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Happy Labor Day from the staff of the Smoke Signal!

City of Tucker Appoints Inaugural Community Council

The City of Tucker, Georgia, selected seven residents to serve on its Community Council for 2016.

The Community Council is an advisory board that makes recommendations to the Planning Commission about development patterns occurring in or proposed for Tucker and about policies and interpretation of the City's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance. In addition, the Community Council will also be responsible for:

- Informing Tucker residents about proposed applications for amending the City's Comprehensive Plan, Rezoning, Special Land Use Permits and Zoning Code Text Amendments
- Providing leadership to various public and private organizations that are interested in planning and development activities in Tucker

The City proudly appointed William Arroyo, Seth Burrow, Janet Curtis, Frank Luton, Frank Sapp, Cara Schroeder, and Jonathan Vaughters to its inaugural Community Council.

Mayor Frank Auman is excited to see Tucker's vision come alive with the addition of a community council. "The Community Council members were hand chosen for their knowledge and dedication to Tucker. Our team is sure to thrive," he says.

William Arroyo has lived in Tucker since 1975. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and Spanish Literature from Georgia State University along with a Juris Doctor degree from Woodrow Wilson College of Law. Prior to owning a multifaceted law firm located in Tucker, Arroyo served in the U.S. Army and was Executive Vice President and State Manager of Record Data of Georgia, Inc., and Record Title Agency of Georgia, Inc. He currently serves as the President of the Tucker Business Association.

Seth Burrow is a lifelong resident of Tucker who was instrumental in the cityhood effort through his work with Tucker 2014. As one of the local partners in Sweetwater Pools, he handles all

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City of Tucker Swears in its First Code Compliance Officer

Tucker Mayor Frank Auman swore in William Wharton as the City's first Code Compliance Officer on July 29. With his verbal oath, Wharton is now able to issue code violation citations on behalf of the City.

Wharton has been a Code Compliance Manager for 11 years, working previously for Sandy Springs and Johns Creek. He received his BA in criminal justice from North Carolina Central University and his MPA in public management from Troy University.

Wharton will be responsible for investigating complaints regarding violations of the City's code including overgrown properties, unsecured vacant properties, inoperable and/or unlicensed vehicles, and illegal signage. "I look forward to helping the City of Tucker improve the quality of life for its residents and business owners as well as protecting their health, safety and welfare," said Wharton.

One of Wharton's current projects includes collaborating with Tucker's Geographical Information System (GIS) department to generate a baseline of current property maintenance conditions in the City. After the baseline is established, the Code Compliance department will be able to use a map to track its progress for improving properties through enforcement of city codes and ordinances.

To report code violations, please contact William Wharton directly at (470) 273-3093 or email codecompliance@tuckerga.gov. Emailed reports must include your name, phone number, address of the violation, type of violation, and a detailed description. Anonymous reports are only accepted via telephone at this time.



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Labor Day: A Celebration of Accomplishments

By Barbara Bruschi

As all powerful and awe-inspiring nature changes her dress to colorful autumn, our thoughts turn to the coming season and its special days.

Labor Day in the United States is held on the 1st Monday of September. It is a monument to all workers who have and are still instrumental in the progress of our great society, built by the people and for the people. The principles of education, innovation and determination, combined with pride and hard work have created a society where the American dream is still alive and attainable, no matter who you are and what your background is. Immigrants who first came to this country to be free of persecution, discrimination and poverty built this country with sweat and tears to leave a better world for their children. They brought their skills and culture to fulfill their destiny for a better life. However, in later years, low pay and unimaginable work conditions brought forth a labor movement born out of despair.

The "Knights of Labor," established in 1869, was one of the first labor organizations in the United States. Peter McGuire and 100,000 workers went on strike and marched through the streets, demanding a decrease in the long working day. McGuire founded the National Union of Carpenters in Chicago and became "General Secretary of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America." Consequently, workers of many other trades began to organize themselves into unions.

The first Labor Day celebration took place in NYC on September 5th in 1882, when about 10,000 union workers marched peacefully to honor the American worker. At this time labor laws were non-existent. In 1887 some states, beginning with Oregon, adopted Labor Day as a legal holiday. As the Industrial Revolution progressed, violence, strikes and boycotts interrupted the once peaceful movement. This was sparked by the terrible treatment of railroad workers. To appease the livid public, in 1894, President Grover Cleveland passed a bill that made Labor Day a National holiday.

Labor Day is still a reminder of the struggles that occurred throughout history over work related issues. Today, in contrast to the year 1900, when 18 percent of all American workers were under the age of 16, we have labor

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September Calendar of Events

- 2 Tunes by the Tracks; Fridays in September and October 7:00-9:00 p.m., Main Street Stone Mountain Village
- 3 Smoke Rise Bath and Racquet Club "Big Ole Pig Roast" All night roast, music and movies.
- 8-11 Yellow Daisy Festival and GFWC Bake Sale Stone Mountain Park
- 9-11 101 Dalmations 'Kids'; 7:00 p.m./4:00 p.m. on 11th Smoke Rise Baptist Church
- 10 ARTucker artist application deadline artuckerga@yahoo.com
- 11 CPR Training; The ART Station 2-5:00 p.m.
- 13 NAMI DeKalb Family-to-family 12 week course
- 15-17 Music Is Alive Composer Conference
- 20 DHC Lunch and Learn 100th Anniversary of the DeKalb County Courthouse Fire; noon to 1:00 p.m. Historic DeKalb Courthouse
- 24 LRUMC 3rd Annual BBQ 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lawrenceville Rd. United Methodist Church
- 27 Smoke Rise Camera Club, 7:00 p.m., Room 223 Smoke Rise Baptist Church

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SEPTEMBER 13

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laws protecting children. On Labor Day, we honor all our work force--those who gives of their remarkable talents and diligence to make this country great. It is a day of relaxation--a well earned day to feel jubilant about work related contributions and accomplishments. It is a time to replenish our energies and look forward to conquering new challenges.

