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## Daisy's Got Game:

### The 47th Annual Yellow Daisy Flower Show

September 7-9, 2018 is the 47th annual Yellow Daisy Standard Flower Show at Stone Mountain Park. This year is very special as the Yellow Daisy Festival will be celebrating 50 years with more than 400 artists and craftsmen from 33 states and two countries. The National Garden Club, Inc. standard flower show is presented by garden club members in the Redbud District of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. It is held in Memorial Hall on the park grounds at the same time as the Yellow Daisy Festival. Admission to the Flower Show is free with paid park admission.

The Redbud District has more than 40 garden clubs and many participate in this event every year as volunteers, have entries in the design division, or provide horticulture. This year's Show Chairman is Deanna McFarlan in the Shenandoah Rose Garden Club and co-chairman is Diane Hunter, Redbud District VII Director. Many members from Smoke Rise area garden clubs serve as chairmen and volunteers for the event. All entries are judged in a standard flower show.

Redbud District members volunteer to setup, host, clerk, classify, place and then disassemble all the horticultural exhibits. There are many aspects to the show from Design entries to Youth Entries to all the various classifications of Horticulture. Last year there were more than 700 horticulture entries and dozens of unique and charming floral designs.

The 2018 theme is "Daisy's Got Game!" Building on this theme, "Candyland" is the title for the flowering annuals category, "Mahjong" is the title for the Ferns category and "Uno" is the title for the Hosta category! Designs are divided into various classes, and each class has a game theme such as Class 9 is "Twister!" That certainly suggests an interesting interpretation using plant material!

The Horticulture can range from a perfect okra pod or tomato to a Limelight hydrangea to Autumn Fern to cacti! It is quite surprising how many hundreds of entries are submitted, classified and displayed in all those green bottles or containers.



If you have never seen a standard flower show, you will be charmed by the wide variety of the colors and scents and displays. It is also very fun to see which entry wins the Blue Ribbon and read the judge's comments. You can really learn from the show as to why one flower wins the Blue and the same flower species wins the Red or Yellow. There are subtleties in judging and certain criteria must be followed to win the ranking of a Blue Ribbon.

You are all invited to join the fun this September and experience "Daisy's Got Game."



### "Tunes By the Tracks" Returns in Fall 2018

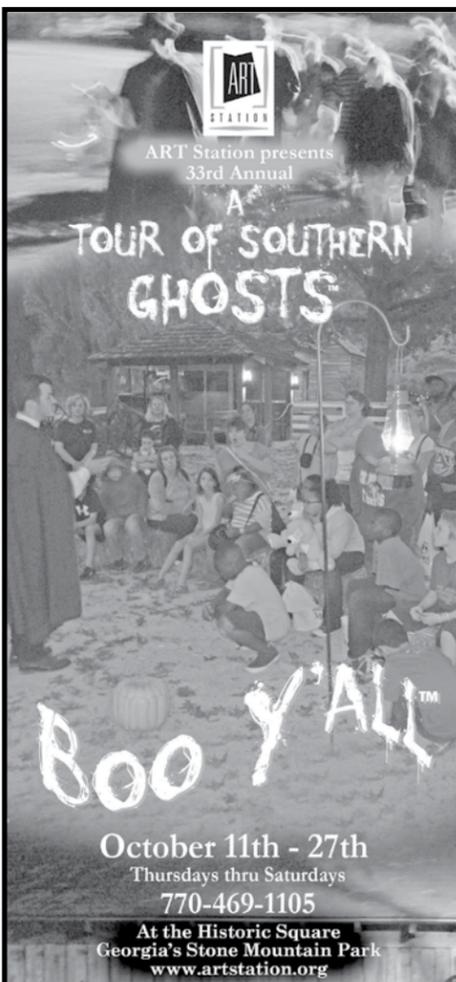
Tunes by the Tracks, the popular indie music concert series, returns to Stone Mountain Village Friday September 7 and every Friday night in September and October 2018. Continuing to thrive, and all the while building steam in the midst of a successful four-year run, Tunes by the Tracks brings a musical offering of Georgia grown roots, blues, and Americana music, camaraderie, and foot tapping fun that really is second to none.

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The concerts are free. The music goes on each Friday "come rain or come shine" and runs from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the municipal parking lot near the gazebo on Main Street Stone Mountain Village.

Don't forget your lawn chair! Beer, wine, and soft drinks are available to purchase. Proceeds go directly to keeping "Tunes By the Tracks" free to enjoy and exceptionally talented local indie artists onstage and trackside in the SMV.

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## Taste of Tucker Coming in October

Mark your calendars for a very popular annual event! The ninth annual Taste of Tucker is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6. Running 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tucker's Main Street, the festival features delicious samples from more than two dozen restaurants, offering more than 60 specialty dishes.

The street will be rocking to music from headline bands Biggy & The Smalls and Moontower. Special attractions include a children's play area coordinated by Tucker First United Methodist Church, a space for the sale of local produce organized by the Tucker Farmers Market, and drink venues coordinated by Keller Williams Realty Atlanta Partners.

Admission is free. Attendees purchase \$1.00 tickets to exchange for food samples, which cost between one and four tickets.

Proceeds from the event benefit NETWorks Cooperative Ministry, which fights poverty and hunger in the community; Camp Kudzu, which supports children and teens who have Type 1 diabetes; and the Old Town Tucker Merchants Association.

For more information, including updates on participating restaurants, visit [www.tasteoftucker.com](http://www.tasteoftucker.com), or check out [www.facebook.com/tasteoftucker](http://www.facebook.com/tasteoftucker).



