will feature the comedic stars of the 1920s such as Buster Keaton, Harold Lloyd, Charlie Chaplin, the Little Rascals, Laurel and Hardy and more. Come early for the old fashioned sing-a-long and organ pops pre-show. This is a great program for all ages. [www.earlsmithstrand.org](http://www.earlsmithstrand.org).

## KMHS MARCHING BAND YARD SALE

Who loves a great yard sale? Then you do not want to miss the annual Kennesaw Mountain High School Marching Band Yard Sale on August 8! Sale time is from 8am-2pm at Kennesaw Mountain High School, 1898 Kennesaw Due West Rd, Kennesaw, GA. We have a very large, prescreened collection of furniture (lots), small appliances, kitchenware, books, household items, sports equipment, clothes, toys, yard equipment, and more. If you need it, we might have it. Come support excellence in music education at The Mountain! See you there! [yardsale@kmbo.bandelist.com](http://yardsale@kmbo.bandelist.com) for more info.

## MUSIC REVUE, DINNER AND AN AUCTION

The Davis Direction Foundation, Inc. will host its first Annual Tony Award Winning Musical Revue, dining reception and Auction in a fundraiser entitled "And The Winner Is..." on August 30th, 2015 at the Marietta Performing Arts Center. The event will begin at 6:00 pm with a dining reception featuring some of Cobb County's finest restaurant owners serving samples of their amazing signature dishes. Patrons will have an opportunity to peruse the silent auction exhibit and see the fabulous items that have been donated to raise money for the Davis Direction Foundation.

Following the reception, talented performers, all of whom have donated their time and talent, will bring Broadway to life in an outstanding 2-Act Musical Revue directed by Mr. Earl Reece, with a live auction embedded into the entertainment. From beautiful ballads to foot tapping familiar favorites, enjoy a memorable medley of musical moments.

Before leaving the magical evening of entertainment, everyone will be treated to delicious dessert samples prepared by the best of the best bakeries throughout our community. Satisfy your sweet tooth, splurge at the silent Auction, and support the DDF. Tickets can be purchased at [mpac.marietta-city.org](http://mpac.marietta-city.org)

The mission of the Davis Direction Foundation is to serve as a role model in our community in order to become a national resource for Opiate/Heroin Addiction awareness and change. We will strive to remove the outdated stigma of opiate addicts and innovatively revamp the rehabilitation process to appropriately address the disease of Opiate/Heroin Addiction as one of the most severe forms of addiction. We will provide direct assistance and services to individuals, family members, or others at risk of experiencing an opioid related overdose including, but not limited to, providing opioid antagonists.

The proceeds from the event will go toward opening a recovery clubhouse named "The Zone" to support long-term recovery and re-entry into the community. The Zone will be the first of its kind in Cobb County and will provide a necessary service to support our citizens working hard to maintain their recovery from drug addiction.

## HARRISON BANDS HOSTING RECYCLE DAY

The Harrison Bands will be holding an Electronics and Paint Recycle Day on Saturday, August 15th 9:00am-5:00pm in the Upper Parking Lot of Harrison High School.

Bring items to be recycled such as computers, power tools, heavy metals, lawnmowers, cell phones, telephone chargers, power cables, fax machines, TVs, monitors, etc. We are partnering with Federal Recyclers, an EPA registered company, who will be on-site with their trucks to collect the recyclables.

There is a \$10.00 requested donation per car load. 100% of the donation goes to the HHS Bands program. There is a \$20.00 processing fee for 1 TV/monitor and \$15.00 each one after. A portion of this amount goes to HHS Bands as well.

We now accept paint cans!! A processing fee of \$4 per quart or gallon or \$10 per 5 gallon bucket is requested, with a portion of this fee going to the band. (Paint cans do not need to be empty or have kitty litter in them)

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BY CHAIRMAN TIM LEE,  
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Learn about weekly Religious School classes that begin on Sunday, August 9 with PreK-Grade12, including Hebrew in the upper grades, Confirmation, B'nai Mitzvah, as well as Adult Education. If you miss the Open House, call 678.264.8575 with questions or for an individual appointment, or go online at [www.mynertamid.org](http://www.mynertamid.org)

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In addition, the event will feature a cooking competition between Cobb County Police Chiefs, Cobb County District Attorney's Office, Cobb County Sheriff's Office, and Marietta Fire Department. The cooking competition will be hosted by Ryan McKay ...2 time Winner of the Good Eatin' Great Cause Competition and a contestant on NBC'S Food Fighters which will air July 30th! Tickets are \$75 per person and may be purchased through the SafePath website at [www.safepath.org](http://www.safepath.org).

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Isn't it funny what our fears can do to us. We fear the unknown. We fear the changes.



We worry about all the things that might go wrong. And they could. That is always a possibility. But it is equally possible that things may go better than we ever imagined.

