



The Rooks Report

many people, one community...putting Clayton First

March 2016

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Let's talk about it!

**"First Saturday Talk," March 5, 2016 at
South Clayton Recreation Center 10am—12pm.**

What's On Your Mind?

- Please share with us any stories or items that you would like to have put into this newsletter.
- We want your comments about what we are doing for you here in the district. Please provide us your positive feedback and we will post them in this newsletter (see our comments section on page 27).



Shana M. Rooks
Clayton County Commissioner—District 3

Dear Constituents:

Spring is in the Air and I look forward to the first Quarterly "Let's Talk with Commissioner Shana Rooks" this Saturday, March 5, 2016. I've invited a representative from the Food Depot to come out to answer any questions you have about the new store in Lovejoy. I've also invited Central Services Director Deborah Brewer out to talk to

you about procurement processes in the county.

Come join me; breakfast will be served!!

In Service,

Shana M. Rooks, Esq.

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Clayton County Implements New Standard of Health Care

Clayton County Fire & Emergency Services is charged with providing healthcare on an emergency basis to more than 267,542 citizens through twelve (12) ALS Transport Units, seven (7) ALS Suppression Units, one (1) Community Paramedicine Unit, and three (3) new Community Treatment Units. Federally designated by the Department of Health and Human Services as a Medically Underserved Area in 2013, as well as, a Healthcare Professional Shortage Area in 2012, Clayton County is experiencing higher than average gaps in the continuity and availability of medical care for its citizens. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners, through its Fire & Emergency Services Department, seeks to remedy a part of the access issues by providing, non-acute medical care to its citizens through the use of nine (9) Nurse Practitioners functioning as an integral part of its Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program.



An analysis funded by the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) indicates that approximately 15 percent of Medicare patients transported to the ED by ambulance can be safely cared for in other settings if available in a community. National models suggest that if these patients were transported to a physician's office, Medicare could save \$559.871 million per year and if they were treated at **home** it is expected the savings would be significantly higher. Given the low-acuity nature of many patients being transported, one may anticipate a better patient care experience when patients are either **treated at the scene by EMS** or taken to a clinic based provider with shorter wait times than in the ED.

The end result of our initiative will be a multi-tier system of care aimed at increasing the health of the population through a Physician directed, data driven, and patient centered model of healthcare. The program is a **FIRST** of its kind in the Country and will help to reduce the impact on Southern Regional from non-emergent ER visits, allowing it to emerge from bankruptcy a stronger, community centered health facility.



2016 State of Clayton County Address



Event Partners



Presenting Sponsor



DATE
Wednesday
March 30, 2016



TIME
Registration 11:00 AM
Event 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM



LOCATION
Clayton State University
Student Activities Center
2000 Clayton State Blvd., Morrow, GA



2016 State of Clayton County Address *featuring* Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner

\$45

COUNCIL & CLAYTON
CHAMBER MEMBERS

\$65

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March 2016 @ The Lovejoy Library

Youth Services Programs

Storytime

Every Wednesday (10:30am-11:15am)
Join us for stories, crafts, music, dance and lots of laughs! Ages 3 and older

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Wednesday, March 3, 2016 (10:30am-11:15am)
Enjoy stories and a craft centered on Dr. Seuss.
Ages 3 and older

Book Buddies

Tuesday, March 8 2016(4:30pm-5:30pm)
Teens will pair up with preschoolers ages four to seven for three twenty minute sessions. The program is designed to allow teens to share their love of books and reading with younger children.
Ages 4 to teens

Preschool Wiggleworms

Wednesday, March 9, 2016(10:30am-11:15am)
Join us for an interactive storytime designed to get children excited about reading and all things library related. Ages 3 and older

Battle of the Ages

Tuesday, March 15, 2016 (5:00pm-6:00pm)
Teen and Seniors go head to head in old school games vs. new school games. It's Checkers vs. Temple Run and several other classic games.
Ages 8 and older

Tell Me Something Good

Tuesday, March 29, 2016 (4:00pm-5:00pm)
Teens talk about their favorite book and movies and try to earn volunteer credit by helping plan library events and programs that their peer would like to attend. Grades 6-12



Teen & Tween Program

Teen Movie Monday

Every Monday (4:00pm-5:30pm)
The Lovejoy Library is hosting Teen Movies on Mondays. All movies are geared for middle school to high school students. Light snacks will be served during each movie.

After School Club

Wednesdays (3:30pm-5:30pm)
Teens come and enjoy an afternoon of board games. All teens are welcome to bring and share their own board games. This program is geared for middle school to high school students.

Fun Healthy Eating for Teen & Tweens!

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 (3:30pm-5:30pm)
Educational program where Teens and Tweens enjoy tasty healthy stacks while they learn how to make better food choices. Health education provided by Clayton County Board of Health. Healthy snacks will be served.

