

SMOKE SIGNAL

VOLUME 48, ISSUE 6

Serving the Smoke Rise Community Since 1968

September, 2015

www.smokesignalnews.com



Look inside for...

Ladies: Are You Living a Victorious Life?.....	p. 4
Local Eateries Earn Accolades.....	p. 5
Schools and Scouts	p. 6
AJC Decatur Book Festival	p. 8
Authors in Smoke Rise.....	p. 9

The Smoke Signal staff
wishes you a restful
and enjoyable

LABOR DAY

Yellow Daisy Festival at Stone Mountain Park

Thursday, September 10: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday, September 11: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 12: 10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 13: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Despite its growth from a small arts & crafts show to the four-day event that it has become today, the Yellow Daisy Festival continues to be a big show with a small-town feel. The mission of re-connecting families and friends with fun, shopping, live entertainment and good food has remained constant over the past forty-five years. Multi-generations of mothers, daughters and grandmothers meander the wooded trails together in search of the perfect item.

More than 400 artists and crafters from 38 states and two countries display their works for your appreciation and purchase. Daily live entertainment, Children's Corner activities, and crafter demonstrations throughout the event, as well as fabulous festival foods and the baked goods of the Stone Mountain Woman's Club are a big draw.

Yellow Daisy Festival is free with paid parking admission. Vehicle entry to the park is \$15 for a one day permit or \$40 for an annual permit.

LABOR DAY:

The Last Hooray of Summer

by Barbara Bruschi

September is the time when we bid farewell to summer and look forward to the glorious splendor of fall.

The first Labor Day celebration was held on September 5, 1882, in New York. In accordance with the Central Labor Union, in 1884 the official selection of the holiday became the first Monday in September. Street parades and speakers exhibit to the public the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations.

In Europe this day is the 1st of May when several countries are espousing the power of the International Worker's Day, and big parades and known speakers are part of the spectacle.

This was, and is, a day when we honor all the working people. A day to relax and enjoy the fruits of one's labor. There are many festivities that make this day memorable.



1) Stone Mountain Park honors "Our Everyday Working Heroes," featuring the Lasershow Spectacular in Mountainvision, followed by mesmerizing fireworks. For more information, visit www.stonemountainpark.com.

2) America's passion for football will once again dominate the interest of many with the Chick-Fil-A Kickoff Game at the Georgia Dome on September 5, 2015. The Auburn Tigers play the Louisville Cardinals. This is the beginning of the official football season in all its glory!

3) Six Flags Over Georgia – a big party for young and old alike.

4) Marietta Art in the Park features nearly 175 artists from throughout the country.

5) Labor Day Run, Big Peach Sizzler. 10K run for cystic fibrosis. For more information, visit www.milesforcf.org/sizzler

6) Dragon Con: the largest multimedia popular culture convention. For more information, visit www.dragoncon.org.

The vital force of labor has led us to the highest standard of living in the world. It has brought us closer to the ideals of pursuing and accomplishing the American Dream. Hard work and vision will still bring great rewards. This is why we proudly hail the strength and leadership of the American worker.

Enjoy the success of your hard work on this day of rest and recreation.

Tucker 2015

by Pat Soltys

The November 3 referendum election is quickly approaching. It is important that Smoke Rise expresses the choice of every voter with their vote. Here are a few things you need to know.

- The vote is "yes" or "no" and is no longer about boundaries.
- All of Smoke Rise is included in the boundaries of the new city of Tucker as proposed.
- There is no change in police, fire, water or sanitation services for Tucker. All of these services will continue to be provided by DeKalb County.
- There is no change in schools. The state can set a new school district, not a city.
- The City of Tucker will provide three key services initially which impact quality of life, community appearance and property values – Planning and Zoning; Parks and Recreation; Code Enforcement.
- Tucker will be fiscally responsible with room to grow.
- Officials for the new city will be determined by election in 2016. There is no current slate.

SRCA Board Meetings Update

by Michael J. Huerkamp, President

The most recent full business meeting of the board of the SRCA was on June 15, 2015, although on August 17, the SRCA Board met with Major White and Captain Padrick of the Tucker Precinct of DeKalb County Police Department to explore a number of safety and policing subjects. Additionally, the board met on an ad hoc basis several times with SMCID leadership regarding items of mutual commercial and residential interest.

The summer plantings at 14 chimneys, now being actively managed by the board, are going strong, as is the flora on the slope facing Hugh Howell near the intersection with Silver Hill at the school (look for our banner). The Phase III beautification of that project on Hugh Howell was completed this year. The August *Smoke Signal* had a feature on our thriving community garden.

This summer the board also completed a collaboration with the Mountain Creek homeowners to illuminate their sign - a major Smoke Rise gateway landmark. You should also notice a new chimney, awaiting its medallion, at Hugh Howell and Rosser Place. We are especially grateful to those homeowners who recently renewed their membership in response to our targeted renewal campaign, as membership has been flagging. One hundred percent (100%) of all dues directly support Smoke Rise. If you have neglected to pay your dues, or are a new homeowner, we hope you will consider supporting the SRCA. The best means to re-up at this time is via PayPal accessed at <http://www.smokerise.org/membership.html>.

Elections and voting will soon be upon us. For reasons that are increasingly obvious, it bears reminding that the SRCA Board unanimously endorses the incorporation of Smoke Rise into a new city of Tucker. The next business meeting of the Board is planned for September 21, 2015.



Smoke Signal

P.O. Box 763, Tucker, GA 30085

A non-profit service organization devoted to furthering neighborhood cooperation with the aid of good neighborhood communication.

Editorial Committee... Jan Mahoney*.....(770) 621-0155
Cheri Schneider.....(770) 717-9914
AvivA Hoffmann helloaviva@hotmail.com
* This Issue's Editor-in-Chief
Recording SecretarySusan Gilbertsgilbert@apogee.net
Corresponding Secretary..Barbara Bruschi.....(770) 934-4644
Treasurer.....Harry Strack(770) 365-9381
Classified Ads.....Barb Hess.....(404) 229-0742
Display Ads.....Barb Hess..... barbhess48@gmail.com
Church News.....Susan Gilbertsgilbert@apogee.net
Features:.....Barbara Bruschi.....(770) 934-4644
Jan Mahoney(770) 621-0155
Cheri Schneider, M.D.(770) 717-9914
Reneé Hopf.....(770) 921-5540
Flyer InsertsBarbara Luton.....(770) 491-6711
Hodge PodgeJenny Hall-Busch.....(678) 406-0555
Pet Lost & Found.....Kay McKenzie..... (770) 491-6784
Social MediaPat Soltys(770) 573-9715
News You Can Use.....AvivA Hoffmann helloaviva@hotmail.com
Staff Writers.....Jenny Hall-Busch.....(678) 406-0555
Susan Gilbert.....(678) 684-6802
Joyce Ray.....(770) 491-9015
Kimberly Sizemore.....(770) 530-5939
Pat Soltys.....(770) 573-9715
DistributionChris Schneider.....(770) 717-9914
DeliveryChris Taylor and Gillen Heisler

Views and/or opinions expressed in articles, stories or letters published in this newspaper are not necessarily those of the Smoke Signal or its staff. The information contained in it is believed to be accurate, but not warranted in any way. It is the policy of the Smoke Signal to publish signed letters to the Editor. We will not publish unsigned letters, but will withhold the writer's name upon request. All content may be edited.

September Calendar of Events

- 2 *Smoke Signal* staff meeting at Cheri Schneider's, 9:30 A.M.
- 4-6 AJC Decatur Book Festival, Decatur, GA
- 7 LABOR DAY
- 9 Mountain Mums Garden Club at the home of Lisa Armistice, 9:45 A.M
- 10-12 YELLOW DAISY FESTIVAL, Stone Mountain Park
- 11 Life is Sweet Fundraiser, Café JAYA, 7:00 P.M.
- 13 Grandparent's Day
- 17 Tucker Arts Guild meeting, Custom Frame Shop in Tucker, 7:00 P.M.
- 26 Italian dinner and Silent Auction, Eastminster Presbyterian Church 5:00 P.M.

Coming October events:

- 24 Taste of Tucker (more info in October *Smoke Signal*)

Smoke Signal Deadlines

SEPTEMBER 13

Please e-mail articles to:

smoke-signal@earthlink.net

(Word documents or text file attachments preferred)
PLEASE DO NOT SEND CLASSIFIED ADS
TO THIS E-MAIL ADDRESS

Extra copies may be picked up at box at
5365 Smoke Rise Drive

Deadline for classified ads is SEPTEMBER 10

SMOKE SIGNAL FLYER INSERT POLICY

Cost: \$150 by check to *Smoke Signal*
Deadline to Receive: 6:00 p.m. on 19th of month
Flyer inserts should be 8 1/2" x 11" (flat, not folded)
Please provide 2,300 copies
Reservation Required:
Contact Barbara Luton, (770) 491-6711 by 15th of month.

"Like" us on Facebook at **www.facebook.com/SmokeSignalNews**
or visit our website at **www.smokesignalnews.com**
Link to the digital version of the *Smoke Signal*
at **http://eepurl.com/pjn4v**
or scan this QR Code
with your smart phone!



Library Will Offer You Something "New" Beginning September 1

DeKalb County Public Library (DCPL) will offer you something "new" beginning September 1. That's the first day of Library Card Sign Up Month when DCPL will unveil a bright, new library card design that is very different from our classic card. Apply for this special, limited-edition card and you'll always be in the know. The card will tell everyone who sees it that you're in the know, too!