There are many activities in and around Atlanta on Labor Day. Enjoy a day at Stone Mountain, picnic, watch a football game or play sports with your family and friends. May your Labor Day remind you of the freedoms and opportunities we have in the United States.

NAMI DeKalb Hosts FREE Family-to-Family 12-week course for family caregivers of individuals with serious mental health condition.

The course is taught by trained family members and focuses on schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression, panic disorder, borderline personality disorder, posttraumatic stress disorder and obsessive-compulsive disorder. Education program starts Tuesday, September 13 ends December 6. Time: 6:15p.m.-8:30 p.m. Location: North Decatur Rd, Decatur GA.

To sign up for the class and location information: contact Sabrina Green at Bri819065@aol.com, 404-285-8743 or visit www.namidekalb.com

The Secret Lives of Families: A Parenting Workshop Sunday, September 11 9:45am Fellowship Hall at Smoke Rise Baptist

Dr. Galindo is Executive Director of Educational Consultants and Associate Dean for Lifelong Learning and Director of Online Education at Columbia Seminary in Decatur. He is a popular seminar and workshop leader and has authored numerous articles, journals and books.

Smoke Rise Baptist Church

Dr. Chris George, Senior Pastor
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 Danny Vancil, Minister of Music & Worship
 Becky Caswell-Speight, Minister to Families with Children
 Jeremy Colliver, Minister to Families with Youth
 Amanda Coe Burton, Director of Nursery Ministries
 Valerie Coe Lowder, Director of the Weekday School
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SmokeRiseBaptist.org

- Sundays:
 9:00 a.m. Worship in the Chapel
 9:45 a.m. Sunday school
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
- Communion: Second Sunday of each month
 1st Tuesdays: 11:30 a.m. Prime Time
- Wednesdays:
 5:00-5:45 Fellowship Dinner
 6:00-7:00 Programs for children, youth and adults
 7:00-8:30 Sanctuary choir
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Pastor: Rev. J. Caleb Clarke III
 Director of Mission & Youth: Mark Sauls
 Director of Music Ministries: Andrew Meade
 Director of Preschool: Stacey Moura
 Director of School Age Program: Celeste Sears
 Director of Christian Education: Mardee Rightmyer
 Pastor of Senior Adult Ministries: Rev. Jeanne Simpson
 Telephone (770) 469-4881
www.eastminster.us

Respite Care Center Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tues.-Thurs.

Summer Schedule

- Sundays:
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship
- Wednesdays:
 6:30 p.m. Vespers - 2nd and 4th
 Dining Around the World - 1st and 3rd

Mount Carmel Christian Church

Senior Minister: Art Stansberry
 Worship Leader: Leslie Riley
 Director Kids Ministries: Vicki Tyler
 Director of Student Ministries: Will Tyler
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www.mountcarmelcc.org

- Sundays:
 8:30 a.m. Coffee/ Doughnuts/ Fellowship
 9:30 a.m. Bible School Classes – Adults & Children
 10:30 a.m. Worship
- Wednesdays beginning August 10:
 5:30 p.m. Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Bible Studies/Electives for All Ages

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 Congregational Acolyte: Bill Hitz
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- Sundays:
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School-Adults & Children
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Time

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 4818 Hugh Howell Rd., Stone Mountain
 Service Times 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

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**Third Annual Bar B Q Festival
Lawrenceville Road United
Methodist Church
3142 Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker
Saturday, September 24
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(or until sold out)**

United Methodist Men will host their 3rd annual Bar B Q Festival featuring hickory smoked Boston butt (pork), cole slaw and baked beans OR Brunswick stew. Tickets are a \$10.00 donation per generous plate.

Lamar Phillip's famous southern recipe Brunswick stew will sell for \$5.50 per pint or \$9.00 per quart.

Smoked Boston butts will sell for \$28 and must be ordered and pre-paid by September 20th so that they will be ready for pick-up on the day of the Bar B Q Festival.

Also: Baked goods by United Methodist Women, and boiled peanuts by the cup or pound.

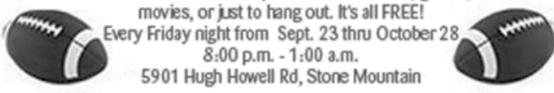
Call (770-939-3717) for tickets or orders ahead of time. Come early and get your same day tickets before the food runs out!



Smoke Rise Baptist Church is pleased to announce the completion of new playground for kids of all ages. Smoke Rise Baptist built the new playground with the greater community in mind, installing equipment where children of all ages and abilities can play together on the same structures. Smoke Rise Baptist volunteers assisted a professional installation company to install the playground, making the project a true labor of love and community build.

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Do you need a place to go after the game is over?
Come to Smoke Rise Baptist Church for food, games,
movies, or just to hang out. It's all FREE!
Every Friday night from Sept. 23 thru October 28
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.
5901 Hugh Howell Rd, Stone Mountain



Addiction & Grace Seminar

Smoke Rise Baptist Church is sponsoring Addiction & Grace, a Seminar led by Dr. Terry Ellis on Sunday, September 18 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The seminar is free and open to the public. Dr. Ellis is an Addiction Interventionist, former Pastor, published author and popular blogger. Dr. Ellis nearly lost his life to alcoholism, and after an intervention and recovery, he has followed a passion to help addicts, alcoholics and their families get well. Dr. Ellis will also be preaching at 11:00 a.m. on September 18 in the Sanctuary at SRBC and will be available for personal consultations between 1:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Call (770) 469-5856, ext. 1200 to reserve a personal consultation time.

**"Music Is Alive"
Composer Conference
Featuring Mark Hayes,
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arranger of sacred music
- September 15, 16 and 17 -
Lawrenceville Road United
Methodist Church
3142 Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker**

The 3-day conference includes "up close and personal relationship" with the genius of Mark Hayes, who is a frequent guest conductor at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center. Also, The \$90 tuition includes a packet of new music, refreshments and meals, a conferee concert on Saturday, September 17th joined by Atlanta's own Chorale II. Musicians who want to attend should respond quickly since the conference is limited to 100 conferees. To register, call 770-939-3717 (if no answer 770-856-1377) or email to jbs5951@aol.com or LRUMC@bellsouth.net.

