

# The Recreation Connection



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## Camp Acworth-Summer Day Camp

Summer is just around the corner!!! Camp Acworth summer day camp provides a safe and active environment for your child to enjoy their summer. Campers will enjoy various outdoor activities including swimming, canoeing, hiking and archery as well as arts and crafts and team sport activities. Campers will take a field trip each week to exciting places like Stars and Strikes, Fernbank Science Center, Zoo Atlanta and the World of Coke. Camp Acworth is for children ages 6 – 11. We also offer Middle School Camp for ages 11 – 15.



Camp consists of eight, one week sessions beginning the week of June 6 and concluding the week of August 5 (there is no camp the week of July 4). Normal camp hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and extended hours are available that allows for early drop off from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and late pick up from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Registration for Camp Acworth and Middle School Camp is now open. The registration fee for City of Acworth residents is \$95.00 per week and the non-resident fee is \$110.00 per week. Extended hours are an additional \$20.00 per week for city residents and \$25.00 per week for non-residents.

For more information on Camp Acworth and to register visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd).

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### Mark Your Calendars:

- ◆ 5/6-5/7 Smoke on the Lake
- ◆ 5/14 Citywide Recycle Day
- ◆ 5/14 Acworth Opry
- ◆ 5/19-5/21 Pro Wakeboard Tour
- ◆ 5/21 Get Fit 5K
- ◆ 5/28 Memorial Day Ceremony

## Pro Wakeboard Tour Returns to Acworth!

The Pro Wakeboard Tour makes its return to Dallas Landing Park in Acworth, Thursday, May 19, through Saturday, May 21. On Thursday and Friday the event begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends around 4:00 p.m. The Main Event will take place on Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



The MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard Tour is presented by Rockstar Energy Drink and is a three-day event of water-sports action. But not all of the action takes place on the water. On land, fans will experience tons of great food and music; athlete autograph signings; chances to win free stuff; and shopping at the most cutting-edge

stores for water-sports equipment including boats, wakeboards, wakeskates, sunglasses and the latest in wakeboarding and surfing fashions. This family oriented event and will provide a fun filled day of sun, surf and excitement for all who attend.

To purchase tickets in advance for a discounted rate visit [www.prowakeboardtour.com](http://www.prowakeboardtour.com).

Tickets will also be available for purchase on event dates at the Dallas Landing Park: \$13.00 for ages 13 and older, \$5.00 for ages 6-12, and ages five and under are admitted free. Parking will be available at the park on the 19-20. Shuttles will be available on Saturday from Downtown Acworth for the Main Event.

The Pro Wakeboard Tour is currently recruiting sponsors for the Acworth tour date. If you would like to get your business involved with the event, or for more information about the event visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) or contact the Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 917-1234.

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## Computer, Electronics and Metal Recycling Day

The Acworth Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a Citywide Recycle Day on Saturday, May 14 from 8:00 a.m., to 5:00 p.m., at the Acworth City Library.

Recycle computers, electronics, appliances and just about anything else made primarily of metal. There is no charge to recycle (except for televisions). All material will be



managed and recycled according to specifications set forth by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) for a complete list of items accepted and for more information about the event.

## Smoke on the Lake Festival

The Rotary Club of North Cobb and the City of Acworth will host the 2nd Annual Smoke on the Lake Backyard BBQ Festival on May 6-7, 2011. It will be a non-sanctioned BBQ competition open to anyone who loves to cook BBQ.

Come taste the best local BBQ in the area on Saturday then stick around for a free Banks and Shane concert following the awards ceremony. Lawn seats are free and you can purchase a table and dinner for six for only \$100.

Smoke on the Lake is a BBQ festival for charity that raises funds for local Cobb County Charities, including the Horizon Field at the Acworth Sports Complex.

In addition this year a free concert has been added on Friday evening with free lawn seating and reserved tables as well.

For anyone not interested in BBQ, there will also be Johnny's Beer Garden sponsored by Budweiser and Johnny's Pizza with a variety of your favorites, including the world famous Johnny's New York Style Pizza.

This year for \$5 and a good roll of the dice you can drive away in a brand new Camaro from Day's Chevrolet. As the Rotary Club



and cook teams are Cookin' and Eatin' for Charity, you can help this great cause by trying your hand at this exciting opportunity to win the best Day's has to offer.

The admission is free with live music from 11:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. on the Gas South Stage. If you wish to purchase a table, enter the BBQ competition or would like to sponsor the event please visit [www.smokeonthelake.com](http://www.smokeonthelake.com). There are still a few spaces available for backyard teams. The cost to enter the competition is \$150.

For more information visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) or call Peter Jezerinac at (770) 917-1234.