Look for details later this month at your local branch or dekalblibrary.org

SRCA DUES REMINDER

One hundred percent (100%) of all dues directly support Smoke Rise. If you have neglected to pay your dues, or are a new homeowner, we hope you will consider supporting the SRCA. You can pay via PayPal at www.smokerise.org/membership.html, or send your check for \$35.00 to SRCA, P.O. Box 870793, Stone Mountain, GA 30087.

Stone Mountain Village Artists

It will still be hot for quite a while in HotLanta, but the kids are back in school and summer activities are winding down. As we look forward to cooler weather, don't forget that the galleries offer classes and that the gift giving season is fast approaching. Downtown Stone Mountain Village is the place to visit the art galleries and workshops of some of the finest artists and craftspeople in Georgia. Shop for unique gifts that are handmade right here in our galleries!

Art Stroll - October 3

Come visit the CenterTown Galleries and ART Station for an evening of art and camaraderie.

Smoke Rise Baptist Church

Rev. Chris George, Senior Pastor
Ernie Forrester, Associate Pastor
Tim Adcox, Minister of Missions
Kathy Dobbins, Minister of Spiritual Formation
Danny Vancil, Minister of Music & Worship
Gary Robinson, Worship Arts Pastor
Becky Caswell-Speight, Minister to Families with Children
Jeremy Colliver, Minister to Families with Youth
Amanda Coe Burton, Director of Nursery Ministries
Paula Reeves, Weekday School Director
Telephone: (770) 469-5856
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: 6:00 p.m. Prime Time

Wednesdays:
5:00-5:45 Fellowship Dinner
6:00-6:45 Programs for children, youth and adults
7:00-8:30 Sanctuary choir
Nursery provided

Eastminster Presbyterian Church

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 to Senior Adult Ministries: Rev. Jeanne Simpson
Telephone (770) 469-4881
www.eastminster.us

Sundays:
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
Wednesdays:
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
6:30 p.m. Adult and Children's Program
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Mount Carmel Christian Church

Senior Minister: Art Stansberry
Worship Leader: Leslie Riley
Kids Ministry Director: Vicki Tyler
Telephone (770) 279-8437
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
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Activities/Studies for all ages
6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

First Moravian Church

Interim Pastor: Stephen Weisz
Congregational Acolyte: Bill Hitz
Telephone (770) 491-7250
www.gamoravian.org

Sundays:
10:00 a.m. Sunday School–Adults & Children
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Fellowship Time
Thursdays:
7:00 p.m. Adult Study Group

Mountain West Church

Pastor: Michael Shreve
Telephone (770) 491-0228
www.mountainwestchurch.com
4818 Hugh Howell Rd., Stone Mountain
New Sunday Worship Times, Beginning August 9:
9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.



FREE NEIGHBORHOOD PET LOST AND FOUND


Please call Kay McKenzie
at (770) 491-6784

with information if you have lost or found a pet.


Smoke Rise Preferred Contractor's List

If you are looking for reliable people to build desks, paint, do electrical, plumbing, interior design and many other services, then request a copy of this list as a potential starting point. We maintain a free listing of contractors and other service providers that your neighbors have used successfully. If you want a copy of this list, please email Jim Farmer at: jimfarmer812@earthlink.net or call him at (770) 939-8949. We also ask for your feedback. Tell us about a contractor or service provider that you have used with opinions about their work. This information will be useful for future revisions of the list.





www.smokerisebaptist.org/arts
artsacademy@smokerisebaptist.org
678-533-0562



September 11 – 12, 2015
7:00 p.m.
Admission FREE
Smoke Rise Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
5901 Hugh Howell Road
Stone Mountain, GA 30087

Fall registration is open for classes in music, art, dance and drama:
www.smokerisebaptist.org/arts



JL Builders
And Company, Inc.

35 Years Experience

Jim Leonetti
Builder • President

Building And Remodeling

Smoke Rise Resident

Proud Member of...
Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association

- All types of Additions
- Kitchens & Baths
- Basement Finishes
- Exterior Makeovers
- Window & Door Replacements
- Roofing
- Decks

770-493-4005 www.JLBinc.com

B. Harry Strack, Jr.
Certified Public Accountant
Comprehensive Accounting Services
Computer Business Services
TIGER TAX
770-365-9381

1014 A Main Street
Stone Mountain, GA 30083
Next to Wages Funeral Home

125 Henson Drive
Monroe, GA 30655
Behind Kentucky Fried Chicken

aztec2ig@comcast.net
http://tigertax.is-an-accountant.com
Tiger Tax on Facebook

Belinda Belvin, REALTOR®

As a Smoke Rise native and a Realtor in the area, my knowledge of the area and of the market are unparalleled.

My mission is to market your home to get the maximum price current real estate markets will allow, through a multifaceted marketing campaign that renders broad exposure for your home. Call today to see how I can assist you in selling your current home or buying your next dream home!



Belinda Belvin, REALTOR®
404-844-8811
bbelvin02@att.net

Keller Williams Realty
Atlanta Partners
1957 Lakeside Pkwy, Ste 520
Tucker GA 30084



Lawrenceville Road UMC in Tucker Planning “HI-HO”–an Enhanced Community Outreach Program

To expand its already active community outreach efforts, LRUMC is contemplating an additional six-point program to serve several identified unmet human needs in the community. That six-point program is called “Hearts In-Hands On” – “HI-HO” for short!

Planned to begin some of the programs in the late fall and others in the spring, the church members are doing research, studying community needs, planning strategically, generating operational plans including cost, staffing, marketing and fees for service. All the programs are “self-liquidating” through affordable and reasonable fees for each service provided.

The “HI-HO” program will include: “Hello, World!” – a conservatory-like program in music, art and theatre for all ages; “DownTime”- is a respite service for caregivers; “Fun And Functional Fitness” is a comprehensive “whole person” program built around the numerous benefits of group exercise; “Amazing Grace Memory Garden” – a beautiful interment area for the cremains of members and former members and families, and members of the community who wish their remains interred there; “Crosstalk” is a series of topical seminars and conferences sponsored and produced by the church through the “HI-HO” program; and the “The Space Place” - LRUMC will provide, for a fee, eligible organizations space, technology and amenities for their meetings and events.

All of the programs will be professionally directed by experienced and qualified people. If you have ideas that you would like this congregation to consider, and, for further information, contact Jack Sartain at jbs5951@aol.com.

Get Ready for an “Evening in Italy”

Eastminster Presbyterian Church is planning a delicious Italian dinner and a silent auction for the preschool! Special items will also be auctioned in a live auction. The date is Saturday, September 26, starting at 5:00 P.M. The money raised will go towards the playground and student scholarship fund. Please consider donating items for the auction or donating services. Tickets are \$12 for ages 12 and up, with childcare available for ages 11 and under. Tickets will be available for purchase at the church office or preschool office. For more information you may call the preschool at 678-507-7584. Donations are greatly appreciated!



Tucker Business Association Board Members Scott Rippey and Honey Van De Kreke presented Tucker 2015’s Michelle Penkava and Frank Auman with a \$1,000 donation to support Tucker 2015 at the End of Summer Bash & Silent Auction sponsored by the Orchard at Tucker. The fundraiser was held on August 15th at the Orchard’s location on Idlewood Road in Tucker.

PUBLIC SAFETY PHONE NUMBERS

Tucker Precinct
non-emergency
678-937-5301

Animal Control
404-294-2996

Code Compliance
404-687-3700

Division of
Motor Vehicles/License
678-413-8650

License and Permits
404-297-3934

Sanitation
404-294-2900

Tucker Arts Guild September Meeting

The Tucker Arts Guild will meet on Thursday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you – and please bring a chair.

The Guild meets January through November on the 3rd Thursday each month at The Custom Frame Shop, 4195 Fellowship Road, Tucker. Please call 770-491-3305 for more information.

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church


6780 James B. Rivers Drive
Stone Mountain, GA 30083
770 469 8551
www.Stmichael.cc/

Everyone is welcome!

Join us on Sundays at 8 am or 10:30 am

Just 3 miles from Smoke Rise near the West Gate Entrance to Stone Mountain Park

There are some questions the internet just can’t answer!





**ART Station is proud to present
One-Man Star Wars™ Trilogy
Performed by Charles Ross, September 23–27**

The extremely talented Canadian actor, Charles Ross, will astonish you with this one-man show. Much of Ross’ childhood was spent in a galaxy far, far away, watching Star Wars videos over – and over – and over again. The result of this misspent youth is his hilarious and unbelievable feat, the One-Man Star Wars™ Trilogy, where he single-handedly plays all the characters, sings the music, flies the ships, fights the battles, and condenses the plots of the Star Wars Trilogy into just sixty minutes!

Performances are Wednesday – Saturday at 8:00 p.m., & Sunday at 3:00 p.m. visit the ART Station web site, www.artstation.org. Ticket prices: \$23.00 Senior(60+)/Student, \$27.00 Adult. To purchase tickets call the Box Office at 770 469 1105 or www.artstation.org.

Stay after each performance (excluding Sunday) to discover Department 88. Department 88 is a two-man band in the Atlanta community that strives to bridge the gap between various genres. Band members include Blake Temple on piano and vocals and Chris Gravely on drums. With elements of pop, classical, jazz, blues, classic rock, folk, rag-time, and hard rock, they strive to defy one specific genre label. Their song topics are quite diverse, but in one way or another they revolve around very basic, assessable themes like freedom, hope, depression, love, despair, and current events – relevant, relatable, unique, strange, diverse, and even humorous.

All performances are in the ART Station Theatre located at 5384 Manor Drive in Historic Stone Mountain Village. The Village of Stone Mountain is located in the City of Stone Mountain one exit prior to Stone Mountain Park.