**Free Journeys
Programs at Smoke
Rise Baptist Church**

On Wednesday nights at 6:00 p.m. this fall you are invited to Journeys – a variety of learning, personal enrichment, and spiritual growth opportunities. All Journeys programs are free to the public. Upcoming sessions include:

**New Bible Study Series
through December 7**

In the Fellowship Hall, Dr. Chris George and Rev. Bart McNeil will lead a study on the Gospel of Mark that will explore new understandings and practical applications.

**Everything I Need to Know
When I Die, Sept. 7**

Have I done everything I need to do to help my family know about my affairs? Do I have a legal will for the state of Georgia? Does my executor know where my important papers are located? What about my funeral arrangement? Dr. Page Fulgham will help you answer these important questions. Room 223.

**Gardening Tips: Using Native
Plants in Landscape, Sept. 14**

Join Master Gardener Bill Roper in Room 223 and learn more about how you can include and care for native plants in your garden.

Help for Better Hearing, Sept. 21

Learn more about the causes of hearing loss and what can be done about it from John Schulman, a specialist with the NUEAR Hearing Center in Tucker. John will do free hearing screenings beginning at 4:00 pm in the Library, followed by a presentation at 6:00 pm.

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Joint Meeting of Friends of the Sue Kellogg Library And the Stone Mountain Historical Society
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LIBRARY NEWS

Tucker-Reid H. Cofer Library, 5234 LaVista Road
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Wednesday, September 7 & Wednesday, September 21
 Computer Coaching. Got questions about your email, finding something on the web, or a Microsoft Word document? Bring your basic computer questions and staff will help you find answers. 10:15 a.m.—Noon

Wednesday, September 14

Google Drive Basics. Learn the basics of Google Drive, Google's cloud-based file storage service--what it is, and how to create, upload, manage, and share your files using it. Mouse and typing skills are required. You must have an active Google account prior to attending the class. Registration is required and begins Monday, September 5. Open to first 12 participants. Please call or visit branch to register. 10:15 a.m.—Noon

Monday, September 12

Discussion: *Off Season. Off Season* by Anne Rivers Siddons. Copies of the discussion title are available at the front desk on a first-come, first-served basis.
 10:00 a.m.-Noon

Tuesday, September 20

Discussion: *American Wife: Love, War, Faith and Renewal* by Taya Kyle. Copies of the discussion title are available at the front desk on a first-come, first-served basis.
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- Food, fun, and games kept our members and guests busy all summer! We watched the Olympics Opening Ceremonies on the big screen at the pool.
- We had special activities for kids, teens, and adults.

Mountain Creek is making plans to continue special events throughout the year. Stay informed on what's happening by visiting our Facebook page or our website at MountainCreekSwimClub.com, or by calling Marsha Ashby at (770) 596-4989.

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The Garden Enthusiast – Backyard Nature Station and Monarchs Across Georgia are sponsoring a monarch event that coincides with their migration to Mexico on Saturday, September 17th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at 2316 D Main Street in Tucker.



The population of monarch butterflies has declined by almost 80% over the past couple of years due to habitat loss, storms, and the loss of their primary food source, milkweed. To celebrate this miracle of nature we will be doing activities with children ages 5-10 that educate them about monarchs and their lives.

Activities include:

1. Making caterpillars or caterpillar bracelets
2. Playing Pollinator Jeopardy
3. Making a seed ball
4. Making paper pots and planting seeds in them
5. Making a model of the life cycle of monarchs
6. A pollinator plant identification tour in 6000sf

The Garden Enthusiast's Children's Garden

Preregistration by September 12th is required. For questions and to register, please call 404-474-7072.

Cost is \$12 (cash only) which includes lunch. A portion of the proceeds will go to Monarchs Across Georgia.

To learn more about this event, please contact: Linda Karr: Linda.karr@thegardenenthusiast.com or call (404) 474-7072.

Smoke Rise Camera Club
September 27, 7:00 p.m.
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Hang on to Family Summer Fun at Smoke Rise Bath & Racquet Club

Although the kids are back in school and life is somewhat back to "normal," the summer at SRBRC is still in full swing. In August, the club hosted a delicious Low Country Shrimp Boil, a Root Beer Float Fest for the kids and a number of Movie Nights on the big screen.

And, while summer starts to fizzle out at the other neighborhood clubs, SRBRC still has a lot on its schedule. Movies under the stars will continue on Saturday evenings. Titles and show times will be announced on the club's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/srbrccommunity>. Add the club to your friends list, so you'll always be up to date on the events.

The biggest event of the season is yet to come. The "Big ol' Pig Roast" on Labor Day. It all starts Saturday 9/3 with open grills and live music. Guests are invited to bring their tent and stay the night, watching a movie on the green and going for a late night swim. There will be famous SRBRC's smores, a fire pit and live tunes to keep folks going. As dawn breaks, the smokers will be fired up and the pig will be escorted to the pit.

It all comes together on Sunday for a mouthwatering "Pig pickin" summer blow out. Join SRBRC for the Labor Day Pig Roast, the event is open to members and nonmembers. For more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/srbrccommunity> or call (770) 493-9073.



Trolley Stop Gallery:
Atlanta Artists Center Board Members' Exhibit

Main Gallery:
Portrait Society Members Exhibit

Tues.-Fri. 11-5, Sat. 10-5 through September 24

On September 14, join us for a tour of the art collection in Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

The cost for this very exclusive excursion is only \$59 per person, and includes breakfast, transportation to and from the airport, and refreshments on the bus. It does not include the cost of lunch. Because of security requirements, we must limit the number of guests to 20, so please respond quickly to reserve your space.