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### September Calendar of Events

- 6-9 50th Yellow Daisy Festival  
Stone Mountain Park
- 10 Tucker City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Tucker City Hall Annex
- 12 Tucker Community Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Tucker City Hall Annex
- 12 Mountain Mum's Garden Club Meeting  
9:45 a.m.
- 13 GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club  
Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
- 18 Town Hall Meeting, Dist. 1  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Smoke Rise Baptist Church
- 22 Fall Begins (ends December 21)

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**THE SMOKE SIGNAL... In Review**

**Tidbit Tasting Party Success**

Reprinted from the March 1976 Smoke Signal

On January 23 the Smoke Rise Community Club, Smoke Rise Garden Club, and Morning Glories Garden Club co-hosted the area's first Tidbit Tasting Party and are pleased to announce that a great time was had by all. A total of 76 persons attended the gala affair held at The Summit Clubhouse to raise funds for landscaping the triangle at Hugh Howell and Rosser Roads.

Aside from providing residents an informal atmosphere in which to meet and mingle, the social netted \$114.52 to be placed in a fund for landscaping.

The door prize, three days and two nights at the Disney World Day's Lodge (courtesy of Ben and Laurie Dillard) was won by Ernie and Ann Nelson who are looking forward to a trip "south" in the near future. Congratulations to the Nelsons!

A special thanks goes to committee members Betty Marvil, MGGC; Marlene Westrom, SRGC; and Marsha O'Connor, SRCC who work so hard to make the evening a success -- and to those of who who contributed your time and talents to prepare the food. Working together for community improvement is fun, isn't it?



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**GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club at Work and at Play**

Members of the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club helped with the "Back to School Bash" in Stone Mountain village by filling bags with school supplies and by manning the tables at the distribution of the filled bags, lunch boxes, notebooks, notebook paper and theme books. The supplies were free and provided to help make sure students had the items needed to start the school year. Don't forget to visit the club booth at the



*Back to School Bash, (L to R) Kim Cumbie, Martha Decker, Jackie Cornett (Smoke Rise resident), Marty Bryan (Smoke Rise resident), Richard Mailman (event coordinator), Marilyn Oatway (Smoke Rise resident), Nelda Lunsford (Smoke Rise resident) Barbara Luton (Smoke Rise resident), Betty Pompey, Doris Hoenic, Barbara Clanton*



*Summer Social (L to R) Nancy Collins (event planner), Kim Cumbie (event planner), Marty Bryan (Smoke Rise resident), Debby Vanderbunt (Central East District President), Brenda Price (Club President)*

Yellow Daisy Festival this month to buy some of the homemade desserts to help fund the club's charities.

The Summer Social was held at the clubhouse and featured a "Farm to Table: Picnic Meal." Vendors of the Stone Mountain Farmers' Market sourced the food. The market is held each Tuesday near the gazebo in downtown Stone Mountain. The special guest for the event was Debby Vanderbunt, President of the GFWC Georgia Central East District. Door prizes also came from the vendors at the market.

Come join the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club and have fun socializing and volunteering. Please contact Brenda Price, (678) 333-6685, or any of your neighbors who are members of the club. The meeting is the second Thursday of the month at 10:30 a.m. Come join and see how much fun serving and volunteering can be!

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**FODAC 21st Annual Charity Golf Classic**

Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC) has announced its 21st Annual Charity Golf Tournament for Monday, October 1, at the Stone Mountain Golf Club in Stone Mountain Park. Funds raised from the annual event help support FODAC's mission to supply home medical equipment (HME) to the mobility impaired, with little to no cost for the recipient or caregivers.

FODAC serves the Metro Atlanta community by providing recycled equipment such as wheelchairs, scooters, walkers and hospital beds for children and adults during or after a health crisis. Last year, FODAC donated more than \$10 million in equipment to the disabled community at little or no cost to the recipient. FODAC also provides support in the wake of disasters; recently, the organization was onsite in Houston supporting HME distribution to flood evacuees, and has also recently shipped equipment and supplies to Puerto Rico to help those recovering from Hurricane Maria.

Breakfast and onsite registration starts at 8:00 a.m.; shotgun start is at 9:30 a.m.

The Rotary Club of Stone Mountain is managing this year's event, helping to secure sponsors and providing volunteers to set up and work the event. Title sponsor for this year's golf tournament is Combined Services, Inc.; other sponsors include CDI-World; Emory Alliance Credit Union; Smoke Rise Agents Team; Abatak; Gwinnett Medical Center Foundation; Bullseye Auction and Appraisal; and Grub Burger.

Registration is open now, with prices ranging from \$175 for an individual player to \$600 for a foursome. Sponsorships are available ranging from \$500 for a hole sponsor to \$5,000 for a gold sponsorship which includes registration for three foursomes and prominent corporate signage. For registration, sponsorship and more details, visit [fodac.org/golf](http://fodac.org/golf) or contact Leslyn Weekes at [leslynweekes@fodac.org](mailto:leslynweekes@fodac.org) or (770) 491.9014 x137.

For more information on FODAC and its programs, visit [fodac.org](http://fodac.org). Follow FODAC on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

**Georgia Native Plant Society  
Fall Plant Sale**

The Georgia Native Plant Society will hold a Native Plant Sale in Stone Mountain Park, Saturday, Sept. 22 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. There will be a large assortment of perennials, ferns, shrubs, vines and trees. You can also expect expert assistance and educational exhibits. Bring a wagon or cart if you can. Free entrance when you tell the guard at the gate you are headed to the GNPS plant sale behind the Walking Trails Parking lot (just west of the West gate). More info at [www.gnps.org](http://www.gnps.org)

**DeKalb County Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs to Host Doggie Splash Paw-looza**

The DeKalb County Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs will host a Doggie Splash Paw-looza at Midway Park Pool, located at 3181 Midway Road, Decatur, GA on Sept. 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dogs are invited to splash into fun as this year's pool season ends. Admission is \$5.00 per dog to swim, and all proceeds will fund enhancements for the Brookside and Mason Mill dog parks. Owners must arrive with their dogs on a leash and provide proof of current vaccinations and rabies tag.

