

Places To Go & Things To Do

Chorale II presents its Holiday Concert. "The ABC'S of Holiday Music," on Sunday, December 3, at 3:00 PM, at First Baptist Church of Tucker, 5073 Lavista Rd. Selections will follow the ABC format of Announcement, Birth, Celebration, and Seasonal holiday favorites. Admission is free; donations accepted. Information: 770-939-1394.

A Holiday Celebration to Benefit the Stone Mountain Co-op -- Dec. 2, 2017, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Includes breakfast with Santa**, silent auction, Santa's Secret Shop, musical entertainment and photo op with your camera. **Tickets \$6, children three and under, free.** St. Timothy United Methodist Church 5365 Memorial Drive, Stone Mountain

NAMI American Sign Language Support Group: Are you seeking a **Free Mental Health Support Group?** NAMI is here for you! This group is **FREE** for people living with depression, bipolar disorder, PTSD, anxiety, schizophrenia, and other disorders. Our meetings offer a structured group process led by trained facilitators designed to encourage, support, and empower. **Open to all deaf and hard of hearing persons 18 and over with mental illness.** Starting November 1st (1st and 3rd Wed ongoing) Time: 5-6:30 pm. Location: GA Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 4151 Memorial Drive Suite 103 B (Community Meeting) Decatur GA 30082. **Contact: deannanami@gmail.com/404-994-6500 (videophone).** No registration needed. NAMI DeKalb www.namidekalb.com Find more about us on Facebook and Twitter.

Open to all young adults (18+) with a mental health condition. You can attend a **FREE weekly support group** with NAMI. This group is for people living with depression, OCD, eating disorders, bipolar disorder, anxiety, schizophrenia, and other disorders. Our meetings offer a structured group process led by trained facilitators designed to encourage, support, and empower. **Thursdays 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm** Starting November 2nd. **Location:** First Christian Church of Atlanta, 4532 Lavista Rd, Tucker, GA 30084 **For more information contact:** Joanna joannajungerman@gmail.com or 530-691-1453. No registration needed. **NAMI DeKalb** www.namidekalb.com Find more about us on Facebook and Twitter.

The Elegant Elf Marketplace returns to Lake Forest Elementary School at 5920 Sandy Springs Circle November 4 - 5 featuring over 85 vendors and a book signing by artist Steve Penley, Sunday at 2 PM. Hours are 9 - 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 - 5 p.m. Sunday. \$5 entry, children under 10 free. Free parking. www.sandyspringsociety.org.

ITS BACK! Join GO Kickball's rowdiest social experience, Santa Cup In Hand Tournament. Event will be held Dec. 16 in Brookhaven. End the year right, get drunk off a good time while playing kickball! Also enjoy great music from a killer DJ, fun games, goodies from various vendors all while socializing with fellow Atlantans. **Sign up at www.gokickball.com/atlanta.**

"Scribblers" a group of Christian authors and writers **meets every third Thursday**, (November 16th is next meeting) at "The Crossings" Restaurant in Norcross from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM. If you are a writer (published, liked to be published, or just interested) Join us for one of our meetings. **Call Charles at 772-584-1578 for information.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Jewish Family & Career Services' **One Good Deed Program** is looking for caring, compassionate individuals to visit twice a month with older adults. One Good Deed volunteers help their older friend with simple tasks, running errands, having lunch or simply visiting, to **create a bond that impacts both the volunteer and their older adult in ways that can't be measured!** For more information, visit www.jfcsatl.org/onegooddeed or call Sharon at 404-274-2431.

JOB NETWORK. Are you unemployed and searching for a job, or anticipating a job change? We have a team in place to help you define your skills, to give opportunities for you to hear job search techniques, and to broaden your network of contacts. We meet at **Parkview Church**, located at 4875 Lilburn-Stone Mountain Rd., Lilburn, on the **first Saturday of each month, from 9:00-10:30am.** **For more information, call Crayton at 404-697-7547.**

HOLIDAY IN SMOKE RISE CRAFT SHOW *Vendor space still available!* Calling all vendors and crafters! Our 2017 craft show will be on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 9am-4pm at Smoke Rise Elementary School, 1991 Silver Hill Rd. Our show is almost 40 years old and is located in the Tucker area. We would love to partner with you this holiday season. If you're interested and have further questions about rates or registration, please go to our website: www.holidayinsmokerise.com or contact the coordinator atcoordinator@holidayinsmokerise.com

Beginner Qigong Classes. Donations accepted. **Every Saturday 10:30-11:30am. Sage Center**, 2849 B Henderson Mill Rd, Atlanta GA 30341. Space is limited. Contact Julie Cannon, LPC @ juliecanonlpc@gmail.com or **404-419-6221**. Qigong combines physical postures, breathing, and focused intention to improve health, balance, and mental well-being.

HALCYON HOSPICE hosts a Bereavement Support Group -- This is a place where you can be with others processing through grief, each feeling for the other and supporting each other. Just come as you wish ~ we're here for you. Please meet us at Arbor Terrace, 425 Winn Way, Decatur, GA 30030 In the Sunroom~2nd Floor on the Last Thursday of Each Month 10am-11:30am. For additional information contact Melvin Bell at 404-801-6935

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS: Halcyon Hospice is looking for compassionate and caring people looking to enrich the lives of hospice patients and their families. Our volunteer provide companionship, music and pet therapy, caregiver relief etc. For more information please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Terry Preston at 678-651-1440.

