

CHATTAHOOCHEE HILLS WEEKLY READER

January 8, 2010

Promoting active and informed citizenship in Chattahoochee Hills



Blue Eyed Daisy Bakeshop under New Management with New Hours, Menu Items & Specials

By Tucker Berta

Chattahoochee Hills residents Raina Newell and Kara Nygren have taken over management duties at the Blue Eyed Daisy Bakeshop in Serenbe, and brought with them a renewed sense of friendly energy, as well as some new menu items, specials, and hours.

The “Daisy” is open Monday and Tuesday from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., and Wednesday—Sunday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. A full country breakfast menu is now offered every day, with traditional items like eggs, grits and bacon, plus breakfast sandwiches and biscuits, and pastries.

The bakeshop is also continuing with 50 cent coffee—offered to all customers who dine in or bring their own “to go” mug. For those who prefer a coffeehouse specialty like a flavored latte, the Daisy has a full list of flavorful hot beverages. Sodas and sweet tea are also available, plus healthy juices from Atlanta juicing company, Arden’s Garden.

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Changes at the Blue Eyed Daisy

Chatt Hills Residents’ “Buy One Get One Free” Next Week

Next Monday through Friday (January 11 – 15), the Daisy invites all Chattahoochee Hills residents to buy one breakfast sandwich and receive one free. Simply bring in your driver’s license showing you are a resident of Chattahoochee Hills to redeem (limit one per customer).

Many popular sandwiches and salads remain on the Daisy menu, including the chicken salad, “Rico Wrap” sandwich, and Daisy burger. There are lunch specials daily, including cold-weather comfort foods like tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches. The pastry case is fully stocked with delicious cookies, brownies, and cupcakes (complete with cute toppers the kids love). Specialty cakes and pies are available by the slice or as a whole. Large candy jars filed with old-fashioned classic candy favorites like including Fireballs, real rock candy, and Mary Janes are a sure to be a hit with the kids (or the kid in everyone!)

Tuesday is still popular “Taqueria Night,” featuring a menu of affordable Mexican dishes, chips and salsa, and Mexican beer. Taqueria Nights provide a festive atmosphere for families living in Serenbe and in the broader Chatt Hills community.

The new Daisy management has ideas brewing for a new themed Monday night dinner, and for incorporating some of Chattahoochee Hills residents’ best-loved recipes into specials. Soon, the bakeshop hopes to offer live music on certain evenings. Additional announcements will be coming soon!

Blue Eyed Daisy Bakeshop is located on Selborne Lane in the heart of the Serenbe community. It is a casual, order-at-the-counter atmosphere; patrons may pick up orders to go, dine inside the bakeshop, or at the sidewalk tables when the weather is nice. The Daisy also has free wireless internet access for those wishing to work on their laptops. For more information, please stop by or call 770.463.8379.



Above: New Menu. Right: Raina Newell updates today’s specials. Upper far right: Classic Candies evoke childhood memories. Bottom far right: The bakery case is full of fresh goodies

Article photos by Chattahoochee Hills resident Loran Hygema, who with his wife Melanie is owner of Together Portraits (404-798-9007)

CIVIC UPDATES

City Updates

Provided by Dana Wicher, City Clerk

Business Licenses

Business License Renewals are due before March 31, 2010. Business Occupational License Renewals are due before March 31, 2010. Unrenewed licenses are delinquent on April 1, 2010. Businesses with a current Business Occupational License will receive their renewal application in the mail. For any questions, please call Dana Wicher in the City Clerk's Office at 770-463-8881.

City Newsletter

Stay informed and learn more about official news from City Hall and the community by signing up to receive the City Newsletter. The first edition should be "hot off the press" soon.

Please visit <http://ga-chattahoocheehills.civiccities.com/list.aspx?ListID=193> to sign up.

