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## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF ENTERTAINMENT BY FLASHBACK ACWORTH'S JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Let freedom ring! The City of Acworth and the Acworth Business Association are proud to present one of the largest fireworks extravaganzas in Metro Atlanta. This July 4th, live music and fireworks will once again take place at Cauble Park. Live music begins at 5:30 p.m. Fireworks will begin at approximately 9:30 p.m. (subject to change depending on weather).

As tradition holds, there will be special tribute to all those men and women who have served in our Armed Forces at 7:45 p.m. Then our headliners "FLASHBACK" takes the stage at 8:00 p.m. This is the 20th year in a row that Flashback has brought their energy to the Acworth state. Flashback takes you through decades of classics; from the best of Motown, Beach, and Disco, then all the way into Current Top Hits. The audience experiences an interactive and energetic performance while dancing to song after song!

This Party Band showcases phenomenal musicians, clever choreography, breathtaking vocals, and carefully chosen medleys of all your favorite songs. Each of the seasoned musicians in Flashback bring years of experience and unimaginable talent to the stage.

Admission to the event and concert is free! There will be food vendors on-site selling a variety of options beginning at noon. Tables are available to purchase for the July 4th concert. Online table purchases may be made at [www.acworthparksand recreation.org](http://www.acworthparksand recreation.org). Online table sales close Wednesday, June 23rd at 5:00. Tables may also be purchased in person at the Acworth Community Center through Saturday, June 26 at 2:00 p.m. Tables are \$50 each for City of Acworth residents and \$70 for non-residents. Table purchases include 6 chairs and one parking pass. This parking pass will grant access to park at Cauble Park if spots remain available. Parking at Cauble Park is by parking pass only on July 4th, but Cauble Park parking is not guaranteed with this pass. It is highly recommended to arrive early. Anyone parked at

Cauble will not be permitted to leave once the fireworks have begun. Cars will be permitted to leave the park once the fireworks have concluded and the crowd has cleared out.

Those without a parking pass or if the parking is full will need to park downtown and walk down to the park. Shuttles will not be running for this event. Handicap parking will be available at McCall Primary School and there will be a shuttle provided for handicap attendees. Handicap shuttles begin at noon.



## SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD JUNE 15

Gov. Brian Kemp has called for a special election to be held Tuesday, June 15, to fill the Georgia House of Representatives District 34 seat. The seat is vacant due to the resignation of Rep. Bert Reeves. Six candidates are competing for this seat. This is not a county wide election. District map is available at [cobbelections.org](http://cobbelections.org). If you are in District 34 and have not early voted or voted absentee, then voters MUST go to their assigned polling location on Election Day, June 15, 2021, to vote between the hours of 7:00 am and 7 pm.



## CITY OF KENNESAW'S SALUTE TO AMERICA TO FEATURE LIVE MUSIC, FOOD & FIREWORKS

The City of Kennesaw will host its annual Independence Day celebration of freedom, music and fireworks on Saturday, July 3 from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. in Downtown Kennesaw. Admission to the event is free.

Salute to America will feature two stages of live music, festive street entertainment, food vendors, and kid's activities. The evening will conclude with a brilliant fireworks finale, visible from Depot Park and along Main Street, at 9:30 p.m.

In addition to street vendor and sponsor booths, attractions will include pay-to-play inflatable amusements. A wide selection of entrées, cold beverages and snacks will be available for purchase. Attendees may bring picnic baskets or coolers. Grills will not be allowed. A table for six located in front of the Depot Park Stage, may be reserved for \$75. With the exception of reserved tables near the Depot Stage, all seating will be general admission, so please bring a blanket or comfortable low-back chair.

Kennesaw city parks are "Breathe Easy Zones"; NO tobacco products, smoking, and e-cigarettes allowed in Depot Park. For more information and to reserve a table, visit [www.kennesawjuly3.com](http://www.kennesawjuly3.com) or call Kennesaw Parks & Recreation at 770-422-9714.



## MARIETTA TO CELEBRATE JULY 4 ON SATURDAY JULY 3.

Grab your American flag, put on your red, white and blue, and celebrate America's Independence July 3, from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. with an Independence Day parade and celebration on the Square presented by Superior Plumbing, free live concerts, arts and crafts show, food, carnival games and the City of Marietta fireworks finale. Throughout the day, more than 80,000 people are expected to celebrate on the Square with great food, fun activities, the best arts and crafts around and free entertainment from BOGEY and Viceroy starting at 8:00 on. Fireworks show will start at dark, around 9:30 pm.

The Marietta Let Freedom Ring Parade includes 110 entries, 2,000 participants and an estimated 30,000 spectators. The parade begins at 10:00am at Roswell Street Baptist Church and travels west on Roswell Street, north on East Park Square past Glover Park and the Square, down Cherokee Street and ends at North Marietta Parkway. The end of the parade marks the start of the Festival. Food concessions, arts and crafts and carnival will provide plenty to do for the whole family.

Arts and crafts show with nearly 100 unique handcrafted vendors: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Food concessions: Anything to please the palate from ice products to cool you down to corn dogs and BBQ to satisfy your appetite. 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Kid's Zone – huge interactive kids play area: 10 a.m.-dark; tickets for games available at booths located throughout the park

Concert Table Reservations. The evening concerts will begin at 7:00pm & float you into the fireworks show at 9:30pm. A limited number of tables will be available on Tuesday, June 1st on a first served basis. Pricing is \$100 for an 8-top table & 6-top tables are \$80. To reserve a table or more information, contact Missy Miller at 770-423-1330 or email [missy@jrmmanagement.com](mailto:missy@jrmmanagement.com).

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## THIS AND THAT

### WELCOME



Former Councilman Tim Killingsworth and his wife, Lynne are excited to announce the birth of twin Grandbabies. Maddox Alan & Evelyn Claire were born on March 8th to Joy (Killingsworth) Warren and her husband, Larry. Their arrival made 3 year old Jackson a big brother x 2!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HENLEY!

