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LOW BID FOR WALTON GYM AND PERFORMING ARTS REBUILD IS \$31.7 MILLION



The original Walton High School building has been torn down, and new gymnasium and performing arts space will go in its place. According to an early look at next week's Cobb Board of Education meeting, a low-bid contract for \$31.7 million is being recommended for approval.

The school board will hold a work session at 1 p.m. Thursday and a business meeting at 7 p.m., also on Thursday. Both meetings take place in the board chambers at the CCSD Central Office (514 Glover St., Marietta). Here's the full agenda packet for the meetings.

Before the evening session, a public budget forum will take place in the same place starting at 6:30 p.m. Citizens can comment on a proposed \$1.2 billion fiscal year 2019 budget. That figure has grown from an initial figure of \$1.059 billion in March.

Board members also are scheduled to tentatively approve that budget, and future public hearings will be held before formal adoption in May.

Walton students moved into a new \$48 million classroom building in August, and demolition of the original 42-year-old building has taken place over the winter.

The new 151,000-square-foot project will include main and auxiliary gymnasiums, a wrestling room, a weight room, locker rooms, a main theater, a black box theater and band, orchestra and choral suites.

Cobb-based Evergreen Construction is the low bidder, and its proposal comes in at nearly \$3 million less than the estimated cost of \$34.69 million. The funding is earmarked in the current Cobb Education Cobb SPLOST IV, and the projected completion date is November 2019.

(In January, Pope High School christened its new \$24 million gym and theater with a basketball doubleheader sweep.)

The new Walton project isn't the only major rebuilding contract on the school board's agenda Thursday. A rebuilding contract totaling \$47.4 million will be considered for Osborne High School, as will a new gym and theater project at Harrison High School for \$22.3 million.

NEIGHBOR ART

(Please submit any of your cool, fun art – adults', kids', matters not – to csnutshelleditor@gmail.com)



WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE!

For a number of reasons, not least of which is it had become uneditable because of old programming code, we've ditched our old Chestnut Springs website, in favor of a spiffy new one.

With that, comes a host of upgrades and new features, including news, clubhouse reservations, bylaws and covenants, as well as eight months of *The Nutshell*, able to be downloaded with one click.

Let's thanks Craig Kulpa and Travis McKeone, for making this happen and for keeping it up, week to week.

There's also a direct link to our neighborhood Facebook page, so do visit, browse, download and connect!

<https://www.chestnutsprings.org/nutshell>

JOIN A GREEN TEAM IN 2018!

Are you throwing your glass jars and bottles in the trash? Join one of the neighborhood's Green Teams!

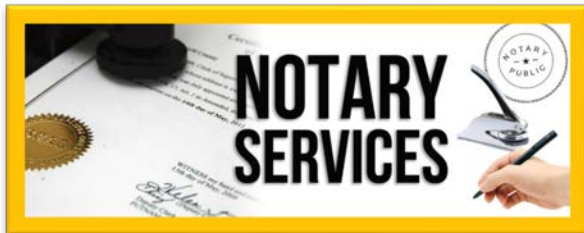
We take turns taking our glass trash to a neighboring county recycling center. The more team members we get, the less frequently it's your turn to go!

Contact Kim Burgett at kabatl@bellsouth.net or Donna Pike at donna.pike@comcast.net to join one of our Green Teams!



YARD OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the folks at
1616 Kinglet!

