

WELLNESS

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Benefit has wigs for cancer victims

Cancer patients who have lost their hair to chemotherapy or radiation therapy can get a new head of hair on Aug. 4 at the Wigs on the Run benefit in Stone Mountain.

And, the best part is, it's free.

The 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. event takes place in the Water's Edge subdivision clubhouse at 7115-B Waters Edge Drive. It is sponsored by Lived2Tell, a Redan non-profit organization that educates women about mammograms and works to alleviate fear of cancer.

Cheryl Lynn Brown, a three-time breast cancer survivor and Lived2Tell's founder, said she started the benefit after losing her hair in her third bout with the disease in 1999.

"The first time I lost my hair it was the most traumatic thing," she said.

The wigs, made of human and synthetic hair in a variety of styles, are donated by Bronner Bros., Busom Buddies and Angie's Beauty Supply. The women will see them on the heads of models during the benefit's fashion parade. Cancer patients will also



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get free makeovers to complement their new dos.

The Wigs on the Run benefit, in its third year, will feature healthy and organic meals prepared by local chefs. Dr. Jayanthi Srinivasiah, an oncology and hematology specialist, will discuss cancer awareness. Cancer survivors will be encouraged to share their testimony to help others still battling the disease. Entertainment will be provided by Antoine Knight and violinist Brooke "Viosocialist" Alford.

Brown, who lives in Lithonia, is asking for tax deductible donations to help provide assistance to cancer patients. She said Lived2Tell offers a range of services to people battling cancer.

"We do things like pay utility bills and transport patients to and from the doctor's office," she said. "There's so many everyday things that people need help with, that I needed help with."

For more information, e-mail liveto-tell3x@comcast.net or call 770-484-8811.



The "Healthier US Starts Here" tour bus stopped by the Lou Walker Senior Center on July 20

Healthy living tour stops in DeKalb

A national initiative to help people prevent disease and live healthier, more active lives rolled into town on July 20 for its DeKalb County kickoff at the Lou Walker Center in Lithonia.

"A Healthier US Starts Here" campaign bus is covered in red, white and blue with photographs of healthy people and has been touring the United States since April 20. It is traveling to state capitals, communities and Native American reservations across the country and visiting health fairs and senior centers.

Elected, health and community officials met the bus and addressed a crowd of se-

CDC director Dr. Julie L. Gerberding, Department of Health and Human Services Atlanta regional director Christopher Downing, HHS Regional director Robert Perez, DeKalb Board of Health director Sandra Elizabeth Ford and Lou Walker Center director Melinda Davis spoke of benefits of staying healthy and highlighted the health resources that are available in DeKalb.

The senior citizens heard about Medicare's insurance, the U.S. government health insurance program for adults 65 years and older; advantage plans, prescription drug plans and hospital insurance and the he-

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