Female dogs in heat and puppies less than six months old will not be allowed. All pet handlers must be at least 18 years old or accompanied by an adult. No more than two dogs per handler will be allowed. Owners will be required to supervise their dogs and clean up after them as necessary.

For more information, contact LaShanda Davis, public relations specialist, at (404) 371-3643.



**Smoke Rise Academy of the Arts  
Presents**

**DISNEY'S LITTLE MERMAID JR**



The Smoke Rise Academy of the Arts (SRAA) drama department will present the family musical, DISNEY'S LITTLE MERMAID JR. Staged by the elementary drama class, the production will be performed Friday, September 14 through Sunday, September 16 in the Fellowship Hall of Smoke Rise Baptist Church. Members of the Smoke Rise and surrounding community are invited to attend this free performance.

The Academy's elementary cast will lead audience members on a journey "under the sea" with Ariel and her aquatic friends in this timeless love story, adapted from Disney's Broadway production and the motion picture (featuring the enormously popular Academy Award-winning music and delightfully charming book and lyrics). Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories, DISNEY'S LITTLE MERMAID JR. is an enchanting look at the sacrifices we all make for love and acceptance. The musical score includes familiar songs from the movie like "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl," and "Part of Your World," as well as original songs from the Broadway production.

DISNEY'S LITTLE MERMAID JR. is a fun, family show suitable for all ages. Show times are 7:00 p.m. on Friday, 3.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. on Saturday, and 3.00 p.m. on Sunday. Each show will have concessions available for purchase during intermissions. Attendance is free with no tickets required.

Smoke Rise Academy of Arts will begin its pre-school program in September. In addition to classes like Family Musikgarten, pre-k dance, Act One drama and Twinklers violin, this year the Academy will launch a new Mommy (Caretaker) & Me Creative Movement class, an introduction to ballet which incorporates creative movement for toddlers and exercise opportunities for moms or caretakers. Individual music lessons are also offered to all ages on piano, violin, flute, guitar, drums and voice. Visit [www.smokerise-baptist.org/arts](http://www.smokerise-baptist.org/arts) or call (678) 533-0562 for performance, program and class details. The Smoke Rise Academy of Arts operates all year long and is housed in Smoke Rise Baptist Church at 5901 Hugh Howell Road in Stone Mountain.

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**City of Tucker Receives State Honor**

Georgia's Department of Community Affairs (DCA) has awarded Qualified Local Government (QLG) status to the City of Tucker. In a letter dated July 24, DCA Office of Planning Director Brian Johnson congratulated the City on completing its first Comprehensive Plan, calling the feat an "impressive achievement."

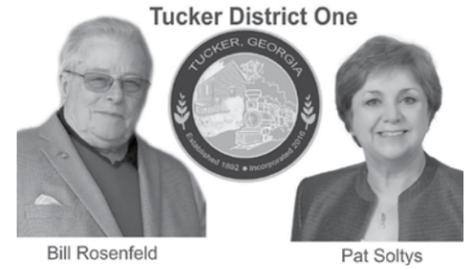
Tucker, in cooperation with consulting firm The Collaborative, embarked on its Comprehensive Plan process in the fall of 2016 dubbing it, "Tucker Tomorrow." The city went through the necessary steps of gathering resident and stakeholder input, conducting public meetings and having the plan reviewed and approved by DCA and the Atlanta Regional Commission. Tucker's Mayor and City Council voted unanimously to adopt the plan in spring of 2018.

"This QLG designation is huge for us," says Tucker's Community and Economic Development Director John McHenry. "Not only does this recognize the hard work of our staff and consultants throughout the Comprehensive Plan process, but being a QLG puts Tucker in play for more state grants, which means more opportunities for continued smart growth."

Tucker became an incorporated city in 2016, following a November 2015 referendum. The City is now home to more than 35,000 people.

**District One Update**

**Bill Rosenfeld & Pat Soltys**



It has been a great summer with many activities and events in the city. We have also tackled many projects including the beginning of road repaving with Thornridge Lane and Cold Water Canyon being the first. Steering committee meetings have started with the Trail Master Plan being one of the first. To improve communications and interactivity with the community, a new web site was recently launched. Check it out at [www.tuckerga.gov](http://www.tuckerga.gov). Our annual report will be released and distributed this month.

Parks and Rec has been really busy this summer with the Rec Center and Parks in full use. There is an after school program at the Rec Center offering school pick up, activities and care. New playground equipment and grounds have been ordered to replace existing equipment. Improved parking for Smoke Rise Park is on the horizon.

Mrs. Annie Bell Bailey, 102, the eldest resident of Peters Park was honored with a proclamation and our own Jack Sartain was recognized as Citizen of the Month for his work to bring music to our community.

Bill Rosenfeld and I will host the next Town Hall on September 18, 2018 at Smoke Rise Baptist Church from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. These meetings are great for information, questions and answers as well as getting to see and know your neighbors. Hope you will join us.

**Stone Mountain CID Updates on Improvements and Repairs**

Over the remainder of August, SMCID streets that rated among the worst conditioned in Tucker were resurfaced, with the others on the schedule by year's end.

