



DEKALB COUNTY DISTRICT 5 NEWSLETTER

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It's That Time Again... DeKalb County Pool Openings...

Pool Health and Safety Tips

- Remember to keep an eye on your child at all times. Kids can drown in seconds and in silence.
- All children should wear life jackets, especially at private pools, where there is no lifeguard on duty.
- Protect your child against sunburn by using a sunscreen with at least SPF 15 and both UVA and UVB protection, and be sure to re-apply it after swimming .
- Don't allow someone with diarrhea to swim. An ill swimmer can spread germs through the water and make others sick.
- Before entering a pool, shower to rinse any loose dirt, oils and bacteria off your body. This will help keep the pool clean.
- Don't swallow pool water and try to avoid getting water in your mouth.
- Change diapers in a restroom, not at the poolside.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after using the toilet or after changing diapers.
- Pool walkways can become slippery, therefore horseplay should be avoided to prevent injury.
- Pool water should be clear, if the water is not clear, the filtration system and chemicals are definitely not in balance, and the pool may not be safe to swim in.



Pool Season - May 29th - August 7th for daily swim.

Pool Hours - Mon - Sat: 12 PM - 6 PM, Sun: 1PM - 6 PM

Swim Fees - Adults (18yrs & up): \$3, Ages 3-17: \$2, Under 3: Free

District 5 Pools

POOL	ADDRESS	PHONE
BriarWood	2235 Briarwood Way, Atlanta, GA 30319	404-679-5924
Cofer	4259 N. Park Drive, Tucker, GA 30084	770-270-6253
Gresham	3113 Gresham Road, Atlanta, GA 30316	404-244-4937
Kittredge	2535 N. Druid Hills Road, Atlanta, GA 30329	404-679-5925
Lithonia	2501 Park Drive, Lithonia, GA 30058	770-484-3051
Lynwood	3360 Osborne Road, Atlanta, GA 30319	404-303-2105
N.H. Scott	2330 Tilson Road, Decatur, GA 30032	404-244-4938
Medlock	874 Gaylemont Circle, Decatur, GA 30033	404-486-5904
Midway	3181 Midway Road, Decatur, GA 30032	404-286-3313
Murphey Candler	1526 W. Nancy Creek Drive, Atlanta, GA 30319	770-216-4917
Tobie Grant	644 Parkdale Road, Scottdale, GA 30079	404-508-7616
Wade Walker	5584 Rockbridge Road, Stone Mountain, GA 30088	770-879-3462
Browns Mill Family Aquatic Center	4929 Browns Mill Road, Lithonia, GA 30038	770-323-4179

STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY



MAY IS NATIONAL STROKE AWARENESS MONTH

A stroke or "brain attack" occurs when a blood clot blocks an artery (a blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the body) or a blood vessel (a tube through which the blood moves through the body) breaks, interrupting blood flow to an area of the brain. When either of these things happen, brain cells begin to die and brain damage occurs.

When brain cells die during a stroke, abilities controlled by that area of the brain are lost. These abilities include speech, movement and memory. How a stroke patient is affected depends on where the stroke occurs in the brain and how much the brain is damaged.

For example, someone who has a small stroke may experience only minor problems such as weakness of an arm or leg. People who have larger strokes may be paralyzed on one side or lose their ability to speak. Some people recover completely from strokes, but more than 2/3 of survivors will have some type of disability.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in America and a leading cause of adult disability.

Up to 80% of strokes are preventable; you can prevent a stroke!

Being a healthier you in 2010 is a great start towards Strengthening Our Community.

ACT F.A.S.T.

F ace	Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the <u>face</u> droop?
A rms	Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one <u>arm</u> drift downward?
S peech	Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence. Can the person repeat the sentence effectively?
T ime	If the person shows any of these symptoms, time is important. Call 911 or get to a hospital fast! Brain cells are dying.

THE PEOPLE'S VOICE



Commissioner May truly values your questions, comments and concerns. In an effort to ensure that he is better meeting the needs of District 5 constituents, Commissioner May will address a specific question or comment. This is your forum to let your voice be heard, The People's Voice. Please e-mail any questions, comments, or concerns to jkhockett@co.dekalb.ga.us

November's Question

How do I register to vote in the upcoming November election?