Free To Read

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 (4:00pm-5:00pm)
Discuss popular banned books and why they were banned and what books should or should not be banned.

Adult Programs

Super Saver Coupon Club

First Monday's, March 7, (1:00pm-2:00pm)
The Lovejoy Branch Library is hosting a "coupon club." It will allow people to trade coupons specifically for their household needs. Couponing expert Diana Acquaye will be on hand to share her tips on successful couponing.

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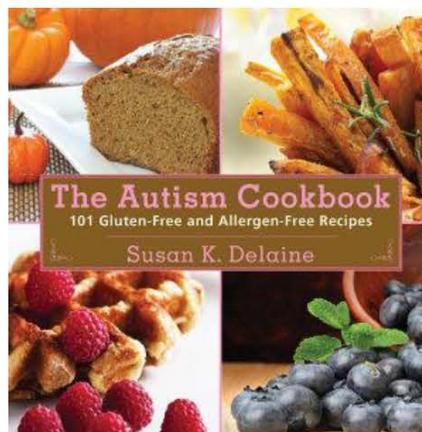
Every Tuesday, January 5,12,19,26; February 2,9,16, 23; March 1,8,15,22 (6:00pm-8:00pm)
Las clases se dictarán en Español y son gratuitas para inscribirse por favor llame al teléfono 770-472-8129. **Reservation Preferred.** Teens & Adults

Lovejoy Branch Library
1721 McDonough Road
Hampton, Georgia 30228
For information call 770.472.8129

Eating Healthy can be Delicious!

Join author Susan Delaine

Learn and sample healthy recipe substitutions that your family will want second helpings.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Susan K. Delaine is an author, mother, and autism spokesperson. She has appeared on ABC News, Better Mornings Atlanta, NBC-30s Health and Wellness Festival, CBS Eyewitness News Live, and Fox 5 s Good Day Atlanta. Her recipes and her story have been profiled in Real Simple, Black Health, Fayette Woman, and the Fayette Neighbor.

Saturday, March 19th @ 2pm

This program sponsored by the Friends of the Clayton County Library System

For more information contact: friendsofthecclibrary@gmail.com

Clayton County Headquarters Library

865 Battle Creek Road
Jonesboro, GA 30236

770-473-3850

Directions@www.claytonpl.org



2016 SMALL BUSINESS EXPO

MARCH 22, 2016 10AM-2PM



**PRESENTED BY
CLAYTON COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
& CLAYTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT**



Who should attend?

Prime Contractors, Small, Local, Minority and Women Business Enterprises

* Training Sessions * Panel Discussion * Networking * Free Luncheon

Must Register to Attend

Clayton State University-Student Activity Center
2000 Clayton State Boulevard
Morrow, Georgia 30260

To register, visit
<http://www.ccwa.us/small-local-business-program>
For more information, please email
ccwa_slbe_program@ccwa.us

Free Event





FREE NOTARY PUBLIC TRAINING CLASSES

The Clayton County Superior Court Clerk's office is pleased to offer two **FREE** notary public training classes for the public! Working in conjunction with the Georgia Superior Court Clerk's Cooperation Authority, the Clayton County Superior Court Clerk's office will be hosting training classes on **Friday, March 4, 2016**.

Training will be held at the **Clayton County Justice Center Jury Assembly Room at 9151 Tara Blvd., Suite 1JA01 Jonesboro, GA 30236**.

The classes will be held from **10:30am to noon** and **2:00pm to 3:30pm**.

It is requested you register with the Clayton County Superior Court Clerk's office prior to attending. To **register**, please email superiorcourtrealestate@co.clayton.ga.us. We look forward to offering this valuable service to our community!

Commissioner Shana M. Rooks presents

Community Heroes



I am looking for those individuals who steps aside and "puts Clayton first." Please submit your nominations along with the nominees background and three references that will validate the nomination to my Constituent Aide Steven VanDyke at steven.vandyke@claytoncountyga.gov

March 2016

March 4, 2016

DR. SEUSS NIGHT - Join us for a family event celebrating Dr. Seuss's Birthday in partnership with Georgia Pre-K and local daycares. Food, fun, entertainment, and more! 6:00pm-7:30pm at Jim Huie Recreation Center.



March 19, 2016

SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA - Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt and more at Rex Park from 1-4pm! **FREE** Event.

Clayton County Parks and Recreation
in Partnership with Clayton County Public Schools
Pre-K and DES Preschool Departments Presents

Room to Read

Food, Games, Entertainment, and More...



