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“Tasting the Town!”

16th Annual Taste of Marietta

MARIETTA, GA—Get your taste buds in gear - the 16th Annual Taste of Marietta is coming up Sunday, April 26, 2009 from 11a.m.-7p.m. on the historic Marietta Square. This year’s “Taste” is expected to be the best yet! At last year’s Taste of Marietta, over 75,000 people hit the streets of the Marietta Square to sample their favorites! This year, the award winning festival has expanded to encompass the entire square to accommodate the crowd.

Over 70 restaurants will be showcasing their best dishes. In addition to the food, the family festival has outdoor entertainment all day on four stages situated throughout the festival area, culminating with the Sunset Concert featuring “Banks & Shane” on the Main Stage. There are also culinary demonstrations and “Bubba Burger Kids Alley,” a children’s area complete with moonwalks, sand art and strolling characters. 790 The Zone will be sponsoring “Sports Corner,” where you can meet up with the Atlanta

Braves, the Atlanta Hawks, the Atlanta Thrashers and more. Chef Marvin Woods will be demonstrating healthy lifestyle cooking on the SCANA Energy Cooking Stage. Taste of Marietta will be conducting a food drive for Must Ministries that day. Bring 3 cans of food and get a free sampling.

Parking is available at the Cobb County Parking Deck on Cherokee Street or at any of the lots around the Square. There will be additional parking at Marietta Middle School and a free shuttle provided by the Historic Marietta Trolley Company. Evening concert tables for the “Sunset Concert” may be reserved in advance by calling the Marietta Welcome Center at 770-429-1115. Or, concertgoers can bring their blankets for a picnic in the park! This flavorful event is free and is hosted by the Marietta Welcome Center & Visitors Bureau in conjunction with the City of Marietta. “Tastes,” which range from Italian to seafood, steak, BBQ and desserts are from 50 cents to \$4. Festivalgoers can experience the shopping and history around the Marietta Square, or enjoy a trolley ride.

For more information, contact the Marietta Welcome Center & Visitors Bureau, (770) 429-1115 or visit www.tasteofmarietta.com. Also, make sure you mark your 2010 calendars for our 17th annual Taste of Marietta, scheduled for April 25th!

Schedule of Events

11am - Kick's 101.5 Food Court Opens

11am – Bubba Burger Kid's Alley Opens

11am - Sports Corner sponsored by 790 The Zone Opens

11am-2pm - 3 Way Street performs on the Main Stage

12pm-2pm – Andy Lee Stephens Band performs on the East Park Stage

3pm-5pm - Roger “Hurricane” Wilson performs on the East Park Stage

3pm-5pm – Men in Blues performs on the MBA West Park Stage

3pm – Announcement of Food Awards

5pm-7pm – Sunset Concert featuring Banks and Shane on the Main Stage in Glover Park

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