

# Group Life

Ideas of fun things to do with your group (and with your friends and neighbors)

Connect Groups are finding all sorts of creative ways to have fun and develop relationships with friends from Perimeter, the neighborhood, from school, and work. Below is a list of ideas to help your Connect Group... connect! We'd love to have your thoughts and ideas, too! Feel free to share at

www.facebook.com/perimeterchurch.connectgroups or email your ideas to <u>druew@perimeter.orq</u>. Website: www.perimeter.org/connectgroups





#### **What Connect Groups Are Doing**

Pot Luck Dinners Themed Parties Coffee at Church between Services **Bowling** Arts & Theatre Ping Pong Tournaments Picnics at the Park Outdoor Concerts Praying for One Another **Eating** Hiking Moms & Kids Play Dates Gwinnett Braves Tailgate & Game **Arts Festivals** Badminton SkyView Ferris Wheel **Book Clubs** Geocaching Sitting Together for Worship Live Music Shuffleboard **Smaller Group Activities Food Truck Fridays** Sunday Afternoon Park Walks





# **Resources & Ideas**

#### **Picnic at Perimeter**

Bring lunch, chairs, and spread out a few blankets for a group picnic on the grounds at Perimeter. If you have young children, you may want to meet up at the new outdoor playground by The Bricks. You can also enjoy our picnic tables by the pond or the outdoor pavilion by the pool. For questions, more information, or to reserve a space, contact Drue Warner at <a href="mailto:druew@perimeter.org">druew@perimeter.org</a> or 678-405-2227.



#### **Concerts in the Park**

Check out what's happening outdoors in your community. Suwanee, Duluth, Norcross, etc. offer live music, festivals, events, and more, that are great opportunities for your Connect Group to do something fun together.

#### **Eddie Owen Presents @ Red Clay Theatre (Duluth)**

For the best in live, local music, check out the multiple events at Eddie Owen Presents, including "Songwriters Open Mic Night" (every Monday at 7:30pm) and incredible concerts and local events throughout the year. More info at <a href="http://www.eddieowenpresents.com">http://www.eddieowenpresents.com</a>

### **Local High School Sporting & Theatre Events**

Check out what's going at the local high school in your community. There are many great opportunities to enjoy live sports, drama, music, and theatre.

# Whirlyball

There may not be a more fun activity for your Connect Group to participate in than Whirlyball. Located in Roswell (Holcomb Bridge Rd. and Hwy. 9), Whirlyball is a combination of Basketball, Hockey and Jai-Alai all played while riding in bumper cars. It's a total blast! You can rent a Whirlyball court for an hour or more. Teams of 5 on 5 play at a time. The ideal number to do this with as a group is 10 – 20 people. Cost averages out to be approximately \$10-20 per person (depending on the number of people and length of time for the rental). For more information, go to <a href="https://www.whirlyballatlanta.com">www.whirlyballatlanta.com</a>.



#### **Have a Catered Meal for Your Group Gatherings**

Make life easy at one of your upcoming group gatherings, by having your meal catered by Perimeter caterers, Gail Clarke or Michelle Luchenbill. Contact Gail at Delicious Dishes (www.deliciousdishes.net) at <a href="mailto:gailclarke@bellsouth.net">gailclarke@bellsouth.net</a> or 678-575-5365. Contact Michelle at Michelle Luchenbill, at <a href="mailto:mcluche@gmail.com">mcluche@gmail.com</a> or 770-243-3440.



# **Sky View Atlanta**

Located at the South end of Centennial Park in downtown Atlanta, the SkyView Ferris wheel is set up to thrill families from all over the Atlanta Metro area. The wheel is almost 20 stories high with 42 gondolas that will be able to hold up to 6 people. With a view like this, everyone will be wanting a ride. Tickets, for groups of 20 or more, are \$11.75 + tax. For more info, go to http://www.skyviewatlanta.com.