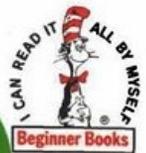
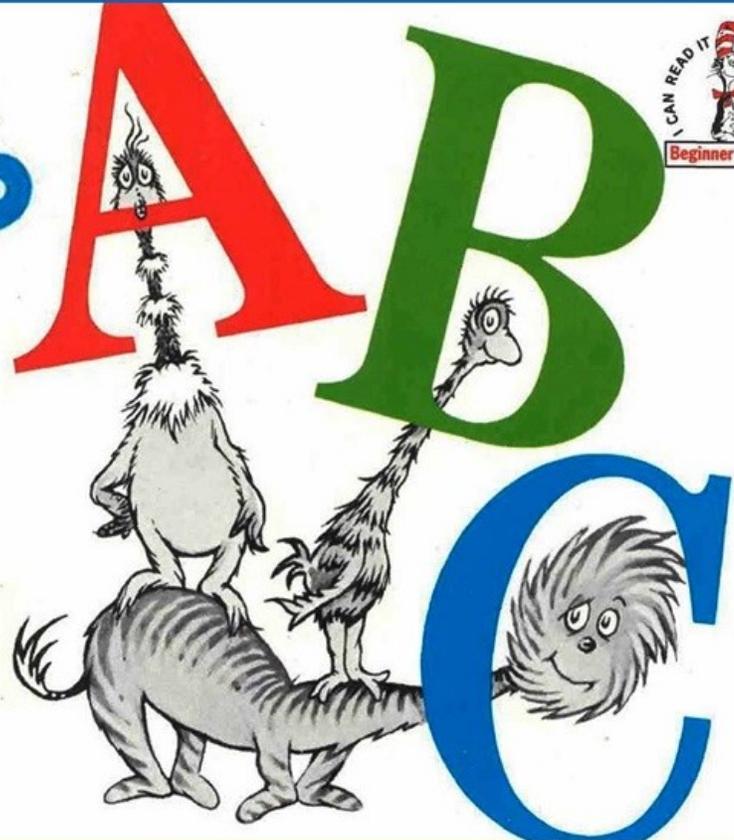
Friday, March 4th

6:00pm-8:00pm

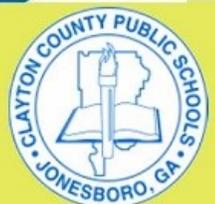
Ages: 3-6

"We Connect Communities Through People, Parks & Programs"

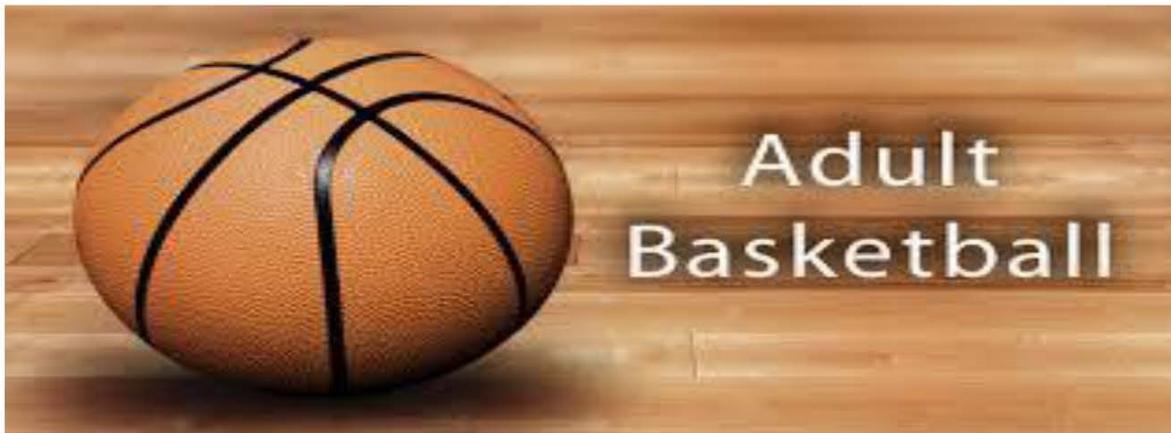
Dr. Seuss's



Jim Huie Recreation Center
9045 Tara Blvd. Jonesboro, Georgia
(Located behind the Clayton County Courthouse)
www.claytonparks.com • 678-479-5133



South Clayton Recreation Center



When: Friday (5-9 pm)

Saturday (3-6 pm)

- 18 & up! No kids allowed (adults only)
- Full Court
- Rules & sign in sheet
- 10 minute running clock

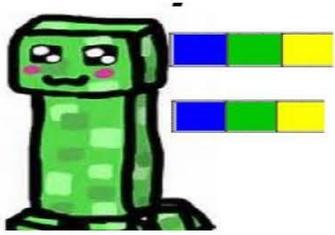
***Participants are at the discretion of the supervisor on duty**



Clayton County
Parks and Recreation

"We Connect Communities through People, Parks and Programs"

South Clayton Presents



Family Game Night

When: Last Friday of every month

Time: 7-8 pm

This event is Free to attend!

