

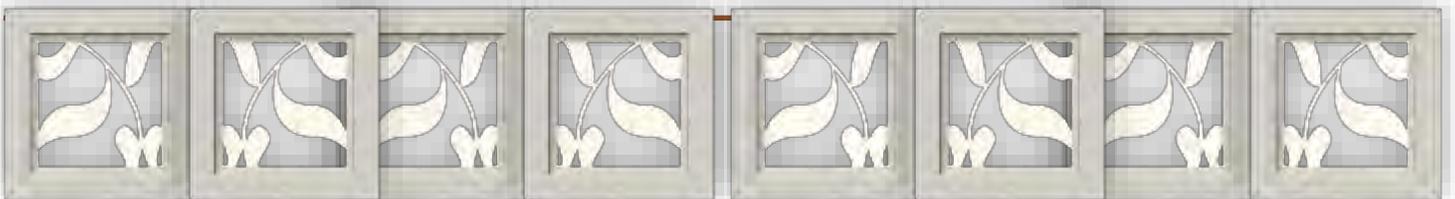
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*September 2018*

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Gainesville Parks and Recreation Agency  
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# Performers are set for Dragon Boat opening ceremony

BY NICK WATSON

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About 3,000 people are expected to attend each day of the International Canoe Federation's Dragon Boat World Championships on Sept. 12-16 at Lake Lanier Olympic Park.

Venue manager Robyn Lynch said just under 1,000 athletes from 15 teams are set to compete across four days of competition. The busy week has already caused local hotels to fill up, Lynch said.

"I think our hotels and restaurants are going to have a pretty successful week," she said.

Dragon Boat World Championships opening ceremonies

**When:** 6 p.m. Sept. 12

**Where:** Lake Lanier Olympic Park, 3105 Clarks Bridge Road, Gainesville

**Cost:** Admission free, \$10 parking fee. Multi-day parking available.

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Pan-Asian dance performances will be featured at the opening ceremonies of the International Canoe Federation's Dragon Boat World Championships scheduled for Sept. 12 at Lake Lanier Olympic Park.

Photo Courtesy of The Arts Council

# DRAGON

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In addition to the United States and Puerto Rico, nations to be represented are Armenia, Bangladesh, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Italy, the Philippines, Russia, Switzerland and Ukraine.

Lynch said she expects people to start arriving next week with the majority arriving Sept. 9, three days before the opening ceremony.

The opening ceremony will have what "people are used to with the Olympics," Lynch said, with a parade of nations. Food trucks and beverages from Tap It will be available at 5 p.m., with the opening ceremonies starting at 6 p.m.

The entertainment chosen was Craig Meyer starring in "Remember When Rock Was Young — The Elton John Tribute."

"When we were trying to decide about the entertainment, we were trying to think of entertainers that are known worldwide," she said.

The ceremonies will also include Pan-Asian dance performances.

Wednesday's ceremonies will open four days of competition, where drummers keep the beat for the team and the participants chant in a series of swift races on the Lake Lanier course.

"With this, you'll be able to see the entire race, and since the races are so quick, there will be races about every seven to nine minutes. Exciting races every day, finals every day and medal ceremonies every single day," Lynch said.

The world championships will draw to a close Sunday, Sept. 16, with a closing ceremony starting at 7 p.m. at The Arts Council's Smithgall Arts Center lawn.

Tickets are \$20 for a barbecue dinner, nonalcoholic beverage and the Journey tribute band Departure.

Tap It will sell beer and wine onsite at the 331 Spring St. event.



Above and below: Elton John tribute artist Craig Meyer stars in "Remember When Rock Was Young — The Elton John Tribute." He is the featured performer for the opening ceremonies of the International Canoe Federation's Dragon Boat World Championships on Sept. 12 at Lake Lanier Olympic Park.