There's more "On Tap" this fall in The Village of Stone Mountain than craft beer, local artisans, wholesome juice shots, and exceptional food.

Tunes by the Tracks, the popular outdoor indie music concert series, returns Sept 2nd to Main Street Stone Mountain. The free Concerts take place every Friday night, in September and October – rain or shine from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the municipal parking lot near the gazebo on Main Street Stone Mountain Village.

Riding the rails of earlier successful seasons, "Tunes By the Tracks" delivers an outstanding musical offering of talented local artists. Lipbone Redding, Davin McCoy Trio, Gareth Asher, Zale, The Ain't Sisters, Scott Little Duo, The Heather Luttrell Duo, Gibson Wilbanks, and Pretend Sweethearts are all on tap for fall. 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 trackside in the SMV.

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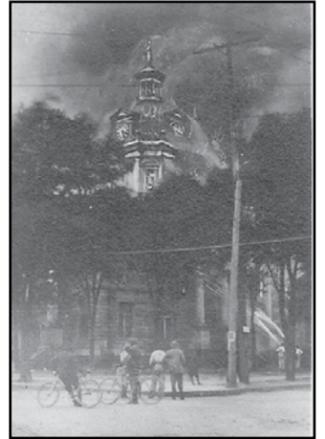
Another initiative brought to you by Smoke Rise Community Association to help better our neighborhood. The Little Free Libraries were built by Lyle Collins with building supplies donated by Jim Wilson at Cofer Brothers. Pictured are volunteers from the SRCA Board of Directors painting the Libraries. These are honor system library boxes with donated books. Feel free to borrow a book and then return it, or replace it with another title. Look for the boxes throughout the community, starting with the neighborhood pools.



Sparking Change – The 100th Anniversary of the Second DeKalb County Courthouse Fire

Free! LUNCH AND LEARN
 Tuesday, September 20, noon – 1:00 p.m.
 Historic DeKalb Courthouse, 101 E. Court Square
 Second Floor, Superior Courtroom

DeKalb History Center staff members Fred Mobley (Archivist) and Jenny Goldemund (Programs and Preservation Coordinator) will discuss the Historic DeKalb County Courthouse fire 100 years ago. The talk will include background information on Decatur’s square and why the courthouse is located here. The History Center will cover the history and architecture of the 1898 courthouse and the fire which partially destroyed it in 1916. Learn about the changes made to the remains of the fourth courthouse in order to reopen it for court functions in 1918. The talk will conclude with a brief summary of the fifth courthouse’s history up to the present. For more information, contact Fred Mobley 404-373-1088, ext.23.



No SPLOST or E-HOST initiatives on the November Ballot

In July, the DeKalb County Commissioners voted 5-0 to withdraw the resolution to place SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) and an Equalized Homestead Option Sales Tax (e HOST) on the November General ballot.

Commissioner Nancy Jester has been very vocal that SPLOST funds- \$551.8 million generated by the penny tax for Capital Projects over the first 5 years- seemed to be increasingly earmarked for pet projects and ‘wants’ instead of “important and defensible public safety improvements”... like police and fire department training facilities, paved roads and infrastructure repairs.

The Commissioners were somewhat surprised on July 19 when it came time to vote to include the resolution on the November ballot- to find that language in the proposed resolution would cause the Homestead Property Valuation Freeze to disappear and not be extended. This effectively would have eliminated the \$2,000 Standard Homestead Exemption (\$4,000 if you are over 65). Instead of addressing the issue during this election cycle, the Bill sponsors elected to take the resolution off the table and work on the wording.

So: Bottom Line: Watch for the SPLOST initiative to return for a vote in the future. AND watch what the SPLOST funds will be going towards.... Pork? Or Needs? Nancy Jester will certainly be watching.

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Woman’s Club Summer Party



The GFWC Stone Mountain Woman’s Club held their summer party at the home of Nelda Lunsford in Ivey Oaks. Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs and all of the fixin’s were served to 55 members. The evening’s entertainment was eight games of bingo with prizes.

Pictured left to right are: Kate Graham, George Ann Hoffman, Shari Carter, Lorraine Dress and Marty Bryan.

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GRADUATE

Chandler Bridges, Jr., son of Jane Bridges of the Forest and Chandler Bridges of Marietta recently graduated from Florida State University with a Ph.D. in Music Education along with a Specialist Degree in College Teaching.



Chandler previously received a B.A. in Commercial Music with a Business Minor and an M.A. in Music with emphasis in Commercial Music.

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Young Ladies in Stride, Inc. First Retreat

The first Young Ladies in Stride Total Health & Wellness Mini Retreat was a blast!! The retreat was held on July 15th -17th at the beautiful Marriott Evergreen Resort in Stone Mountain, Ga.! Ms. Patricia Wheeler, Mayor of Stone Mountain made a special visit to meet each young lady, wish them well and take a group photo! They had eight guest speakers to come talk with them concerning their Health, "Mother & Me" Time, Human Trafficking, Spiritual Life, the Importance of Furthering their Education, Finances, Exercise & Proper Etiquette. The distinguished guest speakers were Ms. Arnitris Strong, Published Author; Marion Howard, M.D.; Edecia Richards, MSN,FNP-C; Ashley Green, MBA; Ms. Carie Cato, L.I.S. Executive Board; Tiersha Ynfante, CPT; Elizabeth Dubose, CEC and Pastor Deneen Humphrey. The young ladies were escorted to a classy limousine and chauffeured out to dinner following their Proper Etiquette Workshop to put into practice what they had learned. The attendees enjoyed Pool Time, "Girl Talk Time", a Slumber Party/Movie Night, Lunch by the lake and Much, Much More!



