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City Manager Carol Wolfe Resigns



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August 22, 2011

Dear Mayor Hayes and Chattahoochee Hills City Council,

I have taken great pleasure in the professional opportunities provided to me by the City of Chattahoochee Hills. I chose to work for Chatt Hills in large part for the tremendous and perhaps once-in-a-lifetime prospect of being part of such a unique vision...a small city setting out to do big things that could change the face of land use and development across the country. I certainly have not been disappointed in the growth and knowledge I have gained during my time with Chattahoochee Hills, but the time has come for me to seek career opportunities that afford work closer to home and to my family. The time has also come, given the current financial challenges of the city, for the elected officials to have flexibility to assess the necessary organizational structure of a small city providing services in in these economic conditions.

As I depart a team with whom I feel a great connection, I would like to say that the City of Chattahoochee Hills should be very proud of the caliber of staff working everyday to provide service to its citizens. Representing Chattahoochee Hills' Mayor and City Council are a group of smart, energetic, creative, loyal and skilled employees, all of whom I will greatly miss. I consider the time spent here as one of the most pivotal times in my career, meeting wonderful people, celebrating success and conquering the many, many challenges that our small city has faced in the past 3 1/2 years. For that, I will be forever grateful.

I also consider myself blessed to have worked for a group of elected officials that stood together, along with city staff and their community to face head-on the challenges of starting a new city in an economic climate that gave no break to the task at hand, that of launching a new city. You all are so unique in the world of politics; I will never turn down the opportunity to sing the praise of this council, who respect each other and work out the kinks via compromise like no other political group I've been a part of. For the pleasure of working for you and for the friendships I've formed, I will also be forever grateful.

I consider myself part of the Chattahoochee Hills' family and will always be available to provide historical information, answer questions and provide assistance where I can as Chatt Hills continues to grow as a city. Once again, thank you for the privilege and opportunity to work for Chattahoochee Hills. Please consider this my letter of resignation and my last day of work to be September 16, 2011.

Sincerely,

Carol R. Wolfe

Mayor and City Council accept resignation of City Manager

It is with regret the Mayor and City Council accept the resignation of our City Manager. Carol Wolfe has been with us since the beginning. She came to us through CH²M Hill and then became our city manager and has led us through some difficult financial challenges during her tenure. Her skills on a day-to-day basis have allowed our city to progress to the level it is today. She has assembled a very competent staff that will allow us to go on until we are able to replace her.

We wish her the best and are confident that she will do well in her future endeavors. **Mayor Don Hayes and the Chattahoochee Hills City Council**



"Carol has been with the city since the beginning and was able to make a smooth transition when our former city manager left. No one else could have accomplished this.

She led us during some very difficult times. She will be missed. I wish her the best in her future endeavors." **Mayor Don Hayes**



City Councilman Carl Hattaway Decides Not to Run for Reelection in District 2

A letter from Carl Hattaway, August 23, 2011

To: Mayor, Council Members, Staff and Citizens of Chattahoochee Hills

I am writing this letter to advise each of you that I will not be seeking reelection for the council seat in District 2 this next term.

Due to some health issues, I no longer feel that I am adequately representing and serving my constituents. It has been my pleasure to hold the council seat for District 2 and the City of Chattahoochee Hills the past four years and for that opportunity I thank you.

I hope you will take this opportunity to think of someone who would make a good candidate for this council position, and offer your support for his/her efforts. We need energetic representatives who will make decisions that protect the “todays” as well as the “tomorrows” of our city as a whole.

When the economy makes an upward turn, I foresee a bright and exciting future for our city. We need representatives who will work diligently to see that we do not miss out on these opportunities.

Sincerely, Carl Hattaway

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Commissioner William “Bill” Edwards to Hold Community Listening Session

From Delores Baskin

South Fulton Residents Invited to Provide Input

Fulton County Commissioner William “Bill” Edwards, District 7, will host his third Quarterly “Community Listening Session” for 2011 on Thursday, August 25, 2011 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to voice their comments about Fulton County services in South Fulton.

All citizens, including youth, are urged to participate in the session, which will be held in the South Fulton Government Service Center Auditorium, located at 5600 Stonewall Tell Road in College Park, Georgia. Staff from Fulton County agencies will be on hand to answer questions and follow up on inquiries.