Henley McLaine Hanks turned three years old on Saturday, May 22, 2021. Sweet Henley is truly sunshine in human form and she brings more love and joy to our hearts than we ever thought possible. Happy 3rd birthday, baby girl. We love you more than you'll ever know.

Love, mommy and daddy

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### BRIGHT SIDE PUBLISHING INFORMATION

The June 2021 paper is being printed and mailed along with being published digitally. As of now we plan to print and mail the paper once a quarter until all of our special events and community gatherings return. Even when the paper is not mailed it is still published once a month. You can read it online every month at [www.brightsidenews.com/web.nc.pdf](http://www.brightsidenews.com/web.nc.pdf). Articles and advertising are always welcome - Print and Digital ad rates are available. Email [brightnews@aol.com](mailto:brightnews@aol.com) for information

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



#### STERLING A. AYERS

Happy 12th Birthday to my shining star! I know you were born for great things. Have fun being 12 & savor these days of being SAY rodeo princess! I love you & will be here for you always. Love, Mommy

### FIRST FRIDAY CONCERTS

The Kennesaw Downtown Development Authority and the Kennesaw Downtown Merchants Association announce the inaugural First Friday Concert Series. From 6:00 to 9:00 PM, the community is invited to stroll through the Historic Downtown area and enjoy an evening of shopping, dining and live music. The concert takes place at the Pedestrian Underpass off Main Street and is FREE - bring a chair. Tables are available for reservation for \$50. Tables will seat six individuals. To reserve a table, please visit <https://turquoise-otter.myshopify.com/products/first-friday-concerts-in-the-plaza-table-rentals-april-2-2021> The July concert is Friday, July 9.

### KMHS FOOTBALL CAMP

Kennesaw Mountain Football is hosting youth camp for all k-5th graders the dates are 6/15-6/17 6-7:30 pm and the cost is \$60. You can sign up at [Kmhsfootball.com](http://Kmhsfootball.com). They are also holding sign ups for youth football and cheer at [cobbfootball.com](http://cobbfootball.com).

### COBB COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Join the Cobb County Genealogical Society on Tuesday, June 22. 7:00 p.m. as we host Thomas MacEntee His topic is What's Been Done: Using Someone Else's Genealogy Research The meeting will be held via Zoom. com, so sign up by going to the CCGS website: [www.cobbgenecol.org](http://www.cobbgenecol.org). Must register by midnight June 21.



### ANDREW BRAMLETT'S WHY WE SAY WHAT WE SAY.

This month's article is about the origins of the names of Southern foods. BARBECUE (and BAR-B-Q) come from the Arawakan tribe of Haiti, who referred to a framework of sticks as "barbacoa". Barbacoa were used to cure meat. The word barbacoa first became Spanish, and eventually became the English word Barbecue. Originally in English the word Barbecue meant a large gathering featuring roasted meat, and eventually in the South it came refer to the roasted meat itself.



GRITS can trace its roots back to the Old English word grytt, meaning a course, ground meal, like cornmeal. According to the Online Etymology Dictionary, the word HOMINY, the main ingredient in grits, comes from the Algonquian word "uskatahomen", meaning ground corn. Eventually, uskatahomen lost "uskata", and morphed into hominy.

CRAWFISH is from the Old French word "crevice". When it entered English, the word's pronunciation reminded people of the word "fish", so the word eventually changed to reflect the association. CRAWFISH is known to be a version of crayfish, but it is not known why the word changed.

WAFFLE comes from the Middle Low German word "wafel", meaning web or honeycomb. The word was adopted by the Dutch before becoming the English word WAFFLE. Another Danish word that entered English was "baken", which morphed into BACON. The word SAUSAGE comes from the Latin word "salsicus", meaning seasoned with salt.

Another popular Southern food is OKRA, whose name comes from West Africa. One southern plant well known for its Georgia connections is the PEANUT. It was called the peanut because its "nuts" are the size of a pea. As any peanut aficionado can tell you, however, it is not a nut but a legume. LEGUME is from French and originally meant any small plant. It is possibly related to the Latin word "legere", meaning "to gather".

### ANDREW BRAMLETT VIDEO SERIES

For the past 3 years Andrew Bramlett has written articles for the Bright Side on the origins of Words and Phrases. Now Andrew also is producing videos! His first series cover his Bright Side Articles. His next series covers the history and highlights of each Georgia State Park His third series covers former State Parks in Georgia. Andrew's current series is called "Overlooked History" where he shares interesting stories from history that have been largely forgotten. All of these videos can be found under the "Video Series" tab of his website, [ajbramlett.com](http://ajbramlett.com).

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### A GARDEN WITH WINGS BUTTERFLY HOUSE RETURNS TO SMITH-GILBERT GARDENS

"A Garden With Wings," the popular pollinator exhibit at Smith-Gilbert Gardens (SGG) featuring a kid-friendly pollinator garden and 2,000 square foot butterfly house, opens for the season on Thursday, July 1, 2021. Visitors to the pollinator garden will see an inspiring collection of annuals, perennials and flowering shrubs that attract and support native pollinators like bumblebees, hummingbirds and butterflies. The recently expanded butterfly house offers an up-close experience with butterflies, plus the opportunity to see all stages of their life cycle. Visitors will see host plants that serve as food sources for a wide variety of caterpillars. The exhibit is included with Garden admission and runs through Saturday, July 31, 2021.

Tickets must be purchased and reserved prior to arrival for all visitors and members. To purchase tickets, please visit <https://smith-gilbert-gardens.square.site/>.

"A Garden With Wings" is generously supported by Garden Members and the Smith-Gilbert Gardens Foundation. Smith-Gilbert Gardens would like to thank this year's sponsors, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Cobb EMC Foundation.



