



Lithonia News

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<http://www.cityoflithoniaga.org>



the historic BRUCE STREET SCHOOL needs your help!



Historic preservation efforts around the Bruce Street School are ongoing in Lithonia. Sign up for a forthcoming community engagement session and help shape historic preservation at the site. Sign up at arabiaalliance.org/brucestreet/.

Built through a grassroots community effort, the Bruce Street School was the first African-American public school in DeKalb County. While the granite school (also known as “the old school building”) was built in the late 1930s, the Bruce Street School’s history of community-led education efforts goes back to the 1880s.

12TH ANNUAL COLLARD GREENS CULTURAL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY *VIRTUAL* **TO SUNDAY**
SAT (NOON - 11PM) & SUN (3PM - 8PM)
SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2021

@FIRST AFRICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
5197 SALEM RD. STONECREST, GA 30038



WELLNESS PAVILLION AFRICAN MARKETPLACE FARMER'S MARKET
SPROUT LAND CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS RAFFLES

IN ADDITION WE WILL HAVE A DRIVE BY/PICK UP YOUR COLLARD GREENS AND COLLARD GREEN ICE CREAM, COOK-OFF ENTRIES AND MEMORABILIA ON SUNDAY FROM 3-8PM
REGISTER NOW AT: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/CGFEST2021REG](https://tinyurl.com/cgfest2021reg)

HOTLINE NUMBER: 800.253.3397

WWW.COLLARDGREENSCULTURALFESTIVAL.COM





LITHONIA Market on Main



LITHONIA OUTDOOR VENDOR MARKET

Support African American Farmers & Artisans!

Half price on EBT purchases!

New Art on Main Street!

Free gifts for all customers!

Dance / Eat / Drink / Shop / Visit

6980 Main St * Lithonia * 30058

MASKS AVAILABLE!

SANITATION ITEMS PROVIDED!

SEPTEMBER SATURDAYS

12:00 - 4:00 PM

4th - Celebrating Labor Day & Workers

11th - Celebrating Our Grandparents

18th - Celebrating Health Care Workers

25th - Dancin' In The Streets

MARKET SPONSORED BY



FREE GIFTS 4 ALL!



JOIN US!!!

DEKALB COUNTY RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM 2021-2022

Starts August 2nd

LEAP

Register Now! Space is Limited.

LEARN | ENGAGE | ART | PLAY



The LEAP afterschool program is available at the recreation centers listed below:
Exchange, Gresham, Hamilton, Lucious Sanders, Mason Mill, Midway, N. H. Scott and Tobie Grant

Monday - Friday
2:30-6:30pm
Ages 5-13
\$37 per week

REGISTER ONLINE at www.dekalbcountyga.gov/parks



The ball continues rolling as we prepare for our next Lithonia Business Association meeting. Our first meeting of 2021 was held August 9th, 2021, and we were able to share great information with the business owners in attendance, discuss the revamping and reorganizing of the association, and introduced our new President, Urandu Brown and Secretary, Bianca Agard.

We invite you to our next meeting on Monday, September 13th, 2021, at 7pm. This meeting will be held at 6963 Main Street, Lithonia GA 30058, adjacent to 2Swords Tactical & Defense.

The meeting will serve as an opportunity to share information about your business which will be useful for inclusion in the LBA website content. We will also be collecting our first set of dues at the September meeting. If you were not present at the last meeting, membership dues will be discussed again briefly and there will be time allotted for questions, comments, and concerns at the end. We ask that you bring business cards for your business, your dues (if applicable), your knowledge, and your brilliant ideas.

At this time, we are working towards having future meetings via Zoom to accommodate those who cannot physically attend and in consideration of the Covid 19 pandemic. If the decision is made to allow Zoom attendees, a link will be emailed 72 hours, prior to the meeting. For those who physically attend, we will be requiring you to wear a mask and social distancing precautions will be in place.

If you have any questions prior to the September meeting, please direct them to:

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LBA President
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E: urandusr@gmail.com

*Bianca Agard
LBA Secretary
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We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!!!

JOIN MAYOR REYNOLDS

ANNEXATION

ZOOM MEETINGS 7-8PM



- MAY 26
- JUNE 23
- JULY 28
- AUG 25
- SEP 22
- OCT 27

TO JOIN THE MEETING
VISIT WWW.ZOOM.US AND ENTER MEETING ID THEN PASSWORD

MEETING ID: 828 3277 6521 PASSWORD: 637984

The Official After Work Party

FRIDAY Night WIND UP

April 23rd - October 22nd

Lithonia Amphitheater

Every Friday

Gates Open @ 4:30pm
Show Starts @ 6:00pm

FRIDAY

Hosted by DJ Cash Money Mike

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Vendors TEXT VENDING to (678) 233-7070
For Info Call: (404) 910-9137

Bring your lawn chairs
Sorry!
No Coolers or Outside Food.

Food Vendors, Beer, & Spirit Tents On Site
Get Tickets Online Only @ <https://fridaynightwindup.eventbrite.com>

GEN. ADM \$5 Online | VIP ADM \$10 | \$5 Parking | \$10 VIP Parking

2515 PARK DR | LITHONIA, GA 30058

DAISY DAYS

TRIPLE HIKE CHALLENGE

Hike as you Like



Photo courtesy of Juliah Buckmaster

Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance

Come to Arabia Mountain to enjoy the beauty of Fall's yellow daisies during the Daisy Days. Learn more about these beautiful yellow flowers. arabiaaalliance.org

Surround yourself in a sea of daisies as you hike Atlanta's Monadnocks this September. Hike three mountains this month and earn a special prize. Hop on the trail to discover these remarkable plants that bring brilliance to bare rock.

It's easy to participate and earn your prize. Visit the park and snap a picture of the daisies (selfies encouraged, but not required) at each park you visit. Then, send your snaps to us via online passport (link released September 1st).






AARP Foundation Experience Corps

October 2021- May 2022

- Stoneview Elementary
- Redan Elementary
- Murphy Candler Elementary
- Stoneview Elementary
- Pine Ridge Elementary

VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

The AARP Foundation Experience Corps is an intergenerational volunteer-based tutoring program that is proven to help children who aren't reading at grade level become great readers by the end of third grade.

For Children	For Volunteers	For Schools and Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved reading skills • Mentoring from a caring adult • Decreased disruptive behavior and increased classroom engagement • Better attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaningful opportunity to help children and give back to their community • Better physical, mental, and cognitive health • Enhanced social network • Increased sense of purpose in life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly valued by teachers and principals • Offers additional support to achieve educational goals • Little volunteer supervision or management required

TO LEARN MORE, PLEASE CONTACT: Mussettee Hill | DeKalb County Government | Human Services Department at 404-687-7192 or by email at mhill@dekalbcountyga.gov

Remaining 2021 Season for Lithonia Outdoor Farmers Market on Main

Sept	4	Celebrating Labor Day/Workers
	11	Celebrating Grandparents
	18	Celebrating Health Care Workers
	25	Dancin' In The Streets
Oct	2	NO MARKET – FALL BREAK
	9	Breast Cancer - Pink Market
	16	Fitness Market
	23	Harvest Market
	30	Halloween / Closing Market
Nov	20	Thanksgiving Pop-Up Market
Dec	4	Holiday Pop-Up Market

Fall is Here!



CITY OFFICIALS AND STAFF

COUNCIL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 7TH AND 21ST

MEETINGS WILL BE HELD
BY CONFERENCE CALL
DUE TO THE PANDEMIC

Call 770-482-8136 for
dial-in information.

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**A City With
PURPOSE!**