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January 6, 2010 City Council Work Session and Council Meeting Summary

Provided by Dana Wicher and Tom Reed

Agenda Items:

- **Agenda Item No. 10-310** – An ordinance revising revenue and expenditures in the general fund in the amount of \$39,626. This budget adjustment is to fund an Information Technology position for the remainder for the 2010 fiscal year. There was some discussion over the relative costs of internal staffing versus outsourcing, with the general consensus of the Council supporting the notion that internal staffing was probably less expensive in the long run, and more responsive in any case, than an outside contractor.
- **Agenda Item No. 10-311** – A resolution reducing the technology fee for each citation from \$20 per citation to \$17 per citation. This technology fee is paid to the company that provides our court management system and ensures that the users of the court system are bearing the cost of the system. An audit by the vendor showed that our costs were lower than expected. That savings is being passed along in the associated user fee on each citation.
- **Agenda Item No. 10-312** – An ordinance approving the updated comprehensive bond schedule. The Municipal Court is required from time to time to make revisions to the schedule of bonds and fines due to changes in legislation on existing charges and fees, and newly created violations and surcharges. The new schedule also implements a graduating scale of fines differentiating the fine for first offenders vs. repeat offenders. In discussion with the Council, Municipal Court Clerk Karen Fricke noted that our bond schedule, which she developed in coordination with City Municipal Court Judge Jim Barfield, is similar in most respects to those in the surrounding jurisdictions.
- **Agenda Item No. 10-313** – A resolution requesting the State Senator and/or State Representative representing the citizens of Chattahoochee Hills to amend the Charter to increase the Senior Additional

Homestead Exemption from \$10,000 to \$20,000. This increase affects those senior citizens who meet both the age and income requirement for the additional exemption.

- **Agenda Item No. 10-314** – A resolution requesting the State Senator and/or State Representative representing the citizens of Chattahoochee Hills to amend the Charter in order to stagger the terms of the elected officials. The terms for the positions of the Mayor and Council Members for Post 2 and Post 4 would be reduced to two years for one time beginning with the term that starts in January 2012. The four-year term for these positions would be reinstated beginning with the term that starts in January 2014.
- **Agenda Item No. 10-315** – A resolution authorizing the issuance of a tax anticipation note in the amount of \$930,000 and authorizing staff to proceed with the issuance and closing of the note. A tax anticipation note ("TAN") is a short-term borrowing tool allowing the city to borrow against anticipated tax revenue and is a financial tool the city uses each year to fund operations in the months preceding the actual collection of property taxes. The City used a TAN to fund operations this year, and will likely need to for the foreseeable future. City manager Carol Wolfe pointed out that the very low interest rates charged for TAN's make them a very practical way to smooth the city's cash flow.
- **Agenda Item No. 10-317** – A resolution approving the submission to the Department of Homeland Security's "Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response" (SAFER) grant program. The primary goal and the intent of the program is to assist local fire departments' staffing and deployment capabilities in order to respond to emergencies, assuring that departments have adequate protection from fire and fire related hazards. The city is requesting funding for four additional entry level firefighters. The salary and benefits of the positions would be 100% funded by the federal grant for the first two years and 100% by the city the final three years of the five-year grant period.

Staff Reports:

- City manager Carol Wolfe announced that the City Council Planning Retreat dates have been set for February 11-12, 2010. The location has yet to be determined.
- City planner Jahnee Prince gave a Comprehensive Plan update. Approximately 40 task force members have been assigned to at least one of five committees, which include Public Participation, Land Use and Transportation, Economic Development, Housing, and Natural/Cultural/Community Resources. The Public Participation committee will begin meeting in January to develop a Public Participation Plan for the Update process. The other committees will most likely start meeting in March.
- Chief Damon Jones gave Fire and Police Department updates. The Fire Department responded to 50 calls last quarter, had 47 training hours, which included joint training with the Peachtree City Fire Department, and had 34 community involvement hours. The police department issued 147 warnings, 297 citations, made 17 arrests, worked 10 accidents, and participated in 3 days of training.

Public Safety Alert System – Sign up for Nixle

Sign up to receive alerts about crime and safety information, road closures, and other community information in Chattahoochee Hills. To receive notifications via email and/or cell phone, sign up for Nixle at <http://local.nixle.com/register/> and enter “Chattahoochee Hill Country” for the city.