### KDDA PRESENTS KENNESAW FARMERS MARKET

The Kennesaw Downtown Development Authority, in partnership with Kennesaw First Baptist Church, is excited to present the 2021 Kennesaw Farmers Market. This year's market takes place on Wednesdays, with hours of operation from 3:30-7:30 p.m., and is located in the back parking lot at Kennesaw First Baptist Church (can access from Moon Station Rd). The market season will run through Wednesday, August 11.

The Market features farmers and makers, as well as some local favorite food trucks. On a typical Market day in summer, over 20 vendors will be set up offering their best vegetables, fruits, baked goods and specialty items.

Interested vendors may contact [kennesawfarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:kennesawfarmersmarket@gmail.com) for more information on vendor applications and scheduling. Vendors are encouraged but not required to accept electronic payments; market attendees should be aware that some vendors might accept cash only.

### CELEBRATE AMERICA WITH A KID'S PARADE!

Families in our community are invited to participate in Kennesaw Parks & Rec's Kid's Parade! This year, the parade will be held on Saturday, July 3 from 12-1 PM. We'll meet in the Commemorative Park and will walk down Main Street, ending behind City Hall.

Parade participants are welcome to dress up and decorate their strollers, wagons or bicycles with a red, white and blue theme. Please no motorized vehicles. Parents must accompany their children for the entirety of the parade.

This event is FREE! Register today at <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/kennesaw-ga/catalog>; Click on Special Events and then Salute to America. Select Kids Parade!

### ELECT DEVAN SEABAUGH

On Tuesday June 15, we have an opportunity to elect a man who has dedicated his whole life to making this community a better place to live.

We have known Devan for over 22 years, worked beside him on community projects, laughed with him, cheered with him, and was astounded at times at his organizational skills.

We want someone representing us that has been involved in our community his whole life. Someone who knows us inside and out. We know that Devan Seabaugh is that person. Please vote for Devan on Tuesday, June 15 as your State Representative for District 34.

Seabaugh is a recognized leader with clear vision and a cooperative spirit. He's a familiar face in the 34th District, and a proud family man with five children, all of whom attended Kennesaw Mountain High School. He and his wife Beth have been married 29 years and are members of First United Methodist Church in Marietta. He is on Facebook and his cell phone is 470-832-9182.

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### SUMMER JOBS

Want to stay busy, have fun, and earn some extra money this summer? Apply for Kennesaw Parks & Rec's summer jobs! We need camp counselors and Splash Pad attendants. You can find out more information and apply from the City of Kennesaw's hiring page - [kennesaw-ga.zohorecruit.com/jobs/Careers](http://kennesaw-ga.zohorecruit.com/jobs/Careers)

### THE ACWORTH ARTS ALLIANCE'S ART HOUSE

The Art House is hosting Acworth Treasures This exhibit runs from NOW thru July 31.

In addition to our featured exhibit, we have artwork by our 65+ Member Artists also on display! As always, we offer a broad variety of art styles and mediums...including paintings, drawings, prints, notecards, pottery, glass, jewelry, fabric creations etc. All Artwork is for sale!

We are open: Tuesday thru Saturday, Noon to 6PM. Closed Sunday, Monday. Located at 4425 Cherokee Street, Acworth, GA 30101, call 678-543-5777, visit [acworthartsalliance.org](http://acworthartsalliance.org)

### WED. WONDER DAYS

In preparation of our Butterfly Exhibit opening July 1st, we are extending our Wednesday Wonder Program with three new summer dates! These family activities will focus all on pollinators, as we explore their lifecycles and pollinator-friendly plants. Each family will prepare their own seed starter tray to take home to create their own pollinator oasis!

Join us on either June 16th, 23rd, or 30th at 10 AM to enjoy a morning of exploration, learning, and planting! All dates include the same activities, so attending just one is plenty. Registration is required but limited. VISIT <https://smith-gilbert-gardens.square.site/>

### HORSE BARN FOR RENT

Horse barn with 2 stalls for rent! Off Schillings Chase in Kennesaw-404-408-4223.

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### A CELEBRATION OF UNITY

Join the Kennesaw community and your Kennesaw Police Department as we celebrate our community, our diversity and our unity. Be part of this first annual outdoor event in the heart of downtown Kennesaw on Saturday June 19, 2021 from 11:00 am-3 pm.

This fun-filled family event is being held at the Kennesaw First Baptist Church, 2958 N. Main St. Come enjoy BBQ, games, activities, music, and fun, celebrating Juneteenth and community unity. Free to the Public. Sponsored by the City of Kennesaw Police Department and Hosted by the Kennesaw First Baptist Church.

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## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



**MICHAEL A. DEANTONIO**

Michael has graduated from the University of Miami with a Master of Science in Finance, 2021. (He is my oldest grandson - I am proud.)



**JESSE COOK**

Jesse Cook is a 2021 graduate of Kennesaw State University. A Music Major with Piano Performance Emphasis.



**ELYSSA ABBOTT**

Elyssa is a 2021 graduate of NCHS and was enrolled in North Cobb High School Magnet Program for International Studies. Elyssa has served as the editor-in-chief of North Cobb High School's newspaper. Elyssa plans to attend the University of Georgia to double-major in Journalism and International Affairs on the pre-Law track.



**KAYLEIGH EVERHART**

Kayleigh is a 2021 graduate of NCHS and was enrolled in North Cobb High School Magnet Program for International Studies. She plans to pursue a Master's and Doctoral Degree in Marine Science. Kayleigh will attend University of Georgia in the fall as she works toward her goal in Marine Science.



**CADEN MALLOY**

Congratulations to my grand son on graduating with a 3.5 GPA from Perry High School, Gilbert, AZ. He works full time at AdiSas and will attend Arizona State University.



