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## ADNA SKATE NIGHT

**Come out and join your neighbors starting at 6:30 pm on Friday November 18<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the opening of the skating rink at Centennial Park. \$4.00 includes skate rental.**

## CAP/ADID TOWN HALL MEETING DATE CHANGED

The next CAP/ADID Town Hall Meeting is this Friday, November 11. The meeting will begin at 7:30 a.m. and conclude at 9:00 a.m.

## A MESSAGE FROM SENATOR SAM ZAMARRIPA

The 2006 session of the General Assembly is approaching fast. There are many important issues facing Fulton County neighborhoods, and Senator Zamarripa is committed to keeping you informed and involved!

One of the most significant issues up for debate in the next legislative session is the future of Fulton County. Some people advocate dividing the county into two parts; others advocate consolidating the Fulton County government with the Atlanta city government. Senator Zamarripa is committed to listening to everyone concerned with the future of the county and responding to the needs of his constituents. In the 2005 Session of the General Assembly, Sam passed a resolution to create a Senate Study Committee to examine the issue of Fulton County consolidation and provide recommendations for the future. This committee will convene public hearings at the State Capital, and you are warmly invited to attend. The next

hearing will be held on the following dates:

Wednesday, December 7, 2005  
1:00-4:00 p.m. Room 450 Capitol

If you are not able to attend, please visit Sam's website, [www.Zamarripa.com](http://www.Zamarripa.com) to learn more about the issue. At [www.Zamarripa.com](http://www.Zamarripa.com) you can read the minutes from the hearings, participate in online community discussions, and register for Sam's e-newsletter- a great way to stay up to date on developing issues. You can also view a copy of the study committee resolution, SR376 at [www.Zamarripa.com](http://www.Zamarripa.com) or through the [link](http://www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2005_06/fulltext/sr376.htm)

If you would like to contact Senator Zamarripa, feel free to email him at [Senator@Zamarripa.com](mailto:Senator@Zamarripa.com) or call him at his legislative office, 404-463-8054.

## YOU'RE INVITED....

Downtown residents are invited to "Mayor's Night In" at the City Hall on November 15<sup>th</sup>. For information go to [www.atlantaga.gov](http://www.atlantaga.gov)

## Brand Atlanta Update



Brand Atlanta has unveiled its new logo, but more excitement is in the air as Atlanta's new image is revealed with events around the city including:

Nov. 10: **Announcement of the city's new tagline** at a block party concert at Centennial Olympic Park.

Nov. 18-20: **pARTicipate! An arts and culture celebration**, a three-day extravaganza

showcasing Atlanta's world-class arts and culture scene. The ACVB cultural tourism department has compiled cultural packages for this weekend.

## Join Our Team

Spread the word about the place you call home and stay posted on all upcoming Brand Atlanta activities by joining Team ATL. Simply visit

<http://www.atlopen.com/> and register as a member of the ACVB team.

## TIS THE SEASON!

Holiday season is just around the corner, and there's a lot of happenings in our neighborhood, or right around the corner:

**Through December 23** – VSA arts of GA Holiday Art Sale and Shopping Parties ([VSAartsGA.org](http://VSAartsGA.org)) Support Georgia artists with disabilities and low incomes by shopping for a cause with VSA this year! Gallery open MF 9-5 and Dec 1 First Thursday from 9-8.

**Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>** – come out to Centennial Olympic Park and help us decorate for the holidays – from 10:00 a.m. until 400 p.m.

**November 17 – 20** – Radio City Christmas Spectacular at the Fox Theatre

**November 18<sup>th</sup>** – Skating at Centennial Park opens for another season! Strap on those blades and come on out!