Thank you to everyone that helped to make this event a HUGE success!! Your love & support is greatly appreciated! Ladies in Stride, Inc. will continue to feed our next generation. The adults of L.I.S. are true mentors of our teens. L.I.S. believes that Healthy Living & a Balanced Lifestyle should be learned at a young age. Membership for Ladies in Stride, Inc. starts at age 13 years and is open to all young ladies. If interested, please join us at www.ladiesinstride.com

Tucker Community Council...continued from page 1

major repair and renovation projects in metro Atlanta and assisted with the company's expansion in the Carolinas. Burrow will work closely with the Tucker Civic Association's Proactive Planning, Land Use and Zoning committee.

Janet Curtis has been a Tucker resident for more than 40 years. She was instrumental in organizing an HOA for her subdivision off Northlake Parkway and remained active representing her neighborhood's desires and concerns regarding development. Curtis served Tucker on DeKalb County's Community Council for many years and also enjoyed working on several Tucker Day committees. She is a former EMT with Grady Hospital and DeKalb County's Fire and Emergency Medical Service and worked in the Criminal Investigation Division for the DeKalb County Police Department. She currently works as a paralegal and investigator.

Frank Luton has been a resident of Tucker since 1978. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Rhodes College and an MBA from the University of Virginia. Luton was the director of the Bellsouth Leadership Institute and continues to be a creative process consultant and meeting facilitator. He has been very active in Tucker, serving as president of his community association, a voting precinct manager, and a volunteer-in-patrol with the DeKalb County Police Department He has also volunteered with many metro Atlanta non-profits including Friends of Disabled Adults and Children, the Salvation Army, and the Atlanta History Center.

Frank Sapp has lived in Tucker for more than 30 years and holds an MBA from Georgia State University. Sapp is a retired statistician from the United States Department of Labor. He is currently a training and technology specialist with Touch the Future, a nonprofit organization that provides individuals who are disabled with independent living skills and opportunities for accessible and inclusive services. Sapp has worked on transportation for special events including the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, 1998 Goodwill Games, 1999 World Special Olympics, 2000 Winter Special Olympics, 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics and designing the bus routes for the 2012 Democratic National Convention.

Cara Schroeder has lived in Tucker for 20 years. She began her volunteer work in Tucker 12 years ago when she served as the Tucker Civic Association's first Rivers Alive volunteer organizer. Schroeder has supported Tucker area parks and greenspace projects by volunteering with Friends of Henderson Park and founding the Henderson Park Community Garden. She is president of Schroeder Resources, a fundraising consulting service, and has spent nearly 30 years raising money and developing boards for numerous non-profit organizations focused on arts, education, healthcare, social services, environmental issues and historic preservation.

Jonathan Vaughters has been a Tucker resident for the last 17 years and holds an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is a business development executive for consulting services and has worked with companies like IBM, Cox Enterprises, Eastman Kodak, and P&G. Vaughters volunteering in Tucker has been focused on serving our local public schools and youth. He has been active in the Parent-Teacher Council, the Football Booster Club, and coaching at Tucker Football League. He has also served as president of the Spencers Mountain Homeowners Association.

The Mayor appointed the community council on August 1. All members were sworn in during their first meeting on August 11.

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Members of Boy Scout Troop 876 sat in on a Tucker City Council meeting to complete their communications merit badge.

Of Note to the Community: Safety Alerts & Watches

by Cedric Ross

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Crime Reports

- 7/25 Burglary of Two Homes – Near Gun Stock – Residence
- 7/28 Larceny – Articles from a Vehicle – Residence, 5800 Block Old Stone Mountain Rd
- 8/12 Car Break in- nothing Stolen- Residence- Millstone Subdivision

In light of the two homes broken into we need to ramp up our vigilance to report suspicious persons or activity. If you see an unfamiliar car, record the license plate or take a picture of the person and call law enforcement. If you see something say something. Do you know who your neighbor is? If not, take a moment to introduce yourself, there is safety in numbers and many eyes see many things. Your neighbor's safety is everyone's responsibility.

We make an effort to list local crimes. If we miss something please let us know!
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Stone Mountain Rotary Club

By L. A. Dison

Club Helps Prep Students for Back to School

Stone Mountain students got a boost on school preparation at the city's annual Back to School Bash, held on Saturday, July 23 at the Main Street Pavilion in Stone Mountain. About 200 students and family members representing various schools in Stone Mountain received a free backpack with pencils, pens, notebooks and other vital supplies. Many participants stayed after to enjoy a fish-fry dinner. A screening of the Disney film Zootopia was cancelled due to the rain.

The Stone Mountain Rotary club is sponsoring Air Force serviceman Thanh Pham through HeroBox, which sends custom care packages to American soldiers around the world. HeroBox allows the soldier to customize their care package so they are receiving exactly what they need and want. Pham, who is from Minneapolis, receives a monthly shipment of items from the club. Each box is sent in the name of a weekly rotary lunch speaker.

In July and August, the club hosted several notable speakers, three of whom discussed future science. Dr. Jairo Garcia, the Director of Climate Policies and Renewables at the Atlanta Mayor's Office of Sustainability, talked to club members about the City of Atlanta's Climate Action Plan (CAP) which will reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, or "carbon footprint", of both its government operations and the community at-large. Kristi Swartz with EnergyWire discussed the Southeast's transition away from coal to natural gas and the sporadic growth of renewable energy, particularly solar. Dr. John R. Olds, founder and CEO of Atlanta's SpaceWorks Enterprises, Inc. (SEI), introduced club members to his company's research in next-generation space transportation systems, future technologies, human and robotic exploration of space, and emerging space markets and applications.

The Stone Mountain club meets every Tuesday for lunch at Smoke Rise Country Club; visitors and those interested in learning more about Rotary are welcome. To learn more about the club and its upcoming programs, go to www.stonemountainrotary.org.