**ISABEL DEANTONIO**

Happy Birthday to my granddaughter who turned 19 on June 5. She is currently enrolled at the Syracuse University. Yes Caden and Isabel are cousins, born 6 months apart.

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### THE ACWORTH'S MAYOR'S DESK

In 2010, the City of Acworth was awarded the National Civic League's All-America City Award. Acworth was selected for this prestigious honor due to three community programs where the government, business, non-profit, and faith-based organizations came together to achieve a common goal. The three programs were the Expanding Horizons, Acworth Achievers, and the Horizon Field. When they received this award, the judges told our team that we are a city like no other. We are a city with a HEART... this heart was shown in those three programs and countless others that provide invaluable services to our community.

To celebrate the ongoing work of past All-America City winners, the National Civic League sponsors a Hall of Fame Award to recognize an outstanding civic engagement initiative in the community since winning the award. In the entire country, only four cities can count themselves in this hall of fame. Acworth is now one of those cities! We are excited and honored to announce the induction of the City of Acworth into the All-America City Hall of Fame.

As the city has grown and thrived, we earmarked funds to build parks, a community center, an art center, a history museum, and homes in the Parkside District. In doing so, the city has provided funding to ensure that important black historical landmarks are preserved, and improvements have been made to the properties. These improvements included the construction of Doyal Hill Park. Named for Acworth's first black Alderman, this park features an outdoor interpretive history area featuring public art honoring Acworth's rich black history. The historic home and business of one of Acworth's first black business owners was restored and now brings art exhibitions and classes to the community as the Art House. We opened Depot Park where visitors will find a free history center and video interviews with firsthand accounts of Acworth's past. The Acworth Community Center is the centerpiece of the Parkside District. There we hosted a series of community conversations that opened communication within the community and sought to increase transparency and trust between city leadership, the police department, and the minority community.

None of this would have been possible without the love and support of our community partners, businesses, residents, and local leaders. We cannot thank you enough for making Acworth a community for everyone, and congratulations on being in the All-America City Hall of Fame!

God Bless, Tommy

### JURASSIC PARK

Dinosaur lovers of all ages are invited to an outdoor screening of the timeless classic Jurassic Park! This City of Acworth event will take place on the greenspace at Logan Farm Park on June 18, 2021. Festivities will open at 7:00 p.m. and the movie will begin at dusk. Concessions will be served, but visitors may bring picnics, blankets, and chairs to enjoy the show. Fun photo opportunities and giveaways will take place before the show. This event is free to the public. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please contact the Acworth Parks and Recreation Department at (770) 917-1234 or visit [www.acworthparksandrecreation.org](http://www.acworthparksandrecreation.org).

### ACWORTH FARMERS MARKET IS OPEN

Shop for local at the Acworth Farmers Market every Friday morning from April 9-October 29 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The market takes place at Logan Farm Park (4405 Cherokee Street). Market customers will have a wide variety of garden ripe Georgia grown vegetables, eggs, cheese, bedding plants, fresh baked bread, pies, cakes, honey, and jams to choose from each week. The Acworth Farmer's Market is proudly sponsored by the Acworth Downtown Development Authority. If you are interested in more information on being a vendor or just have questions about the market, please call 770-917-1234.

### HORIZON FALL BASEBALL

The Horizon League provides children and adults with cognitive and physical disabilities the opportunity to participate in athletic events, develop lasting relationships among their peers, coaches and parents and demonstrate to them that they are an important part of their community by creating an environment of inclusion for both the participants and their families. The League is open to youth and adult's ages five and up. Teams are broken up by age groups. Games are non-competitive and each player on the roster gets on base before the opposing team gets to bat. Every effort is made to return players to their prior team. However, teams will have a player limit and team placement is based on first come, first serve. Special requests can only be considered based on available space on a team prior to Wednesday, August 18. Youth and Teen league games will take place on Saturdays beginning September 11 through October 23. These games are played on a rotating schedule throughout the day on Saturdays. Adult League games will take place on Thursdays beginning September 9 through October 21. Adult games are played on Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. All games are played on the Horizon Field at the Acworth Sports Complex. It is \$15 to participate for all players registered before March 24. The cost of players registered after August 18 is \$25. Registration before August 18 also guarantees the preferred jersey size. Registration is available at [www.acworthparksandrecreation.org](http://www.acworthparksandrecreation.org).



### CONCERT JUNE 19

#### A JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

In observance of June 19, 1865, when the last African-American slaves held in Confederate states were finally freed by the Union army, the City of Acworth will hold a free concert from the Total Package Band. This Concert on the Green: A Juneteenth Celebration will take place at Logan Farm Park on Saturday, June 19. The event opens at 5:00 p.m. with live music taking place from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase from Red Top Brewhouse. Limited seating is available. The City of Acworth invites the whole community to bring blankets and folding chairs and join this celebration of freedom and respect for all cultures.

### STAR SPANGLED FRANA ART CONTEST

Star Spangled Frana is back for a second year! Help us celebrate our city's patriotism by decorating your very own wooden star to be displayed at Frana Brown Park. We supply the star; you supply the creativity! Use paint, collage, mosaic, or more to create a unique masterpiece celebrating your love of country and representing your family, business, or organization. Stars will be on display on the fencing of Frana Brown Park from June 30 through August 1. CONTACT Jessy Patterson at [jpatterson@acworth.org](mailto:jpatterson@acworth.org) for your art contest application. Applications are due June 14.



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This award was presented to them at the annual Bryant Dealer Rally held in Indianapolis (Bryant's national headquarters) on May 28 – 31st.

The Medal of Excellence is awarded to Bryant Factory Authorized HVAC dealers based on commitment to quality products and service, dedication to customer satisfaction, as well as participating in on-going training and various Bryant programs.