Come out and enjoy a fun night of:

Monopoly, Checkers, Connect 4, Sorry, Uno, Candy Land, PS3 Games, Nintendo Wii Games, and much more.....



Clayton County
Parks and Recreation

"We Connect Communities through People, Parks and Programs"



Come out and join us for a fun night of reading!

When: 1st Monday of Each Month

Where: South Clayton Recreation Center

Time: 7:00-8:00 pm

Ages: 5-12



Please contact Mario@ (770) 347-0200 for more information.



Clayton County
Parks and Recreation

"We Connect Communities through People, Parks and Programs"



Motor Tots

What is Motor Tots?

A program designed to introduce kids ages 3-6 year olds into the wonderful world of organized sports.

- *coordination
- *agility
- *balance
- *teamwork
- *builds self confidence

When: 1st Wednesday of every month

Time: 7:15-8:15 pm

Where: South Clayton Recreation Center (Gym 1)

Cost: Free



Clayton County
Parks and Recreation

"We Connect Communities through People, Parks and Programs"

*** Please Contact Mario@ (770) 347-0200 for more information**

Aging Division Spotlight

Clayton County Senior Legacy Honored

Clayton County is proud to spotlight another one of its living jewels. Ms. Eudis Conner is 99 years young and March 29 marks a major milestone as she turns 100! It was during the year of her birth in 1916 that Paul Robeson who was a sophomore tackle is excluded from the Rutgers football team when Washington and Lee University refused to play against an African-American; the Boy Scouts of America was formed; women are allowed to attend a boxing match, the first self-serve supermarket, Piggly Wiggly opens in Memphis TN and President Franklin D. Roosevelt issues an executive order forbidding discrimination in the defense industry.

Since that time Ms. Conner, who resides with her family in Clayton County Commissioner, Shana Rook's District 3, has lived through the history that many of us have only studied in school. A gleam comes to her eye when Ms. Eudis is asked about living through the term of President Barak Obama, she smiles and said she didn't think she would see it happen. Some of Ms. Conner's most vivid presidential memories as a teen are during the Great Depression when President Herbert Hoover (Republican) served as the 31st President and then states she is proud to be a Democrat.

Due in part to the Great Depression Ms. Eudis felt she got a late start in life because she decided to remain home and take care of her parents long after her siblings had left. It was at age 28 that she finally ventured out on her own and later married in her 30's to a gentleman that worked in the coal mines and together they raised nine children. Over the years, Ms. Eudis held various jobs but finally retired from working with a cleaning service at age 72 where she spent the latter part of her years cleaning a law office. This spirited senior is quick to point out that she always dressed conservative while working at the law firm, with a skirt below her knees and shirts buttoned all the way to the top. Ms. Eudis pointed out that the lawyers of the firm hated to see her leave because of her excellent job performance.

Ms. Eudis Conner also worked as a church secretary and served on the Usher Board, Sunday School Board, and Youth Board. As a respected member of her church Ms. Conner in her capacity as church secretary travelled to conferences and meetings with the pastor. Prior to trips she recalls spending time with the first lady deciding her wardrobe for the trips. Ms. Conner shared with us that the first lady would often remind her "you are representing my husband and our church". To this day Ms. Eudis is still quite feisty and enjoys dressing up for church, especially on the Sunday that the Men's Choir is singing.

Ms. Eudis will be honored by Commissioner Rooks with a proclamation on March 15, 2016, and has been inducted into the county's Centenarian Club.





Clayton County
Senior Services
Department
Changing the face of aging

J Charley Griswell Senior Center
2300 Highway 138 SE | Jonesboro, GA 30236
770-477-3499 main | 770-477-3491 fax
Mondays 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Special Events

ANNUAL MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

Come out and experience Mardi Gras New Orleans style! Let us celebrate and pay homage to New Orleans' rich heritage with our costumes, floats, and a parade. Please come out and party and enjoy a sampling of New Orleans style red beans and rice.

Friday, March 4th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SOCIAL

Join the fun in the celebration of Saint Patrick's Day and enjoy learning about the Irish culture in an exciting event. Event festivities will include dancing, music, eating, contests, giveaways and fun-filled Irish themed games. Light refreshments will be available for your enjoyment.

Thursday, March 17th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

EASTER SCAVENGER HUNT

The kiddies have an egg hunt. Why should you miss out on all of the fun? Join us for the Easter Scavenger Hunt! Enjoy an afternoon of activities and a scavenger hunt just for you, grown up style!

Thursday, March 24th from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

YARD SALE AND FISH FRY

Hello bargain shoppers! This one is for you. Come out for the Advisory Council's Yard Sale. Purchase a variety of unique and special items sold by our members. Do not forget to purchase a yummy, mouthwatering fish plate prepared by our very own Advisory Council!