The final listening session of the year is scheduled for November 17, 2011 at the South Fulton Government Service Center. For more information about the listening sessions, please contact Commissioner Edwards’ office at 404.612.8230 or 404.612.3079.

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Code Red Emergency Notification System

Fulton County is encouraging citizens to register for CodeRED. CodeRED is a telephone communication service that allows us to quickly notify citizens about emergency situations. All citizens and business are encouraged to register.

Fulton County will use the CodeRED system to notify citizens about emergencies such as Severe Weather; severe weather warning notifications will be issued within seconds after being issued by the National Weather

Service. Weather notifications are issued for the immediate threats of severe thunderstorm warnings, flash flood warnings and tornado warnings.

Other emergencies include:

- Drinking water contamination
- Utility outage
- Evacuation notice and route
- Missing person
- Fires or floods
- Bomb threat
- Hostage situation
- Chemical spill or gas leak
- Other emergency incidents where rapid and accurate notification is essential

It's easy for you and your family members to register simply go www.fultoncountyga.gov, and click on the CodeRed – Register Today icon.

If you don't have access to a computer

Phone Registration: For residents without internet access, please call the Fulton County Department of Emergency Communications non-emergency phone line at 404-730-7900 during normal business hours and an Emergency Communications staff will assist in the registration process.

CodeRed FAQ

What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?

CodeRED is a new emergency notification service by which Fulton County officials can notify Fulton County residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about emergency situations or critical community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire community.

Does this mean Fulton County will be calling me constantly?

No. Fulton County respects your privacy. CodeRED will be used when emergency situations arise that you should know about. The system will be used to send messages only to those residents and businesses directly affected by a particular event. For example, if you happen to live in an area for which a "boil water" advisory has been issued due to a water main break, CodeRED will call only you and your neighbors to deliver that very important health advisory. If there is a county wide emergency, all Fulton residents will be contacted by the method of their choice and kept up-to-date on developments.

For what kinds of situations will CodeRED be used?

Severe weather situations, substantial utility outage, evacuation notices, missing or lost persons, fires or floods, major roadway issues, significant criminal situations, chemical spill or gas leak. In short, emergencies and community alerts.

New Campaign Finance Commission Website

From Stacey Kalberman, Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission

The Campaign Finance Commission is introducing a new website which is being launched today at www.ethics.ga.gov. The Commission staff has restructured the website to more clearly outline the law and the responsibilities for candidates, public officers and lobbyists under the Campaign Finance Act. The search functions of the website remain the same as well as the filing schedule functions and others that users have to come to rely on.

We welcome your comments on the new website and hope you have a moment to view the site and become familiar with it. Please let us know what you think by emailing chardin@ethics.ga.gov.

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Could Redistricting Lead To Milton County?

From Charles Edwards, WABE News

Democrats claim Fulton County could get an extreme makeover under proposed changes to state legislative districts. For years, resurrecting Milton County by splitting Fulton County into two has only been an idea. It's never had enough votes to pass the legislature. Atlanta Senator Vincent Fort says that could change if the legislature passes the proposed redistricting maps.

"If this plan is implemented, it will create a super majority," said Fort. That's when one political party controls two-thirds of either the House or Senate. A party with a super majority would theoretically have enough votes to pass constitutional amendments. Under the proposed Senate maps, Fort says Fulton County would have 3 more the Republicans than Democrats. "If this predominately Republican delegation is put in place, what you will have, in effect, is a dilution of black voting strength in Fulton County," said Fort.

That's one reason why Democrats plan to sue if no changes are made to the proposed maps

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Fulton Declines to Limit Contractors' Campaign Donations

By Matthew Cardinale, News Editor, The Atlanta Progressive News (August 22, 2011)

(APN) ATLANTA -- On Wednesday, August 17, 2011, the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County voted down a proposal, 2 to 4, by Commissioner Emma Darnell (District 5), which would have prevented contractors from making donations to any County Commissioner within one year of applying to do business with the County.