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ATV Education & Enforcement Effort

From the Chattahoochee Hills Public Safety Department

Chattahoochee Hills Police are reminding ATV and dirt bike operators of the need to drive their equipment legally and safely, and to protect their dirt bikes and ATVs from thieves.

ATVs are very popular. As the weather gets warmer, police anticipate that more and more operators will be using their ATVs and more and more thieves will look for opportunities to steal them. ATV and dirt bike operators are reminded to keep their vehicles secure, since thieves try to take them from sheds, garages, and even the back of pick-up trucks.

Operators are also reminded about the laws governing the use of ATVs and dirt bikes. These rules have been put in place for the safety of ATV operators, their friends, family and neighbors.

- ATVs and dirt bikes cannot be operated on roadways or public property.
- They cannot be operated on private property without the express written permission of the property owner. The written consent must be with the operator at all times. Those who operate ATVs or dirt bikes on private property without permission could face trespassing charges.

Residents anywhere in Chattahoochee Hills interested in the legal, safe and secure operation of ATVs can check with any officer of the City of Chattahoochee Hills Police Department at 770.463.5550

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Tips to Avoid Identity Theft

From Tom Reed

Here are a few tips that can help protect your personal information from criminals.

1. Practice mail security. Use a public mailbox rather than your home mailbox to send bill payments and other mail containing sensitive information. Pick up your mail promptly and ask the post office to hold it while you're away.
2. Guard your Social Security number. Don't carry your Social Security card, military ID, Medicare or other cards that have your Social Security number on them unless you are going somewhere where you will need them. Only provide your Social Security number when there is a legitimate need to do so.
3. Lock and shred. Keep your billing and banking statements and other personal records locked up and shred them when no longer needed.
4. Stop prescreened credit and insurance mailings. Call toll-free 1-888-567-8688 to get off mailing lists for credit and insurance offers. Your Social Security number will be required. This keeps thieves from intercepting and accepting the offers in your name and doesn't affect your eligibility for credit or insurance.

Heating Bill Assistance Available

From Tom Reed

The Fulton County Community Action Authority is offering assistance for heating bills. They will pay up to \$350.00 (depending on need) on either your electric or gas bill, depending on how you heat your home.

Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority, Inc., 2009 – 2010 LOW INCOME HOME HEATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED FOR FULTON COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY. Program began Tuesday, December 1st and lasts until funds are exhausted -- funds are still available as of today, but are not expected to last much longer.

MAXIMUM HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

1 Person Household \$21,458
2 Person Household \$28,061
3 Person Household \$34,663
4 Person Household \$41,266
5 Person Household \$47,868
6 Person Household \$54,471
7 Person Household \$55,709
8 Person Household \$56,947 *** for each additional person, add \$1,238 to annual income

REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE

Proof of Income - all household members-the last 30 days.
Social Security cards for all household members.
Most recent home heating bill.
Picture Identification
Must be a resident of Atlanta-Fulton County
US Citizenship or legally admitted alien.

SOUTH FULTON DEPT, FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES - 5710 Stonewall Tell, College Park, GA 30349
9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., Monday and Thursday only, beginning Dec. 3rd

SOUTHWEST FULTON DEPT, FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES - 515 Fairburn Road, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331
9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., Tuesday only

Please read instructions carefully! Pre-Recorded Information is provided by calling: (404) 320-0166. Applications take 30-45 Days for processing. Please pay your bill in the meantime - FACAA cannot fax or call utility companies except for crisis situations. You will be given information needed to make arrangements on your behalf or to call your provider.

Do not line up outside any office! This is a free service. It is illegal to charge for this service. Report any illegal activities immediately. FACAA is an Equal Opportunity service provider and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, or veteran status in its programs or activities. This program is made possible by federal funds through the Department of Human Services.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

From John & Becky Martin

New Hope United Methodist Church will again sponsor Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University beginning in January. There will be a free preview on January 10, with the first class beginning January 17. The course consists of 13 weekly sessions. All classes will begin at 4 p.m., and will be held in the fellowship hall at New Hope UMC, at 7875 Atlanta-Newnan Road. The course cost is \$100 per family, which provides all the materials you will need for the 13 sessions.