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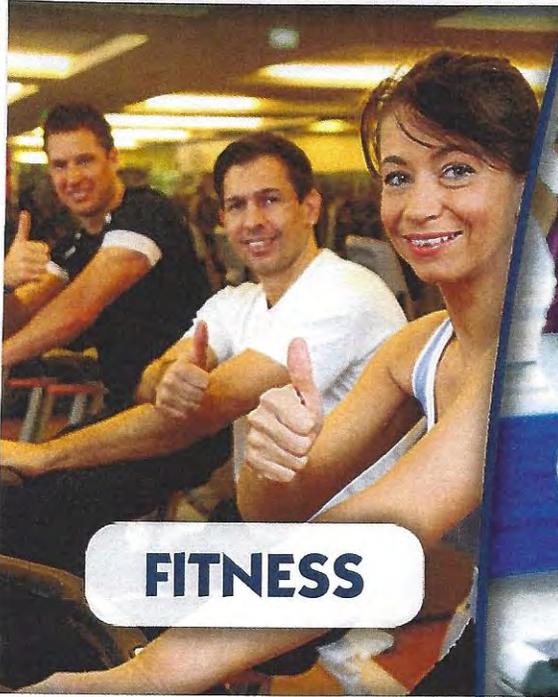
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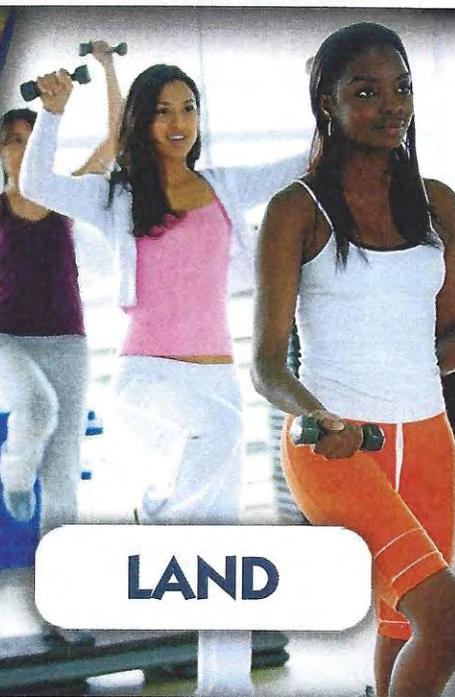
  
