

BETTER TOGETHER

Action Agenda

October 20, 2014

Updates from the Meeting are Posted in Red

Meeting Attendees – Listing of those Present and Guests

Wayne Boston	Joe Novelli
Freeda Bush	Hope Peaks
Gary Bush	Barbara Peck
Teri Harrison	Karen Stanley
Omie Jain	Maddy Stanley
Sharon Lockwood	Ken Wolfe
Cara Novelli	Nancilee Wolfe

Events and Activities (Past) –

- Institute for Advanced Medical Research – Meeting on October 10
Wayne reported that he met with Dr. Angelo Sambunaris on October 10. Dr. Sambunaris is the Medical Director for the Institute of Advanced Medical Research located on Windward Parkway in Alpharetta. The research being pioneered by this Institute focuses on, among other things, Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s disease. Hopefully, Better Together, working with Dr. Sambunaris, will be able to host an event open to the public in early 2015 focusing on Alzheimer’s disease.

- CJ’s Talk of the Town Event – October 18

Better Together’s fourth business connection event was held at CJ’s Talk of the Town on Saturday, October 18 from 2 pm to 5 pm. Judging by the number of customers who visited the shop, the event was very successful. Activities during the afternoon included a special in-store sale, three raffles and a special appearance by Miss Atlanta. Nothing Bundt Cakes and Edible Arrangements also participated by providing samples of their products to all attendees. A special thanks goes to



Barbara Peck, Freeda Bush, Sharon Lockwood and Angela Thompson for their help at the event.

Events and Activities (Future) -

- Adopt-A-Road Clean-Up - October 25 at 9 am

All were reminded about the road clean-up that is scheduled for Saturday morning, October 25. Barbara Peck added that she will have the necessary vests and other items needed for the clean-up.

- An Evening with Fulton County Commissioner-Elect Bob Ellis - November 6 at City Hall Chambers at 7 pm

It was reported that plans are well underway for the event with Bob Ellis on November 6. A release relating to the event will be distributed by the City during the next few days and it will also be publicized in the November Roundup E-mail Newsletter.

- Septic System Workshop - November 20 - 7:30 pm at City Hall

It was reported that Better Together will be partnering with the Milton Grows Green Committee to sponsor a Septic System Workshop on November 20 at City Hall. Better Together will be responsible for making arrangements for dessert and refreshments after the presentation.

- North Fulton Community Charities - Family Sponsorship (Christmas)

Teri Harrison reported that she had indicated to NFCC our interest in sponsoring a family at Christmas that has no more than two children. Once more specifics are known, we will solicit donations from our Better Together members to provide a very nice Christmas for the family.

- Free Writer's Workshop - Prior to Year-end

Wayne reported that tentative arrangements are in place to hold the Free Writer's Workshop on Sunday, November 16, at the Bethwell Community Center. The event will be scheduled from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Kimberly Brock, local Milton resident and Georgia Author of the Year 2013, will be leading the session. After the workshop, dessert and refreshments will be available to all attendees.

- Better Together Christmas Gathering - December 8 at Bethwell

As reported previously, this year's Christmas gathering for Better Together will take place at the Bethwell Community Center on Monday,

December 8 at 6:00 pm. Nancilee and Wayne will be meeting to plan the event.

Better Together 2015 Meeting Schedule

A meeting schedule for Better Together meetings for 2015 was distributed. Meetings will take place twice-monthly except for the months of June, July, August and December. During these months, Better Together will meet monthly.

Connecting Residents with Businesses -

- J3 Academy & Fitness

It was reported that plans are to hold one of our business connection events for this business during the first couple of months of 2015.

- Milton Fields

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Open Discussion

Barbeque on October 25 – Sharon Lockwood reminded the group that she has tickets for sale to this event which will take place on Saturday, October 25, at the home of Roswell Mayor Jere Wood. This year, the proceeds from the barbeque event will be used to support the work of Senior Services of North Fulton.

Cara Novelli - Owner - J3 Academy & Fitness

Cara Novelli, one of the owners of J3 Academy & Fitness, commented on the programs offered at this business. Among other offerings, Cara mentioned that one of the primary focuses of the business is on self-defense for women. In addition, other programs are available, including combat conditioning and activities particularly geared toward kids. Cara added that free sessions are available every Saturday at noon.

Next Meeting - November 3 - Bethwell Community Center