These projects were made possible last November when voters across DeKalb County overwhelmingly supported the additional penny sales tax for road and drainage improvements, multi-modal transportation initiatives, parks and recreation needs, as well as public safety upgrades. The City of Tucker is projected to receive \$32 million over the six-year life of the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST).

- Roadhaven Drive – from E Ponce de Leon Avenue to Greer Circle
- Auger Drive – from Hammermill Road to the end
- Mountain Industrial Boulevard – from Lavist Road to I-285 overpass
- Lewis Road – from Roadhaven Drive to Rock Mountain Boulevard
- Rock Mountain Boulevard – from E Ponce de Leon Avenue to Lewis Road

**Tucker City Updates**

There will be a City Council Meeting on September 10, and a Community Council Meeting on Wednesday, September 12, at the Tucker City Hall Annex at 7:00 p.m., respectively.

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**Stone Mountain Community Improvement District Board Member Spotlight -- Bill Kaduck**

As board member and secretary of Stone Mountain CID, Bill Kaduck puts the "organize" in "organization." "Without Bill, the CID wouldn't be what it is today," says Emory Morsberger, SMCID president. "He keeps the records, keeps tabs on all the details regarding the CID, along with the city of Tucker and makes sure I've got all my 't's' crossed and 'i's' dotted when doing my job."



Bill has been on the SMCID board since 2016 and is also the Tucker City board representative. He felt that changes in years past were taking on a negative trend, and saw the formation of the CID as a positive toward giving local businesses some control over improvement.

"We've seen incredible improvements in security and in the overall appearance of the district," says Bill. "There's a much more optimistic vibe in the CID now compared to before the CID was formed. The goal for future projects is to improve traffic flow through better timed signals and roads with fewer potholes. By engaging our government partners pro-actively, we can make progress."

Bill is the president of MICRODESIGNS, Inc. which provides the electronic design and development services to industrial customers that manufacture products like thermostats for HVAC systems, refrigeration controls, lighting controls, equipment for handicap vans, athletic scoreboard interfaces and aircraft engine safety devices. The company got its start in Bill's Decatur garage in 1980 and is now located on South Bibb Drive near the new Tucker Brewing Company.

Bill and his wife have lived in the Smoke Rise community since 1989 where they raised two sons. He is a self-proclaimed "car nut," but devotes the majority of his attention to running a successful business and making Stone Mountain CID the best place to do business.

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**Smoke Rise Crime & Safety**

By Smoke Rise Resident, MaryBeth Crook (reprinted from "Nextdoor," with permission)

I know that a lot of us are scared right now, but this is and has always been a very safe neighborhood. No, I cannot leave my doors unlocked at night and sadly, I won't ever be able to. That is just the state of the world we live in these days, but I do feel safe being able to walk my dog up and down my street at any time of the day. In some other neighborhoods, that would not really be advisable. Break-ins can unfortunately happen no matter where you live. You can live downtown, in the suburbs of a major city, or out in the "country." Criminals can be everywhere unfortunately.

My grandmother moved in to this home in 1971, and it has been burglarized quite a few times over the years. It wasn't until my grandmother had an alarm system installed in the late 80's that everything changed, and there was never another burglary. I moved in with her in 1994, and I have had things stolen from my car late at night while I was sleeping. But, that is because I left the car unlocked. My point is, we must take precautions to safeguard where we live, no matter what area we live in. If something looks good to a criminal, he will try for it.

However, because something frightening and very unfortunate happened to a few of our neighbors, it does not mean we live in a crime ridden, unsafe neighborhood. It just means we must all need to look at the way we are protecting our homes. I adore this neighborhood and the neighbors within it, so I refuse to give in to these thieves or criminals. Being on this site ("Nextdoor," the Online Social Networking Service) is a great first step at keeping each other informed and in the know on what is directly going on with our next-door neighbors. I am sure if we keep putting our heads together and stay positive and proactive, we can come up with different ways to help this neighborhood continue to stay happy and safe.

Here are a couple of sites I found with tips on securing your home: <https://www.homeadvisor.com/r/securing-your-home-from-burglary/> <https://www.safehome.org/resources/guide-securing-home/>

If you would like to see statistics for crimes in Smoke Rise: <http://www.crimereports.com/> Just type in our zip code, and you can select different options to see: registered sex offenders Incidents: violent (robberies, sexual crimes, etc) property (breaking & entering, theft, etc) quality of life (disorder, drugs, etc) 911 (alarms, emergency, fire, etc) You can adjust the time period from the past three days to the past six months - involving any and all times of days.

**Back to School Blessing**



Smoke Rise Baptist Church leaders blessed students and teachers August 5, as part of their corporate worship. Teachers were present from Smoke Rise Elementary School and students that attend local area schools.

For more information about what else the students of Smoke Rise Baptist Church are up to, visit [www.smokerisebaptistchurch.org](http://www.smokerisebaptistchurch.org) or contact Becky Caswell-Speight at (770) 469-5856.

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**Golf for Kids Tournament Named for Bob Crutchfield**

By Ashley Bonner, Director of Development, Christian City

Bob Crutchfield was a man of humility and integrity – and gratitude for what God had given him. He devoted 22 years of his life to the mission at Christian City, leaving an enduring legacy.

An avid golfer, Bob established an annual fundraising golf tournament, which now has been renamed in his memory - the "Bob Crutchfield Memorial Golf for Kids." At the 2018 tournament at Chateau Elan on October 8, golfers will celebrate Bob's legacy while golfing with a purpose — to change the lives of children who have suffered from abuse or neglect.

