



CHATTAHOOCHEE HILLS WEEKLY READER

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CIVIC UPDATES

City Thanks Dianne Harnell Cohen for Her Service

Posted on the City Website: August 27, 2011

Dianne Harnell Cohen, the city's Parks & Recreation Director, has submitted her resignation. Dianne was instrumental in the smooth transition of the city's parks from Fulton County and led the community in a successful master planning process for Rico Park. Dianne's experience and expertise will be greatly missed.

Dianne served as the Parks Director on a volunteer basis; therefore, going forward and in the absence of funding to hire a replacement Parks Director, the planning and management of parks improvements and community group agreements will be the responsibility of the City Manager. The public works department will continue to provide parks maintenance and the City Clerk will continue to manage the reservation functions.

The Mayor, City Council and staff all wish Dianne the best of luck in her future endeavors and are deeply grateful for her service to the city.

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Medicare Open Enrollment Period Coming Up in October

From the Atlanta Regional Commission

More than 421,000 Medicare beneficiaries reside in the Atlanta region, and during Medicare's open enrollment period, they must decide what plans will work best for them. For 2012 benefits, the open enrollment period begins October 15 and runs through December 7. This is a month earlier than previous years.

Medicare, [Georgia Cares](#) and ARC are working to spread the word that the time is fast approaching when persons with Medicare will need to make important decisions about their health and prescription drug benefits. In addition to changing the dates for the open enrollment period, Medicare now offers an array of preventive services at no cost to seniors.

In preparation for the October 15 open enrollment period, [Georgia Cares](#) and ARC will host an open house Friday, September 16 to explain changes and options in Medicare benefits. Experts will be on hand to help older adults and persons with disabilities determine which Medicare options are best for them and whether they qualify for help in paying their Medicare premiums. The open house will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. at Gold's Gym-West Cobb, 2840 East West Connector, Austell, GA 30106. More information is available by calling 1.866.552.4464 or by e-mail at GeorgiaCares@atlantaregional.com.

Coyote Advice

From Harvey Davis in Sandtown, by way of our neighbor, Chuck Miller

There have been a number of coyote sightings in our community. Most of these sightings are of a pair of coyotes.

The good news is that coyotes are shy and attacks on people are very rare, especially upon adults. Coyotes are a nuisance, but not a threat.

If You See a Coyote:

1. To report all sightings to Fulton County Animal Services at fulton.communication@fultoncountyga.gov or call them at 404-612-4000. Also, report if your garbage bin is attacked.
2. Coyotes look like small to medium-size dogs with pointy ears and snout, and a long, bushy black-tipped tail. Their fur varies in color, from light brown to grayish. The fur on their belly is usually white. They stand about 2 feet tall and are 4 feet in length.
3. Do NOT allow your pets to roam freely in the community.
4. Do NOT store or feed your pet outside. Any food or the smell of food will only attract the coyotes.
5. Do NOT store your trash can outside. If possible, store your trash bin inside your garage, instead of outside or lock your trash can lid.
6. Always have a hurricane whistle with you, and carry it in your hand, if you are going to be outside.
7. Always check your surroundings before you walk outside. This includes walking between your car and house on your driveway.
8. By nature, coyotes are timid and shy animals that tend to steer clear of any potential danger and thus pose little threat to humans.
9. Coyotes are usually night-time hunters and are most active from dusk until the early morning hours. They usually hunt rabbits, rats, mice, and carrion, especially in trash cans. Contrary to popular belief, these animals do not hunt in packs but rather are primarily solitary hunters.
10. If a coyote or dog approaches you, do NOT run away. Yell or blow your hurricane whistle, until it backs way. Jump up and down. Wave your arms. Throw your purse or shoes at the animal. If any animal attacks you, hit their eyes and nose and protect your throat.

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Foreclosures to Food Gardens: Neighbors Help Improve Each Other's Communities

The Civic League for Regional Atlanta

That empty eyesore a few doors down. The fallow plot of land smack in the middle of the community. Those earnest neighbors who want to band together but don't know where to begin.

The 3rd Annual Neighborhood Summit has the cure for what ails the region's hundreds of varied and diverse neighborhood associations and community groups. The gathering features workshops, lunch, exhibits and networking opportunities with 500 other community leaders like you.

Registration for the Neighborhood Summit is \$25. Seniors and students get an additional discount, and some scholarships are available here.