**ART STATION’S
Second Annual Stone Mountain Plein Air Paint Out
Saturday, September 26, 8:30 AM-6:00 PM**

ART Station Contemporary Arts Center, Stone Mountain Park and Stone Mountain Memorial Association are excited to announce the second annual Stone Mountain Plein Air Paint Out on Saturday, September 26, 2015. Organizers expect about 100 painters from throughout the region to be painting around the Park, and in the historic Village of Stone Mountain, in the same way as the Impressionists did: on location, or en plein air. This approach allows them to capture exquisite color and light, and reproduce the particular, fleeting atmosphere of a place in a moment of time. In recent years, there has been a resurgence of artists painting en plein air in all media: oil, pastel, acrylic and watercolor. Working on location presents the artists with many challenges they wouldn’t have in a studio setting. The results are worth the extra effort, though. Plein air paintings have a quality of authenticity that can’t be achieved any other way. Participating artists will submit up to two paintings created during the day for an exhibit at ART Station that evening from 4-6 P.M. They will be competing for cash awards totaling over \$1000, and several purchase awards.

Other activities are planned in conjunction with the Paint Out. There will be a workshop held on Friday to give artists a chance to improve their plein air techniques with an expert, and an exhibition of plein air paintings in the Trolley Stop Gallery.

The purpose of the event is to increase awareness of, and appreciation for, the scenic appeal of the Park and surrounding community; and, to bring artists to the area. The Village of Stone Mountain, home to ART Station Contemporary Arts Center and Theatre Company is becoming THE destination for the arts and culture on Atlanta’s east side.

The public is encouraged to visit Stone Mountain Village and Park on September 26, and seek out the artists. It’s your chance to see a masterpiece being created, and to talk to the artist who is painting it. Everyone is also invited to the reception and awards presentation at ART Station from 4-6 P.M. that evening. Meet all of the artists; enjoy light bites and good music. The paintings will be for sale, so you may also take home your own masterpiece!

For more information about any of the events, or artists’ registration, please contact ART Station at: 770-469-1105, stonemtnpaintout@gmail.com, or visit the website www.artstation.org.

Stone Mountain Woman’s Club

The GFWC Stone Mountain Woman’s Club held their Summer Appreciation Party for their members at the home of Smoke Rise resident Barbara Luton. Forty-five members enjoyed a Mexican fiesta and a “favorite thing” gift swap planned by chairmen, Kim Sekulow and Elizabeth Wells.



Pictured from left to right are Pat Sartain, Anita Stoltzfus, Miriam Boone, Gail Rushing, Elizabeth Wells, Dixie Wigbels, Kim Sekulow, Barbara Luton, Kelli Sekulow

Ladies: Are You Living a Victorious Life?

Join us in learning how to discover who you are and how to become the person you want to be. Please meet for coffee and fellowship for the introduction of this study at the Smoke Rise home of Pat Harris on Tuesday, September 22 at 10:00 A.M.

This will be a faith-based study taken from the book “Becoming the Person You Want to Be (Discovering Your Dignity and Worth)” written by Dr. James Richards, a Christian author, who has a ministry in Alabama called Impact Ministries. This will be explained at the Introduction Coffee on the 22nd. There will be no fee for this study.

Please call to let us know if you will be coming:
Pat at 770-493-8336 or Doris at 770-908-8011

COLOSSUS

Now in Stone Mtn. AND TUCKER

4369A HUGH HOWELL ROAD (next to Dollar General)

TUCKER, GA 30084 770-817-6116

Great 2nd location - Same great food

Separate Dining Room, Beer/Wine

Sports Bar & Indoor/Outdoor Patio

Get \$5 off purchase of \$25 or more until 8/31/15 w/ad copy

**The Eleanor Patrick
Real Estate Group**

Keller Williams Realty
Atlanta Partners



- Regular Sales
- Short Sales
- Senior Sellers
- Relocation
- Over 12 Years in the Smoke Rise Community!

For All Your Real Estate Needs!

**Contact the Eleanor Patrick
Real Estate Group**

Innovative Personalized Professional Service

Put Us To Work For You Today

eleanorpatricksell@gmail.com

www.smokerisehomesforsale.com

404-721-2904

AUTO SERVICE DEPOT

Serving Smoke Rise for 40 Years!

Short on Time?
*We'll Take You Home While
We Repair Your Vehicle*

**AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE & REPAIR
& MOST BRANDS OF TIRES**

–OUR PLEDGE TO THE SMOKE RISE COMMUNITY–
*Honesty really is our policy. We perform only the work that is
needed or that you agree to in advance. We charge fair prices
for parts and labor that are consistent with local standards.
We treat men and women with equal respect and fairness.
Finally we settle for nothing less than excellence in all we do.*

770-934-7885

Daily Specials at: www.autoservicedepot.com
2191 Idlewood Road • Tucker • Across from Tucker Middle School

“Like” Us
On Facebook

The “Cool Pool”
in the Neighborhood

The kids are back in school, we are all recovering from vacation, life is back to normal and the summer is nearing its end, much faster than we would like.

If you are an SRBRC member this season, or if you visited as a guest, you know that the club had a season jam packed with fun events for everybody. There was a hugely successful open house pool party, a fantastic Sam Lewis concert, the open grills were well attended, a fun cigar and bourbon night, the inaugural BBQ cook-off, a grand 4th of July bash, a delicious low country shrimp boil, a fun kids’ camp-out, a cool root beer float fest and a ladies night, as well as many fun events around the tennis courts.

Besides a very active social calendar, SRBRC has also improved the infrastructure around the club this year. Trees around the pool and tennis court have been cut and trimmed. The tennis courts have received new nets. Cracks have been repaired, the pool house has received a new roof, fascia and soffit and an outdoor speaker system. The entire electrical installation in the gazebo has been replaced, a new pump and chlorinator maintain crystal clear water, and the baby pool and the surrounding area have been fixed up. Lighting inside the pool, around the club house, and the gazebo has also been fixed.

There is no doubt that SRBRC has quickly become the club with the “Cool Pool.” There is no neighborhood swim and tennis community in the Tucker/Smoke Rise/Stone Mountain area that has so much to offer. SRBRC will continue to invest in the pursuit to become the number one summer family fun destination in Smoke Rise. If you would like to know more, or become a part of the SRBRC board, send an email to SRBRCmemberhis@gmail.com

If you have any questions about becoming a member, contact SRBRC at 770-493-9073.



Philly Cheese Steak at Weeyums Philly Style has been
named one of Georgia’s “100 Plates that Locals Love”

Weeyums Philly Style in Stone Mountain Village was awarded the “100 Plates That Locals Love” distinction by Georgia Department of Economic Development’s Tourism Division (GDECD) as part of its “100 Plates that Locals Love” which is featured in the state’s new culinary guide, *Georgia Eats*.

“It’s Georgia’s outstanding local restaurants that truly showcase the state’s rich flavors that locals and visitors love,” said Kevin Langston, deputy commissioner for tourism at the Georgia Department of Economic Development. “Each dish on our list of “100 Plates that Locals Love” epitomizes Georgia’s culinary scene with locally made and grown ingredients. These are the best of the best in Georgia and we can’t wait to share them with our visitors.”



“Weeyums has been a part of the Stone Mountain community for many years, serving up the best Philly Cheese Steak the state has to offer. They deserve a “mountain” of congratulations!” says Mayor Pat Wheeler.

Back row: Andrea Redmond, Chandria Weems, Deamian Spencer, Adrian Rucker, Susan Coletti, Pat Wheeler. Front row: Gary Peet, Mary Beth Reed

Café JAYA named Best Coffeehouse

Café JAYA, located in Stone Mountain Village, was named Best Coffeehouse during the Best of Atlanta 2015 Awards sponsored by Georgia Voice. The awards event was held on Friday, July 24, at The Georgian Terrace.

Café JAYA is a non-profit community coffeehouse and drinkery that opened in Stone Mountain in August 2014. Owners, Jeff Carey and Rory Webb, bought and restored a vacant building on James B. Rivers Memorial Drive. “The building was previously a coffeehouse although it had been vacant for nearly 10 years. We’ve added a small stage, a meeting area and tried to create a warm and inviting atmosphere for our neighbors as well as people visiting the area,” says Webb.

“We’ve expanded our offerings to suit the needs of our customers,” continues Webb. In addition to the Selva Negra Estate Coffee from Nicaragua that is brewed fresh daily, Café JAYA also serves hot teas, light snacks, beer, and wine.

The coffeehouse hosts a number of special events throughout the month. High Tea has become a signature event held on the first Saturday of the month. These sold out afternoons feature finely crafted Zen teas, finger foods and lovely ladies dressed in their finest. Members of the community volunteer as servers. Live music, trivia and karaoke round out Café JAYA’s offerings and provide a comfortable space for friends to gather.

“It’s been a good year. Winning this award is a tremendous feather in our cap. We hope to be in Stone Mountain Village for a very long time,” says Carey.

Café JAYA is located at 6566 James B. Rivers Memorial Drive in Stone Mountain Village. Hours are Tuesday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Fridays from 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Closed on Sundays and Mondays. For more information visit www.cafejaya.com





Lilburn Landscape Company

When Quality Counts!

10% Off Your First Service
or
Your First Month’s Bill

Providing Professional Landscape Maintenance Services for the Last 20 Years

Porter Deal - Owner/Operator

404-422-6583 lilburnlandscape.com

The *Smoke Signal* is posted to www.smokesignalnews.com the first of each month. Go to the “Smoke Signal Digital” link.

You’ll also find the link posted to the *Smoke Signal* News Facebook page each month with posting of pictures and stories throughout the month.

For questions, contact Pat Soltys at pat@smokeriseagents.com.