## 2011 Memorial Day Ceremony

Join the City of Acworth on Saturday, May 28 at 10:00 a.m. at Patriots Point at Cauble Park, home of the Veterans Memorial to honor the men and women who have given their lives in the line of duty while defending our Nation and its values.

Brigadier General Jerry J. Bradford, United States Army, Retired will be the keynote speaker at the ceremony. General Bradford has over 30 years of combined active and reserve component service, including two tours in Vietnam, a tour in Central America, an extended tour in Europe, a short tour at the Pentagon, and multiple State-side tours.

The City of Acworth would like to pay homage to those who faithfully served

and made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. The ceremony will last approximately 45 minutes and is the perfect opportunity to set aside time to reflect on the cost of our freedom.

If you have not seen the Veterans Memorial at Patriot's Point at Cauble Park, make sure you visit us on Saturday, May 28. The service flags of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard surround the American Flag. The concrete dome structure is surrounded by a paver walkway with engraved pavers. You can still honor a veteran by purchasing Pavers. The pavers are available in 4x4 or 8x8 sizes. With the 4x4, you get 3 lines, each with up to 18 characters engraved on the pavers. The 8x8 comes with 4 lines, each with up to 18 characters

engraved on it.

For more information about the ceremony or to purchase a paver visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) or call the Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 917-1234.



## Acworth Opry

The Acworth Opry at Logan Farm Park will take place the second Saturday of each month beginning in May and running through October. Bring your family, friends and chairs or blankets and enjoy great Bluegrass music, good food, friendly folks and lots of fun.

take the stage at 5:30 p.m. and the band Luther's Mountain will perform at 6:45 p.m. The event will last until 8:30 p.m. Logan Farm Park is located at 4762 Logan Rd. Acworth, GA 30101.



On May 14, the first act, Highway 41 Band, will

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## Tap/Ballet



The Acworth Parks and Recreation Department is excited to offer Tap/Ballet for 3 to 5 year olds this summer with a "Fairytale Princess" theme!

The session runs June 7th through July 26th (no class on July 5th). Class will be held Tuesdays 4:15-5:00 p.m. at the Roberts School Community Center. This class is a structured program designed for the early development of technical tap and ballet

skills. It precisely meets the needs and limitations of preschoolers by providing a carefully paced sequence of exercises to develop physical conditioning, with poise and grace.

Visit [www.CreativeMovementAndDance.com](http://www.CreativeMovementAndDance.com) for uniforms and more information. You may also call our office at (770) 917-1234.

## Summer Sports Camps

Mark your calendars for the Acworth Parks and Recreation Department 2011 Summer Sport Camp series!

Speed and Agility Camp for ages 7-16 will kick off the APRD Summer Sport Camps June 27 - July 1, from 6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. at Logan Farm Park. The Little Kids Football Camp, ages 4-7, will be held July 26-28, from 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. Big Kids Football Camp, ages 8-14, will be held July 25-29, from 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. On Saturday, July 16, Acworth Parks and Recreation will host a one-day Cheerleading



Camp. Little Kids Cheerleading Camp is for age 5 & 6 from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Big Kids Cheerleading Camp is for ages 7-12 from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. There will be one baseball camp at the Acworth Sports

Complex this summer for ages 6-13. Baseball camp will be offered July 11-13 from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Register before May 14 and receive an early registration discount.

To register online visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) or for more information about all the summer sports camps call the Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 917-1234.

## Acworth Football and Cheerleading Registration



Online Registration for the 2011 Acworth Football and Cheerleading Association is still underway! The AFCA provides competitive and instructional

football and cheerleading opportunities for children between the ages of five and twelve. Teams are grouped according to age and weight. Football players are placed on teams with other children of similar skill and experience. Practice begins the first week in August and ends in early to middle November. Once the season starts practice will be held three nights a week with a game on Saturday.

In recognition of the challenging economy, the AFCA is offering a substantial early registration discount. If you register on or

before May 31 you can register to participate for \$150 as a City of Acworth resident, \$170 as a non-city resident. This is a savings of \$50! Equipment deposits and concession deposits will apply.

There will be one more onsite registration date to take advantage of this discount on Saturday, May 14 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Halbrooks Field. For more information call (770) 974-1688 or to register visit: [www.acworthwarriors.com](http://www.acworthwarriors.com)

## Love the Lake Concert Series

Come and enjoy a night of music on the beach. On Saturday, June 11, artists Sons of Sailors take the stage at 8:00 p.m. Whether it is Beach, Buffett, Country or Rock and Roll this Athens, GA band can play it all. Concert on the Beach featuring Sons of Sailors is a part of the Love the Lake Concert Series presented by the City of Acworth and the Acworth Business Association.