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In addition to the awards ceremony, a factory tour, and many fun events, Bryant takes the award winners as a group to attend the Indy 500 car race, which is very exciting even if you are not normally a car race fan.

They gave the McKeons passes to the Pit Row where you get up close & personal to the cars and racing crew, to see what goes on behind the scenes before a race.

Bryant sponsors a car driven by Tony Kanaan, who met with their group a few times pre-race, so rooting for "your" driver and car makes it that much more exciting to watch.

Dennis & Laurie McKeon want to thank their dedicated staff and their loyal customers who all collectively made this award possible. It was truly a team effort!

Editor's note: Dennis & Laurie have been long time advertisers and even longer friends. We are so proud that they have been recognized with this award. See their ad on the back page of this paper.



## MECHANICS IN MOTION

On May 13, 2021, the Town Center Community Alliance, the non-profit arm of the Town Center Community Improvement District (CID), installed its first educational exhibit, "Mechanics in Motion," at Aviation Park in Kennesaw.



Located adjacent to Cobb County International Airport - McCollum Field, the exhibit aims to demystify the science of flight using an interdisciplinary and interactive approach. The exhibit was curated and designed by Kennesaw State University Department of Museums, Archives and Rare Books and is the first educational installation of the Taking to the Skies program which already includes public art and a 1964 Beechcraft Musketeer aircraft display.

Encircling the park's 1964 Beechcraft Musketeer A23 aircraft, "Mechanics in Motion" is a permanent installation with eight panels describing aspects of flight, aircraft design and materials. The exhibit is curated to meet Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) in both science and social studies, creating numerous opportunities for the use of Aviation Park as a free field trip destination. The exhibit also includes digital content, curriculum and teacher's guides which can be used by school districts, home schooling individuals or any visitors to the park.

Located on the corner of Barrett Lakes Boulevard and Cobb Place Boulevard, Aviation Park is a three-acre public park, accessible 365 days a year, featuring open spaces for airplane viewing, a playground area, covered pavilion, bike share station, parking and restrooms. "Mechanics of Motion" is part of the Alliance's initiative to bring community programs and S.T.E.M.-related activities to the flight-themed park.

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Oliver Crowson, an 8th grade student at St. Joseph Catholic School, Marietta, was named by the Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight as an International Runner-up in the 2020-2021 essay contest for the 8th grade competition. At the school's Honors Night and graduation exercise he received his award plaque and gift certificate from Kof C on May 25, 2021 before his classmates, school staff, parents and immediate family.

The subject of his winning entry was "Trusting in God in Difficult Times." Mr. Crowson won the contest at the local, district and state levels prior to the KofC-International award.

Mr. Crowson's winning entry marks the eighth year in a row that an 8th Grade winner in the Georgia Knights of Columbus State essay contest has been a student attending St. Joseph Catholic School in Marietta and sponsored by St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council 4599, Marietta. His International

award is the first in the State of Georgia.



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This event will take place on Saturday, June 26, 3-7 pm. Featuring the Pledge, Pass and Punt, Triple Option with NFL superstar Darren Waller. This will be held at Mt Paran Christian School, 1275 Stanley Rd., Kennesaw, GA 30152. Beyond The End ZONE is the Davis Direction Foundation's largest Prevention/Education event of the year. It's the student focus event designed to prevent future Substance Use Disorder in our Youth. It is a family friendly event that brings families together for a life-saving message of drug abstinence and an event our entire community can get behind. Come meet our NFL Superstars as they share stories of addiction to recovery.

Our Beyond the EndZONE Sports Spectacular event will raise money for programs run at THE ZONE throughout the year including our recently initiated The Zoned 4 Youth in Recovery Program for students who are 12- 18 years old.

Your \$25 ticket includes admission into the facility, the opportunity to compete, admission into the sports auction, a Pitmaster BBQ dinner beginning at 5 PM, and superstar comeback stories to inspire our youth. Tickets are available at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/beyond-the-endzone-tickets-150814453089>.

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Nonprofit organizations that received the kits included liveSAFE Resources, Sweetwater Mission, Special Needs Cobb, Ser Familia, Walton Communities, The Center for Family Resources, The Zone, Freedom Church, and Next Step Ministries.

The initiative which was made possible by the generous support from the Cobb County Community Development Block Grant created employment opportunities for people with disabilities that Tommy Nobis Center serves.

"We are thankful for Cobb County CDBG's investment in our local community," says Dave Ward, President and CEO of Tommy Nobis Center. "This project put people to work while helping Cobb County's most vulnerable stay safe."

### ABOUT TOMMY NOBIS CENTER

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## DAVE KRACHE FOUNDATION DONATES NEW SPORTS EQUIPMENT

The Dave Krache Foundation, a metro Atlanta nonprofit that helps pay fees for kids who want to play sports, has donated \$1600 of new softball equipment to the Mountain Top Boys Home.

"Our boys were saying they want to play ball, but we didn't have bats, gloves and balls for them to do that," said Donnis Steele, Executive Director of the Mountain Top Boys Home. "We can't wait to surprise them with this wonderful donation."

"This is what the Dave Krache Foundation is all about," said organization President Donna Krache. "We're happy to facilitate a way for these kids to play sports. That's our mission."

When they heard about this need, Dave Krache Foundation Board members voted unanimously to dedicate the funds to softball equipment for the boys home. A few members went shopping to use the funds to purchase gloves, bats, balls, bases and scorekeeping clipboards, to give the boys everything they need to enjoy playing.

Mountain Top Boys Home is a non-profit residential home for boys located in Sugar Valley, Georgia. It has been in operation since the 1970s, when it was launched as one of the early community outreach projects of MUST Ministries.

### ABOUT THE DAVE KRACHE FOUNDATION

The Dave Krache Foundation is a 501(c)3. Started in 2012, the Dave Krache Foundation pays fees for children to play sports when their parents cannot afford it. One way funds are raised is the Sports Fanatic 5K to be held on July 10, 2021 in downtown Kennesaw.