Friday, March 25th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Education/Enrichment Classes

BASIC COMPUTER

Instructor: Staff

Mondays from 10:00 am - 11:00 am

BASIC DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Instructor: Stanley Coleman

Do you ever wonder how you can show all of your photos? This class will teach you how to make a digital film using your treasured photos.

Wednesdays from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

CERAMICS

Instructor: Gail Humphrey

Learn how to design, paint and personalize your own piece.

Mondays from 9:30 am - 11:30 am

QUILTING

Instructor: Staff

Mondays from 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Tuesdays - Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tuesdays - Fridays from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Fitness Classes

BASIC STEP AEROBICS

Instructor: Staff

Would you like to learn the basic step moves? Then this is the class for you! This interactive class will teach students how to safely use the platform steps.

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:15 am - 10:00 am

BEGIN SWIM

Instructor: Jackie Fears

Learn how to overcome your fear of water and swim like a pro.

Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am - 10:00 am

AQUA SCULPTING

Instructor: Johnny Furlow

Experience building muscular strength and endurance in this fast paced class. Use resistance equipment such as tubing, hand buoys, and medicine balls for upper and lower body.

Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

ADVANCED DANCERCISE

Instructor: Staff

Enjoy a full body workout while learning the latest dance. Exercise to oldies but goodies, while learning the latest dances. This class is a step above beginner's Dancercise.

Wednesdays from 10:00 am - 10:45 am

LAND ARTHRITIS EXERCISE

Instructor: Staff

Increase your range of motion, strength and endurance in this class designed according to the Arthritis Association Foundation.

Tuesdays from 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Fridays from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Trips

AMERICAN BUFFALO (TRUE COLORS THEATRE)

Three thieves come up with a scheme to rob a man of his coin collection which includes a Buffalo nickel which is thought to be worth a lot of money. As these crooks get deeper into their plan, they start to have a change of heart. Let's see how the story unfolds in the True Colors production, American Buffalo. Have dinner on your own at a nearby restaurant.

Thursday, March 2nd from 3:00 pm - 12:00 am

BOOTH MUSEUM

Take a trip to the Wild Wild West! Griswell is headed to Booth Western Art Museum in Cartersville. We will view exhibits containing collections of western art, Civil War art, presidential letters and portraits, and more.

Tuesday, March 29th from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm



Clayton County
Senior Services
Department
changing the face of aging

Frank Bailey Senior Center
6213 Riverdale Road | Riverdale, GA 30274
678-479-5505 main | 678-479-5522 fax
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursdays 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

Special Events

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Celebrate in a sea of green for St Patrick's Day with fun, music, dance, and trivia!

Thursday, March 17th from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Fitness Classes

AQUA FITNESS

Instructor: Noreen Rogers

Enjoy a low impact fun workout in our heated pool.

Wednesdays from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

BEGINNERS LINE DANCE

Instructor: Joycelyn Benham

This is a class for beginners with repeated steps in which a group of people dance in one or more rows.

Thursdays from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

TAI CHI

Instructor: Harvey Robbins

Tai chi involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied by deep breathing.

Mondays -Thursdays from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Mondays & Wednesdays from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Arts/Educational Classes

COMPUTER KEYBOARDING

Instructor: Staff

Learn the basic steps for operating a computer.

Thursdays from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

COMPUTER WITH TONY

Instructor: Tony Antoine

Learn how to operate Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint, how to e-mail, use digital images and surf the Internet.

Check Center Calendar for schedule

Trips

NEW CHEROKEE CASINO

We'll spend the day at the new Cherokee Casino in Murphy, N.C.

Wednesday, March 9th from 8:30 am – 8:30 pm

Wednesday, June 29th from 8:30 am – 8:30 pm

THE OLD CAPITAL

Visit and tour the Old Capital Building in Milledgeville and see exhibits from early settlements, the Civil War, as well as the present day.

Wednesday, March 16th from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

ANTIQUITY CENTER

Join us as we explore the Antiquity Center. The Center is a living museum of life in ancient times. While there we'll enjoy a biblical meal, lectures and other ancient experiences.

Wednesday, March 23rd from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

The Cherry Blossom Festival is one of Macon, Ga most popular event. You'll enjoy the festival which consist of vendors, food, and live entertainment. After enjoying the festival, we'll tour the beautifully decorated neighborhoods.

Wednesday, March 30th from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm





Clayton County
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Kinship Resource Center
849 Batle Creek Road | Jonesboro, GA 30236
770-473-5788 main | 770-477-3421 fax
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program

Classes for Adults

IT'S A SITUATION

Join us as we get our bodies fit without leaving your seat.

Adults: Wednesday, March 2nd
from 9:00 am – 10:00 am

INTRO TO SPANISH

Se hablo espanol? Well now you can in this introductory Spanish class.