Bob Crutchfield was a resident of Smoke Rise for more than 20 years before passing away in September 2017 from complications of ALS. Judi Crutchfield is serving on the tournament committee in support of Christian City Children's Village.



In August, the *Smoke Signal* staff celebrated the contributions and service of devoted volunteers at the Kanawha home of paper contributors Susan and Joel Gilbert. Pictured are Aviva Hoffmann, Editor & News You Can Use; Virginia Hall, Retiring from Hodgepodge column, Jan Mahoney, Retiring Editor, Harry Strack, Accounting; Susan Gilbert, Recording Secretary & TechTalk column; Barbara Bruschi, Feature Writer & Corresponding Secretary; and Rene Boven, Contributing Writer.

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**Library News**

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**Building Blocks** (story time for ages 0-24 months) every Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**Tales for 2s** (story time for two-year-olds) every Wednesday 9:30a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Also – in September:

9/5 – Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl: Join the DeKalb County Public Library team to take part in this annual reading competition (ages 9 to 18). Information session at Decatur Library 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Some practice sessions in the fall will be held at the Tucker Library.)

9/12 – Homeschool Hub: Find out what the DeKalb County Public Library can offer homeschool families. Information session from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

9/13 – Read to a Pet Partner: Readers can practice their skills by reading to an excellent canine listener. 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please call or visit branch to register.

9/17 – Eager Readers: A book club for beginning readers (ages 5 to 6) 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please call or visit branch to register.

9/19 – Homeschool Get-Togethers: Come meet other homeschool families and share ideas and resources. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

9/24 – Book Buddies: A book club for early chapter book readers (ages 6 to 9) 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please call or visit branch to register.

**Local Women Artists Host Public Reception to Benefit Children's Charity at The Rectory**

Opening Sept. 21

Mark your calendars for an art sale from the "Artsome Four," four professional local women artists, that will be held at the Rectory in Norcross, Ga. Two of the artists, Linda Hanks and Sherry Needle, have been residents of Kanawha for more than 25 years. The group also includes Jane Carroll of Avondale and Mozelle Funderburk of Stone Mountain. They have all been painting together for a number of years. The opening reception will be September 21, and the show will run through October 26.

The works will include a variety of styles and subjects. All have participated in shows and have been recognized with awards for their works.

A percentage of the proceeds will go to benefit FOCUS + Fragile Kids, an organization which provides medical equipment, counseling and family support for families with children who have physical and emotional issues. The foundation also provides recreational and social activities for medically fragile children not covered by insurance or Medicaid.

The exhibit opens Friday September 21 at 6:00 p.m. with a reception to meet the artists at the Rectory, 17 College Street, Norcross, Ga. 30071. It is free and open to the public. It will remain open through October 26 and is accessible by calling (678) 421-2048, (678) 421-2049, (678) 421-2025 when staff is on duty Monday - Sunday.

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**Stone Mountain and Tucker Rotary Clubs**

Members of the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain hosted two key events in July, each one benefitting significant groups in the DeKalb community.

RCSM members helped distribute school supplies at the City of Stone Mountain's Annual Back to School Bash. The event took place in the Pavilion in Stone Mountain Village, and provided free school supplies to approximately 1,000 local children prior to the start of the school year. The RCSM volunteers assisted the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club, which helped organize the event. Many kids and families brought blankets and coolers and stayed around for the free movie on the lawn, The Nut Job 2: Nutty by Nature.



Setting up for Stone Mountain's Back to School Bash (left to right), RCSM President Scott McEvoy, a Smoke Rise resident, and members Eric Watson, Conrad Hidalgo, Bud Schooler & Jerry Crane.

Stone Mountain joined the six other clubs of the DeKalb Rotary Council (North DeKalb, Brookhaven, Decatur, Dunwoody, Emory Druid Hills and Tucker), and the North Atlanta Rotaract Club to sponsor a durable medical equipment (DME) collection drive to benefit Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC). The event was held at the 57th Fighter Group Restaurant at Peachtree DeKalb Airport, where volunteers collected a truck-full of gently used equipment (such as wheelchairs, shower seats, patient lifts, rollators) from community donors, which FODAC will refurbish and recycle to those with disabilities in need of mobility aids. The event garnered more than \$235,000 of donated equipment.



Rotarian volunteers help load donated equipment into FODAC truck at the DeKalb Rotary Council July DME Collection Event.

July had five Tuesdays, and as is its tradition, RCSM held an evening social on the fifth Tuesday in lieu of a weekly lunch meeting. RCSM members met at Summits Wayside Tavern in Snellville, where Club Administrator Hokie Allen provided a beginner's guide to craft brewed beer. Members enjoyed tasting a variety of craft beers, exploring several different brew styles and increasing their knowledge of this burgeoning industry.

The Rotary Club of Stone Mountain meets every Tuesday for noon lunch at Stone Mountain First United Methodist Church, 5312 West Mountain Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083. Guests are always welcome. To learn more about the club and its programs, go to [stonemountainrotary.org](http://stonemountainrotary.org) or follow the club on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter.

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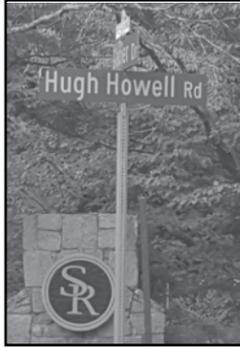


## How the Roads of Smoke Rise Got Their Name

By Jan Mahoney

*“Recently there was a lot of interest on the Nextdoor.com Smoke Rise site about where Hugh Howell Road got its name. After going to the library to research this and not finding much, I finally went to Wikipedia. Here is some information you might enjoy.”*

The early settlers of DeKalb tended to be farmers, mainly Scots, Irish and English families. They grew corn, cleared their own land, built sawmills and grist mills and rarely owned slaves. Their names are still found on local maps, attached to roads which wind through former fields: Rosser and McCurdy. These yeoman families gave DeKalb its first justices of the peace, doctors and ministers, as well as its soldiers in the Civil War. Armies of the North and South swept through this area in the summer of 1864 during the days of the Battle of Atlanta, fighting over the railroad lines going to the city.