Darnell and Bill Edwards (District 7) supported the proposal. Commissioners John Eaves (District 1), Liz Hausmann (District 3), Tom Lowe (District 4), and Joan Garner (District 6) voted no.

"WHEREAS, it is essential to the proper operations of Fulton County Government that the business of the County be conducted in an environment that is free from both actual impropriety and the appearance of impropriety," the resolution states.

"WHEREAS, each year, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners considers and decides upon the award of contracts with private persons and business entities for goods and services needed for County governmental purposes," the resolution states.

"WHEREAS, in the aggregate, such contracts annually amount to the expenditure of tens of millions of taxpayer dollars," the resolution states.

"WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that the public trust, principles of open government, and the promotion of equal access and fairness in all business opportunities with Fulton County will be better served by limiting County contracts with persons and entities that make campaign contributions or gifts to Fulton County government officials or candidates," the resolution states.

"Too many small businesses in District 5 believe that in order to receive an award of a contract, it's not what you know and how you can perform, but who you know and whose campaign you have contributed to," Darnell said during the debate on the legislation. We believe that this perception, which in my opinion is not consistent with reality, nevertheless is a perception that is harmful to this government. It is harmful for small businesses or large to believe that we do not have an open government where the only standard that we are interested in is performance. I think it will cost us money and of course it costs us moral authority," Darnell said. "I want to emphasize that this resolution does not restrict campaign contributions in the same manner that a State law restricts campaign contributions by insurance companies to the campaign of an Insurance Commissioner. Georgia law says you cannot contribute period if you are a regulated entity, to the campaign of an Insurance Commissioner."

Darnell that the Supreme Court of Georgia has upheld the state's limits on insurance commissioner campaign contributions, which are stronger than what is being considered in Fulton County. "What the Georgia Supreme Court said there, that if the law is narrowly tailored, the government has a compelling interest in making sure that there is no appearance of corruption, or corruption, in the operation of their procurement. I think that when we adopt these kinds of resolutions as other governments have done throughout the nation, it should give some confidence to qualified small and large businesses that want to bid on our proposals... that we are at least taking steps to eliminate the perception that we are operating our procurement operation in an unlawful manner," Darnell said.

"I just don't believe that what she says is true. I'm around this town quite a bit, I look at other counties surrounding us; I see things happening there. Those things are not happening in this county; I've never made a practice of doing it," Lowe said, referring to giving or accepting bribes. "When you have an image of being clean, people don't contact you. I don't get any offers for anything. People know my answers always the same. People in this town understand this County is basically clean. Look what's happened in other counties. Look what's happening in Gwinnett right now. It is very, very slim that it would hit us right here," Lowe said.

"Lord, with all the people we have hired to ensure that everybody has a chance!" he exclaimed. That [pay-to-play] is not that fact, it ain't the fact, and it has not been the fact for my last 30 years on this Board. I don't see one reason in heck to tie the hand of all these contractors. I mean that is the most stupid thing I've ever heard of in my life. This thing is bad for business, it ain't good for business. I think business is being tied by fools who want to consider this," Lowe said.

According to Common Cause Georgia, which supported the legislation, there are nine states which have already adopted some kind of legislation seeking to restrict pay-to-play: Colorado, Connecticut, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, New Jersey, Ohio, South Carolina, and West Virginia.

Earthquakes in the Eastern U.S. – What to do When You Feel the Ground Move Under Your Feet

From US.GOV

On August 23, 2011, an [earthquake](#) with a preliminary [magnitude of 5.8 struck Virginia](#) at 1:51 p.m. ET. According to the [U.S. Geological Survey \(USGS\)](#), the quake was shallow (just 3.7 miles deep) and was located 88 miles southwest of the District of Columbia and 58 miles northwest of Richmond, Virginia.

While Georgia is not a high-risk area for earthquakes, they can and have occurred here. The great New Madrid series of earthquakes in 1811 – 1812 were felt over almost all of the eastern United States. In Georgia that series of shocks reportedly shook some bricks from chimneys.

The great Charleston, SC earthquake of 1886 caused severe shaking experienced in Georgia. On August 31 at 9:25 p.m., preceded by a low rumble, the shock waves reached Savannah. People had difficulty remaining standing. One woman died of fright as the shaking cracked walls, felled chimneys, and broke windows. In Augusta the shaking was the most severe in the State. An estimated 1000 chimneys and many buildings were damaged. The business and social life was paralyzed for two days.

