

estimated market value of \$1.5 million.

The round-the-clock creative and design work will begin at 8 a.m. on September 13. During this 24-hour period, the entire Redpepper team will devote their time and talents to a creative marathon to benefit its CreateAthon non-profit clients. Work will be presented to the non-profits on September 15 at 8 a.m.

The deadline for CreateAthon 2007 applications is July 31, 2007. Organizations selected by Redpepper to receive services will be announced on August 10. For an application, visit www.redpepperinc.com/createathon or contact Abby Wilkerson at abby@redpepperinc.com.



❖ notable

Carlos Llorens is new head of Braselton Business Association

The Braselton Business Association elected new officers at its annual meeting with Carlos Llorens, right, a Cotton States Insurance agent, as its new president. Founded in 2002 to promote businesses located in Braselton and maximize business networking opportunities, the association has grown as large and small businesses opened or relocated to the town. Other officers are



Pattie Howard of Peoples Mortgage Services, Attorney Rakhi Dalal of the Fitzgerald and Burruss, LLC and Carol Smith of Keller Williams Realty. Mary Stover of the Braselton-Stover House is the immediate past president. The association meets the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m.

Gwinnett Place CID approves funding to improve bridge

Dramatically revising the Pleasant Hill Road bridge over Interstate 85 is now closer to commencement following recent action from the Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District (CID).

CID Board members approved \$150,000 to fund an Interstate Modification Report (IMR) for the District's highest-priority project - reconstruction of the Pleasant Hill Road from a traditional crossing into a versatile single-point urban interchange.

The Federal Highway Administration requires an IMR to justify to Federal officials the need for replacing bridges over Interstates. It is a complex analysis requiring 12 to 18 months to complete. Receiving IMR approval from county, state and federal authorities is a critical step to eventually create engineering documents and begin construction for the Pleasant Hill Road project.

County Commissioners are expected to vote on an agreement to initiate the IMR process during their July 17 meeting.

Medical Center wins recognition as key stroke center

Gwinnett Medical Center has again been awarded the Certificate of Distinction as a Primary Stroke Center. The recognition came from The Joint Commission, an independent, not-for-profit organization and the nation's largest healthcare standards-setting and accrediting body.

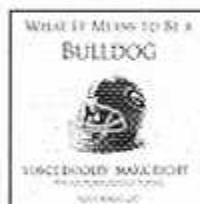
The award was first granted to GMC in 2005. The Joint Commission's Certificate of Distinction for Primary Stroke Centers recognizes centers that make exceptional efforts to foster improved patient outcomes for stroke care.



❖ recommendation

What It Means To Be A Bulldog

"We just came across Tony Barnhart's book, *What It Means To Be A Bulldog*, issued in 2004. Any University of Georgia football fan will devour this book, as Barnhart simply talks to key figures in UGA football history, allows them to tell their stories, giving the reader new insight into the storied tradition of Georgia football. We dipped into it finding especially meaningful the stories of Bill Hartman Sr., Lindsay Scott, Billy Payne, Lewis Grizzard (not a football player, but a fan), and many others. It's a fun book, one UGA fans will cherish."



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- *An invitation: What Web sites, books or restaurants have you enjoyed? Send us your best recent visit to a restaurant or most recent book you have read along with a short paragraph as to why you liked it, plus what book you plan to read next. —eeb*

❖ georgia tidbit

Georgiites are rare glasses only within Georgia boundaries

Georgiites, found in the soil of Georgia's Coastal Plain, are rare natural glasses produced by asteroid or comet impact. These rounded, translucent olive green masses average one to two inches in diameter and commonly have pitted surfaces. Georgiites, like arrowheads, are often found in areas where the soil has been disturbed, such as in freshly plowed fields and gravel pits.

Of the approximately 1,700-2,000 georgiites found to date, most are from Dodge and Bleckley counties, although a few have been found in surrounding counties. Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of



Large Georgiite