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## May is Electrical Safety Month

This year, celebrate National Electrical Safety Month by using this checklist to detect potential electrical troubles.

- Watch for household lights that dim or flicker. Also, make sure light bulbs are the appropriate wattage for the fixture size. Bulbs that are too high in wattage can lead to a fire through overheating.
- Wall outlets, switches, and switch plates should be in good working condition and cool to the touch. Consider Tamper Resistant Receptacles (TRRs) if there are small children in the home.
- Make sure all lamp cords are not worn or damaged and are unwrapped — tightly wrapped cords can overheat and burn.
- Use extension cords only temporarily — they are not as safe as permanent house wiring.
- Listen for crackling, sizzling, or buzzing from outlets.
- Frequently blown fuses and circuit breakers that trip often can indicate electrical wiring problems.



Consult a qualified electrician if you suspect any problems.

Other important safety measures include Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters (AFCIs) and Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) that recognize fire hazards and shut off the power. GFCIs should be tested monthly and after storms. **For more information on electrical safety, visit [MariettaPowerandWater.com](http://MariettaPowerandWater.com).**

## Project SHARE

Project SHARE is an emergency assistance program funded through the concern and generosity of people just like you. At Marietta Power and Water, we know many of our customers find it difficult to meet their rising energy bills. That is why we are leading the way with Project SHARE by matching customer contributions dollar-for-dollar. Funds donated by Cobb County residents are allocated to Cobb County to benefit its residents. Your donations are returned to the Marietta Salvation Army Corps to assist your fellow neighbors.

To enroll in Project SHARE, please visit [MariettaGA.Gov/384/Project-SHARE](http://MariettaGA.Gov/384/Project-SHARE), complete the PDF form, and return it with your next utility payment, or mail it to:

**Marietta Power and Water**  
Customer Service Division  
675 North Marietta Parkway  
Marietta, GA 30060-1528



**For more information on how Project SHARE helps those in need in your community, call Project SHARE at (800) 25-SHARE or (800) 257-4273.** *Continued...*

# Do Not Pour F.O.G. Down the Drain



F.O.G. stands for fats, oils, and grease and can stick to the walls of your pipes and sewer system. This build-up over time can eventually block your plumbing and sewer system resulting in sewer overflows. F.O.G. can come from meats, cooking oils, dairy products, sauces, salad dressings, or marinades that go down the kitchen sink or get flushed down the toilet. Garbage disposals do not eliminate F.O.G., they merely chop it up into smaller pieces. All F.O.G. and food scraps should be thrown in the trash. Easy ways you can dispose of F.O.G.:

- Allow F.O.G. to cool. Pour any liquids into a sealable, disposable container and place them in the trash.
- Use a spatula or a similar utensil to scrape any solid F.O.G. and food particles into the trash.
- Use a paper towel to dry and wipe any remaining F.O.G. residue into the trash.

Learn more about keeping our water clean at [CleanWaterCampaign.org](http://CleanWaterCampaign.org).

## Calendar of Events

### 2024 Glover Park Concert Series

**Every third Friday, April through September**

Marietta Square

The concert lineup:

April 26	Guardians of the Jukebox	Tribute to the 80's
May 31	Ladies of Soul	Soul, Funk & Motown
June 28	Her Majesty's Request	British Invasion
July 26	G Clef and The Playlist	Variety Party Band
Aug. 23*	Troubadour Project	70's Rock Revival
Sept. 27	The Bourbon Brothers	Rat Pack Tribute

\*The August concert is on the 4th Friday

A limited number of stage-adjacent tables can be reserved for a fee on the first working day of each month beginning at 8 a.m. Attendees can bring a picnic or dine in one of the many fine restaurants located on the square.

Blankets and lawn chairs may be set up in the park anytime on Friday. Plastic ground covering, ropes, tape, stakes, etc. used to section off areas are not permitted inside the park and will be removed. All personal tables must be set up on the street, not in the park, after 6 p.m.

**For more information, please call (770) 794-5601.**

For a complete list of City of Marietta events, please visit [MariettaGA.gov](http://MariettaGA.gov) and click on Calendar of Events.

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### Taste of Marietta

**Sunday, April 28**

Marietta Square

The Taste of Marietta food festival, which takes place every year, attracts thousands of people who come to enjoy good food, good music, and a great social atmosphere.

Festival guests can taste the variety of dishes served by more than 70 restaurants and catering teams from the region, all at a reasonable price. There will also be live music, games for children, a sports corner, food trucks, cooking demonstrations, and more.

**Visit [TasteofMarietta.com](http://TasteofMarietta.com) for more information.**

### Marietta Square Farmer's Market

**Saturdays, 9 a.m. until Noon Year Round**

GPS Address: 41 Mill Street, Marietta, Georgia

Approximately 54 vendors offer products including:

- heirloom tomatoes
- potatoes
- onions
- squash
- beans
- pattypan squash
- salad mix
- cut flowers
- local honey
- herbal soaps
- whole-grain breads
- jelly
- jam
- preserves

You may find many fruits and vegetables that are rarely, if ever, available from the grocery store. **For more information, visit [MariettaSquareFarmersMarket.com](http://MariettaSquareFarmersMarket.com).**