And on March 5, 1916, an earthquake centered 30 miles southeast of Atlanta was felt over an area of 50,000 square miles. An earthquake also occurred in 1964, near Haddock, less than 20 miles northeast of Macon, with shaking felt in four counties over a 400-square-mile area.

What to Do After an Earthquake

- Expect aftershocks. These secondary shockwaves are usually less violent than the main quake but can be strong enough to do additional damage to weakened structures and can occur in the first hours, days, weeks, or even months after the quake.
- Listen to a battery-operated radio or television. Listen for the latest emergency information.
- Use the telephone only for emergency calls.
- Open cabinets cautiously. Beware of objects that can fall off shelves.
- Stay away from damaged areas. Stay away unless your assistance has been specifically requested by police, fire, or relief organizations. Return home only when authorities say it is safe.
- Be aware of possible tsunamis if you are visiting/vacationing in coastal areas. When local authorities issue a tsunami warning, assume that a series of dangerous waves is on the way; stay away from the beach.
- Help injured or trapped persons. Remember to help your neighbors who may require special assistance, such as infants, the elderly, and people with disabilities. Give first aid where appropriate. Do not move seriously injured persons unless they are in immediate danger of further injury. Call for help.
- Clean up spilled medicines, bleaches, gasoline or other flammable liquids immediately. Leave the area if you smell gas or fumes from other chemicals.
- Inspect the entire length of chimneys for damage. Unnoticed damage could lead to a fire.
- Check for gas leaks. If you smell gas or hear blowing or hissing noise, open a window and quickly leave the building. Turn off the gas at the outside main valve if you can and call the gas company from a neighbor's home. If you turn off the gas for any reason, it must be turned back on by a professional.
- Look for electrical system damage. If you see sparks or broken or frayed wires, or if you smell hot insulation, turn off the electricity at the main fuse box or circuit breaker. If you have to step in water to get to the fuse box or circuit breaker, call an electrician first for advice.

- Check for sewage and water lines damage. If you suspect sewage lines are damaged, avoid using the toilets and call a plumber. If water pipes are damaged, contact the water company and avoid using water from the tap. You can obtain safe water by melting ice cubes.

You may wish to [report shaking at your location to the USGS](#). For 24-hour-a-day earthquake information, please [contact the National Earthquake Information Center \(NEIC\)](#) at 1.303.273.8500.

Additional Resources

- [Frequently Asked Earthquake Questions](#)
- [Richter Scale](#) - a magnitude scale developed to compare the size of earthquakes.
- [General Information on Emergencies and Preparedness](#)

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR



Bonnie Goode Honored for Her Service

Submitted by Providence Baptist Church

Providence Baptist Church surprised Bonnie Goode on August 14 by honoring her service as church pianist for over 50 years. Bonnie began playing for the church at age 16 only taking a few years off to earn her degrees from The University of Georgia. To begin the recognition, Dr. Gene Tyre used the children's sermon time to show the congregation a dress that Bonnie's mother, the late Mrs. Nora Melear, sewed for Bonnie to wear at her first piano recital. Bonnie was immediately surprised to see the dress and immediately became suspicious. The congregation responded with a standing ovation and as Bonnie thanked everyone she announced that she had outlasted 14 preachers and 10 music ministers. Congratulations, Bonnie!

Picture: Bonnie Goode is anxious to hear what Dr. Gene Tyre says about her during a special recognition for her service as church pianist at Providence Church as husband David Goode looks on.

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REMINDER: Volunteer Hours Challenge

To honor the lives lost and those forever changed by the events of September 11, 2001, I'd like to issue a challenge on behalf of the Civic Association to the citizens of Chattahoochee Hills to donate a total of 911 hours of volunteer service between now and September 30, 2011. Fostering a spirit of volunteerism in our community is one of the greatest ways we can respect and remember the day that changed our lives forever. Log your name and hours by emailing: 911hoursfor911@gmail.com

(Names will not be published without permission)



Serenbe is thrilled to be the location for the 2012 HGTV Green Home!

