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## THE GAB-RRR

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Monthly News from the Duluth Merchants Association

# December

## Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 6, 2011 @ 6 pm



### DMA Christmas Party at the New Dawn Theater

3087 Main Street (Formerly the Aurora Theater)

Duluth, GA 30096

Phone: (678) 887-50155

**\$10 Admission per person**

Please also bring a \$10 gift card from Publix,  
Kroger, Walmart, or Target to benefit Hands  
of Christ





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Dear DMA Members,

It is here...December already! Wow...a fast and furious 2011 and 2012 is just around the corner.



Thank you for the fantastic meeting in November! The facility is just great, your message is wonderful and we are honored that you are members of DMA. Lynette Purves, Executive Director of Planned PetHood has been a Board Member this year as well as the DMA Gab-rrr Editor. You know the saying...if you want something done...give the job to a busy person. Lynette, you and the staff did an outstanding job and we thank you. Our final meeting for 2011 is at the



**New Dawn Theater** on December the 6<sup>th</sup>...this is our Annual Christmas Party and I urge everyone to put on your party clothes and join in the fun. The evening will begin with DMA Members and Guests gathering and being served Fine Spirits provided by **Sweetwater Package Store**, tantalizing taste treats by



**Boudreaux's** will be the evening's repast and in tradition with the holidays the **New Dawn Theater** will delight everyone to a snippet of their *Holiday Production*. Hurry and make your reservations, the cost is only \$10.00 per person and a \$10.00 Gift Card from a grocery store, big box store or gas station. The Gift Cards will be given to the *Hands of Christ* to help during the Holiday. The year 2011 is flying out the door and we are proud that we have grown our membership and have held our first ever **The Light up the 9/11 Living Honorarium Bike Ride**. I give my most sincere thanks to the 2011 Board of Directors for their support, energy and service. The year 2012 you will welcome your new DMA President, Jim Johnson. Jim has fabulous plans for the growth of our Association. It will prove to be a most exciting year for DMA and members...join in and get involved. This is your Association!  
I wish every DMA member a very Happy Holiday Season and a Healthy and Prosperous 2012!

Sincerely,  
Sunny  
Sunny Ramsay, DMA President 2011  
678-312-6857  
[lramsay@gwinnettmedicalcenter.org](mailto:lramsay@gwinnettmedicalcenter.org)

**DMA Members:**  
Be sure to attend the  
DMA monthly meetings!



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# Design First – For Creative Marketing Solutions

The image shows a screenshot of the Design-First website. At the top is a navigation menu with links: Home, About Us, Services, Resources, Portfolio, Getting Started, Blog, Site Map, and Contact Us. The main header features the 'Design-First' logo in large, bold letters, with 'Design-' in black and '-First' in red. Below the logo is the tagline 'For Creative Marketing Solutions'. A central, slightly tilted photograph of Vann Baker, a man with grey hair wearing a blue striped shirt, is overlaid on the page. Below his photo, the text reads 'Vann Baker, President' and 'Welcome to Design-First'. To the left of the photo is a search bar with the text 'Quick Search', an input field, and a 'Go' button. Below the search bar is a 'Visit Our Online STORE' button with a shopping cart icon and a 'Go' button. To the right of the photo are two smaller images: one showing a calculator and the text 'Free Qu...', and another showing a website design with the text 'Website Design'. At the bottom right of the screenshot, the text 'Positive Public Image, Inc' is visible.

In this busy age, both new and mature businesses appreciate a "one-stop" creative source for their marketing needs, so Vann Baker of Design-First created a customer friendly business. His eStore website, offers affordable solutions for graphic design, website design, printing and marketing needs. New and experienced clients quickly discover that there is a live person at the other end, where Vann offers a welcome ear to listen to their story, and design the right marketing solutions for their business.

Vann started out with a six year apprenticeship in the printing industry, while he acquired his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. Specializing in graphic design, Van soon developed a keen eye and ear focused on the evolution of technology around him. The results proved to be beneficial. He successfully built his first website in 1995 even before there were any "how to" books available on the subject.

Vann’s previous company *Design, ETC* (1987 to 1996), had a primary focus on corporate collateral needs. Then in 2000, Vann decided to combine his graphic creativity and his web experience, successfully founding Design-First in 2003.



Design-First provides Vann with the perfect forum to express his passion, creating marketing solutions for businesses of all sizes. He takes the time to personally understand your business ideas, then offers you excellent and affordable solutions that work, with your business objectives and budget in mind. Vann juggles his artistically creative business talents with your business target and budget. Give him a call..... By Positive Public Image

## Planned PETHood Low Cost Vaccine Clinics!!

Planned PETHood holds low cost vaccine clinics each month for pets who are spayed/neutered. Check our website for our next clinic. They are usually held on the first Saturday of the month, but sometimes have to be moved for holidays or other events.



2860 Buford Hwy, Duluth GA - 678-561-FIXA - www.PlannedPETHoodGA.com

### Low Cost Vaccine Clinics

Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 7<sup>th</sup>

<p><b><u>Kitten Pack - \$25</u></b>            Feline Distemper Vaccine  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Dog Pack - \$40</u></b>            Canine Distemper Vaccine            Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Deluxe Dog Pack - \$60</u></b>            Heartworm Test            Canine Distemper Vaccine  <u>Bordetella</u>            Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>
<p><b><u>Puppy Pack - \$25</u></b>            Canine Distemper Vaccine  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Cat Pack - \$40</u></b>            Feline Distemper Vaccine            Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Deluxe Cat Pack - \$65</u></b>            FIV/FelV Combo Test            Feline Distemper Vaccine            Feline Leukemia Vaccine            Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*  <u>Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)</u>            Exam</p>

\*Add \$6 for 3 year Rabies Vaccine  
 Add Microchip to any Pack for \$20 (regular price \$25)  
 Your Pet must already be spayed or neutered.

**Advantage Flea Prevention available for less than \$10 per dose**

**Prevention Advantage Multi Flea & Heartworm available for less than \$12 per dose.**

(heartworm test required)

# December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
						<b>Planned PETHood Low Cost Vaccine Clinic 9-1</b>
4	5	<b>DMA Holiday Party New Dawn 6PM</b>	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
<b>Christmas Day</b>						

## DMA Meeting Locations

**NOTE: All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.**

Jan 4, 2011	February 1	March 1
	   <b>Stantec</b>	 <b>Bank of North Georgia</b>  <small>a division of SYNOVUS BANK</small>
April 5	May 3	June 7
	  <b>DULUTH FINE WINES</b>	  <b>Gwinnett Medical Center</b> <small>Lawrenceville • Duluth</small>
July 5	August 2	September 6
	 <small>Free Admission!</small>	
October 4	November 1	December 7
 <small>Call Us today: (770) 4-FLOORS (770-435-6677)</small>		 <small>NEW DAWN THEATER COMPANY</small>

**Do you have news or an article you like to include in the DMA Newsletter? Send it in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month in order for it to be included in the next newsletter.**