You can register for this life changing course at www.daveramsey.com. Click on Financial Peace University at the bottom of the home page. On the next page put in your zip code and you will be directed to the registration page. If you have questions, you can call Becky Martin @ 770. 347.7209.

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Friends of the Library Meeting

From Tamara Toth

The Friends on the Library will host its first meeting of the year on Monday, January 25 from 6–7 p.m. in the library. Please attend as we discuss progress on the Library update program and future needs and plans.

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Chattahoochee Hills Charter School Update

From: Monica Olsen

The Chattahoochee Hills Charter School Curriculum committee has been organizing over the past few weeks. They have been reviewing the charter school petition requirements and guidelines and have met with Laura Stowell, the Fulton County Charter School Liaison, to address outstanding questions and concerns. The committee has had one formal meeting where they discussed and clarified the initial community goals for the school's curriculum, the State requirements for the curriculum, and generated ideas about the best ways to bridge the two.

Community meetings in Chatt Hills and Palmetto are being scheduled for January and February, with dates to be announced soon. These meetings will address further progress, provide information on the chartering process, and continue to gain community input on all aspects of the development of Chattahoochee Hills Charter School. If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering, please email Russ Kiefer at russ.kiefer@chatthillscharter.org

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Beekeeper Needed

From Gene Griffith & Elizabeth Dean

Wilkerson Mill Gardens is looking for a responsible, local beekeeper wishing to set up and manage hives on our 30 acre nursery. Interested persons should contact either Gene Griffith or Elizabeth Dean at 770.463.2400 or via email at info@hydrangea.com.

Neighbor Seeks Home

From Tom Reed

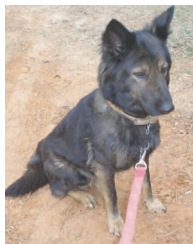
One of our neighbors is very earnestly trying to find another place to live in the Chattahoochee Hills area that meets some specific, medically necessitated requirements. She asks, "Are you aware of anyone that has a house for rent that is clean and well maintained, free of mold, hardwood floors, with the house sitting up not downhill (grade doesn't slope toward the house), with mechanicals that are NOT located in a crawl space, and which doesn't have trees casting shadows on the roof? As you can see my doctor has given me a laundry list of requirements and it requires a very well built house for me to live in. I am initially looking for 3 months to perch and see if I am getting better and then I have to make the big decision if I can stay or need to move elsewhere."

In order to maintain confidentiality, please respond with your leads to info@chatthills.org, and we will connect any potential renters with our friend in need. Thanks!

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Found – Missing Pet Dog

From Maria Hanson



Found – a lost dog on S Fulton Pkwy near Rivertown Rd. in Chattahoochee Hills. Shepherd-mix long hair, well-trained, has gold collar w/rhinestones and choke-chain! Please contact me to retrieve her!

She needs to be indoors tonight and we have many dogs/cats/etc at the house that she'll have to stay at the barn. I do NOT want that to happen again... Please help us find her owner! Call: 770-463-8544 or 404-213-0948

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Golden Retriever Puppies

From Ronald Crowe

I have some Golden Retriever mix pups I'd like to find a good home for. They are 10+ weeks old now, and their mama is getting tired of feeding them. So is their current caregiver. The price is negotiable, as long as I don't have to pay too much. Otherwise they are free. Please call 404.660.5990 for details or to arrange to pick up your wonderful new pet! Thank You, Ronnie Crowe

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Horses and Donkeys Need a Home

Forwarded by Tom Reed

Some of our neighbors are exploring the idea of finding a good home for their horses and donkeys due to some changed circumstances. If you are interested in details, please let us know at info@chatthills.org and we'll pass your information along.

Paisley Salon

From Amber Avanosian

Happy New Year, Chattahoochee Hills! Paisley Salon in Serenbe has a welcome gift for all new clients: Free haircut with any color service! Call 678-545-0674 to book an appointment or email amber@paisleysalon.com. Visit Paisley Salon on Facebook and become a fan. You can also view some of our work by clicking on this link <http://www.facebook.com/album.php?aid=130662&id=199980063186&l=0fac9b231a>.

