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## THE GAB-RRR

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Monthly News from the Duluth Merchants Association

# October meeting

**Tuesday, October 4, 2011 @ 6 pm**

### Hosted By:

Atlanta Flooring & Design  
Donny Phillips  
3665 Sweetwater Park Dr  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: 678-205-5698



## About Atlanta Flooring & Design

Located in Suwanee Georgia and Charlotte N.C., Atlanta Flooring Design Centers is both a Commercial and Residential Flooring Contractor. Since 1985 we have been a respected name in the floor covering industry, we offer quality products, excellent service, and pricing to the Southeast region. We are dedicated to our customers and their concerns. Whether it's new construction, renovations, or tenant improvements, we can provide the flooring, cabinet, and countertop solutions needed for your project.

Our Sales Team consists of highly qualified salespeople, offering product, blueprint and installation knowledge. Atlanta Flooring Design Centers provides professional installation for Carpet, Vinyl Composition Tile, Ceramic Tile, Sheet Vinyl, Wood, Laminate Flooring Cabinetry and Countertops.

Our professional installers are available 7 days a week to complete your project correctly and on time. For projects that require special scheduling, we will work with your company to accommodate your project needs.

With daily deliveries from our suppliers, we have the capability to ensure that your material is ordered and installed efficiently.

Our Company is based upon our Mission Statement: "To listen to customers needs, and professionally provide service and material at a great value. Honoring God and always treating people as we would like to be treated." We would like an opportunity to become a working partner with your company and help provide solutions to all your flooring needs. Your satisfaction is our goal.



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Dear DMA Members,

Thank you John Martin and Gwinnett



Community Bank for hosting the September meeting! Gwinnett Community Bank has always been a faithful sponsor of DMA and spoils the members with wonderful meetings and delightful food! You are what makes Duluth Great! Thank you!

The October meeting will take place

  
 at Design Centers Atlanta  
 Flooring & Design Center on Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Go to front page of the webpage for detailed directions. Did you know that the first President of DMA was Donny Phillips! Donny is known for his love of having folks network and this meeting promises to be filled with outstanding opportunities to meet, greet, and make new contact.

Once again the Duluth Fall Festival Rocked! Thank you for being a Member and for the continued drive and dedication to make this festival the best in the state of Georgia!

The DMA's Fundraiser for this year is a few days away...and you do not want to miss it. It is a first for DMA *Light Up the 9/11 Living Honorarium*" Motorcycle Ride to honor all those who serve: our Policemen, Firemen, U.S. Military. All Proceeds will purchase the lights to "Light Up" "9/11 Living Honorarium". There is a great article with all the details in the newsletter...it is a good thing to do on October 15<sup>th</sup>! Hope to see you there.

Welcome Fall! That favorite time of the year with cool nights, gentle breezes and leaves turning the colors of orange, red and yellow! Football, friends and fireplaces. Let's meet at the DMA Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> at Atlanta Flooring & Design for networking, new friends and new opportunities.

Sincerely,  
Sunny

Sunny Ramsay, DMA President 2011  
678-312-6857

# **JEWELRY SALE**

*by Phantasia's South*

***\$5.00 Jewelry & More!!!***

**Thursday**

**October 13th**

**8 am - 5 pm**

**Friday**

**October 14th**

**7 am - 3 pm**

**Gwinnett Medical Center**

**Duluth**

**ER Hallway**

***Public Welcome!***



*Cash, Checks, Credit Cards &  
Payroll Deduction  
Accepted*



**Sponsored By: GMC Auxiliary**



# T-Shirts Are Ordered, Pancake Mix Is Ready...Let's Ride!



The Living Honorarium Unveiling Ceremony at Duluth Town Square on Sept 11th was a tremendous success, publicly honoring all our local "heroes" who protect and serve us on a daily basis.

“Light Up the Living Honorarium”

Now we need everyone’s help for the Oct 15th Motorcycle Fundraiser ride to pay for the perpetual lighting that the City has

purchased for the Honorarium!

- We Need Sponsors!
- We Need Bikers!
- We need Prizes to give away for the Drawing!

Full Event details are available on DMA website [www.duluthmerchants.com](http://www.duluthmerchants.com)

- **Date:** Saturday, October 15, 2011
- **Start:** Buntzen Park, Duluth with a Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast (Breakfast is free for registered riders and just a \$5 donation for non-riders)
- **End:** Duluth Town Green at the “9/11 Living Honorarium”
- **Registration time:** 7:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m. Buntzen Park, Duluth
- **Kickstands Up:** 9:30 a.m. with Duluth Police Escort
- **Ride Ends:** 12:30 p.m. at the “9/11 Living Honorarium”

Invite your friends and family to join the fun festivities, as the party will continue in downtown Duluth where the ride ends, with food vendors and sponsor door prizes.....by Positive Public Image, Inc.