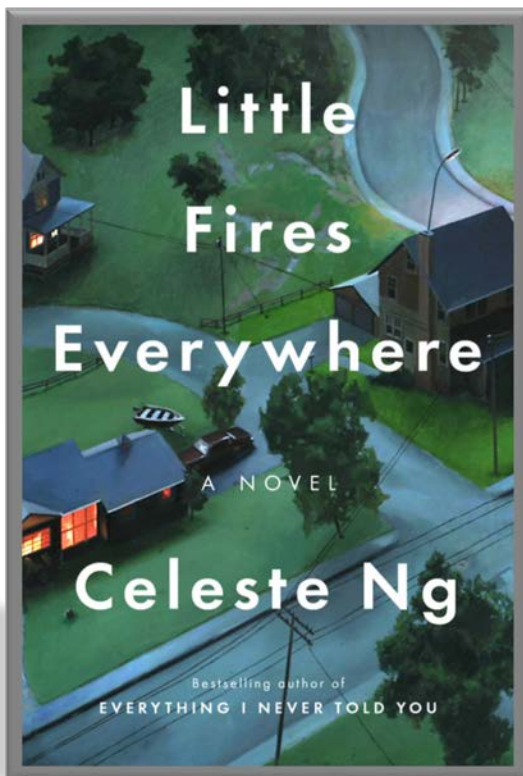


OUR NEIGHBORHOOD NOTARIES!

We're so fortunate to have a few notaries here in Chestnut Springs. And at least three, thus far, have volunteered their services to neighborhood residents, for free.

These magnanimous members of our community are: Joan Halligan (770-973-4587 – dixieboz@bellsouth.net), Martina Bujdoso Schneider (martina.schneider7@gmail.com) and Kathy Gunn (gunnkaly@gmail.com).

Thanks, ladies!



BOOK CLUB!

This month's book is "Little Fires Everywhere," by Celeste Ng. Meeting dates TBD.

Contact Kim Burgett (kabatl@bellsouth.net), for more information, or to be added to the email distribution list. Join us if you can!

CLUBHOUSE RENTAL INFORMATION

Contact Clubhouse Chair, Tammy Feilmeier
at tammyfeilmeier@gmail.com.

**NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

The Nutshell is the one avenue we all have to connect with the neighborhood goings-on, on a macro level. And every month we'll want to hear from you (*yes, you!*) regarding what may be happening, as it pertains to us all.

So please send any and all fun, useful, engaging information about Chestnut Springs to CSNutshellEditor@gmail.com. When possible, we may highlight your input in an issue.

Be involved!

CHESTNUT SPRINGERS MAKE AN IMPACT ON WALTON SWIM TEAM

Congratulations to the amazing group of swimmers representing Chestnut Springs on the Walton Raider Swim and Dive Team during the 2017/2018 season. Not only are they outstanding swimmers, they are also exceptional students who received additional recognition as "scholar athletes."

- Kaitlyn Kell, freshman
- Alex Krupp, freshman
- Rachel Rhyne, freshman
- Wyatt Pitts, sophomore
- Conor Henderson, junior
- Blake Feilmeier, junior
- Olivia Leonard, junior (team manager and photographer)
- Hannah Song, junior
- Hannah Drilling, senior and team captain

In addition, Tammy Feilmeier was recognized by the Booster Club for her contributions and support of the team.

HOA News...Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors,

I'd like to give a big shout-out to the many neighbors who contributed in various ways this past month to better our facilities and our sense of community.

Our Women's Club hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt, and it was another huge hit for one and all. Thank you to Melanie Dalton, Stacey Miceli, Katie Zimmerman, Heather Wheeless, Kelley Mattinson and Stormy Park for all your efforts. Many thanks to our Women's Club for donating \$3,000 towards the purchase of new pool chairs. (And, yes! They have been ordered!!) Thank you to the group of women who helped finalize all of those decisions. Thanks, in advance, to all who have offered to unbox and set up the new furniture when it arrives in May. Thank you to Hutch Hutchins for fixing the bridge on the playset at the playground. Thank you to Eva Schug and David Song for their time and effort to recoup money from a billing error they caught. Thank you to Donna Pike for setting up Meal Trains for folks with new babies and/or in the hospital. Thanks to all of you who bring meals to those families. Thanks to the many people who jumped in to figure out and solve the plumbing problems that arose during a busy weekend of clubhouse and tennis court use. Thank you to the tennis teams who are working around graduation parties that overlap with ALTA matches.