Commissioner May's Response

Dear District 5 Residents,

Voting is one of our most important rights as United States citizens. I am so glad that you are interested in registering to vote. Currently only a small fraction of our county's eligible residents are registered, active voters. In order to ensure that we elect the leaders in our country that will best represent the issues of constituents, it is vital and profoundly important that each of us take this process very seriously, become involved in elections and encourage others to register and vote in every election.

To register to vote in the upcoming November election, visit the DeKalb County Voter Registration and Election Office located at: 4380 Memorial Drive, Suite 300, Decatur, GA 30032, or visit online at dklbweb.dekalbga.org/voter. For more information, or for a listing of nearby voting locations please call (404) 298-4020.

Thanks again for your question and I look forward to working with each of you to make DeKalb County District 5 the best place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Lee May

DEKALB BUSINESS FORUM

The DeKalb Business Forum provides local business a chance to gain exposure and possibly new customers. It is also a great opportunity for the residents of DeKalb to learn about what offerings are available in the county, which will hopefully encourage residents to support businesses within our communities. The goal of the DeKalb Business Forum is to help keep the DeKalb's large and small business environment flourishing.

The Wesley Group

Founder/ CEO	Beverly Wesley
Address	3689 Brandeis Ct., Decatur, GA 30032
Phone	(770) 598-7515
Website	www.thewesleygrouppr.com
Services Offered	Public Relations, Corporate Diversity Management, Marketing/ Media Relations, Event Management, Presentation Coaching

The Wesley Group provides customized support for businesses and non-profit organizations through innovative programs in collaboration with experienced public relations partners. They are committed to providing high-quality services within budget and timeframe to their clients.

Lewis Trucking and Grading

Address	7786 Old Covington HWY, Lithonia, GA 30058
Phone	770-482-8313
Website	www.lewis trucking and grading.com
Services Offered	Site Preparation, Underground Utilities, Site Finishing, Hauling

Lewis Trucking and Grading takes great pride in their highly experienced management team, their field crews of well trained and skilled foremen, operators and crew personnel, their large fleet of grading, excavation, pipe setting and hauling equipment, and their cost efficient construction capabilities. Lewis' project managers, field superintendents and estimators bring an abundance of experience and skills to each site development project to provide complete turn-key services, ranging from clearing and grading to site drainage, utilities and finishing. Contact them for your next construction project.

DEKALB AT A GLANCE

DEKALB PEACHTREE AIRPORT PROUDLY PRESENTS

2010 GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

OPEN HOUSE AIRSHOW



JUNE 5TH 12-5PM

**TEAM AEROSHELL ✈️ RED EAGLES ✈️ GREG KOONTZ ✈️ PAT EPPS
CLEM CLEAVER AND THE ALABAMA BOYS ✈️ LARRY KING
TEAM RV ✈️ MISTY BLUES ✈️ WARBIRDS**

 **Atlanta**
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Expect the best
AUTOMOTIVE GROUP ATLANTA
Audi Chevrolet Hyundai Mazda Porsche Saab VW