The little book, *Running to the Mountain* by Jon Katz tells the story of the author's decision to make radical changes to his life. He leaves a very lucrative career to become a writer. He buys a little cabin in the wilderness and begins to restore it and live closer to the land. After making this decision, he has moments of questioning these choices. But amid those doubts and fears he writes a statement that is worth re-reading each day. He says, "I'm not nearly as afraid of dying as I am of the hinges inside my mind and soul rusting closed. I am desperate to keep them open, because I think that if they close that's one's first death, the loss of hope, curiosity, and possibility, the spiritual death. After that, it seems to me, the second one is just a formality. I wanted to oil the hinges, force the doors to stay open. Wise words for each of us amid our doubts and fears. Fear will close the doors and lock us inside."

That is what the disciples discover in a powerful way. (John 20:19-31). Easter has come and gone. The women have come to announce that Jesus is risen. What looked like an ending is a new beginning. And they are scared at this. Literally the gospel says that they were sitting in a locked room because they were afraid. I think that is just shorthand for they were afraid of everything. They were afraid for their life. What if those who came after Jesus came after them. They were afraid that everything had been for naught. They had invested their time and energy in this traveling prophet and look what happened. He was gone. And now they would have to go back home to the families and communities and vocations they had left behind and apologize for being so impulsive. They were afraid that they had wasted their time.

These fears and so many others. And they had locked themselves in a room together. It is important that the gospel points out that the room was locked from the inside. Fear does that to us. It locks us into inactivity and traps us in rooms of limited choices. And the lock is of our own doing.

Jesus pierces that fearfulness and enters the locked room and speaks one single word, "Peace." Amid our doubts and fears and anxieties and concerns, Jesus offers us the key that will set us free from all that holds us back. He gave a word of peace to his friends in that locked room and he offers that same peace to each and every one of us. It is the key that unlocks any door that would trap us from the goodness that God has in store for our lives.

There is a quote attributed to Heather Murray Elkins that says, "When you reach the edge of the light you have been given and are called one step beyond into the darkness which may hold a chasm, believe that one of two things will happen. Either you will find firm ground or you will be taught to fly."

Wherever that fear may reside in your life. Wherever you face uncertainty. Wherever we face uncertainties. There is a friend waiting there to offer a word of encouragement and support who will walk with you. There is the risen Christ speaking a word of peace to our troubled lives. Take that hand, receive that hope and let us walk together into the uncertainty. God will meet us there.

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## I WANT MY GRANDSON TO....

DR. BILL ROSS, MARIETTA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

I turned 59 this month. My grandson turned 2 on March 17th. He loves a birthday party so he celebrated his birthday again with me. As he and I sang "Happy Birthday," I wondered what he will experience the next 57 years....My 59 years have been full.

I want my grandson to walk humbly, fight for justice, love fiercely and practice forgiveness. I want him to realize the goodness of God that is available within every person in



this world. There will be 9/11s, Oklahoma City tragedies, Baltimore and Ferguson injustice, Boston bombings and Charleston shootings in his life. There will be people who are more concerned about their rights than the equal rights of others. He will discover that there are more good people who get less publicity while practicing doing good in this world, and few, if any, will ever notice.

I believe that we need people in our lives who are committed to one another, who seek justice through the teachings of Jesus, who seek to encourage rather than judge, who live with the faith of a child and seek to lead through sacrifice. I believe that giving is greater than receiving and sharing is a concept we all need to embrace.

I am a bit envious of my grandson, because I know that God is alive and each day can be so much better than yesterday. At the age of 2, he has a great opportunity for the next 57+ years. Birthdays are wonderful. Life is great!

The Marietta First Baptist Church is located at 148 Church St. in Marietta. Visit [www.mariettafbc.org](http://www.mariettafbc.org) for more information about worship services.

## MARIETTA SQUARE ARTISTS MARKET:

2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER

Marietta Square Artists Market continues each 2nd and 4th Saturday through November. The Artists Market is a charming, open-air market located on Mill Street adjacent to Historic Marietta Square and runs from 9am to 2pm. The Artists Market is a juried event held in conjunction with the popular Marietta Square Farmers Market and features authentic, locally handmade Art and fine craft.

A favorite among locals, Market visitors from around Metro Atlanta will find an eclectic variety of unique, high-quality, and handmade art, from oil paintings and sculpture to ceramics and hand-tooled fine jewelry. The Artists Market is increasing in popularity; thus, we are constantly expanding and increasing in quality to provide a prime experience for both artists and visitors. The Market is now accepting applications for 2015. Artists interested in participating may submit an application online at [www.ArtistsMarketMarietta.com](http://www.ArtistsMarketMarietta.com). All media considered.