# **Centennial Olympic Park**

There are a variety of things to do in downtown Atlanta, at and around Centennial Olympic Park. If you have kids, they might enjoy riding MARTA downtown to the park, having a picnic lunch, splashing around in Fountain of Rings, or playing on the Centennial Olympic Park playgrounds. Your

group might also enjoy visiting the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, the Atlanta Children's Museum, or the College Football Hall of Fame (scheduled to open in Fall 2014). For a schedule of events and more information, go to <a href="https://www.centennialpark.com">www.centennialpark.com</a>.

#### **Everett Brothers' Bluegrass Barn**

This is one of the most fun, quality, family entertainment, free, and unique experiences in all of metro Atlanta. Every Saturday night (8pm – 10pm) since 1964, you can hear and enjoy live bluegrass music in Suwanee, GA (within a stone's throw of Suwanee Town Center Park) at the Everett Brothers' Bluegrass Barn. The Everett family constructed the barn, behind their home on Bluegrass Lane, to provide a suitable venue for people from all



around to come enjoy live bluegrass. The Bluegrass Barn is air conditioned with church pew seating, and they have CD's, homemade desserts, coffee, water, and soft drinks for sale. If you go, be sure to take a walk through the house, too. You'll find bluegrass bands playing all throughout, from the kitchen to the guest bedrooms. It's quite an experience! For a schedule and more information, go to www.everettbrothers.com.



#### Geocaching

If you're looking for a great outdoor activity for adults and children of all ages, geocaching fits the bill. Geocaching is a worldwide phenomenon that is really like an outdoor treasure hunt! There are nearly 2.5 million "caches" hidden all over the world, and many hidden all over metro Atlanta. The way that it works, is you download the geocaching app to your phone, and when it picks up your location, it will display the GPS coordinates of geocaches closest to where you are, and then the hunt begins! For more information on geocaching, go to <a href="www.geocaching.com">www.geocaching.com</a>.

### **Top Golf**

TopGolf is a brand new golf entertainment complex in Alpharetta that's sort of like a combination of golf and darts. Picture a 215 yard outfield with dartboard-like targets in the ground. The closer to the center or "bull's-eye" you get and the farther out you hit your microchipped balls, the more points you receive. If you can swing a golf club, then you can play TopGolf. There are a wide variety of games that you can play year-round.



Additionally, the TopGolf complex includes relaxing seating and a great menu of food and beverages. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.topgolf.com/alpharetta">www.topgolf.com/alpharetta</a>.



### **Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament (Duluth)**

Step back in time into an 11<sup>th</sup> century Castle in Medieval Spain and experience the excitement of sword fighting, jousting, and competition among armored knights, all while enjoying a four course feast fit for a king! Check with Drue before ordering tickets because Perimeter has a group account that enables us to purchase discounted tickets. More info at <a href="https://www.medievaltimes.com">www.medievaltimes.com</a>

# **Gwinnett Gladiators / Gwinnett Braves**

Attending local sporting events is a fun, inexpensive, and easy way to spend time and build relationships. Arrive early and tailgate in the parking lot. At Gwinnett Braves games, the first Friday evening of every month is Fireworks Night! For more information, go to <a href="http://www.gwinnettgladiators.com">http://www.gwinnettgladiators.com</a> and <a href="http://www.gwinnettbraves.com">http://www.gwinnettbraves.com</a>.







# **Atlanta City Segue Tours**

City Segway Tours of Atlanta is a great group (bonding) experience, and just about everyone can ride a Segue. You'll love it! Segue provides the ultimate sightseeing experience around. Segway tours are the ideal way to visit downtown Atlanta and beyond. Our world-class tour guides provide unique, creative, and fresh commentary that you'll surely enjoy from start to finish. If the incredible sights of Atlanta do not wow you, we are positive that riding a Segway definitely will! Cost is \$55 per person for a 1 ½ tour,

but it's worth the cost. Group tours are available. For more information, go to http://atlanta.citysegwaytours.com.