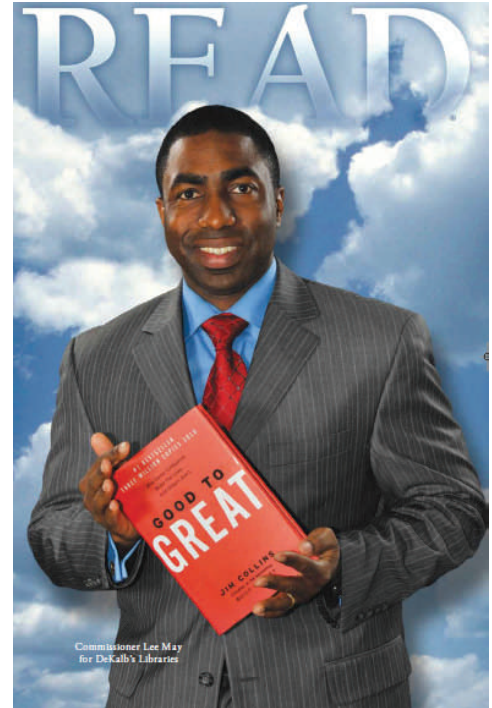
 **Mellow Mushroom**
pizza bakers

ADMISSION FREE **PARKING \$5 PER CAR**

DEKALB AT A GLANCE

Design A Library Card Contest

Commissioner Lee May is an avid reader, and one of his favorite books is Jim Collins' *Good to Great*. Commissioner May encourages both young and old to explore your local library to learn something new in a book. September is National Library Card Sign-up Month. To celebrate, for the first time ever, DeKalb County Public Libraries will use designs from DeKalb County Residents for its library cards. The Library System is holding a Design-a-Library-Card art contest this Spring and Summer, with the winning designs to be featured on limited edition library cards. The new cards will be available to the public beginning September 2010. Entries for the contest will be accepted from April 13–June 1, 2010. To submit a library card design you can either mail your entry to: Design-a-Library-Card Art Contest, DeKalb County Public Library, 215 Sycamore Street, Decatur, GA 30030, or drop your submission at any DeKalb Library Branch location. For more details visit www.dekalblibrary.org



DeKalb Senior Olympics

Congratulations to all of the winners and participants in the recent DeKalb County Senior Olympic Games.

Recently, DeKalb County held its 19th Annual Senior Olympic Games. The opening ceremony was followed by a FREE Health Fair which included screenings and give-a-ways. The DeKalb County Senior Olympics is a competition of athletes aged 50 and older from DeKalb, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, and Rockdale counties. Athletes competed in up to 42 "Olympic style" athletic as well as noncompetitive events.

Each year, hundreds of seniors compete in Senior Olympic events held across DeKalb County. Finalists from the Senior Olympics this year will qualify for the Georgia Golden Olympics State Games, which will be held in Warner Robins, Georgia. The State finalist will qualify for the National Senior Olympics to be held in Houston, Texas in June.

The Senior Olympics included competition in the following events:

Bridge	Bowling	Basketball
Checkers	Golf	Field Events
Horseshoes	Dominoes	Mah Jong Tile Game
Fun Walk	Darts	Softball Throw
Swimming	Table Tennis	Tennis
Water Volleyball	Track Events	Line Dancing

For more information about an upcoming Senior Olympic Event, call (404) 371-2990 or visit www.yourdekalb.com/parks

DEKALB AT A GLANCE

DeKalb County Youth Commission Update



The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners under the leadership of Commissioner Lee May is launching the DeKalb County Youth Commission. Funding was approved in January 2009.

The Youth Commission is a leadership program established to prepare the youth of DeKalb for future leadership positions by providing them with a tangible knowledge base related to various local, national and global issues, and by involving them in civic activities that will enrich both their lives and the lives of those whom they interact with.

Program participants have already been chosen, and the program will expose the youth of our communities to new ideas and concepts, it will provide an opportunity for them to be of service to the community, and will equip them with the leadership ability, which the students can use amongst their current peers and in their future careers.

Each selected student will be assigned to work with either the CEO of DeKalb, or to a Commissioner within one of our seven DeKalb Commission Districts. The program will cater to DeKalb County 10th and 11th graders, and each student will take part in various county activities and workshops in addition to other portions of the program.

Below are list of the Youth Commission Activities; if you would like to volunteer, please complete the attached form-or contact Carolyn Frisby, Youth Coordinator 404-370-8178 email: cmfrisby@co.dekalb.ga.us

June 10th & 11th

Youth Commission Opening Retreat
(Planning and information session)
Location: Stone Mountain Park, Decatur, GA 30030

June 24th

Youth Commission Teambuilding (Workshop by Toastmasters of DeKalb County)
Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Location: 330 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Decatur, GA 30030

September 2nd, September 16th, October 7th & 16th, November 4th & 18th, December 2nd & December 16th

Youth Commission: Team Building Workshops
Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: 1300 Commerce Drive, BOC Multipurpose RM

NOTE: STUDENT PARTICIPANTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CHOSEN, THE FOLLOWING DATES ARE FOR VOLUNTEERS ONLY...

LEGISLATIVE HAPPENINGS

Building Relationships in D.C.

Recently, Commissioner Lee May visited Washington D.C. as part of the annual NACO Convention. NACO stands for the National Association of Counties. Commissioner May is very involved in the NACo organization and is the Chairman of the Community and Economic Development Committee. At the convention Commissioner May worked alongside other county officials to build relationships and discuss policy decisions.



(L-R): NACo Representative, CEO Burrell Ellis, Commissioner Sharon Barnes-Sutton, Commissioner Eldin Bell, Commissioner Lee May

DeKalb County School System Job Cuts

By now I'm sure you've heard that DeKalb County School System has scheduled for budget cuts that include the elimination of hundreds of jobs within the school districts. DeKalb County Commissioner Lee May is committed to working with the school board to ensure that even with budget cuts, DeKalb County youth receive the quality education they deserve.