Here's just a taste of what participants will experience and hear:

- Data from 2010 Census reveals the 10-county region has nearly 200,000 vacant and abandoned homes. But there are measures residents and neighborhoods can take. Find out what to do to manage the foreclosure crisis.
- Hundreds of neighborhood associations are scattered throughout the region. What's their purpose? What should their role be? How do you start one?
- Community gardens sow food, but find out how they foster spirit and forge friendship. How do you even begin? What are the economics?
- Getting more bang out of the neighborhood buck. Find out from a panel of diverse small grants programs how to apply for grants and leverage community resources.
- What exactly is "transit," and why should I care? A timely and riveting lunchtime panel discussion about the regional transit's impacts and costs.

In all, the Summit will feature 31 presenters and facilitators -- representing nearly every corner of the 10-county region, which includes Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale counties.

To find out more and to register, visit [here](#). 2011 Neighborhood Summit, Saturday, September 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at The Loudermilk Center for Regional Community, 40 Courtland Street, NE, Atlanta, GA 30303.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Chatt Hills Library News

From Judy Henderson

Labor Day weekend is quickly approaching! If you are in town and want something fun to do Saturday night - Rock Back Pizza has invited the Library to make a monthly event of Chattahoochee Hills Library Spirit Night. So I will be at Rock Back by 8:00 pm, music starts at 9:00 pm and we have Door Prizes! (Remember the door prizes I promised last month and dutifully carried to Rock Back, then got so excited by the wonderful, amazing turnout that I spent my time visiting and forgot the things...) I promise to give out the door prizes - and not forget (again...)!

The Library and the programs it offers the citizens of not just Chatt Hills but the extended Chattahoochee Hill Country area, are all run by volunteers and funded by donations.

Even if you aren't hungry, come on by and enjoy the fellowship and music! See you there! Judy

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Nutrena USEA American Eventing Championship Coming to Atlanta

"Not Your Average Horse Show!" Horseback riding tends to have a somewhat sissified reputation-perfectly coiffed men and women in top hats and tails perched prettily on top of overpriced hay burners. That is so not the case with the Olympic sport of eventing, an equestrian triathlon that is a test of skill, strength, partnership,

and just plain guts--definitely not your average horse show. These riders have grit, their horses have more heart than a Disney movie, and more than 500 of them from every corner of the country will descend on Bouckaert Farm at Chattahoochee Hills in Fairburn, September 8-11, for the Nutrena USEA American Eventing Championships (AEC), presented by Bit of Britain, which is slated to rank as one of the biggest competition in the sport's nearly 100-year U.S. history.

Eventing has its roots in the cavalry, so we're talking white knuckle, take-your-breath-away feats of athleticism on the part of both horses and riders, who participate in three different phases over several days. Unlike



**New this year - The Chatt Hills/
Bouckaert Farm "Pop-Up" Art Gallery**

While strolling through our vendor village, don't miss the opportunity to view and purchase art created by local Chattahoochee Hills artisans. Not only is this a wonderful place to live and play, it stirs the creative energy in our residents!

Also featured will be the Official Equine Artist for the 2012 Kentucky Derby!

almost all other sports, men and women compete on equal terms, in the same divisions. The horse is the equalizing factor, and these horses are unlike any you will see in competition. At the top levels during the sport's signature phase of cross-country, expect to see them leap off banks almost as high as a refrigerator, jump some fences practically as narrow as a doorway, and bound across ditches as wide as your average car. If you were to compare them to other athletes, think extreme - snow boarders or BMX riders. Think Olympic Games meets X Games.

At the Nutrena AEC, top horses and riders at every level, from juniors and adult amateurs to Olympic veterans, will battle for more than \$70,000 in prize money and nearly \$100,000 in prizes-not to mention bragging rights, with close to a dozen past Olympic, World and Pan American medalists on hand.

Bouckaert Farm, the host site, is an 8,000-acre equestrian paradise, filled with rolling pastures, lakes, and woodlands running 12 miles along the Chattahoochee River.

For anyone looking to spend a "day in the country" without having to drive more than a few minutes, this is the perfect spot. In fact, this event is one of the most spectator-friendly in the nation - almost every cross-country obstacle on the several-mile course can be seen from convenient locations throughout

the farm. More than 50 vendors will be on hand selling everything from fine art, jewelry, clothing and handmade goods to horse-related tack and equipment, not to mention a variety of delicious food and beverages. The event's official automobile, Land Rover, will also have their own version of a cross-country course, where spectators can test drive Land Rover vehicles over a set of twists and turns that highlight the power and versatility of Land Rover's fleet of SUVs.