Pictured in the photo, l-r Donna Krache, President of the Dave Krache Foundation; Donnis Steele, Executive Director, Mountain Top Boys Home; Mark Hellman, Operations Manager/ Missions Director, Due West United Methodist Church.

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### ABA JUNE AA5

Thursday, June 10, 5:30-7:30 at Fusco's  
Via Roma. RSVP [www.acworthbusiness.org](http://www.acworthbusiness.org).

### ABA WOMEN'S EVENT

Thursday, June 17, 5:30-7:30. The  
May ABA women's evening event will be  
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### KBA JUNE AA5

KBAJUNEAA5 will be held on Tuesday,  
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### COBB SCHOOLS SUMMER MEAL KITS

School may be out for the summer, but Cobb Schools will continue to dish out food for students through July 21. Just as they did during the school year, Cobb's Food & Nutrition Services (FNS) team will provide meal kits for students at no charge, thanks to waivers from the USDA. Children do not need to be enrolled in the Cobb County School District, Summer School, or Summer Learning Quest to receive Meal Kits at no charge.

Families will be able to pick up the meal kits for children ages 0-18 on Wednesdays from 9-11 a.m. at one of six school locations listed below.  
Clarkdale Elementary School, Clay Harmony Leland Elementary School, JJ Daniel Middle School, King Springs Elementary School, North Cobb High School, Smitha Middle School

Meal kits will include food for breakfast and lunch. When families arrive at one of the six designated school locations, they will tell the Cobb Schools FNS team member how many meal kits are needed, and the team member will place the meal kits in the trunk or backseat of the car. The FNS team is proud to offer meal kits with items that can be reheated at home. Reheating instructions and a menu will be provided in meal kits for appropriate consumption of meals.

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## MARIETTA NEWS

### JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

#### COBB NAACP TO HOST JUNETEENTH EVENT ON THE MARIETTA SQUARE ON JUNE 18-19, 2021

The Cobb County NAACP is pleased to host their annual Juneteenth Celebration Event on June 18-19, 2021 on the Marietta Square.

Friday Evening June 18, enjoy a night of jazz, r & b, spoken word and more from 7:00 -10 pm.

On Saturday, June 19, enjoy fun and fellowship as you visit over 100 vendors, enjoy our entertainment and participate in our health fair. All events are free and open to the public. For more information call 770-425-5757 or email [cobbjuneteenth@gmail.com](mailto:cobbjuneteenth@gmail.com).

### ESSENTIAL WORKERS ARE GRAND MARSHALS

Exciting update to our Let Freedom Ring Parade!!! The 2021 Grand Marshal of our parade is "The Essential Worker". We are so excited to be able to honor our employees, local healthcare workers, grocery store employees, teachers, first responders and many more! We will have special people from each field walking as our grand marshal! We are thrilled to be able to honor these local heroes in our parade. Keep following us here as we start to highlight the special "Essential Workers" in our community who will walk in our parade on Saturday, July 3rd! Thanks to Marietta Parks & Recreation for always putting together a wonderful event!

### GLOVER PARK CONCERTS ARE BACK!

The City of Marietta has begun its 2021 Glover Park Concert Series on the last Friday, of the month at 8:00pm on the Marietta Square. The concerts are free, but a limited number of tables can be reserved for a fee.

Table reservations are taken on a first come basis on the first working day of each month beginning at 8:00 am. Table reservations for the August 28th concert will open on Wednesday, August 4, 2021. Bring a picnic or dine in one of the many fine restaurants located on the square.

The concert lineup:

June 25 - Kasper & 911 Band (Motown/R&B), July 30 - Next Level Band (Beach/Oldies), August 27 - Glow Band (Classic Pop), August 28 - Paradoes (Country/Rock), September 24 - The Big Chicken Beatle Band (Hits of the Beatles)

Blankets and lawn chairs may be set up in the park and tables are permitted in the street after 6:00 p.m. No personal tables, plastic ground covering or ropes, tape, stakes, etc. used to section off areas are permitted inside the park as they will be removed.

**PARKING:** Free on street parking, City Hall parking deck, 205 Lawrence St and the Care Here of Marietta parking lot, 268 Lawrence St.

**QUESTIONS:** [www.marietta.gov/concerts](http://www.marietta.gov/concerts), 770-794-5601

### REGISTER NOW MARIETTA'S GEM CITY SUMMER CAMP!

Marietta Parks, Recreation & Facilities announces registration is now open for its Gem City Summer Camp.

Children, 6-12 years of age, may attend the Gem City Summer Camp at Custer Park Sports & Fitness Center, with activities held at various City parks. Parents may book all 5 weeks of camp, June 14 - July 23rd or just pick the weeks they need. There will be no camp the week of July 4th (July 5 - 9). The cost per a camper for one

week of regular camp hours, 9:00am - 4:00pm, is as follows: City of Marietta residents \$75 and non-City of Marietta residents \$90.

Extended hours, 8:30am - 9:00am and 4:00pm - 5:30pm, may be added for an additional \$20 per a camper.

For more information or to register, please contact the Custer Park Sports & Fitness Center, located at 545 Kenneth E Marcus Way, Marietta, Ga 30060 or call 770-794-5630

To register online, please visit our website [www.marietta.gov](http://www.marietta.gov) and type in Summer Camp in the search box.



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## MARIETTA NEWS



### CONGRATULATIONS SOPHIE EDWARDS

What better start to the week than being surprised with a \$1,000 scholarship? Credit Union of Georgia surprised Sophie Edwards on Tuesday morning to award her the Credit Union of Georgia Scholarship in connection with the Marietta Schools Foundation. Edwards was selected for her essay on "How #DoYouCU making a difference?" along with her impressive resume.