After the war, the area was farmed again and the primary crop tended to be cotton. Extensive terracing on slopes in the neighborhood show where farmers a hundred years ago struggled to grow cotton on the hilly terrain. The town of Tucker began to grow where farm roads crossed the new Seaboard line. The village of Stone Mountain clustered around the extensive quarrying operations there. There are few traces in Smoke Rise of these late 19th century developments, though anecdote suggests that a blacksmith’s shop once stood on Silver Hill Road, near a one-room schoolhouse. The oldest home in the neighborhood, barely visible from Silver Hill, is a cottage built for the school marm. Silver Hill, one of the oldest roads in the neighborhood, makes its first appearance on a 1915 map of DeKalb County. It was a dirt road then and remained so until the late 1960s.

Cotton farming became even more of an uphill struggle with the onset of the cotton boll weevil. During the Depression, farmers left their fields for opportunities elsewhere. Several of the farms which were in the area were purchased in the late 1930s by an Atlanta attorney named Hugh Howell. The tract of land he assembled near Stone Mountain seems to have been intended for hunting and entertaining purposes. He built a country house with access to the road that would become the Stone Mountain Freeway.

The road that bears his name was a later addition, a dirt track which connected Lawrenceville Highway and the village by the mountain. Hugh Howell Road was previously known as Rosser Road and according to a 1948 map, carried State Road number 141.

The Smoke Rise name was coined by developer Bill Probst, who is responsible for many of the first homes built in the next phase of development, Smoke Rise, during the 1960s. Neighborhoods began to form up and down Hugh Howell as land changed hands. The McCurdy family’s farm and hunting fields became the Forest, for example; the family name remained on the road which led through the property.

*\*Information from Wikipedia*

## techtalk

by Susan Gilbert

### Eye-in-the-Sky Exposes Tucker’s Best Kept Secret

Technology has always intrigued me... totally. I grew up in Lexington, Kentucky, with academically accomplished parents who encouraged my fascination. My father was a professor of Mining and Metallurgical Engineering at the University of Kentucky, and my mother was earning her Masters of Science in physics when she met my father and, as she joked, “traded her M.S. for an Mrs.”

With their encouragement, in high school I soldered circuit boards to build a game machine, rebuilt a motorcycle engine to figure out how it worked, and helped my father build a color TV from a kit.

This was all great experience for someone whose dream job was to one day teach physics. My passion has continued beyond a short stint teaching, through my career consulting, and continues today as I venture through the maze of software development and delivery with the company I co-founded and lead with my husband.

Knowing how much I love gadgets, my husband gave me a Phantom 3 Drone for Christmas last year. We waited to try it until the weather was nice, and we had the assistance of a some video-gaming teenagers who had mastered



flying in games and were delighted to apply their virtual knowledge to the real thing. Once we logged into the drone’s Wi-Fi, we were flying!

About the same time we were learning to fly, I was helping produce a short video about what I consider to be the best-kept secret (unfortunately!) in Smoke Rise, the 175-acre SR Country Club nestled in velvety-green, rolling hills at the back of the Kanawha subdivision. We decided it was the perfect location to test our drone flying and filming skills. Over the next weekend, we shot about an hour of footage from about 100 feet above the club and course and combined that with interviews with some members, directors, and pros there (golf and tennis).

If you would like to see our final product, go on the Internet to YouTube and in the Search box type: Tucker’s Best Kept Secret -- Smoke Rise Country Club. It’s a view of our community most have never seen from a vantage point rarely observed. The Club, owned by members and residents of our community, is a remarkable expanse of greenspace contributing to keeping Smoke Rise the nature wonderland it is. And if you like what you see, go visit and consider joining in support of this fantastic playground and community asset.

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By Aviva Hoffmann

**DeKalb Implements New Crime-Fighting Technology**  
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The DeKalb County Office of Public Safety is one of the first large law enforcement jurisdictions in Georgia to join FirstNet – the nationwide public safety broadband network that gives first responders a reliable and highly secure connection to important information.

The network is being built by AT&T in public-private partnership with the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), which was established by Congress. The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 created FirstNet as an independent authority within the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to provide emergency responders the first nationwide, high-speed, broadband network dedicated to public safety.



The FirstNet network is transforming the way our public safety personnel communicate and share information. As a subscriber to FirstNet, DeKalb Public Safety agencies will use the system to share data and critical information such as: criminal records, police database information, and visuals. Dispatch will be able to send high-definition video, photos, and maps to responders - rather than just sharing an address. While in route, ambulances will be able to transmit high volume, real-time patient information. Plans, perimeters, and other data can be transmitted in real time. In short, members of the public will receive more efficient lifesaving services.

DeKalb County first responders will also be able to maintain communications, even when the network is congested, by using the Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) dedicated to public safety officials. FirstNet will complement DeKalb County’s recent technology upgrades such as the new E911 software system, which went live in April. Provided by TriTech Software Systems, the \$8.8 million computer-aided dispatch system has improved how the county’s 911 center dispatches police, fire rescue, emergency medical services, Marshal’s Office and the Sheriff’s Department.