BOB BAILEY’S

Your Home Appliance Experts



- Quality Kitchen Appliances
- Serving Smoke Rise For Over 40 Years
- Free Estimates
- Fast, Professional Delivery and Installation
- Factory Authorized Service
- Great selection Of Energy Efficient, Innovative Products

5100 Highway 78 East Stone Mountain, GA 30087
Phone (770) 979-1077 Fax (770) 979-1844
Website: www.bobbbaileys.com





smoke rise dental

HASSAN ABDEL MOETI D.M.D.

**We take care of
all your dental needs...**

- CT Scan 3D Imaging
- Digital x-rays
- Laser Treatment
- Implants
- Invisalign clear braces
- Smile Makeovers
- CEREC same day crowns

5500 A Lilburn-Stone Mountain Rd.
Smoke Rise, GA 30087

www.smokerisedental.com

CALL FOR APPOINTMENT • 770-923-5500



FREE DENTAL IMPLANTS CONSULTATION

FREE COSMETIC CONSULTATION

GENERAL DENTISTRY • IMPLANT DENTISTRY • COSMETIC DENTISTRY

A ROARING SCHOOL YEAR IS HERE!

A new school...a new year...a new spirit! There's the spirit of the Jaguar in the step, the smile, and heart of the students, parents, community members, faculty and staff of the "new" Smoke Rise Elementary! A near 400 students are proud learners dressed in new uniforms, and they arrived ready to cause an uproar!

Teachers are excited about curriculum changes that will positively impact student achievement, and students are excited about learning! Classes are designed to challenge every learner to their maximum potential. Principal McCloud has effectively staffed teachers and support staff to fulfill the school's mission of excellence. It is the Smoke Rise Elementary School mission to "Actively encourage the development of a 'personal best' for all students by providing a school environment that will enable them to meet the challenge of living and working in an increasingly complex society."



Honoring Principal McCloud

News from Boy Scout Troop 876

by Miles Pope, Age 11

From June 28 - July 4, 2015, Boy Scout Troop 876 attended Camp Woodruff in Blairsville, GA.

There were many different classes available. I participated in swimming, Mountain Man, and wood carving. In swimming we learned basic life guard drills and different strokes. Mountain Man taught us knots, fire building, and how to handle and sharpen knives. Wood carving is where we practiced different cuts and we carved a wooden arrowhead.

It rained almost every day at camp but that didn't water down anyone's fun; however, there were tons of bugs and spiders in the tents! Luckily, on Thursday we were able to raft down the Nantahala.

I had a great time and I really enjoyed meeting boys from other troops. I also liked camp because in the middle of the week they showed two 60-era episodes of Batman, and all scouts received a bat studies badge! I cannot wait to go back next year! BSA Troop 876 meetings for boys 11 and older are held any Monday from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. at Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 5801 Hugh Howell Rd. www.bsatroop876.com

Call Marsha Ashby at (770) 596.4989 for more info.

In the short period of Principal McCloud's administration, Smoke Rise Charter Elementary has made many positive changes, and the spirit of the school radiates throughout the community. Many community relationships have been made, some reestablished, for the good of all stakeholders. Her efforts can be seen in the facelift to the building, the structure of the logistics of the school day, the morale of the faculty/staff, achievement of the students and the willingness of the community to be a part of the school's family. In recognition, Mrs. McCloud was the Guest of Honor at the Smoke Rise Country Club where the Steele Magnolias hosted a luncheon in her honor. Well-deserved Principal McCloud!

Another Eagle Soars!

On May 10th, Mountain Creek resident, Thomas Jackson Smith III, earned the highest advancement award the Boy Scouts of America offers to scouts, the Eagle Scout Award.



A member of Troop 876 chartered to Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Jack is one of approximately four percent of all Boy Scouts who ever achieve this rank.

Each candidate must earn 21 merit badges and successfully complete a community, church, or school related service project to earn his Eagle. Jack earned 44 merit badges and for his service project chose to construct theatrical sets, including stationary and rotating flats and stage risers, for his school's elementary drama department.

Jack had the opportunity to attend Philmont Scout Ranch in 2014 where he and the troop's crew hiked 80 miles in the New Mexico wilderness summiting Mount Phillips at 11,742 feet and enjoyed activities that included rifle, shotgun and cowboy action shooting, repelling and burro racing. In 2013, he traveled with the troop to Florida's Seabase for a week of deep-sea fishing, snorkeling and touring Key West. He has attended five summer camps at Woodruff Scout Reservation and has participated in numerous camping, hiking, rafting, canoeing, boating and cycling adventures with the troop over the last five years.

A leader in both Scouting and the community, Jack served as Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Chaplain's Aide, Quartermaster and Troop Bugler. Jack is also a member of the Order of the Arrow, Egwa Tawa Dee Lodge.

Jack is a junior at Providence Christian Academy in Lilburn where he plays on the varsity football team and is on the varsity track team. He is a Student Ambassador and Connect Group Leader. Jack is the son of Jay and Laura Smith and the grandson of Graham and Penny Stovall, all of whom live in Smoke Rise. He is also the grandson of Lavern Smith who lives in Monticello, GA.

Jack was recognized in his Eagle Scout Court of Honor held at Providence Christian Academy on July 19th.

HALL'S
Flower Shop
& Garden Center

Serving Smoke Rise Families
Since 1946!

Flowers & Gifts For All Occasions!
Green & Blooming Plants For Your Home & Garden

404-292-8446

www.HallsFlowerShop.com

5706 Memorial Dr, Stone Mtn, 30083

Daily Delivery To Metro Atlanta, DeKalb and Gwinnett!



PALMERHOUSE
PROPERTIES **PH**



*Top Selling Realtors
in Smoke Rise with
over 380 sales since
1994 and 10 in 2015!*

John Porter
404-376-7069
atlrealtor21@aol.com

Jim Shoults
678-592-1043

smokerisehomes.com

 <p>5315 Kanawha Court (Lot) \$80,000</p>	 <p>1957 Gunstock Drive \$180,000</p>	 <p>2283 Stratmor Drive \$219,900</p>	 <p>5532 Leather Stocking Lane \$234,900</p>
 <p>1789 East Gate Drive \$239,500</p>	 <p>5574 Bahia Mar Circle \$344,500</p>	 <p>1490 Kings Crossing \$349,500</p>	 <p>5496 Silver Ridge Drive \$349,500</p>
 <p>5639 Silver Ridge Drive \$364,500</p>	 <p>5778 Trotters Court \$373,900</p>	 <p>5818 Silver Ridge Drive \$434,000</p>	 <p>1959 East Gate Drive \$499,000</p>

Two Stone Mountain Village Businesses Receive Grants

BOOST Stone Mountain awarded grants to Sweet Aroma and Artsy Fawn Studio on Friday, July 31. BOOST is a grant program for local small businesses. The grant is funded by local “investors” who want to see small businesses thrive in the Village.

The grants will be used to buy equipment for each business that will allow them to expand their current offerings. Sweet Aroma will be purchasing a printer that will allow them to create photo cakes, which have become increasingly popular. Artsy Fawn Studio will purchase a grinder to be used on artwork created in the gallery.

“Small business is important to the health of our downtown. BOOST is a way we, as community members, can put our money where our mouth is and really make a difference for our businesses,” says Mary Beth Reed, chair of the Downtown Development Authority and BOOST investor, “We are eager to see our businesses grow.”

Investors contribute a minimum of \$200 a year with a commitment to remain part of the BOOST Stone Mountain group for two years.

Business owners are able to apply for grants quarterly. Grants are available for things like signage, equipment, marketing or advertising needs, and interior or exterior renovations. Funds are not to be used for day to day operating expenses. Grants will be made for amounts between \$100 and \$1000.

The BOOST Stone Mountain forms are posted on the City of Stone Mountain website (www.stonemountaincity.org. Interested investors should contact Mechel McKinley at mmckinley@stonemountaincity.org.



BOOST investors and supporters present Fawn Lowery, owner of Artsy Fawn Studio, \$650 for the purchase of a new grinder.

Stone Mountain Woman’s Club
Annual Dinner

The Ronald McDonald House near Emory University was the setting for the GFWC Stone Mountain Woman’s Club’s annual dinner for the families and young hospital patients. The families enjoyed a meal of ham, fried chicken, fruit and vegetable side dishes, and desserts. Ten club members served the meal organized by the Home Life Chairmen, Terry Ingwersen and Barb Curzon.



Pictured left to right: Barb Hess, Doris Hoenig, Barbara Fuller, Dora Jackson, Pat Landes, Barbara Luton, Elizabeth Wells, Barb Curzon, Gloria Moss, Lorraine Dress

Smoke Rise, Georgia, Real Estate Statistics

The following is a summary report from the FMLS system specific to Smoke Rise, GA via mapped data. The \$/square foot is an average without consideration of price, terms, condition or location. These values should not be considered absolute in determining value. An analysis specific to an individual property will be required.

August 13, 2014 to August 13, 2015									
	Bdrms	Sq Ft	List Price	List \$/ Sqft	Sales Price	Sales \$/ Sq Ft	SP/LP \$	SP\$/ OLP\$	DOM
High	7	8,325	\$789,000	\$138.00	\$700,000	\$128.00	110%	110%	733
Low	3	1,597	\$150,000	\$32.00	\$150,000	\$35.00	85%	71%	3
Average	4	3,622	\$337,183	\$66.90	\$301,016	\$87.40	97%	93%	99
Median	4	3,321	\$289,200	\$86.50	\$285,000	\$87.90	97%	94%	67

Buyer activity has been good most of the summer with a slow down at the start of school which is not unusual. Buyers are still picky and willing to wait for the right property. Prices have increased slightly but are fairly stable. The inventory of available homes is a little less than average at 37. Closing rate is nearly 16% ahead of 2014. Some interest rate increases are expected in the fourth quarter but these should be nominal. Homes that are updated are preferred.