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WINTER LIGHT: A WORKSHOP at Newington Gallery

Contributed by Greg Newington

Newington Gallery is offering the first of their 2010 one-day photographic workshops for beginners.

Cost: \$125.00 per person. (Max number of participants per workshop 10.)

Time: From 8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan 30th, 2010.

WINTER LIGHT

The beauty of available light is that it is just that, available! Everywhere. Any time of day, any situation can be a great opportunity to make a great photograph. This workshop is designed to develop your ability to see and understand the quality of light and apply it to any situation. We won't be looking for locations; we'll be searching for the light!! The emphasis is on maximizing all options available to you. Whether you're shooting with a high end DSLR or a basic point and shoot, you can achieve great results by understanding the complexities of fully utilizing light, range, composition, texture and color to interpret your vision.

This is a one day workshop for enthusiasts and beginners with the option of returning for 2 hours (additional \$50.00) the following day for those with basic Photoshop skills. The workshop focuses on the use of natural light when composing color and black and white photographs. An emphasis will be placed on practical work in the field using existing structures and locations in and around the Serenbe community and our fellow students as subjects for portraiture, landscapes and architectural assignments.

OUTCOMES for workshop photographers:

- An understanding of the pivotal role of natural and manufactured light in photography.
- An understanding of the technical boundaries, elements and requirements when using natural light.
- How to interpret shadow, light and texture and how to enhance the result in the electronic darkroom.
- Knowledge and stimulus through debate and discussion, critique and encouragement.

WHAT YOU NEED? A digital or film camera and a laptop. **WHAT ELSE WOULD BE BENEFICIAL?** A camera with optional manual function, a tripod, filters, and an extra battery.

Go to www.newingtonphotography.com or visit <http://www.newingtonphotography.com/> to register via email.

Saturday Morning Yoga Series running Jan. 16th – Feb. 20th, 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Contributed by Dr. Melissa Grill-Petersen

Saturday Yoga: 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Restore, Rebalance & Rejuvenate with this 6 week Flow Yoga series taught by Dr. Melissa from Blue MedSpa. Classes will be held at the Serenbe Institute Room (below Harris & Clark Mindful Grocery), beginning Saturday January 16th – February 20th. **Cost:** \$10 Residents, \$13 Drop in Rate or 6 week class series for only \$65. Please bring your own mat.

This class offers something for everyone designed to stretch, strengthen and stabilize the body through a combination of yoga asanas, pranayama breathwork and movement. Dr. Melissa brings her passion for all things healthy living into her work setting the stage for a fun filled class intended to help you get more of what you want out of your body, your health and your life. Space is limited; please RSVP to Dr. Melissa at drmelissa@bluemedspa.com to guarantee your spot.

Melissa Grill-Petersen, DC, Wellness Director, Blue MedSpa, 404.815.8880 or 404.509.5900.
www.bluemedspa.com

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Fine Arts Workshops

From Tom Swanston, Studio Swan

Fine Arts Workshops at Serenbe Begin in January

Michael David & Tom Swanston invite you to explore, learn and collaborate with some of the world's most creative souls in one of its most beautiful settings, here at Serenbe. These workshops will provide exceptional educational opportunities for emerging and established artists. Our first session will be:

Intermediate Drawing, Thursdays 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., in 8 sessions beginning January 14th, 2010

Cost: \$350 (including model fee, materials not included), Maximum enrollment: 10

Register Online or contact Tom Swanston at 770.463.9440 or tom@fineartsworkshop.com

Taught by Michael David and Thomas Swanston, this hands-on studio experience is designed for those with some experience drawing who wish to deepen their creative expression and have fun doing it. Drawing from the model will be only one of the tools we will use to develop a greater understanding of each of our creative processes. We will extend our drawing practice to by using innovative techniques and experimenting with non-traditional drawing materials and scale shifts. We will emphasize the use of collage and mixed media to expand our effort to render and at the same time to a deepen involvement and self expression.