Adults: Thursdays, March 10th - 31st
from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

GET YOUR ANGER OUT

Everyone gets angry, but sometimes it can make us do and say things that we really don't mean. Come learn how to release anger so no one gets hurt and we feel better.

Adults: Friday, March 25th from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

DRAFTING A BASIC WILL

Advice and instruction on how to draft your own last will and testament. No lawyer required.

Adults: Friday, March 11th from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday, March 31st from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Classes for Youths/Teens

TEST TAKING TIPS

Have you ever studied hard for a test and still didn't do as good as expected? Well, there are tools you can use to become a better test taker without the up all night cram session. Come see which strategies fit you best.

Teens: Wednesday, March 2nd from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

TEAMWORK CHALLENGE

We will take a look at the importance of building teamwork in a fun and challenging way.

Youth: Wednesday, March 2nd from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

TESSELLATIONS

Can art and math really collide into something interesting and unique? You'll find out and create something unique and interesting for yourself.

Teens: Wednesday, March 9th from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

BUDGETING BASICS

Once your child hits 12 they're basically adults in training. Bring your young adult to this class where we'll teach them how to prepare for their financial future

Teens: Thursday, March 31st from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

Learning how to fix things around the house can be easy and fun and give your child confidence about doing something helpful for the house.

Youth: Thursday, March 31st from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm



CCWA's Upcoming Events:

CCWA will host its monthly Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Certification workshop on at the CCWA Marie Barber Community Use Room, 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, GA 30260.

The next workshop dates are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, March 9th	2-3:30 pm
April 12 th	9-10:30 am

To register for workshops please visit www.ccwa.us or email ccwa_slbe_program@ccwa.us.



Learn how to effectively market and brand your small business for potential growth.



CLAYTON COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Hosts

Marketing and Branding Workshop For Small Business

Date: April 5, 2016
Time: 10:00 am- 12:00 pm
Where: Clayton County Water Authority
Marie Barber Community Use Room
1600 Battle Creek Road
Morrow, GA 30260

Training provided by **Beak Consulting**

Must RSVP to attend this **FREE** event. Space is limited so register early.

Please register by one of the following:

Registration link: [Register Marketing and Branding Your Business](#)

Email: ccwa_slbe_program@ccwa.us



Clayton County Water Authority is Celebrating **National Fix a Leak Week**

Household leaks waste water and cost you money.

The most common indoor leaks are from a leaky toilet or faucet.

Learn how to quickly check for leaks and repair them with parts from your favorite do-it-yourself home improvement store.

Stop by one of our Customer Service locations

March 14 -18 between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

to speak to our staff about leaks and enter to win one of two, \$50 water bill credits.

HQ Office

1600 Battle Creek Road
Morrow, GA 30260

Forest Park Office

526 Forest Parkway, Suite A
Forest Park, GA 30297

For more information, visit ccwa.us or call 770.960.5200.

How to Detect Leaks

A small leak, about the size of a pin head, dripping at one drop per second can add up to 7 gallons of water a day. A large leak, the kind most often found in toilets, can waste 200 gallons of water or more a day!

Most leaks are easy to fix. You Tube videos, do-it-yourself books and a home improvement store are great resources to help learn how to repair most leaks yourself. Check out the following when you suspect a leak:

Faucets

Check faucets in the bathroom and kitchen periodically. Worn washers are most often the cause of dripping faucets.

Sprinkler Systems

Broken sprinkler heads or damaged underground pipes are common sources of sprinkler system leaks. Watch your system run at least once per month to spot problems early.

Toilets

Check toilets for leaks often. The most common causes of a leaking toilet are:

- 1) float device set too high, which causes water to run into the overflow tube
- 2) a warped or cracked flapper.

Inexpensive toilet leak kits are available at home improvement stores.

Use your water meter to determine if you have a leak

- Make sure no water is being used inside or outside (no washing machine filling, no shower running, no watering outdoors, etc.).
- Locate your water meter box. Carefully remove the cover and lift the top of the meter.
- Find the red Leak Indicator on the meter dial. If all of your water sources are off and the Leak Indicator is rotating, you may have a leak. Leaks can waste thousands of gallons of water in a just a few days so it pays to fix leaks promptly.