FREE Atlanta EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) Tapping Community Group. Meets **every second Wednesday** of the month. **7:30-9:00pm. Sage Center**, 2849 B Henderson Mill Rd, Atlanta GA 30341. Contact Melissa Lester Olson, LCSW @ Melissa@melissalesterolson.com for more details. Tapping has many health benefits and is a gentle tool that can be used for overall health and well-being.

RETURNING TO COLLEGE? Are you a go-getter who dreams of getting an advanced college degree? It's time to de-stress and achieve success by letting us manage your learning experience! Contact us at **770-864-2124** or visit our website for more information: www.supportedsuccess.org

National Alliance on Mental Illness DeKalb Family Support Group meetings are a 90-minute weekly support group for people whose family member or friend lives with mental illness. Trained facilitators promote encouragement, support, and understanding. Held 1st Tuesdays 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Lithonia-Davidson Library 6821 Church Street, Lithonia, GA 30058. Starting November 7, 2017. Contact Pam at 404-626-2938 orpams@changingthecycle.org. For more information connect with www.namidekalb.com or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Become a Mediator -- Have you ever thought about being a professional mediator? Do you have natural skills helping people through difficult situations? Become a registered mediator for the State of Georgia. **Enter the exciting career of mediation by attending the next Georgia Approved 40 hr training class.** Call Dr. Rick Voyles at 404-991-0072 or visit www.centerfordisputesolutions.com/calendar/

Healing After "I Don't"-- Divorce Support Group -- If you are considering, in the middle of, or have experienced divorce and would like to start the process of healing, please contact Lisa Wilson, facilitator and Sage Center Counselor at info@sagecenteratlanta.com or **678-902-5472**. Location of the group: Sage Center, 2849-B Henderson Mill Road, Atlanta. Cost: \$20/session. Call or email for dates and times. To learn more about Sage Center's services, go to www.SageCenterAtlanta.com.

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Joe Evans Respite Care Center...Are you tired? Do you need some help with your senior adult? Come take a look at our center! We are open from 10am thru 3 pm Tuesdays thru Thursdays. \$30 per day including morning snack and hot lunch. **Call us! Helen Wilborn, Director 404-317-0613** or hwilborn@eastminster.us. www.eastminster.us

TRANSFORMING LOSS AND GRIEF -- When: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 6:30 - 8 pm. Where: First Christian Church of Decatur, 601 W. Ponce de Leon Avenue, Decatur Georgia 30030. (404) 378-3621 ext. 225. Purpose: A gathering of community of those seeking support in their journey toward acceptance of loss and Grief. Open to the public. No fee. Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King, LPC

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Gentiva Hospice Atlanta East seeks compassionate individuals for Administrative (Northlake Office), Patient Support, Vigil and Veteran to Veteran Volunteers (DeKalb & Gwinnett). **Ideal for students, retirees, clergy and veterans.** Requires your Heart & Time. Contact Manager of Volunteer Services, Candyce Patterson, at 678-937-1800 or Candyce.Patterson@gentiva.com

OVER 55? Join Lifespan Resources. Got four hours to give? Take an elder to the doctor. Become an **MET volunteer driver** and exercise your heart. Still learning? Fun in the Session has classes on travel, history, authors and technology. Sign up for **Lifespan Academy** and exercise your brain. All about us at **lifespanatlanta.org**. Call 404-237-7307.

DANCE * MUSIC * THEATRE * ART -- Register now for FALL CLASSES! Academy of Arts - Smoke Rise Baptist, 5901 Hugh Howell Road in Stone Mountain. www.smokerisebaptist.org/arts 678-533-0562. artsacademy@smokerisebaptist.org

Mark your calendars early for the change in Day of the week and time for Decatur Civic Chorus's Christmas Concert. This year we bring you Vivaldi's Gloria and other classic Christmas Carols on Saturday Evening, December 9th at 7:00 pm at First Baptist Decatur, 308 Clairemont Ave., Decatur, Ga. Start the Holiday Season with the warmth and joy of Christmas Classics. Call Scott Keesey, director, at 770-722-3769 for complete details

Gwinnett Senior Learning Center provides Computer and Technology Classes for seniors age 50+ at Bethesda Park Senior Center, 225 Bethesda Church Rd, Lawrenceville and George Pierce Park, 55 Buford Hwy, Suwanee. Fall classes have begun, but you can check for openings at our voice mail 770 564-4699. Winter Registration will be in January, 2018. **Volunteers** welcomed to teach, coach, write manuals and provide other support. See all our information at www.gsrlc.org .

Become an AARP Driver Safety Course Instructor! As a volunteer instructor you will organize and teach Driver Safety courses at community centers, libraries, hospitals or senior centers. **All teaching materials and resources will be provided.** Feel good in helping to build communities of safe drivers. To volunteer as instructor or find a class near you please visit <http://www.aarp.org/drive>.

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