I'm sure I've forgotten something or someone, and I'm sure there are many acts of kindness that may have gone unnoticed. But, thank you! I continue to be overwhelmed with gratitude for the many ways so many reach out to help each other. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Cinda O'Keefe

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Reach us at:

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officers@chestnutsprings.org*

Architectural Control Committee Reminder

Please submit any changes to your homes' exterior or major landscaping to the Chestnut Springs Architectural Control Committee (ACC). The changes requiring ACC approval include any addition to the house exterior, exterior painting and roofing, fencing, outdoor hardscapes, and major landscaping project (over \$1000).

The approval process is described on the Chestnut Springs website at <http://www.chestnutsprings.org/acc.php>. In the middle of ACC page is a link to the request form. Also, see more detailed information by clicking the Association Quick Links on that page for Protective Covenants. The completed request form along with pictures and plans for your improvement should be emailed to boardmembers@chestnutsprings.org.

- C. McKemie, 2017 ACC Chair

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678-642-1111 or scott@nwgbh.com

CERTIFIED HEALTH COACH & PERSONAL TRAINER

FREE HEALTH ASSESSMENT and BMI calculations during the month of August and September! Do you know your BMI (Body Mass Index) and if you're at a Healthy place? If you would like to see where your Health and Wellness is please reach out to Terri Moore at 678-938-8433. I'm happy to conduct a FREE HEALTH ASSESSMENT and calculate your BMI. If you have friends and family that need this, it's as easy as picking up the phone and calling me. No commitments!!

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404-308-0893

CLUBHOUSE RENTAL RATES

(effective Jan. 1, 2018)

- \$35 for Recreational Members
- \$60 for Community Members
- \$60 to hold a "For-Profit" Event

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VIOLIN LESSONS

Jenny Choi. Currently a member of Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra, Emory Youth Symphony Orchestra, and Walton High School's Chamber Orchestra (I am a junior). Attended Governor's Honors Program for violin. Experience with teaching kids and students. If interested, please email me at jennychoisone@gmail.com.

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS FOR NEIGHBORS

Contact the Nutshell at csnutshelleditor@gmail.com if you would like a classified in this space. (Size restrictions may be necessary.) Paid advertising for neighbors (and anyone else) are available @ the following 6 mo. rates:
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CHESTNUT SPRINGS EASTER EGG HUNT

Thank you so much to the Women's Club Easter Egg Hunt Committee for coordinating a memorable egg hunt on March 24. The Women's Club Easter Egg Hunt has been a neighborhood tradition for decades.

This year's committee included:

- Melanie Dalton (chair)
- Stacey Miceli
- Katie Zimmerman
- Heather Wheelless
- Kelley Mattinson
- Stormy Park

CHESTNUT SPRINGS FACEBOOK PAGE

Current members of the Chestnut Springs HOA Facebook page can easily add any CS resident with whom they are Facebook friends. Just go to the CS Facebook page on your computer and click on add a member tab. Select them from the list of your friends and they will be added on the Facebook Chestnut Springs site. Any new resident that cannot find a current member to add them can contact Mary Lou Panaccione-Villalba and she will request them as a friend and then add them to the Chestnut Springs site. This is a private site to limit the site to members of the community.



Attention Class of 2018!

This June the Chestnut Springs Women's Club will award **two** \$500 scholarships to graduating neighborhood seniors from the class of 2018.

To be considered for a scholarship tell us what you are passionate about! Describe your interests and future goals. Explain how you have made Chestnut Springs and our community a better place to live. Include events you have been involved in within the community, and explain how your community has influenced you. Tell us about your school activities, extracurricular clubs, or other service groups. Highlight examples of volunteer service and leadership roles.