For more information, visit us at: www.ccwa.us and subscribe to our YouTube channel

Clayton County Water Authority's Free Household Hazardous Waste Amnesty Day For Clayton County Residents

Saturday, April 23, 2016
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

W.B. Casey Water Reclamation Facility
Enter at 8890 Roberts Road, Jonesboro
(Off of Flint River Road)

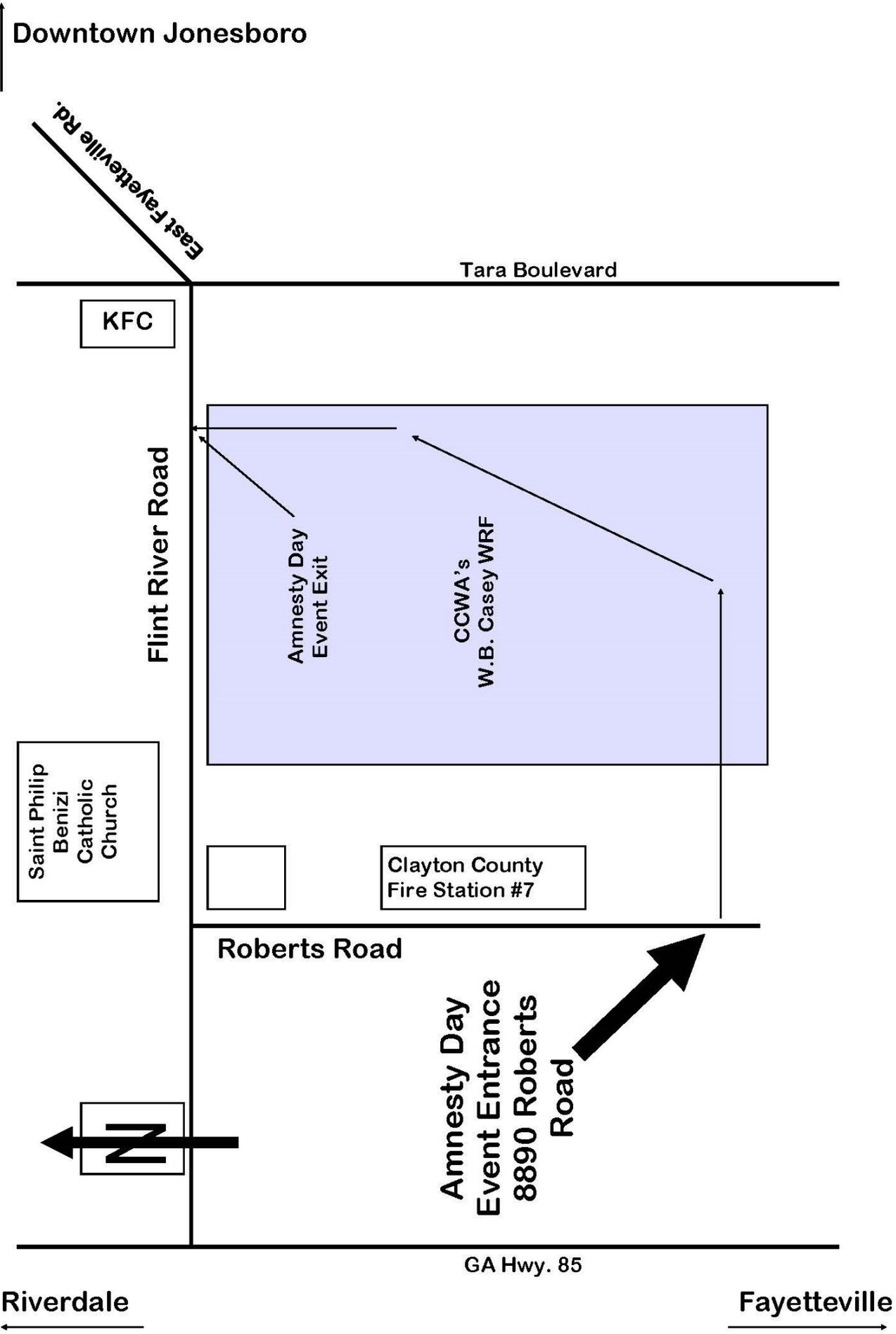
Participants must show proof of residency
(such as drivers license or water bill).

Only the following items
will be accepted:

- Household Paints (Latex & Oil)
- Oven Cleaners
- Cooking Oil/Grease
- Aerosols
- Bleaches & Chlorine
- Drain Cleaners
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Automotive & Household Batteries
- Motor Oil/Transmission Fluid/Antifreeze
- Paint Thinner
- Wood Strippers
- Pesticides & Herbicides
- Insect Sprays & Rodent Killers
- Fire Extinguishers
- Propane & Butane Tanks
- OTC & Prescription Medications

For more information, go to
www.ccwa.us or call 770.960.5200.







Can what happened in Flint, Michigan happen here in Clayton County?

The water crisis in Flint, Michigan shows the critical importance of safe tap water and underscores that our first job is to protect the families we serve. Those of us involved in managing, cleaning and delivering water share a solemn obligation to protect public health. Below are some questions about the Flint crisis and what we do at the Clayton County Water Authority to prevent something like this from happening in our community.

What exactly happened in Flint, Michigan that led to the crisis there?

