

# THE METRO-ATLANTA MONTHLY

The newspaper for people who only have time to read the news once a month.

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## Peachtree Center Marta Station Reopening Delayed

The reopening of Peachtree Center Marta Station will be delayed due to debris from over-flooded sewers. Both Peachtree Center Marta Station and Peachtree Center Mall were closed last month due to heavy rain and outdated plumbing. Peachtree Center Mall has reopened ahead of schedule.

-Brent Warner

## Animal Attack

Richard Anderson of Vila Rica was found dead by authorities on September 21<sup>st</sup> in the woods outside Lawrenceville High School. The police have made no comment on the case but a witness who found the body indicated that it looked like it was mauled by a large animal and its heart torn from its chest.

-A. M. Ansley

## Bank Robber Identified

East Point Police have identified the man who held four people hostage in a bank before hanging himself. Police say Shawn Murphy, 22, walked into the Fidelity Bank with several knives demanding money. Murphy bound and gagged three employees and one customer, holding them hostage in a five-hour standoff with police.

-Jacob Williamson

## Prostitution Ring Busted

Testimony began in the trial of an Atlanta lawyer accused of running a prostitution ring and laundering millions of dollars. Federal prosecutors said Gary Reiner ran the Danish Health Club and that he recruited prostitutes, negotiated with pimps and even worked the front desk. The defense says Reiner served only as the club's lawyer.

-Allison Grubb

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## SOCIETY & LIFE

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### Atlanta Asks, "Where's the Beef?"

Connors hosts the National Beef Cook-Off in October. The event features 20 amateur cooks from 15 states competing for a \$50,000 grand prize. Pat Adrian of the Georgia Beef Industry Council said the cook-off is designed to interest consumers in beef.

*-Patrick O'Neil*

### "Club Ra" Opens with Charity Event

Club Ra in Underground Atlanta will be opening this month starting with an invitation only charity event to benefit Families First. Families first is an organization that provides critical services designed to strengthen children and their families

*-Cary Zimmerman*

### Possible Underground Railroad

Experts are examining an old ice house with only its four stone walls standing to determine if it was a stop on the Underground Railroad used by slaves in the 1800's. A tunnel runs from the icehouse more than 20 feet and suddenly ends.

*-Brent Warner*

### Make-a-Wish Worker Indicted

Joseph Garrison, a finance director of the Make-a-Wish Foundation's local chapter in Atlanta was indicted on federal charges that he embezzled more than \$92,000 from the charity that grants wishes to children with life-threatening illnesses. Garrison was charged with bank fraud and identity theft. Federal prosecutors said he funneled checks meant to help sick children into his own bank accounts.

*-Allison Grubb*

### \$10M Gift for Cobb Arts Center

Post Properties founder John Williams is donating \$10 million to the new Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre. In turn, the 2,750-seat theater inside the \$140 million complex will be named the John A. Williams Theatre, according to officials with the Cobb-Marietta Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Authority.

*-Cary Zimmerman*

### City Hall East Being Sold

A transaction proposed by Mayor Shirley Franklin's administration calls for City Hall East to be sold for \$35 million to Ponce Park, a five-member team headed by Gwinnett County developer Emory Morsberger. Atlanta has invested about \$22 million in the facility since buying it in 1991 from Sears Roebuck & Co.

*-Timothy J Walker*

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**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & BUSINESS**

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## **Help with Hemophilia B**

Some Emory University researchers have received a \$10 million grant to help with their hemophilia B research project. The researchers said they have found a way to reproduce a protein that hemophilia B patients lack in pig milk. They believe 100 pigs could supply the world with a supply of the protein.

*-Melissa Stone*

## **Aethon Inc Relocating**

A company that makes robotic carts that carry lab samples and medical supplies through hospitals opened a new 13,000-square-foot headquarters in Floyd County and plans to double its workforce in a year. Aethon Inc's "Tug" robot carts are designed to free up nurses and other staff from making small trips to carry supplies.

*-Tameka Washington*

## **Sentinel Biotechnologies Cleans up Arsenic**

Sentinel Biotechnologies has started efforts to help clean up the high levels of arsenic that were detected in community gardens in Kennesaw last month. Officials found arsenic at about four times the recommended limit in the soil at gardens in two communities.

*-Karen Hakiki*

## **Undeveloped Land near Airport**

Environmentalists are concerned about the future of 10,000 acres of land the city of Atlanta owns 49 miles to the north in Dawson County. The city bought the forested land decades ago as a backstop for the Atlanta airport, which has since grown into the world's busiest. Although a regional commission determined in 1990 that the Dawson County site was too hilly for a runway, some fear Atlanta could sell it to developers. Councilwoman Clair Muller, who leads the city's transportation committee, says the city has no immediate plans for the tract.

*-Karen Hakiki*

## **Plague Cats in Gwinnett**

A local cat is recovering after being treated for plague, the first this year in Gwinnett County. This year, four cats were diagnosed with plague in Georgia. Health officials suspect the cat caught the disease while hunting infected rodents outdoors.