Essays should be received in the following format:

- Name, address, and phone number at the top of the page
- 1-2 pages letter size paper
- Use 12 point font, lines double spaced

Entries will be judged by an independent academic professional who does **not** live in Chestnut Springs. Personal contact information will be blacked out prior to essays being judged. The judge's decision is final. Winners will be announced in June. Good Luck!

Entries must be submitted by Friday, May 25 2018. No late entries.

Deliver to: CSWC Scholarship
1661 Barn Swallow Place

CSWC Scholarship
1766 Winter Wren Way

For further information: Deb Krupp 206-235-5211 email: dkrupp6@gmail.com
Pam Wright 404-922-2528 email: pam.wright3d@gmail.com



SWIM!

Well it is officially March and the summer swim season is quickly approaching. This is just a brief update on a few key dates for the 2018 summer swim season.

Our swim meets will be on **Monday nights** this year (with the exception of Monday, May 28 Memorial Day). Our first meet will be on Thursday May 31, followed by Monday June 4, 11, 18 and 25.

Key Dates:

- **April 2018** - Registration will open.
- **May 14** - Afternoon practice starts
- **May 23** - End of school year pool party
- **May 24** - Morning practice begins
- **June 16** - Georgia Games swim meet - Open to all swimmers interested. Will be at Cherokee Aquatic Center.
- **June 30/July 1** - Patti Wilder Cobb County meet at Mountain View Aquatic Center

The team Website www.chestnutspringsdolphins.com is being updated for 2018 and will be a source of information. We will also use the Chestnut Springs Dolphins Facebook page. Just go to the website and follow the Facebook link.

If you have any questions, please reply to: mccarthy1674@gmail.com.

MARCH CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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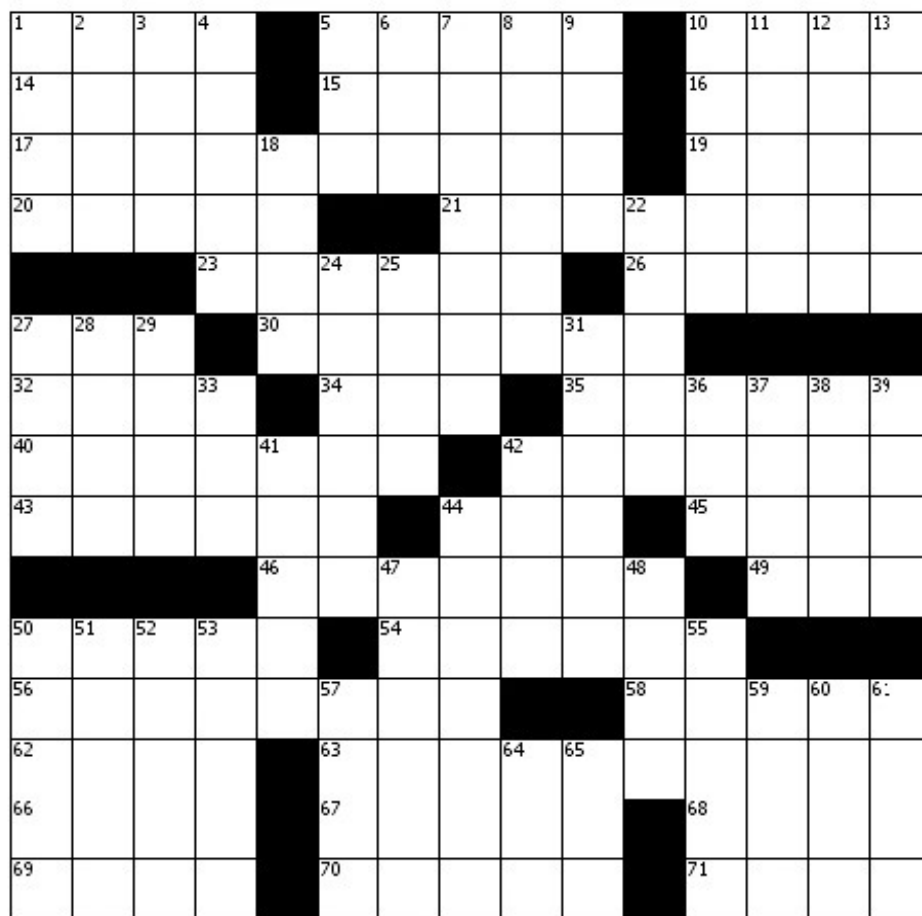
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CHESTNUT SPRINGS' APRIL CROSSWORD