- In 2014, the city of Flint, Michigan began drawing its water from the Flint River instead of purchasing it from the city of Detroit (which uses Lake Huron) as a cost saving measure.
- When the city switched its water supply source, it did not take the required steps to manage the water chemistry. The Flint River in Michigan has more corrosive water than lake water, which caused aging pipes to leach lead into the tap water from the service lines (the lines running from the meter to the home) and home plumbing. This lead ended up in the water coming out of their faucets, exposing residents to high levels of lead over time. This would probably not have happened if the water supply had been properly treated with an anticorrosion agent.
- In October 2015, the City of Flint went back to using water from Detroit but there is ongoing concern that some private service lines may still be leaching lead into the tap water.
- The U.S. Department of Justice is investigating this issue.

Is the Flint River in Michigan the same Flint River that runs through Clayton County?

No. The Flint River here in Clayton County begins in East Point and travels under the runways of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and then south through the western part of the state.

What does CCWA do to prevent lead exposure? CCWA takes its responsibility to protect customers from lead exposure seriously. Lead enters drinking water primarily through private plumbing materials inside the home (such as pipes, plumbing fixtures, fittings, solder and flux) that contains lead. The interaction between water and the plumbing is referred to as corrosion. This contributes to the lead release in the drinking water. A situation like the crisis in Flint, Michigan is unlikely here because we do not have lead service lines in Clayton County, although there could be lead solder or low levels of lead from galvanized pipe. CCWA adds a corrosion inhibitor (Orthophosphate) to the finished water leaving the water production plants that coats the pipes and controls corrosion. This corrosion inhibitor helps reduce the potential leaching of metals into the drinking water. The Orthophosphate levels, along with the pH and alkalinity of

CCWA's finished drinking water, are tested multiple times daily at our water production plants to help reduce corrosion in the distribution system.

What does the State of Georgia do to prevent something like this from happening here?

As required by State law, the monthly results from all three CCWA Production Plants are sent in a summarized reporting form to the State of Georgia. To make sure the water in the distribution system maintains compliance to corrosion related parameters, our Water Quality Laboratory staff tests several system sites a month and sends these results to the State of Georgia annually. Our Water Quality monitoring is conducted in accordance with GA Environmental Protection Division (EPD) regulatory requirements and guidance. Tests for lead in CCWA's water system have shown lead levels to be well below limits established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Public drinking water systems throughout Georgia are carefully regulated by GA EPD, with corrosion control programs as an essential component of the treatment process. The GA EPD requires each water provider to comply with each National Primary Drinking Water Regulation, which includes the Lead & Copper Regulations. Also, the GA EPD requires a very thorough source water assessment prior to any change in water sources (like when they switched water sources in Flint, Michigan).



Clayton County Government Contact Numbers

(Here are some of our most requested numbers or services)

Animal Control	770-477-3509	Police/South Precinct	770-347-0260
Better Business Bureau	404-766-0875	Refuse Control (handles certain debris and trash on streets, removes dead animals from County roads)	770-477-3548
Board of Commissioners	770-477-3208	Senior Services	770-603-4050
Code Enforcement	678-610-4755	Sheriff (Non-Emergency)	770-471-1122
Community Development	770-477-3569	So. Regional Medical Center	770-991-8000
DFACS	770-473-2300	Tag Office	770-477-3331
Economic Development	770-477-4450	Tax Assessor (Prop .Values)	770-477-3285
Emergency	911	Tax Commissioner (Tax Bills)	770-477-3311
Health Department	678-610-7199	Transportation & Development (Public Works, Road Department/Pot Holes/Traffic Engineering)	770-477-3674
Parks and Recreation	770-477-3766	Water Authority	770-960-5200
Planning and Zoning	770-477-3577		

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AS A RESIDENT OF CLAYTON COUNTY DISTRICT 3, YOU MAY BE FACED WITH CONCERNS OR ISSUES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ADDRESSED.

WE WORK WITH OUR CITIZENS TO RESOLVE CONCERNS INVOLVING COUNTY GOVERNMENT, EXPLAIN COUNTY PROGRAMS, EXPEDITE GOVERNMENT ACTION AND SERVE AS LIAISON BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC.

HOURS OF OPERATION
8AM-5PM (M-F)

Questions/Concerns/Comments

Please contact :

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Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday evening of the month at 7pm .

112 Smith Street

Jonesboro, GA 30236

770) 477-3208

The Next First Saturday Talk

March 5, 2016

South Clayton Recreation Center

1837 McDonough Rd. , Hampton GA 30228

10:00 am—12:00 pm

Clayton County Government's Top Five Communication Resources

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www.ClaytonCountyGa.gov

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Clayton County Access Television
Comcast Channel 23

Mobile Community

Text the word "CLAYTON" to 22828
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