- We will continue multiple sighting and measuring techniques
- Apply overlapping, foreshortening and diminished scale
- Apply one and two point linear perspective observation drawing
- Organize the compositional relationship of objects to each other in the picture plane
- Use collage and non-traditional materials in direct observation and abstraction

Please click here (or copy and paste in your browser) for all dates and details of this and future sessions:

http://campaign.constantcontact.com/render?v=001GqPuXdeqXXCiRF_gBv7JjcShdt060xNP36g45uzakD4NGX9rDybjSwJEA4KtPTWfmX0MBNyQBnOuwFCpL5KycGFhbwjLYVcE_yYauyOHisDXM7Hmw9Af3hOIYExxYwm8

Upcoming Events at Cochran Mill Nature Center

From Melissa Laughner

Cochran Mill Nature Center Home School Day

Topic: Reptiles

Cost: \$5 per participant over 2 yrs, No minimum.

For: Home schooled children in grades pre-k through 8th.

When: January 28th, 2010, 10:30 am – 11:30 am

January's topic will be Reptiles. Students will have the opportunity to meet native and exotic reptiles up close and learn about their traits and habitats. The program will start precisely at 10:30 a.m., so please plan to arrive early to pay admission and find a seat. Once the doors are closed you will not be allowed admission into the program.

Cochran Mill Nature Center Saturday Spotlight

Topic: Batty about Bats

Cost: \$3.00 for members and \$5.00 for non-members

When: February 6th, 2010, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

A lecture and Power Point presentation with Vicky Smith of A-Z Animals. The program will introduce students to these unique and wonderful flying mammals. The different types of bats are compared looking at their physical differences. You will have the rare opportunity to see these bats live and up close. Hands on activities used to illustrate certain points covered in the slideshow will be brought for viewing. Vicky is a former Birmingham Zoo staff educator and Auburn University alumnus. She has presented several teacher workshops. Vicky produces educational activities for the American Zoo Association's Bat Taxonomy Advisory Group. Complimentary, light refreshments will be available throughout the morning. For more information and registration, give us a call at 770-306-0914.

Cochran Mill Nature Center Home School Day

Topic: Bats – Cost: \$5 per participant over 2 yrs

For: Home schooled children in grades pre-k through 8th.

Time: February 22nd, 2010, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

February's topic will be Bats. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the traits and habitats of bats from around the world including the 16 species found right here in Georgia. They will be able to visit with our resident fruit bats as well. The program will start precisely at 10:30 a.m., so please plan to arrive early to pay admissions and find a seat. Once the doors are closed you will not be allowed admission into the program.

Cochran Mill Nature Center Saturday Spotlight

Topic: Rain Barrel Workshop

Time: March 12, 2010 – 10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$38 for CMNC members, \$40 for non-members (cost includes rain barrel plus all supplies)

Pre-registration required! For more information and registration, give us a call at 770-306-0914.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For more community events, check out these other Chattahoochee Hills Websites:

- Civic Association Calendar: <http://www.chatthills.org/Calendar.htm>
- CHC Community: <http://www.chccommunity.com/whatsnew.html>
- Serenbe Community: <http://www.serenbecommunity.com/calendar.html>
- Cochran Mill Nature Center: www.cochranmillnaturecenter.org

| UPCOMING EVENTS | |
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| Sunday, January 10th 4 p.m. | Free preview of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University - At New Hope United Methodist Church, 7875 Atlanta-Newnan Road. |
| Tuesday, Jan 12th 6:00 p.m. | Planning & Zoning The Planning & Zoning board will meet at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, Jan. 14th 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. | Fine Arts Workshops – Intermediate Drawing, First Session at Serenbe Cost: \$350 (including model fee, materials not included). For details or to register, contact Tom Swanston at 770.463.9440 or tom@fineartsworkshop.com . |
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Do you have an event you want to add to our calendar? We're happy to list local events, articles and other submissions of general public interest to Chattahoochee Hills' residents. Please submit your information in advance so people have an opportunity to see it! We will post it as soon as possible after we receive your request. Please remember – any contributions to the Weekly Reader must be sent to info@chatthills.org NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY for inclusion in the current week's edition (although earlier is certainly OK!)