Across

1. James Michener novel, e.g.
5. Fancy neckwear
10. Symbol on many sarcophagi
14. Nibble between meals
15. Communication device
16. Actress Turner
17. Man of letters?
19. Mayberry character
20. Reduce, as prices
21. Automobile engine part
23. Juicy tidbit
26. "Roots" author
27. Pop and op follower
30. Man of letters?
32. Codger
34. Grasp the significance of
35. First-born of siblings
40. Man of letters?
42. Man of letters?
43. New York tribe
44. Adjoined
45. Intersection sign
46. Man of letters?
49. Rejection after rejection?
50. Dispatch boat
54. Photographer Adams, et al.
56. Obsolete disc player
58. Away from port
62. Toward the sheltered side
63. Man of letters?
66. Tenement locale, perhaps
67. "___ bad moon rising ..."
68. Latvian capital
69. Soldier's lullaby
70. ___ slipper (orchid type)
71. Conclude



Down

1. They justify the means
2. Sci-fi author Frederick ___
3. Hispaniola, por ejemplo
4. Deep divide
5. Common mo. for showers
6. Pronoun for Paula
7. Arrogance
8. Beepable, as a doctor
9. Abound or swarm
10. Hello, in Hilo
11. Post followup
12. Jam spreader
13. Precipitate
18. "Hold up!"
22. Pasta piece
24. Disheveled
25. First mate aboard the Jolly Roger
27. Great serves
28. Justice's garb
29. Hotel guests are often out of this
31. Crunch maker
33. Common article
36. Morning moisture
37. Actor McGregor
38. Feature on the farm skyline
39. Clucks disapprovingly
41. It ran through the veins of Venus
42. Disney collectibles
44. Terrorized
47. Former Polish president
48. Shaq specialty
50. Nautical command
51. Luxurious country house
52. Become slippery in winter, in a way
53. Botanical uprights
55. Mixes up
57. Trompe l'___
59. Foul mood
60. Morning toaster treat
61. "I need it yesterday!" initials
64. Turnabout, informally
65. Bell and Kettle, for example

Delicious
Food

Silent
Auction

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Painting



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Inflatables

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Jazz

Great
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COBB VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR MOST 2018 ELECTIONS IS APRIL 24

The Cobb voter registration deadline for most of this year's local, state and federal elections is fast approaching. Georgia State Senate special election

The deadline to register to vote in most of those elections is April 24. Those elections include the May 22 primaries and any runoffs that will be held on July 24.



This is going to be a busy election season for East Cobb voters, with contested races for District 3 on the Cobb Board of Commissioners, Post 6 on the Cobb Board of Education, several legislative seats and the 6th District Congressional seat.

In addition, statewide offices, including governor, as well as state and local judicial posts, will be on 2018 ballots.

You can register to vote, or check your registration status and precinct information, by visiting the Georgia Secretary of State's website.

The Cobb Board of Elections and Registration is also mailing out absentee ballots for those who'd rather vote that way. Voters don't have to give a reason when applying for an absentee ballot, but they should consider applying early to allow for mailing time.

Absentee ballots must be received at the Cobb elections office by 7 p.m. on May 22.

To request a ballot, visit the Cobb Elections website and get more information by calling 770-528-2581.

In addition to absentee ballots, advance voting will once again take place. That period will run from April 30-May 18, and will include a full week of advance voting May 14-18 at the East Cobb Government Service Center (4400 Lower Roswell Road).