DeKalb began migrating to the FirstNet broadband network platform in January 2018 with the DeKalb County Police Department becoming the first police department in Georgia to subscribe to FirstNet. The county completed full implementation in July 2018 and is also working with its 12 municipalities on adopting FirstNet countywide.

The DeKalb County Office of Public Safety is staffed by approximately 1,600 employees consisting of six departments: DeKalb County Police Department, DeKalb County Fire Rescue, DeKalb County Animal Services and Enforcement, DeKalb 911 Emergency Communications Center, DeKalb Emergency Management Agency and the DeKalb County Medical Examiner’s Office.

**HEALTH NOTES:**

by Cheri Schneider, M.D.

**Why Am I Being Drug Tested?**

I wrote last month about the new “opioid epidemic” in the United States. Opioids are prescription drugs that are considered controlled substances--controlled, because not just anyone can prescribe them. Substances in this category have a high potential for addiction. Examples of controlled prescription drugs are: narcotic pain medications like codeine, oxycodone (the most common drug abused in the United States), morphine, methadone and fentanyl, which is 50-100 times stronger than morphine and 30-50 times stronger than heroin. Opioids aren’t the only prescription drugs that are controlled. Amphetamines and stimulants like Ritalin, Adderall and Dexedrine, are also controlled substances, as are benzodiazepine medicines for anxiety--like Valium and Ativan.

How serious is the opioid crisis? Beginning in 1999, the rates of abuse of prescription drugs began to dramatically rise. By 2015, the United States Drug Enforcement Agency stated that prescription pain medication overdoses had reached “epidemic proportions.” The agency further stated that the number of people reporting abuse of controlled prescription drugs was “more than those reporting abuse of cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine, MDMA, and PCP combined.” This was an astounding statement! Astounding because we usually think illegal drugs are mainly responsible for overdose and abuse.

Obviously, there is a place for controlled prescription drugs. Opioids in particular, are the best drugs we have to control pain. Cancer pain, burns, broken bones and post-surgical pain are examples of conditions that may require opioid use.

Some reasons we have a crisis:

- 1) Overprescribing of opioids began in the mid-2000’s, as doctors were encouraged to consider pain as the “fifth vital sign.”
- 2) Left-over pain medications that were kept, or “shared” with family and friends. Fifty percent of adults misusing controlled prescription drugs got them, or stole them, from friends or family. Ninety percent of opioid abusing teens obtained their drugs this way.
- 3) Pill mills, drug trafficking.
- 4) New uses for medications previously available only in the hospital, making them more available to use and misuse.

In 2017, several states began to enact legislation to help fight this serious problem. By April of that year, all states in the U.S. --including Georgia-- had enacted some sort of Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

Georgia’s Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) includes a Data Bank. This means that every time your doctor prescribes certain controlled substances, he or she must check your name and prescribing data with the Georgia PDMP Data Base to see where you are obtaining your medications. Pharmacies are also required to enter your prescribing information into the data bank each time you obtain a prescription for scheduled drugs. This means your name will show up in the data bank with information about which pharmacy dispensed the medication, the doctor(s) who prescribed the medicine, and date it was obtained.

On July 1, 2018, The Georgia PDMP became fully functional. Doctors must comply with regulations or have their licenses reviewed. If you are prescribed opioids or other controlled substances long-term, your doctor’s office is required to review your prescription information in the data bank every 90 days.

Exceptions to the 90-day surveillance are:

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If you are being prescribed scheduled drugs on a long-term basis, you will probably be asked by your doctor to provide a urine drug screen every 90 days before you can receive a new prescription for the drug. This information is entered into your chart and is protected by federal health care information privacy laws.

Be a part of the solution instead of the problem by properly disposing of unused controlled prescription meds. Do not hold on to or hoard these drugs. They may be stolen and diverted for sale on the street or consumption by someone you know. If you are taking these meds long term, ask your doctor if there are alternatives. Your life will be much easier if you do not have to be drug tested every ninety days.

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**Mountain Mums Announce Plans for New Club Year**

On Wednesday, August 8, the Mountain Mums Garden Club held its annual Meet & Greet at the lovely home and gardens of Mary Jacobson. The Mums brunched on fruit salad, a breakfast casserole and monkey bread prepared by hostesses Debbie Jones, Heather McLendon and Sally Young. The members were buzzing with summer news, garden successes or woes, and upcoming plans for this club year.



Prospective member, Rita Maloof is welcomed by Mountain Mums VP, Rene' Boven at the Meet & Greet Social.

New officers for the 2018 – 2019 year will be Lynn Malone, President; Rene' Boven, Vice President; Recording Secretary, Ann Purr; Corresponding Secretary, Beth Henson; Treasurer, Heather McLendon, and Parliamentarian, Cheri Schneider. The officers have been busy "sowing" plans and have a wheel barrel full of activities "planted" for the members.

"Plant Smiles, Grow Laughter, Harvest Love" is this year's theme. And, it's perfect for the Mums, as the members are all about having fun and passing along joy while doing what the members love to do: gardening/socializing! This year, the club will continue maintaining the Memory

Garden Triangle, do Horticulture Therapy projects with residents at Brookside Stone Mountain, host the Walk to Remember, participate in The Yellow Daisy Festival Flower Show, host programs on a variety of topics related to gardens/birding/floral designs/and more, and take several field trips to area gardens/history centers/festivals.

The Mountain Mums Garden Club meets for brunch or lunch during the school year on the second Wednesday of each month. Meetings and programs are held in a members' home starting at 9:45 a.m. The club is made up of a diverse group of women garden enthusiasts, and is open to fellow gal gardeners.