From Serenbe.com

We've been keeping the secret for a few months now, and we're thrilled to finally announce that HGTV chose our community as the site of the 2012 HGTV Green Home!

"The 2012 HGTV Green Home will demonstrate a new dimension of green living that we haven't showcased with our previous homes," said Jack Thomasson, HGTV House Planner. "We'll show how you can live harmoniously with nature, in a more rural and organic setting, but still have a connection to contemporary architecture and the latest in eco-friendly products and practices. It's a farm-to-table environment with all of the modern conveniences you'd ever want. Quite literally, it's the best of both worlds."

Follow the [HGTV blog](#) for details on the home, and be sure to stay in touch with us via our [website](#), [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#). To view a video about Serenbe & the 2012 HGTV Green Home, [CLICK HERE](#).

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Newnan Man Sentenced for Killing Panther

From US Fish and Wildlife Service by way of The Peach Pundit

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced today that David Adams, 60, formerly of Newnan, Georgia, was sentenced today in United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia, after pleading guilty to the unlawful take of a Florida panther, a species listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act.

"Today's sentencing affirms our commitment to investigate violations of the federal wildlife laws intended to protect our Nation's most imperiled species," said Luis J. Santiago, Acting Special Agent in Charge, Southeast Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement.

Adams was sentenced to two years' probation, with a special condition of probation that he may not hunt or obtain a hunting license anywhere in the United States during the period of probation. In addition, he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$2,000.

According to court documents and other information presented in court, on November 16, 2008, Adams shot and killed a cougar known as a Florida panther while deer hunting in Troup County, Ga. At the time of the shooting, Adams knew he was shooting at a species of cougar, for which there was no open hunting season in the State of Georgia. (The story, along with a picture of the taken panther, is continued here.)

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Estelle Vineyard Thompson, age 82, of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia passed away peacefully at her home on August 21, 2011. She was preceded in death by her husband John Frank Thompson Jr., and her son John Frank "Oggie" Thompson III. "Nana" was an active member of Ramah First Baptist Church for over 60 years. Nana is survived by her son, Andy Thompson; daughters Donna Copeland (Larry) and Heidi Hearn (Kevin); and

daughter-in-law Suzanne Thompson; sisters Cornelia Cox and Camilla Summers (Lloyd) and brother Morgan Vineyard, sister-in-law Drusilla Thompson, brother-in-law Joe Thompson (June), and many loving nieces, nephews and special friends. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Amy, Shawn, Brent, Daniel, Brandon, Clay, Katie, Erin, Nate, Adam, Ben, Ginny, and Luke. Nana loved her husband, children, grandchildren, extended family, church and community.

One of her greatest joys was babysitting her grandchildren and attending a million recitals, graduations, and ball games. She worked in many areas of her church: the nursery, kitchen, Bible School, and Sunday School. She was a substitute school teacher and a volunteer at Newnan Hospital. She was a member of the Home Demonstration Club of Rico Community, prided herself on keeping a clean house, and loved raising flowers and plants. If someone needed help, she was there to help them, whether it was baking one of her pound cakes, driving them to a doctor's appointment, sitting in a hospital waiting room or just being there to comfort them. Life brought many challenges along the way, but she always faced them with a strong heart and abiding faith. She will be missed by all she loved and all who loved her.

The funeral service was held Thursday, August 25 at Ramah First Baptist Church. Rev. Ralph Bobo and Rev. Mike Barnes officiated, with internment at Holly Hill Memorial Park. The family is accepting donations to Ramah First Baptist Church, P.O. 855, Palmetto, GA 30268. Those wishing to may send an online condolence at www.parrottfuneralhome.com.

LOCAL POSTS / BUSINESS NEWS



Homes: *Do you have a house or apartment to rent and would like to bring in some extra income? Got something you need to sell? A service to offer? Consider advertising your extra space, stuff, or service in the Community Bulletin! You may have neighbors who are interested in what you have to offer!*

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday & Saturday,
August 26th & 27th**
8:30 pm

The Serenbe Playhouse 2011 Summer Series Wraps its Season with Shipwrecked: The Amazing Adventures of Louis de Rougemont (as Told by Himself) by Pulitzer Prize Winner Donald Margulies. Tickets: \$20 / adults, \$15 / students. To buy tickets or to become a member, please visit [tickets or](#) call 770.463.1110.