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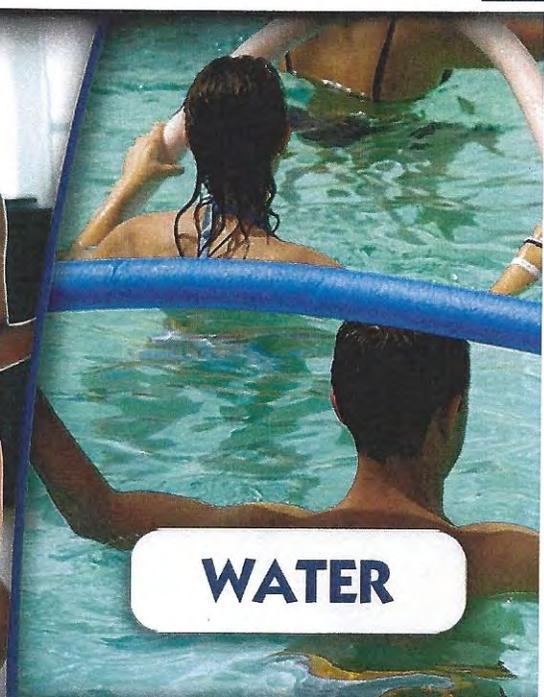
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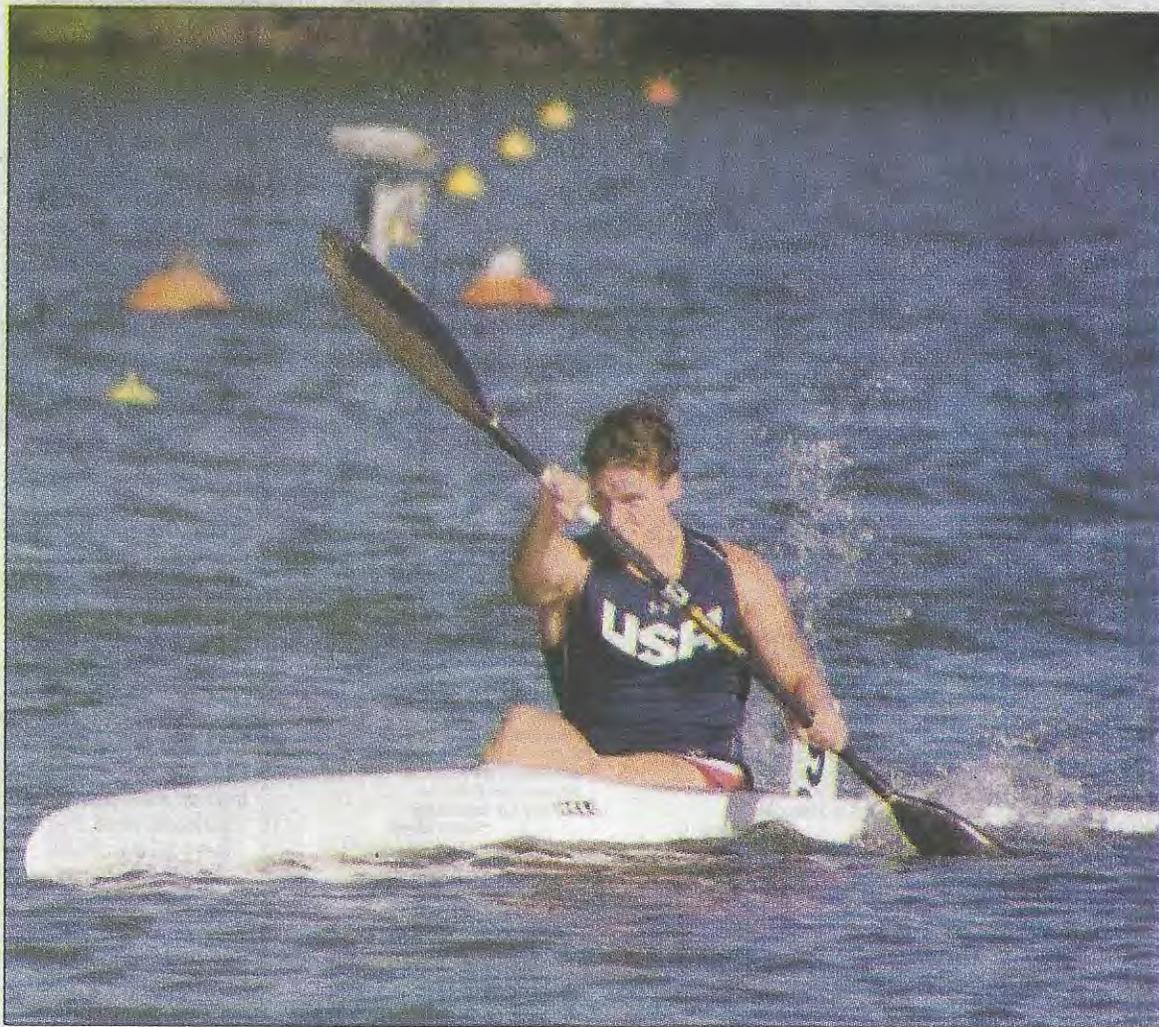
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# Going against the best



Stanton Collins, a North Hall High graduate, competes in the one-person kayak, 200-meter race during the Under-23 World Championships in 2017.

For The Times

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# Stanton Collins continues to pursue Olympic dreams

BY NATHAN BERG  
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It was the end of the 2009 competition canoe/kayak season when Gainesville native and sprint canoe/kayaker Stanton Collins had a decision to make. Collins had spent the last two years honing his skills as a member of the Lanier Canoe & Kayak Club (LCKC) team, and the coaches at the time — Dave and Debbie Robertson — were using the time of transition to pose a question to each member of the team: was kayaking just a hobby, or did they want to start taking it more seriously?

It was a choice Collins hadn't really thought much of to that point. But once the question was asked, the answer was obvious.

"I guess that's the first time I actually thought, 'Well, I want to go to the Olympics,'" he said.

Since then, Collins has risen to an elite level of canoe and kayak, most recently competing in the 2018 International Canoe Federation Sprint World Championships, which wrapped up Aug. 26, in Portugal. He has competed in multiple world championship events, both at the junior and senior levels, and is now seeking Olympic qualification as the 2020 Summer Games get closer.

But success did not come easy or quickly for the Gainesville native.

When he first got into kayaking through the LCKC middle school program, Collins said he was no natural, although he would put it a bit more bluntly than that.

"I was not very talented when I started," he said.

The most promising members of the program at LCKC were invited to join the team full-time once the abbreviated youth camp came to a close. Collins was not among them.

Not to be deterred, he asked the instructors if they had a spot on the team for him anyway.

They did, and Collins got to work. Over the next couple of years, Collins said he "made sure [he] was the one that was there the most."

