

**Marietta**



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## Don't Let Severe Weather Take You By Surprise!

Thunderstorms are relatively common in Georgia. Take time to know the difference between a Severe Thunderstorm Watch and a Severe Thunderstorm Warning.

When there is a Severe Thunderstorm Watch, thunderstorms are possible in your area. Stay informed on how the weather is progressing and be prepared to seek shelter if a Severe Thunderstorm Warning is issued. When a Severe Thunderstorm Warning is issued, severe weather has been reported or is indicated by radar in your area and you should be prepared to seek shelter or get indoors immediately.

Follow these simple tips for making it safely through the season:

- Exercise caution when walking in flooded areas. Submerged outlets, electrical cords, and downed power lines can energize water, causing electrocution. If you're in a car during or after a storm, never drive over a downed power line.
- If you encounter someone who is in contact with a downed power line, do not touch the

person and call 911 immediately.

- If you have time before the storm strikes, secure anything outside that could get blown around and cause damage to your home such as lawn furniture.
- During electrical storms, do not use corded phones — keep a cell phone handy for emergency calls.
- If you're outdoors during an electrical storm, move to a low-lying area and keep away from metal objects. Keep an ample supply of flashlights, batteries and candles throughout your home for easy access in case the power goes out.

Should you lose power, unplug sensitive electronic equipment such as televisions, computers and microwaves to prevent an overload when power is restored.

Please report power outages to us immediately so that we can get to work restoring your electricity right away. **Report power outages by calling (770) 794-5160.** 💧

**CONSERVE  
& STAY  
HEALTHY**

Marietta Power and Water encourages residents to conserve water by turning off the faucet when you brush your teeth. Good dental health also includes regular check-ups. The Cobb & Douglas Public Health Dental Clinic in Marietta offers low-cost exams, cleanings, filling, x-rays and more to children 2-18 years old. For more information or to make an appointment, call (770) 514-2372 or visit our website at [www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/child-health-services/dental/](http://www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/child-health-services/dental/) 💧

# WOOD CHIPS

Wood mulch is available to Marietta Power and Water customers at no cost. We will deliver to locations within our service area. For more information, call (770) 794-5244.

## SHOULD YOU Insulate Your Water Heater?

There are a few simple ways to determine if you should insulate your water heater:

- 1.** Touch it. If it feels hot, it's losing heat to the outside air and should be insulated for optimum efficiency and performance.
- 2.** If the R-value is below 24, you should insulate it, even if it isn't warm to the touch. If the R-value is higher than 24, you may want to consider insulation if it feels warm.

Many hardware stores carry an insulating blanket that will fit your hot water tank. For more energy saving tips, visit [www.mariettagov.com](http://www.mariettagov.com). 💧



## Calendar

### Saturdays Year Round

Marietta Square Farmers Market

Marietta Square

9 a.m. until noon

For more information, visit

[www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com](http://www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com)

or call (770) 499-9393.

### Wednesdays and Saturdays

Marietta Food Tours

A guided journey to seven eateries, all within the quaint walking environment of the Marietta Square.

For more information visit

[www.mariettafoodtours.com](http://www.mariettafoodtours.com).

### Saturday, March 28

The Princess Bride

Earl and Rachel Smith Strand Theatre

8 p.m.

For more information, visit

[www.earlsmithstrand.org](http://www.earlsmithstrand.org).

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