Tables can be purchased for this concert. Tables are \$50.00 each for City of Acworth residents and \$60 for non-residents. With the table you get 6 chairs and one parking pass. This parking pass will allow you to park at Cauble Park. The evening of the concert parking at Cauble Park is by pass only, but you are not guaranteed a parking spot with the pass; so please plan on arriving early.

If you do not have a parking pass or if the parking is full, you will need to park downtown and take a shuttle down to the park. This is a free shuttle service. If you choose to park downtown, shuttles will pick you up at the city hall parking lot and the post office parking lot. Shuttles will begin running at 5:00 p.m.

To purchase a table visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd).

Please call the Acworth Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 917-1234 or visit [www.acworth.org/aprd](http://www.acworth.org/aprd) for more information.



## Cars, Chrome and Caring

**DAYS CHEVROLET**



Join us on Saturday, June 11 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for Day's first Annual Car and Bike show benefiting the Horizon League. All makes and models are welcome.

Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. There is a \$25 Registration Fee at the gate. All proceeds go to the Horizon League of Acworth. You must check in by 12:00 p.m. to be included in the judging. Pre-Registration is available for \$20 at [www.dayschevrolet.com](http://www.dayschevrolet.com) for more information contact: Jennifer Still at 770-974-4242.

In the event of bad weather; call for confirmation at (770) 974-4242. Rain date makeup will be Saturday, June 25, 2011 from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

## Horizon Kickball League

Come out and play!! Teams are now forming for the summer Horizon kickball league. This league is open for all individuals who have special needs, ages 5-21 years old. Games will be held Tuesday nights for ages 5-12 and Thursday nights ages 13-21 from June 21-July 28.

Registration deadline is June 3rd. The cost for the league is \$15 which covers jerseys and league expenses. If you are unable to afford the cost of the league, opportunities for financial aid are available.



Register online for the Horizon Baseball League by visiting [www.acworthspecialneeds.com](http://www.acworthspecialneeds.com) or visit the Acworth Parks and Recreation Department office located at 4762 Logan Road, Acworth, 30101. For more information please visit the above website or contact Lauren Ham at (770) 917-1234 or by email at [lham@acworth.org](mailto:lham@acworth.org).

## Acworth Get Fit 5K

The City of Acworth invites the entire family out to Dallas Landing Park, on Saturday morning, May 21 for an exciting day of fun in the sun during its inaugural Acworth Get Fit 5K. The first annual event will feature racing for children, families and serious runners before crossing the finish line at the park's beach, where the MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard Tour will host its action-packed festivities for everyone to enjoy.

The race will kick off at 8 a.m. with a chip-timed 5K run through and around the park on a scenic, fast and well-shaded route. Runners with little ones can participate on the same course at 8:05 a.m. for the untimed 5K Stroller Roll. The final races of the day will be held at 9 a.m. for the Kids Fun Run.



Post-race festivities will be held at the beach section of Dallas Landing Park, featuring an award ceremony, music, children's activities, a food buffet, a ticket to the MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard Tour and more.

Proceeds from the Acworth Get Fit 5K will benefit the Acworth Special Needs Group and Special Needs Baseball field.

To register for the 5K, please visit [www.getfit5k.com](http://www.getfit5k.com). All registered participants will receive an exclusive Acworth Get Fit 5K t-shirt, goodie bag and a complimentary ticket to the MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard Tour.

For more questions call the Acworth Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 917-1234 .

## Senior Moment - Upcoming Senior Activities



### Senior Lunch

Join us on May 17<sup>th</sup> the City of Acworth Parks and Recreation Departments Senior Luncheon. Come join us for lunch at the Beach House (2293 Beach Street). Lunch is served at noon. This program is free to all seniors!

### Chi Kung/ Tai Chi

Chi Kung, also spelled Qi gong, is pronounced "chee kong" and dates back to 2600 B.C. Chi Kung is an internal Chinese meditative practice which uses slow graceful movements and controlled breathing techniques to promote and enhance a practitioner's overall health. The benefits of practicing Chi Kung include increased energy, stress release, toned muscles, improved balance and a stronger immune system.

This is an easy to learn/low impact class geared specifically for Seniors. New classes start April 5 and are held on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at Roberts School Community and Education Center. The cost of this eight week class is \$50 for City of Acworth residents and \$55 for non-residents.

### Senior Chair Yoga

Learn stretching and strengthening exercises, breathing techniques and much more during this class. Classes will be at Roberts School every Monday and Thursday starting June 6<sup>th</sup>- July 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 am - 10:45 am and 11:00 am- 11:45 am. This program is free to all seniors but registration is required.

For questions about the Senior Luncheon and all other Senior Activities please contact Lauren Ham at (770) 917-1234 or by email at [lham@acworth.org](mailto:lham@acworth.org).

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