Within three years, he had qualified for the spring junior national team.

Within four, he was competing in the 2011 Junior World Championships. There was no junior world championship in 2012, so Collins took the time off to train.



Stanton Collins (5) competes in the one-person kayak, 500-meter race at the national championships.

But with little competition for Collins on Lake Lanier, his coach at the time, Claudiu Ciur, offered him a unique opportunity. Ciur, a Romanian native, invited a young Collins to come train with the national team in Romania.

"It was really good for me to go there and train with them, because they're very fast, and I made a lot of friends there," he said of the experience. "It was a really good experience."

Collins returned to Romania every summer between 2012 and 2016 to work on his craft with some of the best in the world. Usually, there was a relatively large contingent of American paddlers for him to travel with, making the language and cultural barriers easier obstacles to overcome.

But that wasn't always the case. In his second year overseas, Collins was the only American kayaker to make the trip. He was just 19 years old.

"It was just me with a bunch of Romanian guys, and that was a pretty big language barrier, because none of them spoke English," Collins said. "So I had to kind of guess what they were doing on the water and try to just keep up with them."

Collins' work in Romania helped him to qualify for his first world championship outside of the junior level in 2015, where he competed with a partner in a two-man kayak. When his partner gave up paddling

in 2016 after the duo failed to qualify for the Rio Olympics, Collins made the switch to competing solo.

This year he qualified for world championships in a single for the first time, and although he finished seventh in his heat, failing to qualify for the second round at worlds, Collins said he "got what [he] needed to out of this year."

And while he said he has grown from the experience paddling solo, he is ready to get back into team kayaking, the variant of the sport he much prefers.

"It's a different stroke, slightly different technique, and it's a lot about timing and working with the people in the boat, rather than just fitness and technique in a single," Collins said.

Looking ahead, Collins plans on training in a four-man boat, otherwise known as a K-4. He'll compete in a K4 in the Pan American Canoe Sprint Championships this month, where his team will attempt to qualify for the 2019 World Championships.

"I think we've already kind of planned out training camps over the next year to try to prepare the team boats for world championships next year."

And from there, Collins' goal remains what it was all those years ago as a 15-year-old out on Lake Lanier.

"The real hope is that we can qualify in the Olympics," he said.

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## Economic Impact of Tourism



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Tourism is big business in Gainesville-Hall County and has contributed greatly to the area's economic growth. At the center of our tourism industry is Lake Sidney Lanier, a 38,000 acre recreational lake that attracts some 10 million visitors annually. It's the most popular U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lake in the nation and boasts a \$5 billion annual economic impact on the area. The economic impact of **Gainesville-Hall County's tourism industry reached a record high of \$314 million**, according a report released in 2017 by the Georgia Department of Economic Development and U. S. Travel Association.

**Lake Lanier Olympic Park** had an area impact of \$4.6 million for the 12 months ending June 2017. With a big boost from international events, such as the Pan Am Championships for flatwater canoe and kayak. The upcoming ICF Dragon Boat World Championships is expected to generate over \$4 million in 2018 by this venue alone. Venue officials have led the way for numerous renovations at the site, which played host to flatwater canoe/kayak and rowing events for the 1996 Olympics. Adding to economic impact numbers is use of the venue for events such as Friday Night Food Trucks (3rd Friday of the month) corporate functions, weddings, concerts and other events.

We are grateful to be strategically located in one of the top tourism regions in the state. Hall County's tourism economy continues to see annual growth and is ranked 12th out of Georgia's 159 counties with annual visitor spending surpassing the \$300 million mark according to U.S. Travel.

Gainesville-Hall County is host to dozens of public parks and venues. The **Linwood Nature Preserve**, expansion of the multi-use **Highlands to Islands Trail** compliment the City of Gainesville's momentum, as well as **Atlanta Botanical Garden, Gainesville**, a 168-acre preserve that opened in spring 2015. The \$20 million project includes vast gardens, a visitor's center, amphitheater and pavilions. The 1,500 **Don Carter State Park** opened in July 2013 in North Hall County, and a second development phase was recently completed offering over 12 miles of horse trails, hiking trails, a visitor's center, cabins, RV and camp sites, boat ramps, and a beach area/amenities on the shores of Lake Lanier. The 1,100 acre **Margaritaville at Lanier Islands** kicks in a huge impact on our economy and transports guests to a lakeside paradise and family-friendly fun with a wide range of entertainment including the Water Park, boating and water sports, Georgia's only inland beach, weekend events with live performances, world-class golf and quality meeting and conference accommodations. **Road Atlanta** and its 2.54-mile International Grand Prix course attracts 320,000 visitors annually and hosts the **21st Annual Motul Petit Le Mans** (October 10-13) drawing over 150,000 visitors to Hall County for this event. Recently renovated **Chateau Elan Winery & Resort** attracts some 500,000 guests annually and offers fine wines, international cuisine, championship golf course and a luxurious hotel and spa.