Key

- Sq Ft = Square Footage. Usually the floors above grade.
- SP/Sq Ft - Sales Price average dollars per square foot.
- SP\$/OLP\$ = Sold Price as percentage of List Price.
- LP/Sqft = List Price average dollars per square foot.
- SP/LP \$ = Percentage of list price home was sold at.
- DOM = Days on market

Source - FMLS

techtalk Music
by Susan Gilbert Everywhere!

Until recently, if you wanted crisp, controllable sound, you needed a receiver, a CD player, a number of remotes, a pair of speakers, and lots of wiring. Wireless speaker technology has changed that.

If you read last month’s column, you know that I cherish conveniently-accessible, crystal-clear music. Our Amazon Echo device that answers to the wake-up name “Alexa” provides just that. She does a remarkable job as a music locator and speaker, but she sits in one room. Most people want music in many rooms, not just one.



That’s why you might want to check out wireless speaker systems. We purchased a pair of Sonos speakers last year to see how they work and are quite impressed with their ease of use and the quality of sound they produce. Once you set them up and connect them to your home’s WIFI, you can control them from your smart phone, your PC, and to some extent, by the speakers themselves (that have pause/play and volume controls on them).

Picture sitting in your easy chair adjusting what is playing in each room of your home and at what volume. That’s what these high-tech speakers allow you to do, and it’s mind-boggling this can be done so effortlessly. Your music library is readily available, and you can stream music from practically every online music service as well as Internet radio stations, your computer, or an Apple device.

We sit in our living room and play classical music in the kitchen and country music for the living room adjusting the volume in each room as we decide pleases us. And it is all controllable from our phones. Quite remarkable! Worth a try.

Eldercare Systems, Inc.

When A Nursing Home Is Out Of The Question SM

CNAs
Companions
Homemakers
Personal Assistants
Bonded & Insured

Drivers
Caregivers
Sitters

Mention this ad
get \$50 off
your first invoice

770-496-9986
Call for your FREE in-home consultation
or
Stop by for a visit at the 50&Better Center
2245 Dillard St. Tucker, GA 30084

We’ve been serving Smoke Rise families since 1988

Help at Home

Serving buyers and sellers
in the North Metro
Atlanta area since 1988

joycemray@bellsouth.net
770-491-9015

Affiliated with
Chapman Hall Premier Realtors
1772B Century Blvd.
Atlanta, Georgia 30345

Community Improvement District (CID) Update


Smoke Rise/Tucker/and other area residents are feeling a little more secure and appreciate the affect the Stone Mountain CID is having on the community.

Our CID Plaza and off duty police patrols have been dramatically increasing the pressure on loiterers and suspicious persons - on foot and driving - within our CID, particularly during the night. We have also been moving out “campers”. Crime within our CID is way down.

Already scheduled is the regular holiday doubling of patrols to achieve another crime free holiday.



The dumper who we caught last month is being processed and we continue to work with the DeKalb Solicitor’s office to keep those who are caught in jail and/or out of our area. Our effort to eliminate other “sources of crime” is moving forward on multiple fronts. Road and beautification efforts along the Mountain Industrial “Incredible Corridor” are proceeding on schedule.



Your local Smoke Rise Attorney

LUPA LAW, LLC

Gerard J. Lupa, Attorney at Law

25 yrs Experience Federal and State Court

Personal Injury Civil Law Criminal Law Appeals Family Law

Wills Advanced Directives (Living Will)

lupalaw@bellsouth.net

www.lupalaw.com

770-558-6281

Notary Services available

Stop by for your FREE copy of the AVANGED MEDICAL DIRECTIVE

**In the plaza with Smoke Rise Bottle Shoppe **



Scott's

Pressure Wash

Professional pressure washing—all surfaces

Decks, Stained and Sealed

678-469-1599

scottspressurewash.net • scottspressurewash@gmail.com



ACS INC.

Heating & Air Conditioning

Quality Since 1969



ACS has been keeping Smoke Rise homes comfortable for over 30 years!

WE OFFER:

- Seasonal Tune-ups
- 24-Hour Emergency Service
- System Replacements
- Indoor Air Quality Products

CALL TODAY 770-939-7500

Vibrant-Glow Holistic Skin Care

at

Decatur Healing Arts Center

Decatur, Georgia



Marlene Webb

Licensed Esthetician & Wellness Practitioner

Have the most beautiful skin of your life At any age

Make your appointment today

Call: 404.358.0616

facebook.com/VibrantGlowHolisticSkinCare

Alerts & Watches

Remember these three important guidelines from our Tucker precinct:

- Call 911 when the crime or a suspicious person sighting is in progress and say that the incident is “in progress”. CALL NOW - not later.
- Be very suspicious - call 911 for ALL suspicious behavior.
- NEVER open doors to strangers.
- You are the eyes and the ears of the Police Department. Call them and let them handle the situation - do not ever attempt to handle a situation yourself.

The following reports were received from the CrimeMapping.com website:

7/31/2015 – THEFT/LARCENY - 1600 BLOCK KANAWHA DRIVE

8/08/2015 – VANDALISM/ DAMAGE TO PROPERTY- 1800 BLOCK MOUNTAIN SHADOW

8/14/2015 – THEFT/LARCENY- 1800 BLOCK SILVER HILL ROAD

8/15/2015 – VEHICLE BREAK-IN/THEFT-ARTICLES FROM VEHICLE

4900 BLOCK CHEDWORTH COURT

8/17/2015 – VEHICLE BREAK-IN/THEFT-ARTICLES FROM VEHICLE

5800 BLOCK HUGH HOWELL ROAD

8/20/2015 – ROBBERY/STREET/GUN - 5400 BLOCK LEATHER STOCKING LANE

The Internet link to subscribe to CrimeMapping is as follows:
<http://www.crimemapping.com:80/subscriptions/subscribe.aspx>

The following is the link to an iPhone app for the crime mapping service:
<http://www.crimemapping.com:80/mobile/app.aspx>

Laptop Security Tips

A minor distraction is all it takes for a laptop to vanish. If it goes missing, all the valuable information stored on it may fall into the hands of an identity thief. Keep these tips in mind when you’re out and about with your laptop:

Treat your laptop like cash.

If you had a wad of money sitting out in a public place, would you turn your back on it - even for just a minute? Would you put it in checked luggage? Leave it on the backseat of your car? Of course not. Keep the same watchful eye on your laptop as you would on your cash.

Lock your laptop with a security cable.

In the office, a hotel, or some other public place, use a laptop security cable. Attach it to something immovable or to a heavy piece of furniture - like a table or a desk.

Be on guard in airports and hotels.

Keep your eye on your laptop as you go through airport security. Hold onto it until the person in front of you has gone through the metal detector - and keep an eye out when it emerges on the other side. The confusion and shuffle of security checkpoints can be fertile ground for theft.

Consider carrying your laptop in something less obvious than a laptop case.

When you take your laptop on the road, carrying it in a computer case may advertise what’s inside. Consider using a suitcase, a padded briefcase, or a backpack instead.

Don’t leave it — even for just a minute.

Your conference colleagues seem trustworthy, so you’re comfortable leaving your laptop while you network during a break. The people at the coffee shop seem nice, so you ask them to keep an eye on it while you use the restroom. Not a good idea. Don’t leave your laptop unguarded - even for a minute. Take it with you if you can, or at least use a cable to secure it to something heavy.

Don’t leave your laptop in a car.

Parked cars are a favorite target of laptop thieves. If you have no choice and you must leave it in your car, keep it locked up and out of sight.

Don’t put your laptop on the floor.

No matter where you are in public - at a conference, a coffee shop, or a registration desk - don’t put your laptop on the floor. If you must put it down, place it between your feet or up against your leg so you remember that it’s there.

Don’t keep passwords with your laptop or in its case.

Remembering strong passwords or access numbers can be a challenge. However, leaving them in your laptop carrying case or on your laptop is like leaving your keys in your car. Don’t make it easy for a thief to get to your personal or corporate information.

Excerpts from OnGuardOnline.gov


If you are a victim of a crime, please email details to smoke-signal@earthlink.net so we can let the neighborhood know what’s going on by publishing it in the *Smoke Signal*.

Remember if you don’t inform the police, the police don’t know what’s happening in your neighborhood.

AJC DECATUR BOOK FESTIVAL

The AJC Decatur Book Festival is the largest independent book festival in the country and one of the five largest overall. Since its launch in September 2006, more than 1,000 world-class authors and hundreds of thousands of festival-goers have crowded the historic downtown Decatur Square to enjoy book signings, author readings, panel discussions, an interactive children’s area, live music, parades, cooking demonstrations, poetry slams, writing workshops, and more.

The festival runs Friday, September 4, through Sunday, September 6, in Decatur, Georgia. Please see <https://www.decaturbokfestival.com/> for more information.



AJC Decatur Book Festival

presented by

DeKalb Medical

Preferred Formats for Smoke Signal Submissions

When sending articles and photos to the *Smoke Signal*, it is helpful if articles could be sent in .doc or .docx format. Articles sent in .pdf format cannot be edited or changed in any way. Also photos sent in .jpg format can easily be opened and formatted to fit a particular space, so that is also a preferred method. Thanks for helping us make your neighborhood paper the best it can be!

HEALTH NOTES:

by Cheri Schneider, M.D.

FIRST AID KIT 101
For College Students, Boaters and Campers

This year I am sending another one of my children off to college. As I am helping him pack, I began to think about what he would need to include in a first aid kit. That led me to make a list of things that I think all college students should have handy, and with the Labor Day weekend coming up, boaters and campers as well.