**November 3 thru January 18** – "A Holiday Ham-i-cide" at Agatha's Mystery Dinner Theatre

**November 19** – Atlantic Station's Treelighting – a quick Marta ride away – come out and see the trendy new neighborhood

**November 23** – Finally! The long awaited opening of our fabulous Georgia Aquarium!

**December 2 – 4** – Market at the Works – [www.attheworks.net](http://www.attheworks.net) or 404-273-1861

**December 2 – 3** – Decatur Candlelight Tour of Homes

**December 3 – 11** – The Annual Festival of Lights at the GWCC

**December 16** – Holiday Bonfire and Marshmallow Roast in Decatur [www.decaturga.com](http://www.decaturga.com)

## SEE ATLANTA FROM 350 FEET!!

8:00 am - Noon  
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm daily

WHERE: Underground Atlanta

A giant helium balloon has landed at Underground Atlanta! Atlanta's newest attraction, the Comcast AeroBalloon will allow locals and visitors to soar high above and admire amazing views within a 20mile radius of downtown Atlanta including the city's skyline, Buckhead, and Stone Mountain. Up to 5 people at a time can travel upwards for a 10 minute adventure they will never forget. Cost is \$18.00 per adult.

To find out more information about AeroBalloon USA and to make reservations, visit [www.aeroballoon.com](http://www.aeroballoon.com)

## NOCHE FLAMENCA Saturday, November 12, 8 PM

Spain's Noche Flamenca exemplifies the essence and purity of this most complex and mysterious art-forms. Demonstrating a profound understanding of its art, the troupe masterfully intertwines all aspects of flamenco, including dance, song, and music to create a communal feeling, which is the very heart and soul of flamenco.

## NOW PLAYING At Theatrical Outfit

Cotton Patch Gospel  
Through Nov. 20  
Downtown Residents and employees get 2 for 1 tickets Friday and Saturday nights, Nov 11 and 12\*  
Showtime 7:30  
\*subject to availability - Call soon for tickets.

## Coming in December

### A Christmas Memory Based on two short stories by Truman Capote

This touching, heart-warming evening of Reader's Theater is the perfect anecdote to the mad rush and materialism of our times. Return to a quieter past when small things meant the most.

Running everyday December 14 - 24 Evenings at 7:30, Matinees at 2:30 on Sunday December 18 and Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24.

Theatrical Outfit is located at 84 Luckie Street  
Box Office 678-528-1500  
[www.theatricaloutfit.org](http://www.theatricaloutfit.org)

## SEE YOU AT THE DECEMBER ADNA HOLIDAY PARTY!

Tonight's meeting of the ADNA is the last scheduled Community Meeting of 2005. In December, we traditionally take the month off. Stay tuned for an e-mail announcement re: the date, time, and location of our December Holiday Party.

At the party, we'll thank the 2005 Board and welcome the 2006 Board.

In the coming weeks, the members of the 2006 Board will elect officers and the 2005 and 2006 Boards will hold a joint retreat to ensure a smooth transition for the ADNA.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### Jay Tribby

A few years from now, Downtown residents may look back on 2005 as a watershed year for the neighborhood.

Fish started swimming in our backyard. The World of Coke broke ground. The demographic center of the neighborhood shifted north- and westward, towards Centennial Olympic Park. Theatrical Outfit launched its first full season. Woodruff got a Bark Park. GSU started building a dormitory that will transform thousands of students from daytrippers to Downtown residents. The Gateway Center promised new ways of addressing homelessness in our midst. Through the passage of the commercial solicitation ordinance, we demonstrated our patience with the political process and our commitment to make ourselves heard on issues of importance to us.

From this vantage point, it seems like a watershed year for the ADNA organizationally as well. The 2005 Board focussed on a few, achievable and measurable goals for the year.

We pledged to double membership this year, even though we were moving from a paying membership structure to an attendance- and volunteer-hour based structure. We succeeded. We now have close to 70 members who have attended 3 meetings or volunteered for the equivalent period of time in ADNA activities. At tonight's Community Meeting alone, another 25 neighbors who have attended 2 meetings could become members.

We pledged to double the revenue and attendance for the annual Festival and Tour, and we did both.

Finally, we pledged to double the number of people attending our monthly Community Meetings, from 25 to 50. We've met that goal as well. Even more exciting: 191 unique visitors have attended at least one meeting this year.

From the entire 2005 Board, thanks for allowing us to serve the neighborhood this year!