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## KENNESAW STATE ATHLETICS TO HOST FALL FESTIVAL ON AUGUST 16

The Kennesaw State Department of Athletics officially announced on Friday (July 10) its first-ever Kennesaw State Fall Festival to jumpstart the much-anticipated 2015 inaugural football season. The event will be held on Sunday, August 16 at Fifth Third Bank Stadium and surrounding KSU Sports and Recreation Park.

In hopes of becoming an annual tradition at Kennesaw State, the special event will be open to the public and will begin at 1:30 p.m. The day will culminate with the KSU-Columbus State soccer game that begins at 4 p.m.

Fans will have the special opportunity to meet the football team –which will make history on Sept. 3 when it plays its first game at East Tennessee State. The Owls make their home debut at Fifth Third Bank Stadium on Sept. 12 when they host Edward Waters at 4 p.m. in a game that will be televised by Atlanta's CW69.

"We're so excited to take an existing tradition, the Welcome to the Block Kickoff, and expand on it to create Fall Festival," Brandy Chenoweth, director of marketing and fan experience, said. "This will give fans an opportunity to meet our team and get excited about our upcoming fall sports. You can already feel the energy from our fans!"

Season ticket holders will have the opportunity to pick up their tickets and football season program. Fans and the community will also enjoy samples and games, interacting with Kennesaw State Athletics' sponsors and watch the Owls women's soccer team take on Columbus State. The event will take place primarily on Field 3 –which is on the East side of Fifth Third Bank Stadium—, and parking will be available in the gold, black, tan, and green lots.

"Fans have been counting down the days until they are able to pick up and touch their season tickets. It is even more special when it's an inaugural season, and will make football at Kennesaw State seem all that more real, Bobby Lindsey, director of ticket sales and operations, said. "I can't wait to see the first fans get their season tickets."



### POWDER SPRINGS RESTAURANT RECEIVES DDA GRANT

The City of Powder Springs Downtown Development Authority presented Second Plate Buffet with the 2015 Restaurant Grant on Wednesday June 17, 2015. The presentation was made by Mayor Vaughn and attended by city council members, the Downtown Development Authority board members, the Development Authority of Powder Springs board members, city staff, and Second Plate owner Joyce Edwards and staff. The restaurant grant is a competitive matching grant that provides up to \$10,000 in funds for internal and external renovation of restaurants willing to relocate to the Downtown Development Service Area in Powder Springs. Economic Development Director, Stephanie Aylworth stated: "We had three new restaurants open this year in the DDA service area and all applied for the grant. It was a tough decision for the review committee, but we are excited to award Second Plate \$7000 of the \$10,000 available funds based on their meeting the qualifying criteria."

Second Plate Buffet is owned and operated by veteran chef Joyce Edwards who specializes in southern cuisine and is located at 4456 Marietta St. in the former Tea Room. The name Second Plate alludes to the restaurant concept, which is a twist on a buffet. Patrons are served their choice of food from the buffet and if desired they are served a "second plate" of anything they would like to try. They are open 11 a.m. to 7p.m. Wednesday thru Sunday and offer a fabulous Saturday and Sunday brunch. If you are a unique concept restaurant or looking to relocate or open a second location in our lovely historic downtown or City and would like information about the Restaurant Grant and other relocation incentives, please contact the Economic Development Director at 770-943-1666 ext. 345.

PICTURED ABOVE: Mayor Patricia Vaughn presenting owner Joyce Edwards with the \$7000 restaurant grant check.

### GOLF TOURNAMENT AT CITY CLUB

Chi Gamma Gamma Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated will host its 25th Annual "Drive For Knowledge" Scholarship Golf Classic on August 28, 2015. As we prepare for our 25th Annual "Drive for Knowledge" Scholarship Golf Classic, we would welcome your participation and support. You can become a sponsor, as well as, provide golfers from your company. The beautiful Marietta City Club in Marietta, GA will serve as host for this year's golf classic. Our tournament will begin with a 1:00 p.m., shot gun start. So, please mark your calendars for Friday, August 28, 2015. Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is an international service organization founded in 1911 whose primary mission is community service. Chi Gamma Gamma chapter and the 2nd Century Invictus Fund is a 501(c) 3 organization (TIN 58-2137255) and we welcome your tax-deductible support.

Checks should be made payable to: 2nd Century Invictus Fund, Inc. and mailed to Chi Gamma Gamma Chapter, P.O. Box 71507, Marietta, GA 30007-1507 or you may pay at our website – [www.omegapsiphi-xgg.org](http://www.omegapsiphi-xgg.org), by July 21, 2015.

For questions, please contact Herb Shannon at (770) 578-8697 - ([omegaherb@bellsouth.net](mailto:omegaherb@bellsouth.net)). Like us on Face book (Chi Gamma Gamma Chapter)

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