Purchase a plastic box—like a pencil or crayon box or a toilet kit box. Tape a copy of your insurance card and any important information on an index card inside: chronic illnesses, allergies and a list of prescription medicines usually taken. Date of last tetanus shot. Then add:



- Box of Band-Aids, various sizes
- Triple antibiotic ointment
- Alcohol wipes
- Thermometer
- Tweezers
- Magnifying glass (small)
- Gauze pads, medical tape or large Band-Aids
- Prescription medicines you normally take (1-3 month supply is best)
- Tylenol or Ibuprofen
- Tums
- Benadryl or antihistamine
- Epi-Pen* x2 if applicable
- For a More Complete kit:
- Steri-strips or butterfly bandages
- Wound 'glue'
- Ace wrap
- Finger splint
- Larger package of gauze squares
- Peroxide

Simple First Aid:

Cuts, scrapes and gouges: Soap and running water first, ALWAYS! Remove dirt and debris. Do not use alcohol or peroxide in the wound - only around it on the unbroken skin. If the wound is deep, irrigate with (potable) running water from a tap. Medical literature shows this to be superior to irrigating with antiseptics or sterile water. Antibiotic ointment and Band-Aid next. Scrapes can be left to dry if not too extensive.

Steri-strips or 'butterfly bandages: Many cuts can be pulled together and heal beautifully without stitches. If the cut is obviously very deep and/or long, does not stop bleeding or stay pulled together with a butterfly bandage, you may need stitches. Go to a walk-in clinic, the campus clinic or the emergency room.

Blisters: Do not take the skin off a blister or pop it. You will have less chance of infection if the skin is intact. 'Moleskin' can prevent blisters if applied in advance. Trim the skin if it breaks and begins to flap around.

Allergies to insect stings, foods or a history of anaphylactic reactions:
Epi-Pens (always have two!) Once used, GO TO THE ER to be checked out. Sometimes allergic reactions can be delayed and very severe. It is an emergency - especially if you have swelling around the face, lips or tongue or have trouble breathing.

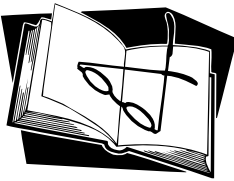
Minor allergic reactions with only a few hives or a bit of swelling without other symptoms can be treated with Benadryl or an over the counter antihistamine, cool compresses and careful observation.

Fever: Definition of a fever is 100.8 F. If others around you are sick, you probably have the same thing. If fever goes beyond 24 hours, call home for advice and/or go to the school clinic or a walk in clinic. Use Your Judgment!!!! If you feel super sick... you are sick! Don't wait, be seen!! If using Tylenol or Ibuprofen, follow the label carefully to avoid overdose.

Sprains or strains: RICE: Rest, ice, compression (with an Ace wrap) and elevate. If you cannot bear weight or have immediate bruising with swelling, you need to be seen by a doctor. Wrist 'sprains' can be fractures. If the pain persists, have an x-ray done.

Burns: If it looks like a sunburn, or even if it blisters, apply a cool pack or ice pack to the area over a clean cloth. Leave the blisters intact and take Tylenol or Ibuprofen. The quicker you get to it, the less damaged the skin will be. Any burn that is deep, open and painless needs to be treated by a doctor. Some blistering burns may need to be seen if they cover a large area. Watch for signs of infection.

Authors in Smoke Rise



Smoke Rise is rich in talent, including those of us who write and publish. We have many authors in Smoke Rise covering a wide variety of styles and subjects.

Susanna Ives is a historical fiction romance writer. Her books include "Wicked Little Secrets" and "Wicked, My Love."

Karen Gregory writes "creative" nonfiction which takes nonfiction material and creatively adds the elements that make a good story and hold our attention. Her books are "After Hyannis" and a book to be released next year called "The Russian Wife." Zylpha Pryor-Bell has written a book called "Be Born Again" which is biblically based and used scriptural references to explain what Jesus meant when he said "Ye must be born again."

Bob Hope writes not only books, but also columns for the AJC. One of his books is on the early days of Ted Turner and is titled "We Could've Finished Last Without You" and the other is a collection of profiles of 125 people who achieved fame and success after age 50 titled "Greater Late Than Never."

Dr. Keith Pisani has published three books and has three in process. His books deal with the subject of discipleship. His works include "Spiritual Lessons for New Believers", "Spiritual Lessons for Growing Believers" and the "Spiritual Lessons for Growing Believers Workbook."

Virginia Hall Busch, who authors the *Smoke Signal News* "Hodge Podge" column, has authored three cookbooks which include stories and opinions. As she says, they are "creatively titled" "The First Cookbook", "The Second Cookbook" and "The Third Cookbook".

Drs. Eldred and Ava Bell Taylor have authored a book called "Are Your Hormones Making You Sick?"

Joel Gilbert has authored "It's the Thermostat, Stupid!" He also is an inventor with a number of patents and patents pending.

Pat Soltys has written extensively regarding business tools, systems and practices with four books and over 250 copyrights. The work has been used in many industries and in conjunction with her workshops and seminars. Her work includes: "The Commission Plan Workbook," "Productivity and Profit through Leads Management", "Mergers, Acquisition and Absorptions," and "The Decision Maker's Guide."

All of the writers who answered our questions spoke of a passion that drives them to write, that it is not really like a job but something they must do.

When asked about advice for others who want to write, they mentioned that self-publishing has opened up many options that were not available before and gives authors, publishers and the targeted audience new ease of access, as well as marketing power. It was also suggested that two or three people read and proof read the work, as there is nothing like errors, undeveloped characters or rambling organization to destroy the work.

There are many other authors in Smoke Rise who utilize their creativity and talent in writing for business, pleasure and to fulfill that need that lives inside every author.

Something for Everyone!

Whether your budget is big or small, needs for something flat or tall we have a wonderful selection of homes available for sale. Private market and coming soon homes also. **Call us!**



Smoke Rise Agents Team
770.573.9715
www.smokeriseagents.com

“Tunes” Returns to the Village This Fall

Tunes by the Tracks, the well-received indie music concert series, returns to Stone Mountain Village every Friday night this September and October. Rooted in the series’ May and June success, the crafting of Tunes By the Tracks for the fall had to happen - or so it seems.

“Folks loved last season’s series and let us know directly and via Facebook comments that they wanted the series to return. In fact, they began lobbying early on in May for its return not only for June but in the fall. Each Friday night our Main Street glowed with great music. We are delighted with its success.” Mary Beth Reed, Chairman Stone Mountain Downtown Development Authority.

Concerts are free and run from 7:00 P.M. until 9:15 P.M. in the Municipal Parking lot. Well-known artists are featured: Ralph Rodenberry, Jimmy Harris & Friends, Carly Gibson & Zale, Trina & Tomi of Three5Human, Caroline Aiken, Diane Durrett & Junebug Massey to name a few on tap for fall.

The grassroots origins, indie music focus, and partially crowd sourced funding approach for Tunes By the Tracks sparked a series that’s enjoying a healthy following amongst locals, nearby neighbors, close to the Village intown ATL residents, and former Stone Mountain area folk returning to reconnect as the music takes root in The Village’s historic downtown.

“With Tunes by the Tracks, the Village of Stone Mountain sets itself apart from other outdoor music venues in Metro Atlanta. Tunes By the Tracks founders, curators, and organizers support local and regional indie artists as is evidenced by a lineup of well-respected, talented singer/songwriters who would be more likely to perform at venues such as Eddie’s Attic or Red Clay Theatre than a typical municipal stage. Additionally, the Village brings these serious, real artists into the community, up close and personal, in the middle of an incrementally revitalizing and increasingly vibrant Main Street. It’s great seeing new life taking hold as people gather to do life together in the Village around food, friends, drinks, music and song.” Terry Reeves, Music Matters Entertainment

Early supporters of the first Tunes By the Tracks are excited to know the series is back. The DDA is putting organizational and financial support behind it. Private individuals and businesses are stepping up to fund the artists.

Come and join us. You’ll be delighted you did - guaranteed.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

By AvivA Hoffmann

A Splash of Color Aims to Save Lives and Property Color Coded Fire Hydrants Coming to DeKalb

Our fire hydrants may soon start to look a little different in Smoke Rise. We know what’s inside a fire hydrant helps save lives and property, but its outside can be almost as important. That’s why DeKalb County wants to make sure the properties of different fire hydrants are immediately recognizable to fire officials and the general public.

A joint public safety partnership is underway to help improve first responder strategy, which saves time and lives during fire emergencies. It’s being accomplished by color coding each of the county’s fire hydrants, in accordance with national safety standards. The new colors help indicate a reasonably accurate picture of how the hydrant should perform – by helping firefighters determine the water amount and pressure each hydrant will supply. The color coding system also makes it easier for fire crews to spot a hydrant as they travel the streets in response to a call.

Officials are inspecting the hydrants and also flow testing them. That way, they’ll know exactly how much water each hydrant can produce and therefore what color to paint it. DeKalb Fire Rescue personnel are painting and testing the hydrants, in addition to other duties such as responding to emergency calls, conducting public demonstrations, working at school functions, conducting business walk-throughs, and carrying out other required hydrant maintenance.

So far, more than 2,000 hydrants have already been both tested and repainted as part of the program. In all, DeKalb County has about 23,000 hydrants. DeKalb Fire Rescue says it will take about a year to 18 months to complete the overall color coded program.



Look Out for Rabies

September 28 is World Rabies Day, and with recent sightings in the neighborhood of coyotes and opossums, there’s no better time to discuss the facts and myths of this dreadful disease.