Mountain Mums August hostesses (L- R): Sally Young, Debbie Jones, Mary Jacobson and Heather McLendon.

Dan Schadler of the National Chrysanthemum Society will present "Chrysanthemums: Gems of the Garden" – a subject that is near and dear to the club -- on Wednesday, September 12 in the home of Cheri Schneider of Millstone East.

For additional information, please contact Membership Chair, Debbie Jones at (678) 260-7806.

**Wolves in Yellowstone, Deer in Smoke Rise**

By Joel Gilbert, P.E.

The recent research demonstrating that wolves (the highest animals in the natural local habitats) are essential to the balance in that habitat is stunning. Deer seem so victimized by wolves. We have visions of Bambi, and our softer side then tries to protect these lovely critters.

Here at the Gilbert house we have quite a different point of view. Yes, deer are pretty... but they love our Hosta plants and their flowers. As we walk around our garden, we see clumps of them neatly chewed to the ground.



We have been told we can spray a repellent on them but will have to do that after every big rain. This summer, that would have meant spraying them about twice a week. I have read that you can plant things in the area that deer don't like at all, like onions and peppers, but frankly that just won't work. It is aggravating to watch this, but I do know it is the "rest of the story" when living in a rich habitat like we enjoy here in Smoke Rise.

We should be proud of the fact that they are so comfortable visiting.

On the humorous side, we have a mature male turkey who polices our entry road, stopping cars and pecking at their tires. You can scream, wave your arms, and do what you will, but he holds his ground. It is hilarious to see how he stops traffic. It doesn't happen every day, and it doesn't happen at the same time every day. But, it happens so often that he has become a talking point whenever we gather with our neighbors. Funny.

What this all tells me is that we do not understand our habitats as well as we should. They are much more complex than we like to assume. And, when we tinker with them, like trying to eliminate this or that because we think it is a problem, we are prone to find out that we simply do not understand the world as well as we should.

Wolves are wolves ... part of the natural balance. Deer eat Hosta plants. Don't plant them if you don't want them to be eaten. Living in a complex natural world lets us see things we don't like along with all the beauty we enjoy.

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## Yellow Daisy Favorites

*It is time for the Yellow Daisy Festival at Stone Mountain Park. A favorite food stop at the park is the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club homemade desserts tent. Your Smoke Rise neighbors, who are members, have been baking for the four-day event. Here are some of the requested favorites. Come on by, say "hi" and buy a dessert.*

### Strawberry Cake

\*1 box White Cake Mix (18.25 oz. is needed)  
1 3-oz. package strawberry Jell-O  
4 eggs  
½ cup oil  
2/3 cup water  
½ cup frozen strawberries - measured after thawing

Beat four minutes on high. Bake at 360° for 30 minutes. Cake makes three thin layers. Recipe is doubled for a large Yellow Daisy cake. (Can bake in two 9-inch layers)

#### Frosting

½ cup frozen strawberries, drained  
1 stick margarine  
1 box powdered sugar — More sugar may be needed for a thicker frosting

*\*Extender for smaller cake mixes—needed for some older recipes*

1 ½ cups flour 1 cup sugar  
2 teaspoons baking powder ¼ teaspoon baking soda

Mix. Add 2 oz. of this to a 16.5 oz. cake mix to make an old 18.5 oz. cake mix. Keep in airtight container. Use as needed.

### Heavenly Hash Cake

2 sticks butter 4 eggs  
2 cups sugar 2 teaspoons vanilla  
1 ½ cup self-rising flour 4 Tablespoons cocoa  
1 ½ cup chopped pecans

Do not use mixer. Melt butter. Beat eggs and add sugar and oil. Add melted butter and vanilla. Mix flour, cocoa and nuts. Add to the egg mixture. Bake at 350° for 35 minutes.

#### Frosting

1 package miniature marshmallows  
4 Tablespoons cocoa  
1 box powdered sugar  
1 stick butter  
¼ to ½ cup milk as needed for spreading consistency

Remove cake from oven and immediately cover top with marshmallows. Blend remaining ingredients and spread over marshmallows.

### Good and Easy Cake

2 eggs beaten  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon soda  
2 cups sugar  
1-teaspoon vanilla  
1 20-oz. can crushed pineapple, undrained

Mix all ingredients with a spoon. Pour into a sprayed 9 X 13 pan. Bake at 350° for 40-45 minutes. Spread topping over cake while warm.

#### Topping

1 5-oz. can evaporated milk  
1 stick butter  
1 cup sugar  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1 ½ cups coconut  
1-teaspoon vanilla

In saucepan, mix milk, butter and sugar. Cook about five minutes, stirring constantly. Stir in nuts and coconut. Spread over warm cake.

### Carrot Cake

2 cups sugar 1 ½ cups oil  
4 eggs 2 cups all purpose flour  
2 teaspoons soda 1 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons cinnamon 3 cups carrots, grated finely

Combine sugar and oil. Add eggs one at a time. Sift together dry ingredients. Sift into sugar mixture. Mix well and add grated carrots. Bake in three 9-inch layer pans at 350° for 35 minutes.

#### Frosting

1 8-oz. package cream cheese  
2 sticks butter  
1 box powdered sugar  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
½ to 1 cup nuts (optional)

Cream softened butter and cheese. Slowly add sugar. Blend well. Add vanilla and nuts. Add cream if needed for spreading consistency (sparingly). Put quite a bit between layers.

*Other favorites are chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin and peanut butter cookies. Coconut pies and caramel cakes sell well. Anything chocolate seems to be a hit!*

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