"Make no mistake;" said the farm's owner Carl Bouckaert, "this will be a true festival of eventing and fun for the whole family!"

In addition, a Patron's Tent will give spectators the best seats in the house, and include scrumptious catered breakfast and lunch each day of the competition." Passes can be purchased on the Chatt Hills website at www.chatthillseventing.com.

General admission and parking are free. Gates will open each day at approximately 8:00 a.m. with competition ending each day around 5 p.m. The tentative schedule has dressage and cross-country taking place Thursday and Friday, September 8 and 9, cross-country both Friday and Saturday, and show jumping Saturday and Sunday.

Bouckaert Farm at Chattahoochee Hills is located at 10045 Cedar Grove Road Fairburn, GA 30213. Directions and maps, as well as more information about the host site, can be found at www.chatthillseventing.com. Also, for more information about the sport of eventing, the U.S. Eventing Association, and the Nutrena USEA AEC, visit www.useventing.com.

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Announcing the 2012 Serenbe Southern Chef's Series {A Sleepover for Southern Foodies.}

Garden & Gun Magazine

2012 CHEFS & DATES

- **CHEF LINTON HOPKINS**, Restaurant Eugene, Holman & Finch: January 15 & 16
- **CHEF KEVIN GILLESPIE**, Woodfire Grill: March 25 & 26
- **CHEF HUGH ACHESON**, Empire State South, Five and Ten, The National: May 20 & 21
- **CHEF ANNE QUATRANO**, Bacchanalia, Quinones, Floataway Café, Star Provisions, and Abattoir; July 8 & 9
- **CHEF CHRIS HASTINGS**, Hot and Hot Fish Club: September 16 & 17
- **CHEF STEPHEN SATTERFIELD**, Miller Union: November 11 & 12

Hosted by Marie Nygren in her Serenbe home. Spend time in her kitchen with one of the South's best chefs, working side-by-side to create some of their favorite dishes. Later at the dining table, hear stories of their culinary history and passion for good, Southern food.

Hands-on cooking, meals, wine and overnight accommodations at the Inn at Serenbe are included. *Note: Most 2011 dates sold out within days of their announcement. Call 770.463.2610 for details or to register.

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Decatur Book Festival



If the adage is true that you're the same today as you'll be in five years except for two things: the books you read and the people you meet – we all may want to hang out with authors more often.

The Decatur Book Festival can arrange that, gathering more than 300 of them in one spot September 2-4 on

the town square. The largest independent book festival in country, the free event mixes readings, talks, panel discussions, food, beer and wine over the course of the Labor Day weekend.

This year the festival will likely draw music fans as much as readers with the keynote address delivered by Colin Meloy, the lead singer of The Decemberists, and illustrator Carson Ellis. Just a few days before the event, the husband and wife duo will release *Wildwood*, their first book: a family-friendly fantasy novel of wonder and adventure. Seating for the talk will be first-come, first-serve at Agnes Scott College's Presser Hall on Friday, September 2 at 8 p.m.

Other local, Southern and national authors range from Pulitzer Prize winners to best-selling fiction and nonfiction authors including: Tom Perrotta (*The Leftovers*), Robert Olen Butler (*A Small Hotel*), Howard Wasdin (*Seal Team Six*), Karen Russell (*Swamplandia!*), Cheryl Tan (*A Tiger in the Kitchen*), James Swanson (*Bloody Crimes*), Patti Callahan Henry (*Coming Up for Air*), Joshilyn Jackson (*Backseat Saints*), Blake Butler (*There Is No Year*) and Shirley Strawberry (*The Strawberry Letter*).

For more information visit decatourbookfestival.com.

HISTORICAL CHATT

From the Chattahoochee Hills Historical Society

The Story of the Civil War in Chattahoochee Hills and surrounding areas told by resident James Robinson
(...continued from August 19, 2011 issue)



The next raid started right here in Chattahoochee Hills at Smith's Ferry (near Rico) and came this way. There were about four big raids that took place by the Union Army, different groups, that happened while Sherman was surrounding Atlanta. He couldn't break into Atlanta; he had to do away with the three railroads because that's how the supplies came in. As long as the supplies came in he could never enter the city, it was too well fortified. The Confederates fortified it for four years.

There were ferries all the way down the Chattahoochee River at that time. Smith's Ferry was a little known ferry and wasn't used heavily. They actually were going to cross at Campbellton but Campbellton was fairly heavily defended. They didn't know how many Confederates were there and they didn't want to engage them. They wanted to destroy the railroad to stop the supplies from coming in to General Hood in Atlanta.