*-Melissa Stone*

## **Delta Cuts Deep**

One week into bankruptcy court proceedings, Delta Air Lines said it is moving to become a "smaller, more formidable" airline with more international reach but fewer seats in the air over the United States — and with fewer employees. Delta said it will shed another 7,000 to 9,000 jobs as part of a new plan to cut \$3 billion in annual costs and up to 20 percent of its domestic capacity by the end of 2007. The airline also is imposing pay cuts of 7 to 10 percent on most workers and paring benefits.

*-Brent Warner*

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## BLOTTER

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### Minors Go Undercover

Norcross police are using about 30 students, some as young as 15, to buy alcohol from local stores as part of an undercover sting operation. The operation is aimed at curtailing underage drinking and alcohol sales to minors.

*-Shannon Quinn*

### Vigilante Shootings

Lilburn police are looking for a man who posed as an FBI agent to kill two drug dealers. The shooting deaths of two known drug dealers last week could have been the work of a vigilante, Police Chief Randall Carroll said.

*-Jacob Williamson*

### Body Found

Police have found the remains of Walter "Ant" Parker, 18, in an abandoned house off Clairmont Avenue. Police had to use dental records to identify the body due to damage caused by insects and fire. Police have indicated that this is related to another case in Decatur. Decatur police had no comment.

*-Jacob Williamson*

### Fireman Killed in Crash

Two fire trucks collided head-on, killing Marietta's fire chief, Ed King, 55. The crash occurred as the two trucks responded to a controlled field burn that had gotten out of hand. The driver of the other truck, Assistant Chief Tom Franks, 57, was uninjured, the sheriff's office said.

*-A. M. Ansley*

### Spas being Sued

Empowered by a new state law, Atlanta's attorney's office has sued five spas, bathhouses and tanning salons for promoting prostitution and giving rubdowns without a license. Atlanta police now have the authority to inspect a massage business to ensure it follows the rules.

*-Allison Grubb*

### Man, Switched as an Infant, Dies

21-year-old Melvin Pope, who inspired a TV movie after being swapped at birth, dies of a series of strokes after suffering a brain aneurysm last week.

*-A. M. Ansley*

### Medical Examiner Found Dead

Dr. Veronica Stone, a medical examiner for the Peachtree City Coroners office, was found dead near her office on September 18th. The body was found in the garage of the medical examiners office. The cause of death has yet to be determined.

*-Timothy J Walker*

### Inmate shot

A jail inmate brought to Grady Memorial Hospital for evaluation was shot by a Fulton County Sheriff's deputy after the man wrestled a gun from a second deputy, authorities said. Wesley Mansfield, who was shot in the shoulder, was alert and in stable condition late Wednesday.

*-Jacob Williamson*

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WANTED, FOR SALE AND PERSONAL ADS

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## Texas Hold 'em Dealers Wanted

Unique opportunity. Poker Challenge of America is looking for people who would like to be dealers in our tournaments. This is a very exciting new and growing company. We will be starting Texas Hold 'em Tournaments throughout the Atlanta area. Dealers get paid by tips. It is a 2-4 hour a night job. It is very fun and is a great way to make some extra money at nights. Average tips are between \$250-\$350 per week, sometimes even better.

Call Dan at 404-555-0792

## Wanted Downtimes

Local VST seeks downtimes to increase enjoyment of players and development of characters and plots for Requiem venue. Reward offered.

E-mail Jason @ [requiemvst@gmail.com](mailto:requiemvst@gmail.com) by Sunday before next game.

## Men Wanted for Asthma Study

Research Study for men (20-65) with Asthma. Hemisphere Research, an independent market research firms, is looking for adults to participate in a PAID discussion. The discussions are being held at various times October 3rd & 4th.

Call Wendy Douglas at 770-555-1937.

## Wanted Bounty Hunter

Covert Operations, Inc is presently looking for Independent Contractors for the position of Private Investigator.

Call Michael at 678-555-1934

## Coven Looking for Members

Local coven looking to add new members. Please only truly interested inquiries only.

Call Tom at 800-419-3346.

## City for Sale

The uninhabited, unincorporated community of Elmira is for sale. Asking price is \$4 million. The town was founded in 1909, but all that's left now on the 4-acre site are remnants of old buildings. A real-estate agent is suggesting that the town be turned into a theme park or a residential development with an antebellum theme.

## Monthly Sudoku Puzzle

	1			2	9		3	
	5		7	4		1		
4		2						5
9			1			5	8	
	3	8		9		4	6	
	2	1			8			7
2						9		8
		9		7	5		4	
	8		9	1			5	

This Month's Puzzle

9	1	4	7	6	2	3	8	5
5	2	7	8	3	1	6	4	9
3	8	6	9	4	5	7	2	1
6	4	5	3	2	8	1	9	7
7	3	8	1	9	6	2	5	4
2	9	1	4	5	7	8	3	6
4	6	9	2	1	3	5	7	8
1	7	3	5	8	9	4	6	2
8	5	2	6	7	4	9	1	3

Last Month's Puzzle Solution

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 with no repeats.