Future Rotarian Zuri Quintyne, daughter of Rotary member Alecea Quintyne, donated \$5 to President Margie Kersey at the Back to School Bash to help buy school supplies for the event.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

By Aviva Hoffmann

Save Money and Resources Through Water Conservation

You are no doubt keeping tabs on the changing currents of our water situation throughout Georgia. In spite of some recent rainfall, drought conditions in the south and central parts of the state are expanding, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor (which focuses on broad-scale conditions across the country and publishes weekly updates). In fact, nearly three-quarters of the state is currently experiencing some level of drought. It often feels like we are under constant threat of “severe” or “extreme” drought. However, those designations are not the most serious on the drought scale. The most serious category is “exceptional drought,” and no place in the state has reached that category. The good news so far is drought conditions in Georgia are all short-term.

Conservation messages have been circulating through our neighborhoods for years, and we all could probably give more thought to our water usage. There is no enforcement mechanism in place for water restriction violators at this time. However, if the GA Environmental Protection Division goes to drought level, this may change.

Keep these current restrictions in mind; The Georgia Water Stewardship Act, which went into statewide effect on June 2, 2010, allows daily outdoor watering for purposes of planting, growing, managing, or maintaining ground cover, trees, shrubs, or other plants only between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. DeKalb County officials encourage all residents to follow these guidelines to preserve water pressure for the protection of health and safety.

In DeKalb County, there are several, specific outdoor water uses allowed daily, at any time of day, by anyone. They apply mostly to commercial agricultural operations, reuse of gray water, irrigation of personal food gardens, irrigation of new and replanted plants or seed, irrigation of golf courses, sport turf fields, etc.

Still, the best incentive for conserving water is saving money and protecting our precious resource. Here are some easy steps to conserve a little water at your home-stead:

- 1) Make sure your home is leak free (*including your toilets*)
- 2) Take shorter showers
- 3) Only wash full loads of dishes and laundry
- 4) Turn off the water while brushing teeth or shaving
- 5) Defrost frozen foods in the refrigerator – not under running water
- 6) Install low flow fixtures
- 7) Comply with watering restrictions
- 8) Plant drought resistant plants

For more information, you can reach the DeKalb County Department of Watershed Management at (770) 270-6243 or visit the Georgia Environmental Protection Division website at: www.gaepd.org.

HEALTH NOTES:

by Cheri Schneider, M.D.

Staying Alive: CPR at the Beach

While at the beach this summer, I had an experience that changed my peaceful, relaxing holiday, into a matter of life or death. As I came out of the water to soak in the sun, a friend shouted to me, pointing down the beach to a crowd gathering. I ran as fast as I could and found a group of people crowded around the lifeless body of an elderly man I had seen earlier in the day.

They were doing CPR on him. I identified myself as a doctor who knew CPR and offered to take my turn. They had already called 911. As I joined in to help, I knew that although I am a doctor, any bystander could have done what I did. In that moment, I had nothing special to offer except my knowledge of CPR. The arrival of the ambulance and the portable AED machine that could possible shock him back to life was critical for his survival.

According to the American Heart Association, each year more than 500,000 adults and children have a cardiac arrest. Less than 15% of these victims survive. Because of this, doctors are constantly trying to find ways to improve the outcome for victims of cardiac arrest. In 2010, several significant changes were made in the Basic Life Support (CPR) protocol that I would like to share with you.

Cardiac arrest means that the heart either stops or is thrown into an extremely fast, disorganized rhythm that is ineffective at moving blood to vital organs. The patient collapses and can die in minutes. Many things can cause cardiac arrest including drowning, heart attack, choking, carbon monoxide poisoning, massive stroke, lightning strike and etc. The only point I am making is that sometimes the arrest is obviously respiratory, like from drowning and choking, and sometimes it is not.

If you witness the victim’s collapse, or come upon a victim who is not responsive (call out and shake), and has either gasping or no breathing, CALL 911 before initiating CPR. Have someone get an AED if one is available and start Hands-Only CPR. This means give chest compressions only to start with. Research has shown that in the first minutes, chest compressions only were just as successful as chest compressions with rescue breathing.

To give chest compressions, place one hand on top of the other and press down on the center of the victim’s chest ‘hard and fast’ thirty times. Then continue with a rhythm of 100-120 compressions a minute. This corresponds to the Bee Gee’s song ‘Staying Alive’. Push the chest wall in 2-2.5 inches letting it recoil each time. A common mistake is to lean on the chest instead of letting it bounce back. Continue until help arrives.

Alternately, if you are comfortable, after the first 30 compressions you can tilt the chin up and give 2 breaths, mouth-to-mouth. Make sure the chest wall rises when you give a breath. Alternate 30:2 until help arrives. When an AED is available, stop CPR no longer than 10 seconds to give a shock. Then resume CPR until help arrives. Once help arrives, move out of the way, and let the rescue crew do their work. Provide as much history as you can.

Although the man we tried to resuscitate did not survive, I was proud of the group of people who did what they knew to try to give him the best chance of survival.

Please consider learning Basic Life Support! The American Red Cross, the American Heart Association and the YMCA have many classes locally. Start with www.redcross.org. You may just be the one to help someone ‘Staying Alive’.

Interested in learning CPR?

Check out the article on page 12 for a free opportunity to learn this life-saving technique!



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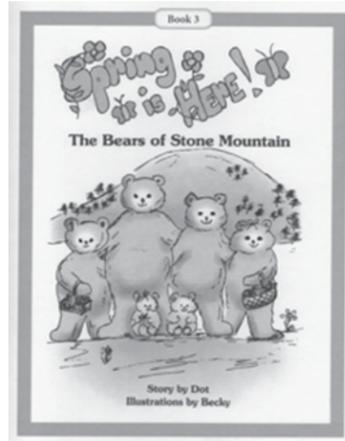
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Stone Mountain, and her decades of experience as a first grade teacher to her writing about a loving bear family just over the mountain. Things happen in these stories. Some that make you laugh or say oh no! Others make you nod your head in sympathy because the Bears of Stone Mountain are remarkably like human families. Becky Sander's whimsical illustrations truly complement the stories, adding charm to these gentle but engaging stories. Children will also enjoy their size, fitting easily into little hands.

The Stone Mountain Historical Society has the honor of reprinting this set in 2016 with permission of the family. The books will be available in the fall.