**Friday & Saturday,
August 26th & 27th**
8:00 pm

Robert Ray Returns to The Southside Theatre in The Heart of Historic Fairburn with "Feeling Good", a 2-act show featuring fabulous singers and Atlanta's top Jazz Musicians. The 1st act is a sophisticated, New York Style set featuring beloved standards, while the 2nd act will open with a bass-thumping Disco Medley, 70's tunes, and some great old Gospel favorites. All of his hometown shows have been complete sell-outs, so don't wait to get your tickets! General seats are \$22 and can be purchased by going to: www.stgplays.com. For more info call 404-284-0967.

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS	
<p>Saturday August 27th 10:00 am – 3:00 pm</p>	<p>Annual Snake Day Festival at Cochran Mill Nature Center: Cochran Mill Nature Center’s annual Snake Day Festival educates the public on the wonders of reptiles. Exciting exhibits and talks help visitors get better acquainted with these often misunderstood animals. Come out to the center and meet our anaconda, venomous snakes of Georgia, a 12’ albino python, giant mouse-eating bullfrog, boas, lizards, turtles, frogs, giant scorpions, an alligator and more. Arts & crafts, games, and canoeing will be available all day. Try our famous hotdogs and hamburgers from the bathtub grill! 6300 Cochran Mill Nature Center, in Chattahoochee Hills. Members: \$5.00 / Non-members: \$6.00 / CMNC annual membership: \$45.00</p>
<p>Sunday, August 28 5-8:00 pm In the Cellar at 5 Seasons Brewing, 1000 Marietta Blvd., Atlanta, 30315</p>	<p>Dinner & A Movie: Join your local Slow Food convivium for a thought-provoking movie and share a pot-luck dinner cobbled together from dishes made with love in our home kitchens. Slow Food purchases a few of 5 Seasons' pizzas to share, and you can buy beverages and additional food from 5 Seasons during the otherwise free event. This quarter's movie is Food Stamped, an informative and humorous documentary film following a couple as they attempt to eat a healthy, well-balanced diet on a food stamp budget. Through their adventures they consult with members of U.S. Congress, food justice organizations, nutrition experts, and take a deep look at America's broken food system. We follow the movie with discussion.</p>
<p>Wed. Aug. 31 in Athens, GA</p>	<p>Financials for Farms – Georgia Organics Presents Tax & Accounting Workshop for Farmers: Statewide experts will present information necessary for successful farm operations. Donnie Singleton will cover tax issues related to self-employment, Schedule F, interns and part-time help and Debbie Dangerfield will cover how to set up QuickBooks for your farm business. LEARN MORE AND REGISTER HERE.</p>
<p>September 3 through October 29, 2011 Thurs. 10 am to 5 pm Fri. and Sat. 10 am to 6 pm Sun. 1 pm to 4 pm</p>	<p>The Eyes of His Soul Exhibition of the Photography of Barry Goldwater at The Gallery at Serenbe in partnership with the Serenbe Photography Center. Barry Goldwater received a camera as a gift from his wife on their first Christmas together, and went on to embrace the hobby and become an accomplished photographer. Goldwater contributed photographs to Arizona Highways and published three books of his photography; <i>People and Places</i>, <i>Barry Goldwater and the Southwest</i> (forward by Ansel Adams), and <i>Delightful Journey</i>. For more information on this event and the Serenbe Photography Center visit www.serenbephotographycenter.com.</p>
<p>September 8-11 Gates open each day at approximately 8:00 a.m.; competition ends each day around 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>The 2011 USEA American Eventing Championships, taking place on Carl Bouckaert’s farm (almost) in Chattahoochee Hills, with horses and riders at every level from junior and adult amateurs to Olympic veterans, all battling for more than \$70,000 in prize money and nearly \$100,000 in prizes—not to mention bragging rights. 50+ vendors will be on hand selling everything from fine art, jewelry, clothing and handmade goods to horse-related tack and equipment, plus delicious food and beverages. General admission and parking are free. A tentative schedule has dressage and cross-country taking place Thus. and Fri.; cross-country both Fri. and Sat., and show jumping Sat. and Sun. Visit the AEC page on the USEA website or the Chattahoochee Hills website for more information.</p>
<p>Saturday, Sept. 10 11 am - 3 pm</p>	<p>Cedar Grove Community Association Fall Festival: Meet your neighbors and make new friends at the Village Shops located on South Fulton Parkway & Cedar Grove</p>