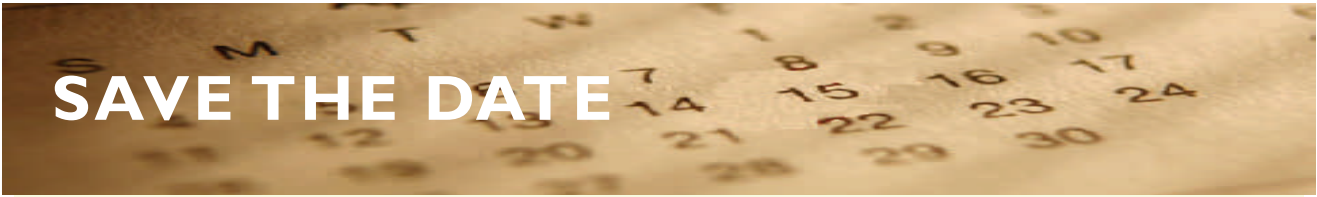
DeKalb County School System Job Cuts

By a 5-4 vote, the school board approved a fiscal 2011 budget of \$1.037 billion.

Number of students: 99,006

Number of employees: 14,000 full-time

How they cut: A total of 289 positions are being cut -- 150 central office workers, 100 paraprofessionals, 30 media clerks and nine technical specialists. The central office workers include administrators, secretaries and police officers. Class sizes will increase and teachers will have to take even furlough days. Administrators will have 15 furlough days. The board slashed \$26 million in contributions to employees' retirement plans and voted on a 10 percent pay cut for themselves.



May 31st

Memorial Day

- All DeKalb County Offices Closed
- Memorial Day Weekend - (29th-30th)
Stone Mountain Park Laser Show
1000 Robert E. Lee Drive, 30087

Atlanta Jazz Festival

Piedmont Park
430 Lakeshore Drive, 30307

JUN 1st

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Time: 9:00 AM
Where: Manuel J. Maloof Building
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, GA 30030

JUN 12th

DeKalb County Public Auction

Time: 10:00 AM
Where: 5055 Oakley Industrial Blvd.
Fairburn, GA 30213

This public auction will feature hundreds of police cruisers, vans, SUVs, Utility Trucks and Refuse Trucks. For more details call 770-357-2178.

JUN 12th

Atlanta Fest by Chick-fil-A

Time: 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Where: Stone Mountain Park

Atlanta Fest, the South's premier Christian music festival, is coming back to Stone Mountain Park for its 24th year of music and ministry.

JUN 18th

25th Annual Decatur Beach Party

Time: All Day
Where: Decatur Square
Decatur brings in 60 tons of sand and turns its landlocked square into the Decatur Beach complete with a kid's boardwalk, live music, dancing, food court, and more. Beachgoers can also enjoy "Dancing on the Plaza" until midnight.

OCT 6th - 10th

NAACP 68th Annual Conference Comes to Atlanta

The DeKalb County NAACP has been selected to host the 68th Annual NAACP Conference scheduled for October 6-10, 2010. Please RSVP by calling (678) 476-1428.

Featured Event

12th Annual Family Breakfast: "Juvenile Justice-To Incarcerate or Not"

Time	7:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Date	Saturday, June 12, 2010
Address	Church of Christ at Bouldercrest; 2727 Bouldercrest Road; Atlanta, GA 30316

The June 12th Family breakfast is entitled "*Juvenile Justice-To Incarcerate or Not?*", this panel discussion will be led by noted Attorney Melvyn Williams and will delve into the juvenile justice system in Georgia. Please join us for this compelling look inside this controversial subject! State Rep. Stephanie Stuckey Benfield has been invited to participate as well. The cost of this event is \$5. Please RSVP no later than

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY FROM THE MAY FAMILY



I hope each of you enjoy a break over the Memorial Day Weekend. Take some time to spend with your families, and loved ones. Attention all Home Owner's Association members, I would like to attend your next HOA meeting. Please e-mail my office coordinator, Latrese Young, at ldnyoung@co.dekalb.ga.us with the details.

Thank you once again for reading our newsletter, and I look forward to working with you to help make DeKalb County District 5 the best place to live, work and play.

Commissioner Lee N. May, District 5

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