Barbara and Jim Conard were joined by daughters Michelle Conard and Sherrie Strong and their SRBC Sunday School Class at Smoke Rise Country Club for a celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary in July.



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Last month, Georgia Power launched a new website designed to help customers save money while making their homes more energy efficient. It's called Georgia Power Marketplace and can be accessed from the Georgia Power website or directly by going to www.georgiapowermarketplace.com.

Having first-hand knowledge of two technologies you will find there, I would encourage you to consider these, and purchasing through this Marketplace website will can save you some money even compared to Amazon or retail stores.

LED Lighting. Those old filament-type lamps (incandescent) and even the squiggly lamps (compact fluorescents or CFLs) are now outdated technologies. Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) are the future and it is here now. Governments around the world, including the US, have passed measures to phase out incandescent. It will not be long before CFLs will be banned. LEDs are more expensive than some alternatives, but they are so much better. They come on instantly, have beautiful color rendition, are dimmable, fit most any dimension fixture and last 11 years if burned 12 hours a day. If you have canned lamps in your ceilings, replace the whole fixture. The one you have now, because it has to be vented, is like having a hole in your ceiling.

An additional advantage for Southerners is that LEDs don't give off much heat, so they don't add to our home's air conditioning requirements. When we renovated our house, we changed out all of the incandescent bulbs to LED and are delighted with the outcome. They can buzz until you get the control just right, but that is pretty easy to do when you install them.

On the Marketplace website, there are many great deals for low prices on LEDs in a wide range of wattage and lamp styles.

EcoBee Thermostat. Upgrading your thermostat can save you a lot of money, improve the comfort in your home, and bring you convenience you never imagined possible. Having exhaustively researched all the alternatives, we installed EcoBee3s in our Smoke Rise home as we did a renovation and are extremely pleased with them. Ours cost \$250 each and the same ones are now available on the Marketplace website for \$150 with a limit of two. What we like most includes: 1. They are extremely consistent at holding the set temperature, which makes the space more comfortable, 2. They come with a remote sensor that helps keep the temperature in an area consistent. 3. Their display is dark, but lights up when approached so you can see setting or make changes, 4. You make changes by touching the device surface like a touch screen, 5. We can change the temperature setting from wherever we happen to be using our computer or mobile phone, and their online software is the best of any thermostat available. Nest thermostats may get more coverage, but we found EcoBees to be the better choice.

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The Smoke Rise Morning Glories is an active group of gardeners. The club participates in projects like blue bird observation and bird house maintenance at the Smoke Rise Country Club; working with students at Smoke Rise Elementary School on a STEM project; and decorating the Wells-Brown historic home in the village of Stone Mountain with period appropriate greenery and décor for Christmas. We meet on the second Tuesday of every month, from September to May, in members' homes or in the community. During our monthly meetings we share gardening and recycling tips and feature speakers on gardening topics. We take field trips and enjoy the delicious food prepared by members at our lunches.

The Morning Glories are members of the DeKalb Federation of Garden Clubs and are in the Redbud District of The Garden Club of Georgia are members of the National Garden Clubs, Inc.

We welcome new members to join our club and experience the fellowship and learn more about our natural world. Our first fall meeting is 10:00 a.m., September 13th at Park Springs, hosted by member Tally Sweat. Please contact President Glendolyn Hallman at (770) 491-7398 or Membership Chair Judy Abrams at (770) 938-6358 for more information. Happy Gardening!

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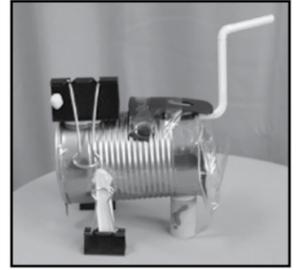
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Smoke Rise Garden Club

The Smoke Rise Garden Club sponsors many youth activities from artistic flower designs in the Yellow Daisy Festival to Woodsy Owl – Smokey Bear Poster contests. We also lead projects that encourages students to keep our environment healthy. *The Frightened Frog* poetry project taught students about the importance of protecting the frogs in our world. They wrote poems to show their eagerness to help save the frogs. We had 36 entries locally that produced two state winners. The Recycling sculpture contest emphasized recycling and reusing materials. Students made sculptures using tin cans, bottles, wires, and a variety of items. We had 30 area entries that Produced 3 state winners and one of those winners went on to place first in the Southeast Region. He also received an Honorable mention on the National level. The women of Smoke Rise Garden Club enjoy seeing our youth grow in connecting with their natural world.



Visit the Stone Mountain Woman's Club Bake Sale at Yellow Daisy Festival

Members of the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club invite you to stop by their Dessert Booth at the Yellow Daisy Festival in Stone Mountain Park and enjoy some home baked cakes, pies, cookies and brownies at their Bale Sale.

The 2016 Festival, which runs Thursday, September 8 through Sunday, September 11, will feature wonderful sweet treats prepared and packaged by members of the Woman's Club. The booth will feature a mouth-watering variety of cakes, cookies, and other baked treats sure to satisfy every sweet tooth.

Under the leadership of Chairman, Glenda Willett, this annual fund raiser involves all the members of the club and helps the Stone Mountain Woman's Club provide support for a number of projects and charities. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mountain Mums August Meeting

For their August 10 meeting, the Mountain Mums Garden Club met at the Kanawha home built and magnificently landscaped by Bud and Ruby Schooler. A few years ago, Mountain Mums member Ruby Schooler passed away, and Bud decided to move to Snellville. Susan and Joel Gilbert, who lived on Silver Hill were at that time planning to build on their Chedworth Drive property. They fell in love with the setting and the remarkable architecture of the Schooler home and arranged to purchase the home from him. During the Mums meeting, club members had the opportunity to tour the uber high tech and beautifully remodeled home. Many of the Mountain Mums remember Ruby's modern home and were amazed at the new warmth created by Susan and Joel. The gorgeous natural setting and extraordinary gardens that Ruby planted so many years ago were a joy to visit again, -- this time in their mature state.