Community is important to Credit Union of Georgia. When creating a scholarship for the Marietta Schools Foundation the Credit Union wanted to award a student who cares about their community and is making a difference in the future. Edwards received raving recommendations from her teachers, possessed great grades throughout her high school career, but what stuck out most was her desire to help children and end chronic hunger in the community. "I love to help children reach their fullest potential," wrote Edwards in her "How #DoYouCU making a difference?" essay. With a desire to help others she has decided to pursue a career in medicine to serve underserved communities and make a difference in the lives on children. Edwards will be attending the University of Georgia in the fall to begin her journey towards her dream.

"I met Sophie in July of 2020 when she was selling Marietta High School masks to benefit the Square Meal Project. I reached out to purchase a mask and ask her how the Credit Union could assist with the Square Meal Project. Once the Square Meal Project bus was completed, the Credit Union hosted a Food Drive at the Marietta Branch. We are hoping to have more events this summer before Sophie heads off to college," said Kathy Winiarczyk, Business Development Officer.

Edwards began working to end chronic childhood hunger in kindergarten when she learned a classmate was participating in the free and reduced lunch program. From then on she dedicated her time to the cause by providing more than 3,000 meals for summer lunch programs, raising more than \$10,000 through five bake sales, speaking at multiple fundraising events, volunteering over 2,100 hours, forming the Square Meal Project when she was only eight years old and recently repurposing a retired school bus to create a mobile food pantry and summer meal delivery service with Marietta City Schools. Her dedication to the movement is inspiring! Congratulations, Sophie!

Pictured above - left to right: Business Development Officer Kathy Winiarczyk, Vice President of Business Development & Marketing Amanda Arnold, Scholarship Winner Sophie Edwards.

### ELECT DEVAN SEABAUGH

On Tuesday June 15, we have an opportunity to elect a man who has dedicated his whole life to making this community a better place to live.

We have known Devan for over 22 years, worked beside him on community projects, laughed with him, cheered with him, and was astounded at times at his organizational skills.

We want someone representing us that has been involved in our community his whole life. Someone who knows us inside and out. We know that Devan Seabaugh is that person. Please vote for Devan on Tuesday, June 15 as your State Representative for District 34.

Seabaugh is a recognized leader with clear vision and a cooperative spirit. He's a familiar face in the 34th District, and a proud family man with five children, all of whom attended Kennesaw Mountain High School. He and his wife Beth have been married 29 years and are members of First United Methodist Church in Marietta. He is on Facebook and his cell phone is 470-832-9182.

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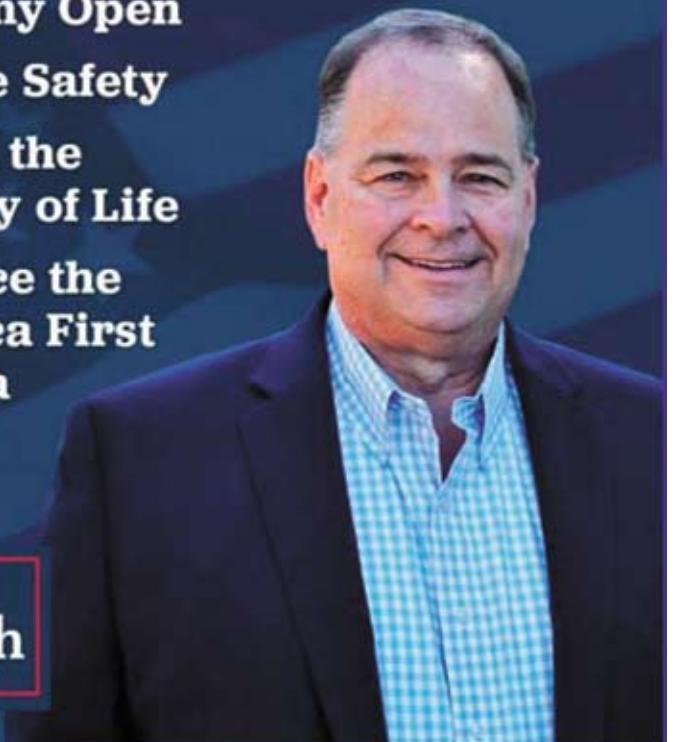


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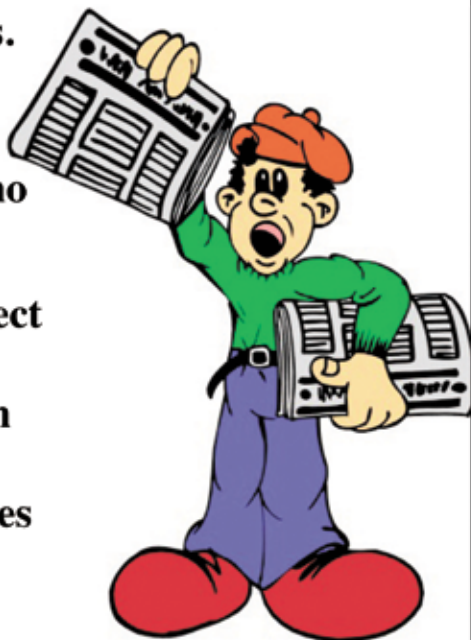
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## BIG SHANTY ES' LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Big Shanty held the grand opening of its new Little Free Library on Friday, May 21. The addition of the outdoor book box was made possible thanks to a collaboration between Cobb County's school psychology department, the CTAE department, and the hard work of students in both the construction classes and art classes at North Cobb High School. The ribbon cutting ceremony was attended by principal Kelly Luscre and assistant principal Courtney Kelly along with North Cobb principal Matt Moody, Cobb County school board member David Chastain, and representatives from the Cobb Collaborative and the school psychologists department. The highlight of the event was the poetry reading by Mrs. Crane's 3rd grade students. The Kennesaw community is invited to visit the Little Free Library this summer. The concept is simple: borrow a book that you would like to read, drop off books that you would like to share with others.