Rabies is a virus transmitted via the saliva or tissue of an infected creature. This is usually via a bite, but there have been rare cases where it was spread by infected saliva coming into contact with the mucus membranes (eyes, nose, and mouth) or when infectious tissue came into contact with open wounds during the butchering of meat from a rabid animal. Rabies is a zoonotic disease, meaning that one species can transfer it to another, including animals to humans.

Any mammal can carry rabies, not just meat-eaters as is commonly thought. Deer and rabbits can be infected just like foxes and raccoons, and they can give it to your pet just as easily. Do not let your pets or children near any wild or stray animal. Some species are more common carriers than others, but why take any chances?

While movies such as “Cujo” would have you believe that a rabid animal is a vicious monster, foaming at the mouth and trying to kill everyone in its path, rabies is unfortunately harder to spot in real life. The more well-known symptoms only occur in the advanced stages, but an animal in the early stages, showing no outward signs, is just as capable of transmitting the virus. Signs of the disease can include the animal being clumsy, being overly friendly as well as overly aggressive, and, in the case of nocturnal animals, being outside during the day.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, so always be sure that your pet has up-to-date rabies vaccinations, even if it lives indoors, and keep it on a leash at all times outside so it can’t run after strange animals. Do not let your cat roam around outside. If your pet is attacked, be careful when handling it, since the rabies virus can live up to several hours after leaving the host. Any saliva or blood on your pet from the infected animal could spread the virus to other animals and humans via touching through open wounds or contact with the mucus membranes. Be sure to take your pet to the vet immediately even if they’ve been vaccinated, since there are many other diseases that a wild or stray animal could have given them. Also get yourself (or anyone else who had contact with your pet or the other animal) checked, as well, by a medical professional. Rabies is fatal if not treated in time, so absolutely no chances should be taken. Stay safe out there, everyone!

CSS

COMPLETE SPINE SOLUTIONS

PAIN RELIEF • REHAB • WELLNESS

SPECIAL OFFER

Mention This

“GIFT OF GOOD HEALTH”

and Receive a Comprehensive

CONSULTATION & EXAM AT A 50% DISCOUNT

Call Today to Schedule Your Appointment

(770) 938-4606

Complete Spine Solutions is Located at 2347 Brockett Rd, Tucker, GA 30084

www.CompleteSpineSolutions.com

Stone Mountain Animal Hospital

SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE & SURGERY

DENTISTRY • BOARDING • BATHING

6053 Memorial Dr.

Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Phone: 770/469-6111

Dr. Jeff Brown

Dr. Nicole Aponte

The Custom Frame Shop

est. 1978

Great Selection of Classic and Unique Mouldings,

Friendly Service, Excellent Quality and Craftsmanship

“New Location” • 4195 Fellowship Rd, Tucker

Formerly on Main Street • Convenient parking

770-491-3305

www.tuckerframeshop.com

Tucker Library Classes for September

Monday, September 21, 6:45 P.M. - 7:45 P.M.

The Incredible Downloadable eBook. Do you want to know more about eBooks? Library staff will show you what is available and how to access eBooks with your DeKalb County Public Library card. Registration begins September 1, 2015, and is required. Please call or visit branch to register.

Wednesday, September 23 - 10:15 A.M. - Noon

Facebook Basics. Learn the basics of Facebook: What it is, how it works and how to get started using it. You must have an active Facebook account prior to attending the class. Don’t have a Facebook account yet? Contact the Tucker branch to make an appointment to set one up. Registration is required and it begins September 8, 2015. Open to the first 12 participants. Please call or visit branch to register.

Wednesday, September 30 - 10:15 A.M. - Noon

Email Basics. Don’t know the difference between a reply and a forward? Need to learn more about CCs and BCCs? Want to find out about working with attachments? Come learn some simple strategies that will allow you to get more from your email account. Prerequisites include mouse, keyboard and basic computer skills. A web-based email address is also required. Don’t have an email address yet? Contact the Tucker branch to make an appointment to set one up. Registration is required and it begins September 21, 2015. Open to first 12 participants. Please call or visit branch to register.

Tucker-Reid H. Cofer Library, 5234 LaVista Road, Tucker 30084. 770.270.8234

MOUNTAIN MUMS GARDEN ART SALE
TUCKER FARMERS MARKET
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 • 4-8 P.M.

Selling handcrafted ceramic garden art!
Hypertufa pots and more!!
Great gifts and conversation pieces!

CLIMATE
TECHNICIANS
INCORPORATED

HEATING
VENTILATION
AIR CONDITIONING
GA. REG. #300339

STEPHEN A. RENNER

- PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS TO PRESERVE AND EXTEND EQUIPMENT LIFE AND EFFICIENCY
- EMERGENCY REPAIR SERVICE
- 33 YEARS OF FIELD EXPERIENCE

LICENSED/INSURED

770-934-0510

Window Cleaning



Absolute
Residential
Window Cleaning
678-516-7939

Serving Your Smoke Rise Community

All Work Done Completely by Owner.
Contact: Paul Valenta

AbsoluteWindowCleaning.Net



The Salon
you have
been looking
for... where you
discover your
own Style.

1825 Rockbridge Road
Stone Mountain Festival
Shopping Center
770-879-1071

salon j. christian

Belco Electric

FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED
SINCE 1972

Fast, Dependable 24-hr. Service by
Professional, Uniformed Electricians

770-455-4556

Check out our website: BelcoInc.com
and follow us on   

Mountain Mums

The Mountain Mums Garden Club picked a beautiful day to kick off their garden club year! On August 12, the Mums met at the house of Debra Adams to finish up the garden art projects they started in May. Eighteen members enjoyed socializing on Debra’s beautiful pool deck while they painted ceramic flowers. These garden flower stakes (and their ceramic insect friends) will be sold at the Main Street Tucker Farmers Market on September 3 from 4-8 P.M. The Mountain Mums will also be selling hypertufa pots -some already planted and some unpotted. These cool handcrafted garden-themed art pieces are great gifts for almost any occasion. They are also wonderful points of interest for your own garden. My hypertufa pot sports a moss and rock garden!



The Mountain Mums have a great year coming up! We have programs on Floral Design, Using Native Plants in the Landscape, Making Boxwood Christmas Tree Centerpieces, Hydrangeas, Garden Photography, The Art of Japanese Flower Design, Irises, Gardening for Stormy Weather and Bog Gardening. Additionally, we have three to four garden field trips.

The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 9:45 A.M. Please come join this fun, young club and learn more about gardening. Our second meeting will be September 9 at 9:45 A.M. at the home of Lisa Armistice. Call Ann Purr at 770-921-9070 for more information.

Morning Glories and Community Involvement

Garden clubs are special members in a community. They can create beautiful plantings as witnessed by the Memorial Triangle at Hugh Howell and US 78 created and maintained by the Mountain Mums Garden Club. The Morning Glories plant and maintain the atrium at the Smoke Rise Charter School. Currently the atrium has baring blueberries, butterfly weed, camelias and abelias and many other blooming plants to attract pollinators. During the school year, young students spend time in the atrium and learn about growing plants and enjoy the refreshing atmosphere of the outdoor space.

Garden clubs are also involved in supporting the community in other ways. One unique aspect of that support is garden therapy. Today a Morning Glories committee, headed by Marilyn Hug, offers garden therapy to the residents at Brookdale Senior Living Community in Stone Mountain. Each quarter the committee visits the residents and offers a small hands-on workshop of flower arranging or music or entertainment. It is a day brightener for both the committee and the residents of Brookdale.

The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. has a long term project that benefits patients in the Georgia Regional Hospital System. Dubbed the “Fig Leaf Project”, each fall the garden clubs purchase new socks, underwear and t-shirts of all sizes for both men and women. These donations are distributed to the patients for their use. Morning Glories have participated in this project for many years and we call it the “Drop your Drawers” meeting! So we do have a little fun with the idea that is so useful and appreciated by the patients at Georgia Regional Hospital.

Fall is a great time to think about gardening and joining a garden club. The Morning Glories are a big group of thirty-two active members and thirteen associates. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10 A.M. in either members’ homes or at other locations in the area. We have a program, business meeting and a luncheon. We are also involved in a wide variety of community activities all year long from decorating the historic Wells-Brown house in Stone Mountain to bluebird trails to the Yellow Daisy Flower Show. If you are interested in visiting or joining our club, we would be delighted to welcome you. Please contact Quill Duncan at 770 414-4766 or quillduncan@msn.com for more information.



Once my sign is in the yard...
START PACKING!



Successfully selling Smoke Rise for 40 years 1974-2014



Pam Heisler
continuing the tradition...

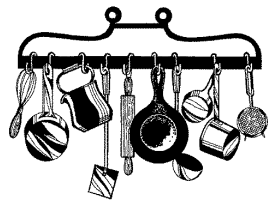
Call me to experience the legendary
sales results that only Harry Norman,
REALTORS® can provide

HEISLER HOMES
Real Estate Sales

Pam Heisler
404.388.0076 | 404.897.5558
pam.heisler@harrynorman.com

HODGE PODGE

By Jenny Hall-Busch



I sometimes think I should have been a chemist, or at least a mad scientist. I'm always wondering where certain foods came from; for instance, who managed to invent a food like mayonnaise? Who decided to add oil to egg yolks so slowly that it emulsified? And who invented meringues? Who would whip egg whites up with sugar and slowly bake them? Were they trying to make glue for a science project and it went wrong, but tasted delicious?

And pickles...who decided to do that? Would you just decide one day to cook a perfectly good vegetable in vinegar? And add sugar because it tasted awful? And then throw in a handful of dill? Didn't people think dill was a weed?