## Sign up to sponsor the Ride T-Shirts



**Contact any DMA Board Member if you are interested.**

# Planned PETHood Low Cost Vaccine Clinics!!

Planned PETHood holds low cost vaccine clinics each month for pets who are already 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-FIX1 - 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          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Dog Pack - \$40</u></b>          Canine Distemper Vaccine          Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Deluxe Dog Pack - \$60</u></b>          Heartworm Test          Canine Distemper Vaccine          Bordetella          Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          Exam</p>
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<p><b><u>Puppy Pack - \$25</u></b>          Canine Distemper Vaccine          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          Exam</p>	<p><b><u>Cat Pack - \$40</u></b>          Feline Distemper Vaccine          Rabies Vaccine (1 yr)*          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          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)*          Deworming (Strongid - 2 doses)          Exam</p>
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\*Add \$5 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)

# What to do during the Holidays



Artios Academies of Gwinnett is excited to announce the upcoming production of *White Christmas, The Musical* to be performed at the Red Clay Theater in downtown Duluth, from December 8-10, 2011. This production will provide many opportunities for merchants in the Duluth area to attract customers during this Holiday season. The Artios Theater Department is offering sponsorships ranging from \$70 to \$500 tailored to meet your unique marketing needs. With choices ranging from a simple business-card-size ad, to a full-color full-page ad, to a coupon designed with your logo, we hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to promote your business to our more than two thousand expected patrons this theater season. Please contact Leigh Ann Still, [lstill@artiosacademies.com](mailto:lstill@artiosacademies.com), for details on how we can help your business benefit from our presence in your downtown. We look forward to working with you as we partner to bring quality, family-friendly theater to the Duluth area.

Artios Academies is a collection of programs dedicated to providing educational and artistic opportunities to home educated students. We are a private K-12 accredited arts and academics program and have produced at least three quality theatrical productions each year for the past ten years. On average, we perform for over two thousand audience members each year and with this year's lineup of productions and theater venues, we expect to exceed that number.

Some of our past productions include *Pirates of Penzance*, *My Fair Lady*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, and most recently, *Annie Get Your Gun*. We have enjoyed performing on stages such as The 14<sup>th</sup> Street Playhouse, The Conant Theater at Oglethorpe, The Aurora Theater, Red Clay Theater and several others. This year we are proud to announce our 2011-2012 season in which we will produce *White Christmas*, *Mulan Jr.*, and Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*.



[www.artiosacademies.com](http://www.artiosacademies.com)

# **Come & Celebrate with Duluth Animal Hospital!**

**Dr. Bob Dickinson's 32 Years  
of Excellent Veterinary Care in Our Community**



**Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011**  
**from 1:00-3:30pm**

*We are having lunch at the Festival Center in Duluth Towne Park,  
and on the Towne Green if the weather holds.*

***Barbecue will be provided for all, but  
we would love help with sides and appetizers, etc!***

***Please RSVP by October 10<sup>th</sup> to  
Duluth Animal Hospital at (770) 476-3317***



# Low Country Boil & Gumbo Cook

Join us for lunch! Meet new friends, enjoy good food, and have some fun. We'll provide the best Low Country Boil and Gumbo you've ever had.

**When:** October 28th, Friday Noon—2 p.m.

**Where:** Espey Financial Group  
11300 Johns Creek Parkway  
Suite 200  
Johns Creek, GA 30097



## Please RSVP

Phone: 678-225-6800

E-Mail: [donald\\_kemp@glic.com](mailto:donald_kemp@glic.com) OR [joseph\\_langford@glic.com](mailto:joseph_langford@glic.com)

# October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <b>Planned PETHood</b> Vaccine Clinic 9 - 1
2	3 <b>DMA Meeting- Atlanta Flooring &amp; Design 6PM</b>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 <b>GMC - Duluth Jewelry Sale</b>	14	15 <b>Light Up the Living Honorarium Motorcycle Ride</b>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 <b>Bob Dickinson's Retirement Party</b>	24	25	26	27	28 <b>Low Country Boil</b>	29
30 <b>Halloween</b>	31					

## 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.**