Union General McCook brought his cavalry and about 4000 men and crossed the river at Smith's Ferry on a pontoon bridge. Then he divided into two groups, one group went out Hwy 92 and the other group came up Rico Road to Palmetto and burned the town, then went on up toward Fayetteville. While they burned Palmetto they destroyed two miles of railroad tracks north and south of town, two warehouses full of cotton bales and food stuff, and all the telegraph wires. That was on the 28th of July 1864. They left Palmetto after they burned it, the main part of the business section, then they went to Fayetteville to join up with another cavalry group, Union General Stoneman, who was going toward Macon. But before they got to Fayetteville, they found General Hood's supply wagon train.

What happened when the Union troops found the Confederate supply wagon train?

To be continued...

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!*

Beautiful Country Retreat for Rent

You simply must see this beautiful 3BR/3BA home on 10 acres, with pond, stream, walking trails and recreation field now available to rent. House has Gourmet kitchen, patio with BBQ grill, Outdoor smoke pit and entertainment area; Master bed with king with separate bath, spare bed with queen and additional bedroom with two singles. Separate in-law suite with separate kitchen, bath and bed. Fully furnished, the entire home rents for \$2000/mo. (utilities to be paid by renter or added to rent). In-law suite can be rented separately – call for rent amount. 1-800-748-2073. We would love someone to rent it for 6 months but will entertain shorter or longer.

Bonus Room for Rent - Cochran Mill Rd

Resident on Cochran Mill Rd (approximately 1 mile from Hutcheson Ferry) has a Bonus Room with private bath downstairs for rent. Many perks include use of home, garage, washer & dryer, and some furniture available in bonus room. No pets and no indoor smoking. Please call Lisa at 770-757-9819.

Home for Rent

3 Br, 2 1/2 Bath, LR, DR, Office Space, New Carpet And Hardwood Floors. Completely Remodeled Kitchen. \$1000.00/Month plus Utilities, Chattahoochee Hills Area, 3 Miles West Of "The Serenbe". If Interested, Call Gail at: 770-463-2906.

Business Opportunity

From John McCray, President, Cedar Grove Community Association

Cedar Grove Community Association Fall Festival Open Vendor Registration, August 30 - September 6, 2011

Make Your Product Known to the Community! The Cedar Grove Community Association invites you to join us at our Fall Festival on Saturday, September 10 from 11 am - 3 pm in the open field at the Village Shops. We currently are offering a limited number of vendor spaces for only \$15.00!!!! You must register before September 6, 2011 to take advantage of this great deal.

- **Where:** The Village Shops on Cedar Grove Road
- **When:** Saturday, September 10, 2011
- **Registration:** Email info@cedargrovecommunity.org with your Contact information and product details. Vendor fee is only \$15.00 if you register before September 6. Space is limited so hurry and get your reserved space today! **Sorry no Food vendors for this year's event.

Please contact John McCray at info@cedargrovecommunity.org to reserve your space today. Space is limited!

PET NEWS

Puppy Found on Rico Tatum RD.

Looking for owner. Flea collar but no tag. We have taken her for first shots and worming. Very energetic and looking for a family to love her! Call B. Arrington @770-823-6661

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS	
Friday, Sep 2 nd 9:00 am to 11:59 pm	DragonCon: The annual multi-media, popular culture convention focusing on science fiction and fantasy, gaming, comics, literature, art, music, television and film is taking place today at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, GA.
All day this Saturday and Sunday the 3 rd and 4 th	AJC Decatur Book Festival: More than 300 authors appearing on 15 stages. Two children's parades. Theater performances, concerts, opera and even puppetry are part of this annual literary celebration centered on Decatur Square. Details.
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	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 .

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS

<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 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.</p>
<p>Saturday, Sept. 17 10 am-2 pm</p>	<p>SOUTH FULTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FAIR & EXPO for Banneker, Creekside, Langston Hughes, Tri-Cities, Westlake Students, at TRI-CITIES HIGH SCHOOL, 2575 Harris St., East Point, Ga. 30344. Come out and join us at our 2011 College Fair & Expo! Over 150 colleges nationwide invited!!! Financial Aid, Scholarship, Grant and Loan, Apply to 35 HBCU's for free!</p>
<p>Saturday, Sept. 24 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>October 1 5 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Sunday, October 2nd 11 am-5 pm</p>	<div data-bbox="472 1402 1468 1591" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Time to purchase your tickets for the sixth annual Field of Greens festival at Whippoorwill Hollow Organic Farm. Expect the same legendary Chef's Tent --this year featuring 30 of Atlanta and Athens' best farm to table chefs--interactive Kid's Village, local music, festival market and craft demonstrations that have made this event a fall classic. Tickets are \$20 in advance, children 12 and under enter for free. Stay up to date with event details on Facebook and Twitter. Event proceeds benefit the local farming culture through Slow Food Atlanta.</p>