## COBB SCHOOLS UPDATED PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE

Over the last year and a half, our students, staff, families, and entire county have faced very difficult circumstances. Our students have learned, and our teachers have taught, through the COVID-19 pandemic with information about COVID-19 that has not always been easy to understand.

Earlier today, the CDC announced that they have updated mask guidelines for fully vaccinated individuals. The new guidance states:

- Fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask or physically distance in any setting, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance
- Fully vaccinated people can refrain from testing following a known exposure unless they are residents or employees of a correctional or detention facility or a homeless shelter

In accordance with the new guidance, Cobb Schools will no longer require fully vaccinated individuals to wear a mask. We would also like to make clear that any individual wishing to continue wearing a mask while attending school and/or school events should feel free to do so.

## NCHS SCHOLARSHIPS



Congratulations to NCHS graduating senior, Meagan Armstrong for signing a swim scholarship with East Carolina. Meagan is pictured above with her family and AD Matt Williams.



Congratulations to Harry Ford for signing a baseball scholarship with Georgia Tech University. Harry is a graduate of NCHS and plays catcher. He is an outstanding runner, and excellent student. Harry is pictured with his family and AD Matt Williams on the left with Principal, Matt Moody on the right.





## PHIL VASSAR IN CONCERT

Multi-Platinum selling artist Phil Vassar will be coming to Kennesaw for a performance at the Governor's Gun Club on Saturday, July 24! Doors open at 7:30 and the concert begins at 9:00 pm.

Tickets are \$37.50 and are available at [www.governorsgunclub.com/event/phil-vassar?instance\\_id=7568](http://www.governorsgunclub.com/event/phil-vassar?instance_id=7568)

Phil Vassar Country music hitmaker Phil Vassar is a piano-pounding powerhouse on stage who taps into his audiences via social media for song requests throughout his more than 135

shows a year. Phil's reign of signature songs include 10 No. 1 singles and 26 Top 40 hits, including Carlene, Just Another Day in Paradise, Six-Pack Summer, When I Love You; and many more. Vassar was racking up hits on the radio long before he even began his own recording career that has seen the release of six albums, two ASCAP Songwriter of the Year trophies, ACM's Top New Male Vocalist and sold-out shows across the country.

## LESSON LEARNED

BY PHIL ROBINSON

For more than 2 years now I have retired from teaching karate to children at Kennesaw Parks and Recreation and moved to a cabin in the mountains of South Carolina. Next door, on the other side of the creek, was a neighbor I never met. One reason why I never met him was because his house is very secluded in the woods and it has a long, narrow, winding driveway that is complemented by numerous signs that say Keep Out, No Trespassing, Private Property.

So, I got up my nerve and decided to introduce myself as his new neighbor, thinking I will either make a new friend or get shot. If I get shot in the process, oh well, I have had a good life anyway. Much to my surprise he is retired Navy and extremely interesting, and we became the best of friends immediately.

He makes miniature cities for hobbyists who have electric trains. He makes them from scratch and paints them to the utmost of detail. He also has a top-secret clearance, and he makes cities and compounds for the CIA and the military. He is the only person in the United States that the military uses when they need towns or miniature compounds made for purposes of instruction. He made a replica of the compound for the capture and subsequent assassination of Osama bin Laden.

He acquired my novel which is based on Vietnam veterans who just got out of the military and travel the country in an old beat-up Volkswagen van. As a token of appreciation, he built me a miniature of that van that is 1/600 th scale. You can place it on a quarter and still have room. He even painted the Volkswagen logo on the front, painted the windows and put a couple of dents in it.

Next Saturday, we are going to the American Legion to restore an old M-60 tank (actual size) from Vietnam era. Yet another story, I'm sure. Lesson learned: In this era of social distancing, texting, and emails, let's not lose the desire to extend the hand of friendship to a stranger. You may be blessed with a remarkably interesting friend.

Phil is a native of Atlanta who lived in Kennesaw/Acworth for 30 years: any comments: [www.philrobinson-author.com](http://www.philrobinson-author.com)

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF FAYE CUMBERLAND MILLER

JUNE 6, 1945 - MAY 14, 2021

Faye Cumberland Miller, devoted wife, Mother, Mimi, teacher, and friend passed away



on May 14, 2021. She was born on June 6, 1945 in Meridian, Mississippi. She was preceded in death by her parents, Hattie Rea and M.L. Cumberland. Faye attended the University of Southern Mississippi and received her bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education. It was during her college days, that she met her beloved husband, James "Jim" R. Miller. They married in August of 1966 and moved to Georgia shortly after. She got a job with the Cobb County School district and helped to open Big Shanty Elementary School. She taught third grade for 31 years, touched the lives of hundreds of children, and was named Teacher of the Year.

Faye and Jim were married for 24 years before he died in September of 1990. Faye retired from teaching in 2000 and enjoyed countless trips with family and friends to her beach home in N Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Faye loved and supported her 2 children in any way possible. Whether it was helping Kim with special school projects in her classroom or assisting Tod with managing the family's special events business, JRM

Management Services, she was always ready to lend a hand.

Faye especially loved spending time with and spoiling her 4 wonderful grandchildren! Faye is survived by her children Tod Miller (Missy) and Kim Eyrich (Matt) and grandchildren Casey & Brady Miller and Emily & Molly Eyrich. The family received visitors at Mayes Ward Dobbins Funeral Home, Marietta, on Tuesday, May 18th from 5:00-7:00 PM. A celebration of life was held on Wednesday, May 19th at 2:00 PM at Mayes Ward Chapel. Burial followed the funeral at Kennesaw Memorial Park. Donations can be made in honor of Faye to the Alzheimer's Association at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org),

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