**Lake Lanier Olympic Park** officials prepare to host the largest international sporting event in the area since the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games with the **ICF Dragon Boat World Championships** (September 13-16). Over 1,500 athletes from 20 countries and 10,000 spectators are expected, and **VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED!** Your help will ensure the hosting of a great event and prove we are still the Hospitality Capital of the World!

Festivities kick off with **Opening Ceremonies on Wednesday, September 12 at 6pm at Lake Lanier Olympic Park** with live music (Elton John Tribute starring Craig A. Meyer) food trucks and TapIt on hand for craft beer and wine for purchase. Free admission. The **Closing Party is Sunday, September 16 at 7pm at The Arts Council Smithgall Arts Center** with live music (Departure Journey Tribute Band) and BBQ from Johnny's. Tickets, \$20. For details on these exciting events or for volunteer opportunities for the Dragon Boat Championships visit [lanierdragonboat2018.com](http://lanierdragonboat2018.com) or contact: Robyn Lynch, Director, Lake Lanier Olympic Park, 770-535-0397. Email: [robyn@lakelanierolympicvenue.org](mailto:robyn@lakelanierolympicvenue.org) 9-4-18

# HealthSmart Breakfast Kickoff

## Opioid Epidemic: Our Community in Crisis



**Dallas Gay**

The **HealthSmart Breakfast** on **Wednesday, October 17 at 7:30 am** at the **Gainesville Civic Center** will feature keynote speaker **Dallas Gay**, a Gainesville businessman, philanthropist and activist working to combat opioid abuse in our community and the state. Dallas will touch on the local, state and national scope of the opioid epidemic and what we are doing locally to address the tide of destruction caused by drug addiction. He is one of the primary architects of the Medical Association of Georgia Foundation's 'Think About It' campaign to reduce prescription drug abuse and secured funding for 'Project DAN' (Deaths Avoided by Naloxone), providing thousands of doses of Naloxone for first responders. He has spent an enormous amount of time and personal resources to combat the drug abuse epidemic in Georgia, making a great impact on our community and others in the state. Gay is the chairman of the board of Protein Products in Gainesville. **HealthSmart Breakfast, \$15 Chamber Members; \$20 non-members. Space limited. Reservations required. Mandy Lathem, 770-532-6206. Email: [mlathem@ghcc.com](mailto:mlathem@ghcc.com)**

# HealthSmart 2018

## Wednesday, October 17

7:30 am - 1:00 pm EXPO  
7:30 am - 9:00 am BREAKFAST  
Gainesville Civic Center

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CIGNA presents the **12th Annual HealthSmart Expo** with over 60 wellness exhibitors and **FREE Community Health Screenings** provided by **Longstreet Clinic**. The **HealthSmart Breakfast** kicks off the day with presentation of the Chamber's **Most Fit Company Awards**. Great sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities available! Details: 770-532-6206 x 115. Email: [mlathem@ghcc.com](mailto:mlathem@ghcc.com)

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## Exhibit Space & Sponsorships



HealthSmart 2018, presented by CIGNA, kicks off with the **HealthSmart Breakfast on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:30 a.m. at the Gainesville Civic Center**. Presentation of the Most Fit Company Awards will take place during the breakfast program.

