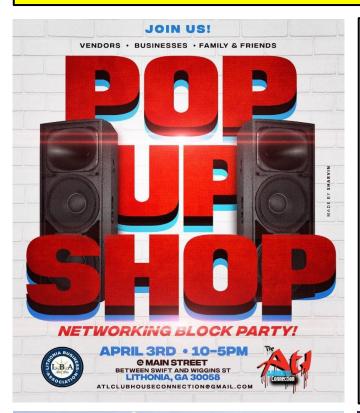


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EASTER EGG SCAVENGER HUNT EXTRAVAGANZA

DeKalb County Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs will host its third Annual Easter Egg and Scavenger Hunt Extravaganza on April 3, from noon to 2 p.m. at Exchange Park, 2771 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30034.

This free event is for children in kindergarten to fifth grade. Participants will receive an Easter bucket while supplies last and must be accompanied by an adult. The event will include a drive-by scavenger hunt, vendors, photos with the Easter Bunny and more.





FEMA FUNERAL REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

FEMA is reimbursing up to \$7,000.00 for COVID-19 funerals. Please pass this information on to any family member who paid for a funeral. Please keep funeral documentation. https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance



Beginning on April 1, 2021, the LIHEAP Summer Cooling program will be processing applications for all households 65 and older. These supports will go to utility payments to help keep everyone safe and healthy. For information on these supports, go to:

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) | Division of Family & Children Services | Georgia Department of Human Services

AARP TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS OFFERED BY DEKALB COUNTY LIBRARY

The library normally offers AARP Tax Assistance for seniors. COVID has challenged how AARP can offer this. This year they will provide virtual assistance or drop-off services at Stonecrest and Salem-Panola Libraries. **Appointments required.** Visit the AARP Foundation's website, https://taxaide.aarpfoundation.org/ to make an appointment or begin with a volunteer virtual coach. The libraries are not responsible for appointments - AARP is.

If you prefer paper forms, contact your library branch. We have limited Federal tax booklets for 1040 and 1040-SR with forms. We also provide up to 10 free prints and provide the state forms or additional required forms. You can also file online for free using a tax filing application via **IRS Free File**. Typically these applications will guide you through the filing process.

COVID 19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

The COVID-19 vaccine is available at many locations across the state, including county public health departments, mass vaccination sites, pharmacies, and doctor's offices. Anyone age 16 or older is eligible to get the vaccine in Georgia.

Most providers require that you make an appointment to get the vaccine. Do not show up to a vaccine location without an appointment. No payment is required. While the vaccine is available at no cost, you may be asked to provide your coverage information.

Stay up to date on the latest information about vaccine availability and distribution by following updates from the Georgia Department of Public Health, <u>your county's health department</u>, and your healthcare provider or physician.

Register for an appointment at a county health department site near you using the <u>DPH appointment scheduling website</u>.

Find a vaccine provider near you by using the <u>DPH Vaccine</u> <u>Locator</u>. Use the information listed to contact the provider and schedule a vaccine appointment.

Find a state-supported mass vaccination site nearest you and pre-register for an appointment at MyVaccineGeorgia.com.

Find a pharmacy location near you at <u>VaccineFinder.org</u>. Visit the pharmacy website to schedule an appointment.



WHEN IN DEKALB COUNTY,
INDIVIDUALS OVER AGE
EIGHT ARE REQUIRED TO
WEAR A MASK OR OTHER
FACE COVERING OVER THE
NOSE AND MOUTH
WHENEVER THEY ARE IN
PUBLIC PLACES. PLEASE
JOIN US TO SAVE LIVES!

LITHONIA LIONS RECEIVE GRANT TO START YOUTH BASEBALL PROGRAM

The Lithonia Lions have received an equipment grant from Dick's Sporting Goods to launch a baseball and softball program that will serve 75 boys and 50 girls in the Lithonia and Scottdale communities. The Lions are one of 8 programs across the nation that the Dick's Giving Tour bus visited to distribute equipment to kids. The initial baseball program will consist primarily of skills and drills along with some game opportunities. The program will be free of cost for participants, but online registration is required. Register at https://www.lithonialions.org/availableprograms. The Lions are also accepting applications for volunteer baseball coaches and administrators. Congratulations to founder and coach, Dennis Allen!





A LITHONIA HIGHLIGHT!



Marcia Glenn Hunter, daughter of the late Maggie C. Woods and Roger Woods, Sr., was born in Lithonia, Georgia. After graduating from Bruce Street High School, Marcia furthered her education at Clark College (now Clark-Atlanta) with a major in Business Education and a minor in Secondary Education.

Marsha realized early in life that she wanted to be a public servant, so in the early 1970's she became a member of the Lithonia City Council and served for almost two decades. From 1995-2003, she was the Mayor of Lithonia. Her Federal career spanned 40 years and included employment with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Legal Counsel, where she retired in 2008.

She has received numerous awards from local, state and national organizations. She is currently the Vice President of the Board of Directors for DeKalb for Seniors Inc., a 501(c) (3) not for profit organization, and is Chair of the Board of Directors for the Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance. She also has numerous board and organization affiliations. Marsha is a Lithonia Highlight!







TENTATIVE 2021 SCHEDULE SAVE THESE DATES!!!

May

8 Mothers Day Pop-Up Market

June

5 Opening Day Market

12 Celebrating Lithonia's Businesses

19 Juneteenth/Fathers Day Market

26 Yoga & Exercise Market

July

3 Celebrating Black Farmers Market

10 Celebrating Lithonia's Churches Market

17 Celebrating Lithonia's Leaders Market

24 NO MARKET - SUMMER BREAK

31 Back To School / Childrens Market

August

- 7 Vegan Market
- 14 Celebrating Lithonia's Senior Citizens Market
- 21 Celebrating Lithonia's Schools/Teachers Mkt
- 28 Celebrating Police/Fire/Military Market

September

- 4 Celebrating Labor Day/Workers Market
- 11 Celebrating Grandparents Market
- 18 NO MARKET COLLARD GREEN FESTIVAL
- 25 Dancin' In The Streets Market

October

- 2 Breast Cancer / Pink Market
- 9 Celebrating Native Lithonians Market
- 16 Celebrating Health Care Workers Market
- 23 Fall/Harvest Market
- 30 Halloween/Closing Market

November

20 Thanksgiving Pop-Up Market

December

4 Holiday Pop-Up Market





CITY OFFICIALS AND STAFF

COUNCIL MEETINGS

April 5th and 19th

MEETINGS WILL BE HELD BY CONFERENCE CALL DUE TO THE PANDEMIC

Call 770-482-8136 for dial-in information.

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