

**Marietta**



September 2019

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## **PUBLIC POWER & CLEAN WATER WEEK CELEBRATION KEEPS IT SIMPLE** OCTOBER 6-12, 2019

"It's really very simple," says Ron Mull, General Manager of Marietta Power and Water. "We provide our own power and distribute water TO our community FOR our community. Our power is generated in a cooperative relationship with other Georgia utilities and purchased as a group with 48 other Georgia cities. So, we are always happy to explain to our customers that we, in fact, do own our own power generation. Additionally, we like to explain that that local control helps keep our rates competitive and our local presence allows us to provide quick service in an outage."

"It's the same with water," continues Mull. We purchase it from the Cobb-Marietta Water Authority, but we run it through pipes we build and maintain. And, many of the employees who provide those services and board members who govern our operations live right here in this community drinking that same water!" THAT is the true meaning of local service, local control, and genuine involvement!

"So, we take this week to stress these facts to our community and our entire customer base. We also do things to really appreciate our employees," shares Mull. "Few people know the risk our electrical line workers take on a regular basis to maintain our 22 substations and 600+ miles of power lines.

As well, the sophisticated systems our water and sewer department employees use to make sure every drop is clean enough for a child to drink is often overlooked in our daily usage of a basic we cannot live without."

Marietta Power and Water is among more than 2,000 other community-owned, not-for-profit electric utilities, and many more municipal water and sewer systems, celebrating the safe, reliable and affordable services it has provided the community for 113 years! The revenue from these services also helps offset property taxes.

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"Citizens and customers are always welcome to attend our monthly Board of Directors meetings to learn more about our current issues and how we make decisions on the quality and reliability of their services," added Mull. "And, there is always information available on our Web site."

Marietta Power and Water has almost 200 employees serving more than 45,000 industrial, commercial, and residential power and water customers. The week will be noted with such things as celebration banners on light posts and a proclamation delivered by the Mayor at the September City Council Meeting.

Park Street Elementary students will again participate in a poster contest with this year's theme on conservation. Winning students will be introduced at the October City Council meeting and winning posters are always available to view all year at City Hall and at Marietta Power and Water.

During the week, visitors to the Marietta Power and Water administrative building can enjoy snacks and giveaways. Customers are also again invited to a Customer Appreciation Hot Dog Cookout Lunch in front of the main building on Friday, October 11! 💧



# Want to Adopt a Healthier Lifestyle?

Marietta Power and Water fuels our community and keeps our schools and businesses operating. Fuel up your body with nutritious foods and healthy snacks to operate at your full potential. Interested in healthier vending or concessions options at your workplace or sporting events? Email us through [cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/contact-us/](mailto:cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/contact-us/) for free personalized assistance. 💧

## Calendar

### Each Thursday in September

#### Brown Bag Lunch Series

Glover Park in Marietta Square  
Noon to 1 p.m.

Concerts are Free

For more information, call the Marietta Parks & Recreation Department at (770) 794-5601.

### Friday, September 27

#### Glover Park Concert Series Schedule

Glover Park in Marietta Square  
8 p.m.

Men In Blues Classic Rock & Blues

For more information, call the Marietta Parks & Recreation Department at (770) 794-5601.

### September 21 and 22

#### 28th Annual Marietta StreetFest

Glover Park in Marietta Square  
Enjoy arts & crafts, family fun, live music and classic cars.

Free Admission

- **Arts & Crafts Vendor Market:** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Kids Korner:** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Hubcaps & History Classic Car Show:** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Marietta Grassroots Music Festival:** Saturday, 3 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

The outdoor event is presented by the Marietta Museum of History. For more information and a festival map, visit <http://mariettastreetfest.com>.



### Thursday, October 24

10 Women of Hope present their annual "Girls Night Out"

Marietta Station  
5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

A fun & festive evening of shopping, music, light hors d'oeuvres, and drinks in support of single-parent families.

Minimum donation is \$25.

For tickets or more information, visit [10womenofhope.org](http://10womenofhope.org).

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