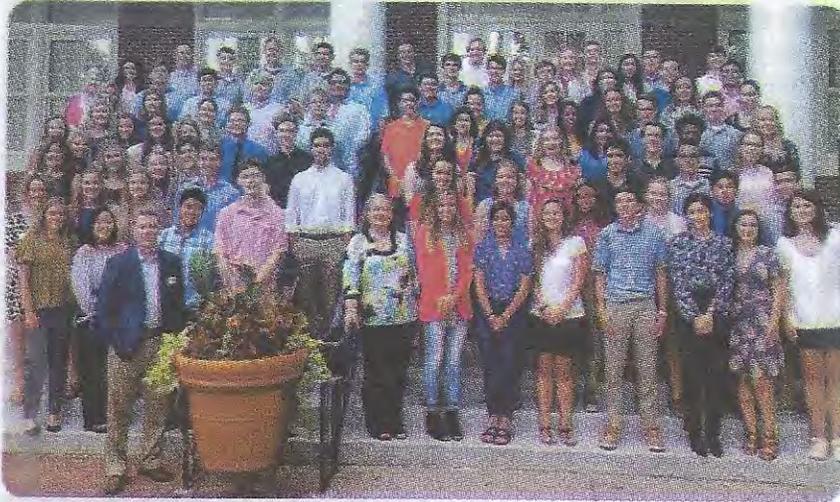
**The HealthSmart Expo is free and open to the public** with free health screenings provided by **Longstreet Clinic** and include Glucose, Cholesterol, Triglycerides Testing, Blood Pressure Checks and Body Mass Index Calculation. Note: For test accuracy, please fast prior to participating in health screenings.

Exhibit space is available and includes 6' skirted table, cloth and 2 chairs. Booth and Equipment Rental Fees: Chamber Member Booth, \$350; Non-Member Booth, \$550 each; Non-Profit Table, \$200.

Many sponsorship opportunities with booths in prime location at the HealthSmart Expo, tickets to the HealthSmart Breakfast, promotion including logo placements on advertisements, banners, and marketing materials. For HealthSmart Breakfast Reservations, Exhibit Information or Sponsorships, contact Mandy Lathem, 770-532-6206 x 115. Email: [mlathem@ghcc.com](mailto:mlathem@ghcc.com)

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# Youth Leadership Hall



Gainesville Parks and Recreation hosted the Youth Leadership Hall (YLH) kickoff program on August 21 at the Gainesville Civic Center with some 250 people attending. The 14th class of YLH is comprised of **81 students representing all 12 public and private high schools in Gainesville-Hall County**. Thank you program sponsors: Amici Gainesville, Bamboo Car Wash; Bojangles', Carroll Daniel Construction, Chattahoochee Country Club, Chick-fil-A Gainesville West, Chick-fil-A Robson Crossing, Chicken Salad Chick, Clipper Petroleum, BGW Dental Group, Jackson EMC, King's Hawaiian, Longstreet Cafe, Longstreet Clinic, McDonald's of Northeast Georgia, Main Street Gainesville, North Georgia Canopy Tours, North Georgia Community Foundation, Northeast Georgia Health System, Senator Butch Miller, Smith Gilliam Williams & Miles, Stewart Melvin & Frost, University of North Georgia and Wrigley.

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# Leadership Hall County

Leadership Hall County enjoyed an exciting Lake Life Day! Hall County Sheriff's Office Dive Team and Georgia Department of Natural Resources provided an interactive dive demonstration. Then the class prepared for the ICF Dragon Boat World Championships by racing dragon boats at Lake Lanier Olympic Park. Margaritaville at Lanier Islands provided a lunch cruise around beautiful Lake Lanier on the all new Landshark. The class ended the day with a presentation on protecting our lake and rivers presented by Chattahoochee Riverkeepers. Thank you



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# 2018 Most Fit Company Awards

The Greater Hall Chamber is conducting its annual survey for "Most Fit Company Awards" with judging criteria including wellness, nutrition and fitness opportunities provided for employees. Awards are presented in three company size categories: Large (251+ employees), Medium (51-250 employees) and Small (50 or less employees), and will be presented at the **HealthSmart Breakfast** with on **Wednesday, October 17 at 7:30 am** at the **Gainesville Civic Center**. Link to [surveymonkey.com/r/MostFitCompany](http://surveymonkey.com/r/MostFitCompany) to complete the 2018 Most Fit Company Survey/Nomination online. **The deadline to submit award nominations is September 20.** HealthSmart Breakfast reservations are required. The HealthSmart Breakfast cost is \$15 Chamber Members; \$20 Non-Members. Reservations Online: [GreaterHallChamber/events](http://GreaterHallChamber/events). The HealthSmart Expo is free and open to the public with free health screenings. For information on Most Fit Company Awards: Amanda Lewis, 770-532-6206 x 111. Email: [alewis@ghcc.com](mailto:alewis@ghcc.com)