So, while I normally follow directions pretty much – or at least recognize that a particular recipe will hold together, taste good and not kill me - well, sometimes I yearn to experiment. I am convinced that one day I will happen upon some strange mixture that transforms the world of cooking. I long to be the type of person who invents something wonderful like mayonnaise.

Of course, I have failed so far. Miserably. Once I tried to make a chocolate meringue cookie that used butterscotch chips instead, thinking it would be wonderful and delicious and inventive. Well, the cookies turned to liquid goo that merged as one with my cookie sheet and liquefied to such an extent that the drippage managed to ooze onto the oven floor and pretty much melt into a black lava pit. And y'all know I blew up a Peking duck once – but that was mainly because I was impatient.

Well...the other day I was feeling rather peckish and decided to just make some powdered sugar/butter/cocoa fudge to bring my spirits up to chocolate nirvana heights. So I mixed them in a saucepan and added a bit of cream. So far, so good. Then I heated it and realized it was too bland. So I added walnuts. It still tasted so ordinary. So I added more powdered sugar and a bit more cream...oops. Now I had about a quart of chocolate goo. What would happen if I added some cool whip? Would it set up like a chocolate mousse? Well no, it would not. It sat in that bowl looking like sludge or perhaps grey poi. It was rather marshmallow-y and sticky yet grayish with mysterious corklike lumps that were those seriously impaired walnuts from the freezer. I had a ton of this cloying, sweet spackling material now. The taste was rather like a Wendy's frosty combined with a can of artificial chocolate frosting, and then mixed with Elmer's glue. Hum. What to do? What to do? I know! Let's freeze it!! Perhaps it will transform into a wonderful chocolate-y gelato!

No, no, no, no. It did not transform. But interestingly enough, it didn't freeze either. Even after being in the freezer for hours and hours, it still maintained the original texture of silly putty soup. Or chocolate antifreeze. And to make this horror story even more unbelievable, I want you to re-read the part above where I describe the taste. Yes, I still ate some of it. I tasted it in the first, warm state. Then after mixing with cool whip, I tasted again. Then again partially cool, and again when I thought it should be frozen. I just was convinced that a chemical miracle would occur somewhere in this process but, alas, I was wrong again. There WERE chemical reactions of the stomach kind, but not what I was exactly looking for. At every single step – abject failure. But, intrepid scientist that I am, I still forged ahead and ate some of it in spite of my rapidly beating heart, puffy stomach issues and creeping fear that I was causing chromosomal damage somehow. This was just bloat in a bowl.

I relate this so that you won't go to the trouble or expense of trying this particular combination unless you have a burning desire to waste perfectly good food. Or you like eating glue. Basically I have invented chocolate liquid tires. With nuts. Feh.



All classified ads are limited to twenty words, with the *Smoke Signal* reserving the right to edit any copy. Ads are \$15.00 per month, (\$75.00 per 6 months if prepaid). Please submit copy in writing with a check for the months the ad is to run. Deadline is the 10th of each month. ADS NEED TO BE PREPAID. Checks should be made out to *Smoke Signal* and mailed to 1868 East Gate Drive, Smoke Rise, GA 30087-1911. When submitting classified ads, please include your full name, address, and phone number. This information is for our records only! For classified ads, contact Barb Hess at 404-229-0742 or barbhess48@gmail.com.

For information on display (box) advertisements or flyer inserts, see contact information on page 2.

Classified Ads

CERTIFIED RADON TESTING
The surgeon general & E.P.A. urge all homes be tested. Schedule your 48 hour test today! 678-869-5515

Mr. Fix-it Ron
Painting, Carpentry, Minor Drywall, Pressure Washing, Deck Staining, Any small jobs Free estimates.
Call anytime 404-844-1439

SMOKE RISE LANDSCAPES
Licensed/Insured. Design. Installation. Year-Round Maintenance. Weed Control/Fertilization. Drainage. Hardscaping. Irrigation Systems. Pinestraw. 404-556-2634

HANDYMAN INC. has over 225 clients in the SR community. Providing all your "homework" needs. Logan Carlisle, owner and Handyman@ 770-235-3684.

CCS TREES – Rope climb pruning, spike climb removals, debris hauling. Insured. SR references provided. 770-979-6116 office. TJ's cell 770-617-7565.

Experienced, Affordable, Licensed. Metro Fireman: **Quality Pressure Washing and Gutter Cleaning.** A job done right by someone you can trust. Call Phillip Carlisle 404-328-6595.

COMPUTER AND NETWORK SALES AND SERVICES – Trusted company working with local community since 1995. References available. Call 770-979-1800 or visit www.thepclink.com.

PIANO TUNING AND REPAIRS – Over 40 years of professional experience, contact Smoke Rise resident Steve Duncan at 770-414-4766 or 1swd@att.net

DOG BOARDING: Loving dog care. Small, selective, safe, fun. Your dog will be glad you went on vacation! Call 770-674-0680 or visit www.theshepherdsglen.com.

LOCKSMITH SERVICES — Deadbolts installed, re-key, repair, reinforced strike plates & motion lights installed, door threshold & weatherstrip replacement. SR res/SR ref, Rick 770-617-0466.

BERRETTA PAINTING – #1 in Smoke Rise customer satisfaction. Int/ext. painting, pressure washing, and repairs. Licensed/insured. Warranty. 770-923-0537.

COMPUTER PROBLEMS????
On-Site Computer Repair
Make Windows 8 like Windows 7!
10% Discount
when you mention this AD!
404-642-3626

UPHOLSTERY AND TRIM
Recover replace and repair upholstery for auto, truck, motorcycle, boat, home, commercial and more. Call 770-465-0996 or visit www.freestyleupholstery.com.

WINDOW CLEANING —
Year-round detailed window cleaning by owner. Fully licensed, owner operated company. Call Paul at 678-516-7939 or visit AbsoluteWindowCleaning.net.

For Sale -- 2013 Spitfire EX 1420 4-wheel compact scooter \$600.00 Paid \$1050.00. Call (239) 218-7510
Sharon's Housekeeping, cleaning for over 20 yrs. Detail cleaning at it's best. Reasonable rates. Referrals by request. Sharon Peeples 770-841-2149

Need a professional pet sitter? Call **Critter Sittin' Sisters** at 404-409-3765. We make your pets smile!

WAGNON LANDSCAPE GROUP
Residential, commercial, design and installation. Year-round maintenance, light tree work and cleanups. Licensed/insured SR resident with SR references. 770-381-3697.

GREENER PASTURES LAWN MAINTENANCE
General lawn care, fertilization, pinestraw coverage, etc. Established 1985, licensed and insured. Call 404-697-7426.

N.K. CONSTRUCTION
Stucco, brick, tile, driveways, room additions, decks, walls/fences, painting. 30 yrs. exp. Nick 678-791-9546 (cell) 770-934-4148 (home)

RESIDENTIAL PAINTING SERVICES
26 years experience, insured, interior, exterior, pressure washing, excellent references. Contact Oliver Cunningham at 770-598-7567, c_oliver@bellsouth.net

HOUSEKEEPING SERVICES AVAILABLE If you want your house cleaned to perfection, I am the one to call! Experience. References. Halida: 404-610-9056

DAVE'S LANDSCAPING
Lawn maintenance, landscaping & weed control service. Licensed & Insured. For an estimate email daveslandscaping@comcast.net 770-621-0393

PETS, PAPERS & POSIES: I'll care for them while you're away. Smoke Rise resident 30+ years. Karen Bouchard, 404-472-7348 petspapersandposies@gmail.com.

I'M YOUR HANDYMAN
Since 1981
Plumbing, Electrical, Carpentry, Ceiling Fans, deck repairs, light tree work, dependable
John & Alicia 404-830-2300

AAA TREE EXPERTS.org – ISA Certified Arborist, Tree Removal, Pruning, Storm Damage. Workers Comp. & Liability Ins. 15 yrs. experience. Erik Miller 678-488-6942 cell

Piano lessons with Ms. Jenny - beginners/advanced. Classical technique/reading. 35 years in Smoke Rise. References available. vhallmusic@bellsouth.net.

FOR SALE: Ethan Allen coffee table: \$200; Antique love seat: \$150; Antique table: \$300; Vintage Teak DR table, chairs & buffet. 770-939-0630

FOR SALE: Ludwig junior drum set: \$175; Antique rose back chairs: \$125; Corner chair: \$200. Call 770-939-0630

AFFORDABLE LAWN CARE
Mowing, edging, pruning, trimming, etc. Reasonable, dependable, insured. Call Mark at 770-235-1231.

The purpose of the Smoke Signal classifieds is to advertise goods and services to the community.

Stone Mountain Rotary Club

by L.A. Dison

Rotary Club Equips Area Students for School

In July, the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain volunteered time and school supplies to help prepare students in Stone Mountain for back to school. Elementary students lined up at the Baptist Church Pavilion to receive backpacks from Stone Mountain Rotary and other corporate sponsors. The backpacks were filled with pencils, pens, notebooks, glue sticks and other items vital to a good first day at school.

The club welcomed an international visitor in August - Hsui-Ying Chen, a member of the Rotary Club of Taiwan. Chen and Stone Mountain president Donna Jensen exchanged Rotary flags from their respective clubs in a common gesture of hospitality.

The Stone Mountain club meets every Tuesday for noon lunch at Smoke Rise Country Club; visitors and

those interested in learning more about Rotary are welcome to attend. To learn more about the club and its upcoming programs, go to www.stonemountainrotary.org.



Stone Mountain Rotary members gather at the Pavilion at Stone Mountain to distribute school supplies to elementary students. Pictured (left to right) Hikie Allen, Don Sampler, Roland Hall, Durl Jensen, Donna Jensen and Jerry Crane.