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS

	Road. Come and welcome in the Fall Season with your neighbors and friends in the Cedar Grove Community. Kids' activities will include a moonwalk, horseback riding and petting and more! The Fall Festival is free, and food will be provided. Bring your lawn chairs and coolers to enjoy fun, food and fellowship in our community.
Saturday, Sept. 24 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	2011 Neighborhood Summit at the Loudermill Center for Regional Community, 40 Courtland Street, NE. Atlanta. General admission is \$25; seniors and students, \$15. Registration includes morning and afternoon workshops; a panel discussion on regional transit and what it means for your neighborhood; exhibits by community organizations making a difference in our region; lunch; and the company of 500 other community leaders like you! Apply for scholarships or register here.
October 1 5 pm to 8 pm	A special reception welcoming Goldwater's daughter, Joanne to The Eyes of His Soul Exhibition of the Photography of Barry Goldwater at The Gallery at Serenbe. Joanne will sign copies of the book, The Eyes of His Soul .

ONGOING EVENTS

Horseback Trail Riding: Experience the trails at Serenbe on horseback. Read more here: [Ride Serenbe](#).

Fitness Boot Camp at the Chatt Hills Fire Station. Mon, Wed, Fri at 9:00 a.m.; Tues and Thurs at 6:00 p.m.

The Busy Bee Round Dance Club & instruction, City Hall Thus. nights at 7:30. Call Jerry or Geneva at 770-463-0024

Cochran Mill Nature Center

- ongoing activities – for details, see: 770-306-0914 or visit [Cochran Mill](#)
- Saturday Spotlight – monthly: interesting learning adventures for young and old!

Serenbe Farmers' & Artists' Market – Saturdays 9:00 – noon. Shop for local organic produce, honey, jams & jellies, sweets, bread, and artists' work every Saturday on the Selborne green. Click here for all details: [farm info](#)

Volunteer Days at Serenbe Farms - Interested in working outside and getting your hands dirty? Join us for our monthly volunteer mornings starting June 8th and every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 9 am until noon. Many hands accomplish tons in a short amount of time on these fun and productive days. Email info@serenbefarms.com to let us know to expect you.

Serenbe Photography Center workshops & lectures: for coming events see: www.serenbephotographycenter.com.

- **August 27 – How to Publish Your Photography Book** with Laurie Shock
- **September 10-11 – Adventures in Wet Plate Collodion** with Todd Vincent: create images on glass (ambrotypes) and metal (tintypes) using both modern and vintage photographic equipment provided.
- **September 24 – Creating your Personal Portrait**, a workshop for Women with Marilyn Suriani: be the subject of your own personal portrait; sign up here to work with Marilyn.
- **Oct 25-29 – Altamaha River Tour** with Peter Essick and Kathryn Kolb: Spend 5 days & 4 nights kayaking, camping, and making photographs with renowned environmental photojournalist Peter Essick & nature photog. Kathryn Kolb.

Newington Photography – Workshops: 5:45 – 8:45 pm Mon, Wed and Thus throughout August, focused on the beautiful evening light known as the "Golden Hour". To reserve or for details, please email [Greg](#).

Serenbe Southern Chefs Series with Frank Stitt: November 6 & 7. Spend time in the kitchen and at the dining table with the South's best chefs. Work side-by-side to create some of their favorite dishes and hear stories of their culinary history and passion for good, Southern food. Call 770.463.2610 to reserve.

For more community events, check out these other Chattahoochee Hills Websites: Chattahoochee Hills Civic Association: <http://www.chatthills.org.html> | Serenbe: <http://www.serenbecommunity.com/calendar.html> | Cochran Mill Nature Center: www.cochranmillnaturecenter.org

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