## JOB FAIR

Saturday

October 13

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Gainesville Civic Center

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Saturday, October 13

**Fall Job Fair**

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Wednesday, October 17

**HealthSmart Wellness Expo**

7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**HealthSmart Breakfast**

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Gainesville Civic Center

Get all the details and register for events

Online: [GreaterHallChamber.com](http://GreaterHallChamber.com)

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# Prime time for fall fun

Multiple area festivals fill the calendar in upcoming weeks

Top left: Emma Claire, 10, smiles while looking at the fish she won during Mule Camp Market in Gainesville. Bottom left: Alanie Rodriguez, 11, center, screams and holds her arms up while riding an amusement park ride during Mule Camp Market. Right: Mike Iobdell, Mike Simpson and Delaram Koushyar get ready for the Dotting of the Eye ceremony during the Atlanta Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival at the Lake Lanier Olympic Venue in Gainesville on Sept. 13, 2015.

Times file photos



SCOTT ROGERS | The Times

Lynn Sosebee and her dog Tank frolic in the pool at the Splash Zone Sunday Sept. 10, 2017, while attending the annual Soggy Doggy Pool Party at the Frances Meadows Aquatic Center.

### Soggy Doggy Pool Party

**What:** Splash Zone open for dogs

**When:** 1-5:30 p.m. Sept. 9

**Where:** Frances Meadows Aquatic Center, 1545 Community Way NE, Gainesville

**How much:** \$10 per dog; people free

**More info:** 770-533-5850, [zstephens@gainesville.org](mailto:zstephens@gainesville.org)

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### Healthy Aging Expo

**What:** Demonstrations, expert speakers, health screenings and other entertainment

**When:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 26

**Where:** Frances Meadows Aquatic Center, 1545 Community Way NE, Gainesville

**More info:** 770-532-1234, [www.facebook.com/events/1829260437111308/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1829260437111308/)

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### Atlanta Dragon Boat Festival

Experience the Hong Kong culture at the annual Atlanta Dragon Boat Festival. The festival includes dragon boat racing, an opening ceremony with cultural presentations and dances and cuisine from around the world. There will also be a raffle drawing and an awards ceremony. This year's event precedes the International Canoe Federation Dragon Boat World Championships Sept. 12-16 at the Lake Lanier Olympic Park venue.

**When:** Venue opens at 6 a.m. Sept. 8

**Where:** Lake Lanier Olympic Park, 3105 Clarks Bridge Road, Gainesville

**How much:** \$10 for parking

**More info:** [www.dragonboatatlanta.com](http://www.dragonboatatlanta.com)

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• **Oct. 31, 5-6:30 p.m.**, a Halloween Carnival will be held in downtown Lavonia. Plenty of candy, bounce houses and a costume contest included.

• **Sept. 22**, Taste of Gainesville at Lake Lanier Olympic Park. Enjoy the specialties of many local restaurants and caterers in a relaxed outdoor dining experience. Proceeds benefit the Lake Lanier Rowing Club youth program. Details: [lakelanierrowing.org/a-taste-of-gainesville](http://lakelanierrowing.org/a-taste-of-gainesville).

## HALL



• **July 19-21**, 10th annual Pirates of Lanier Poker Run. Registration, lead-in events July 19-20, with Poker Run held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 21. Proceeds go to Lanier Partners' various children's charities. Details: [lanierpartners.org/2018pirates.html](http://lanierpartners.org/2018pirates.html)

• **Third Friday of each month through Nov. 23, 5-8 p.m.**, Food Truck Fridays at Lake Lanier Olympic Park. Free event. A variety of food trucks and non-food vendors, entertainment.

• **Sept. 8**, Atlanta Dragon Boat Festival. Details, team registration: [dragonboatatlanta.com](http://dragonboatatlanta.com).

• **Sept. 12-16**, International Canoe Federation (ICF) Dragon Boat World Championships. First time championship has been held in the U.S. Details: [lanierdragonboat2018.com](http://lanierdragonboat2018.com).

• **Sept. 15, 10 p.m., ends 3 a.m.**  
**Sept. 16**, Larry's Sail-abration Yacht Party. All White Affair, Lake Lanier, Harbor Landing. Music, photos, food. Tickets cost \$30.

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(From left) Marketplace tri-chairs: Jenny Floyd, Morgan Wood and Katie Crumley



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