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE – UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 6
1 – 4:00 p.m.



lovers. All on the pastoral grounds of the Inn at Serenbe on a fall Sunday. [Tickets have sold out in advance the last several years; click here to purchase.](#)

Les Dames d'Escoffier Afternoon in the Country: Tickets Now On Sale – Meet over 40 of the South's best chefs and taste some of their favorite dishes. Sip on local microbrews. Savor wine from top wineries. Sample spirits. Enjoy live music, auctions, cake raffle, and mingling with fellow food

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.
- **October 1, 2011 – How to Publish Your Own Photography Book!** You can do it with this comprehensive primer workshop: all you need to know about publishing & self-publishing by Laurie Shock, of Shock Design Books.
- **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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Schedule Reminder: the full Community Bulletin is produced at least twice-monthly (first and third week of the month), or more often as time allows. If you want to be sure your event is publicized, please do keep this schedule in mind!

SOUTH FULTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FAIR AND EXPOSITION



Saturday, September 17th, 2011

10 am to 2 pm

Tri-Cities High School

2575 Harris St. East Point GA 30544

OVER 150 COLLEGES NATION WIDE INVITED!

ARMED FORCES • TECHNICAL SCHOOLS • THE LATIN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL AID, SCHOLARSHIP, GRANT AND LOAN INFORMATION • APPLY TO 35 HBCU'S FOR FREE
ACT FEE WAIVERS! (FOR QUALIFYING STUDENTS) • COLLEGE APPLICATION FEE WAIVERS! (FOR QUALIFYING STUDENTS)
HOPE • FREE SAT/ACT PREPARATION RESOURCES • STEP SHOW!!!!
• FREE COLLEGE PLANNING MATERIALS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST! •

Institutions who would like to join this incredible event please contact:
Anne Davis at davisa4@fultonschools.org (404) 669-8200 or
Shamona Harrell at Harrells@fultonschoos.org



911 for 9/11

The citizens of Chattahoochee Hills have been challenged to volunteer 911 hours to honor the 10th Anniversary of 9/11/2001.

Will you help?

**Hours recorded as
of August 26, 2011:**

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What can you do?

Any type of volunteer work is appreciated:

- Tutor a student
 - help a neighbor
 - pick up roadside trash
 - teach at your church/synagogue
 - work in the library
 - visit the elderly
 - Shop for the food bank . . .
- anything makes a difference!*

Log your name and hours at
911hoursfor911@gmail.com

(Challenge ends September 30, 2011. Names will not be published without permission)



September 1, 2011



Looking Back in Time

Everyone these days seems to have an opinion as to exactly what should be done with the Atlanta Cyclorama, and that includes Fulton County Commissioner Robb Pitts. "This issue has been discussed longer than I have been holding public office—33 years—and my solution is the same today as it was in 1979: Restore it and relocate it to Downtown Atlanta!" (See attached article below)



As a newly elected Councilman in 1979, Commissioner Pitts advocated restoring the Georgia icon with relocation in mind. At that time, the council spent months debating the importance of the Cyclorama, whether or not it should be restored and whether it should be moved to a part of Atlanta where it had the chance to generate more revenue and patrons.

"Now deceased Councilman Q. V. Williamson and I knew that it could be self-sustaining if it were restored properly and moved to Downtown Atlanta," remarked Commissioner Pitts. "We even thought moving it to Stone Mountain Park would be better than letting it sit and deteriorate in Grant Park."

Some think that the Cyclorama is a "racial relic" from the Civil War era that should be allowed to rot. Many others agree that it is an important piece of Georgia and Atlanta history, good or bad, which should be preserved.

"It is time for us to take stock of what makes Georgia and Atlanta unique," says Commissioner Pitts. "Having attractions like the Cyclorama, the Georgia Music Hall of Fame, etc. in Atlanta does not diminish the importance of the rest of the state," says Pitts. "Let's face it—if you want attractions like this to survive you had better move them to a location which is easily accessible for tourists and citizens alike."

"Restoring and relocating the Atlanta Cyclorama to a more accessible site was a good idea in 1979 and it is still a good idea, and the right thing to do in 2011," said Commissioner Pitts.