



# THE GAB-RRR FEBRUARY 2009



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Monthly News from the Duluth Merchants Association

# february meeting



## Street Smarts

Marsha Anderson Bomar  
Tuesday, Feb 3  
6:30

3160 Main Street  
Suite 100  
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## Connect or Die: Marketing During the Downturn.

Street Smarts and Chocolate Perks are proud to host the February 2009 DMA meeting at their new location in Downtown Duluth. **Suwannee Mayor** and marketing guru, **Dave Williams**, will give his presentation, **Connect or Die: Marketing During the Downturn** and will give insight into marketing strategies for small businesses.

Street Smarts has been based in Duluth since its inception over 18 years ago when President and Founder Marsha Anderson Bomar hit the ground running with her first contract to redesign 12 intersections in Cobb County. Chocolate Perks

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from the

*President*

**Harold Stamey DMA President 2009**

Dear Gab-rrr readers,

A big thank you goes to those who attended the first meeting of the **20th year of the DMA**. The meeting was hosted by the **City of Duluth** and held at the new city hall. Food was catered by the **Park Café** located on the Town Green. What a treat! I'll be spending more time there. Our mayor, the **Honorable Nancy Harris**, and other staff members from the city gave a great big welcome to those in attendance. Then, the mike (after all, it was open mike night) was turned over to the members who shared with all of us information about their business and themselves. This was very enlightening and informative. We learned (education was provided) from the city staff what their duties were and who is responsible for sending out those dreadful (but necessary) tax bills. Again, this was a very informative and educational meeting. I anticipate this month's meeting will be just as informative. The meeting will be hosted by a long-time member, **Street Smarts, at their new facility on Main Street**. Please show your support by attending the meeting.

## Welcome **New Members!**

**GIN WILLIS REALTY**

3585 Abbotts Bridge Road, Duluth

**ATLANTA TECHNOLOGY FORCE INC.**

3460 Summit Ridge Parkway, Suite 303 Duluth

**SNAP FITNESS**

2715 Buford Highway, Duluth

**JANET F HANSON AGENCY**

2955 Buford Highway, Duluth

# Member News

DMA members **Teresa Palmer of QuickCreative Advertising** and **Ray Cobb of Inside Gwinnett Magazine**, are working together on an e-mail newsletter that will be sent to readers who have signed up to receive emails from *Inside Gwinnett*. The newsletters will contain listings of upcoming events in Norcross, Duluth and Suwanee; coupons and promotions from local restaurants and stores; and highlights of the magazine's articles.



If you have an event you would like to see posted or would like information on placing an advertisement or coupon, please contact **Terry@quickcreative.net** or at **(404) 502-5531**.



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is Ms. Anderson Bomar's newest endeavor and fulfills her lifelong romance with chocolate!

Currently a **Duluth City Councilwoman, Ms. Anderson Bomar** has been an advocate and staunch supporter of the **Duluth Downtown Development Authority's redevelopment program**. With the recent relocation of Street Smarts' offices and the opening of **Chocolate Perks**, she is certainly demonstrating her commitment and hometown pride.

**Street Smarts** serves clients nationwide in both the public and private sectors. With offices in Georgia, Florida and Texas, our multi-disciplinary planning, engineering and design services span all land use and transportation issues including site planning, transportation planning and engineering, landscape architecture, as well as surveying, subsurface utility engineering, data collection, rezoning and public involvement.






**Chocolate Perks** is Historic Downtown Duluth's newest addition. A place created for friends and neighbors to gather in a wonderful atmosphere with great food and a great place to chill. Ms. Anderson Bomar and Manager Shane Weaver invite you to come for a GREAT cup of coffee and a GOURMET chocolate dessert or even a simple luncheon of a sizzling panini sandwich and garden fresh salad.

While DMA members will be sure to satisfy their sweet tooth with a sampling of delectable delights from Chocolate Perks, savory fare for February's meeting will be generously provided by, **Steverino's**. Another recent arrival to Downtown Duluth, Steverino's pizzas and subs is fast becoming one of Main Street's mainstays.



# 2009 DMA Meetings

Most Meetings begin at 6:00pm on the first Tuesday of each month (although this can vary). Locations vary monthly. Dates subject to change. For directions to locations visit [www.duluthmerchants.com](http://www.duluthmerchants.com)

<b>JANUARY</b> <b>City of Duluth</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b> 	<b>MARCH</b> 
<b>APRIL</b> <b>All Event Rentals</b>	<b>MAY</b> <b>Dave Cook &amp; Kiwanis Club of Duluth</b>	<b>JUNE</b> <b>DMA 20th Year Reunion</b>
<b>JULY</b> <b>OPEN</b> Interested in hosting a meeting or providing refreshments? Contact Harold Stamey at (770) 476-1943	<b>AUGUST</b>  <a href="http://www.Duluthfallfestival.com">www.Duluthfallfestival.com</a>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b> 
<b>OCTOBER</b> 	<b>NOVEMBER</b> <b>Duluth Historical Society</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b> <b>CHRISTMAS PARTY!</b> Location TBA



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