September 9-11, the Mountain Mums will again be volunteering at the 45th Yellow Daisy Flower Show--themed "Driving Miss Daisy. Ann Purr will oversee the Clerks to the Judges and several members will be volunteering to clerk, set up and donate horticultural specimen.

Please consider joining the Mountain Mums for their September 13 meeting at the home of Lucy White. The meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.

Mike McCurdy, former member and chef will be speaking on "Using fresh herbs and fresh vegetables in cooking". Call Carol Wales 404-600-2186 for more information.

Smoke Rise Community Garden

In late July, the Smoke Rise Community Garden got a huge boost! Over twenty people from Sprouts came to help rebuild 35 or 57 of the garden beds. They brought enough pre-cut lumber to renovate 16 beds. When Doug



Reynics discovered the Sprouts service team was not allowed to use power drills, he put out an urgent plea for help! Rod Rich answered the call for help while the Sprouts team weeded the entire Community Garden. There is still a lot to do to finish building the beds. Many of the beds will be renovated in the early fall so as not to disturb the existing plants. Doug will put out advance notice for help refurbishing the beds.

Call Doug Reynics (404) 313-3873 to rent plots for fall crop plantings. Also, volunteers are needed to harvest the food pantry vegetables.

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HODGE PODGE



By Frank Luton

Grilled Seafood Extravaganza & Peanut Butter Ice Cream (to boot)

Ah, September, the beginning of fall has finally arrived. Have you noticed the cooler temperatures? Nope, neither have I! But September is a great end-of-summer, beginning-of-fall time to crank up the ole outdoor cooker...I use "ole Barbie"!

I do a fair amount of cooking on "ole Barbie", my trusty Big Green Egg. But it's about this time when I get tired of the burgers, ribs and chops! So I like to return to my Navy roots and heed the "call of the sea".



Grilled Scallops and Shrimp...

Ingredients: For 1 ½ lbs. of scallops and 1 lb. of shrimp. You'll need to adjust for additional scallops, shrimp or other seafood items like small lobster tails, crab claws, etc. There's never too much butter!

- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup chopped onions
- 2 teaspoons garlic
- ¼ cup fresh lemon juice (I guess you can use the stuff that comes in a bottle, but I like to squeeze my own lemons)
- Salt and pepper to taste. (I like to grind my pepper for freshness, and I use kosher sea salt.)
- Ample amount of chopped parsley
- And I use a healthy amount of Old Bay Seafood Seasoning.

Melt the butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Cook the onion and garlic until soft and translucent, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in the lemon juice, seasonings and parsley.

Place the scallops and the shrimp (I have spoiled my family, so I peel and devein the shrimp.) and toss with the butter mixture. Let stand for a couple of minutes.

I have "ole Barbie" going to about 400 degrees – medium hot. Use a wire basket to prevent the scallops and shrimp from falling through the grate. Be sure and coat the baskets with cooking oil to prevent sticking. And remember that the handles get quite hot when placed on the grill. Cook about 4 minutes per side – don't overcook.

Return butter mixture to the stove and keep warm while scallops and shrimp are cooking. Toss butter with grilled scallops, shrimp and serve.

Grilled Veggies: While the grilled seafood items are "resting", (And where did the concept of resting come from? Did they get tired while they were grilling?) I grill some veggies. I use fresh mushrooms (quartered), onion and tomato "chunks". If I have 'em, I'll throw in a chunked-up bell pepper or squash or something. You can also pour the butter mixture over the veggies while grilling.

For dessert I bring out "ole Frosty," the ice cream freezer, and crank up some crunchy **Peanut Butter Ice Cream.**

- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 12 oz. crunchy peanut butter (gotta be crunchy!)
- 1 qt. milk (whole)
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract

Combine sweetened condensed milk, sugar and peanut butter. Heat on low until thoroughly mixed. Add 1-quart whole milk and vanilla; mix well. Pour into freezer can and add additional whole milk to fill-line. Freeze according to freezer instructions.

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I CPR. DO YOU? Learn CPR in 20 minutes

I know what you're thinking – it takes longer than 20 minutes to learn CPR. To be certified in CPR that's true but you CAN learn the basics in 20 minutes! In an article in *USA Today*, a study led by Dr. Ahamed Idris, professor of emergency medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, found that just five minutes of training on defibrillator use and 20 minutes of instruction in CPR was as effective as the standard four-hour course. Idris said it makes sense that the shorter course was just as memorable: "The more you have to remember, the more likely you are to forget," he said.

The study used American Airlines employees and compared standard training to a short course taught by DVD. The 150 people who took the short course did as well or better than the 118 who received standard training. More importantly, retention rates of knowledge remained similar six months later.

People suffering a cardiac arrest can die in minutes unless they get effective CPR and sometimes a shock to the heart from a defibrillator, which restores a normal heart rhythm. Defibrillators [AEDs] are becoming more common in schools, airports and other public places, but the key is having people nearby who are trained to use them and know CPR.

Do you know CPR? If not, take time on Sunday, September 11th to take the 20 minute course from certified CPR instructors, Jeff Carey and Lynne Dundon. Jeff and Lynne are on the board of directors of Life Is Sweet, a non-profit organization committed to raising awareness about sudden cardiac arrest and the importance of CPR.

Since its inception in September 2014, the organization has raised money to place AEDs (automated external defibrillators) in the police cars of Stone Mountain Village, Side By Side Brain Injury Clubhouse, The ART Station, Café Jaya, The Center for Puppetry Arts and the Stone Mountain Woman's Clubhouse.

The CPR training will be continuous from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. at The ART Station, 5384 Manor Drive, Stone Mountain. RSVP for free entry [\$5 at the door] to 404-909-3593 or life.is.sweetAED@outlook.com. If you know of a non-profit organization that needs help raising money for an AED, contact Lynne at Life Is Sweet.

