

March 2020

Athens YMCA

## Recent News & Spotlights

### HOWARD B. STROUD EVENT



Wellness Director Elyse Giles and Youth & Family Program Director Gina Jackson recently had the honor of speaking at the Howard B. Stroud Community Health Program. This year's event was held at Piedmont Athens Regional with a focus on diabetes education. We are proud to continue helping so many in our community achieve their health goals!

### STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Meet our staff spotlight: Joe Horton! Joe is our Weekend Supervisor and recently started working Monday through Wednesday evenings. When he's not at the Y, he enjoys chess and online games. His favorite is Fortnite! He also enjoys breaking down and repairing objects to gain a better understanding of how they work. Joe likes that the Y "offers a brighter future to our youth by instilling good values and principles at a young age." He also likes that the Y is open to everyone and fosters community in a positive atmosphere. We love having Joe at the Athens YMCA!



## Recent News & Spotlights

### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Meet our Member Spotlight: Beth Lowery! Beth grew up coming to the Y playing sports including her favorite: flag football. Both of her children also played sports here throughout their childhood. She has been a consistent member over the years as well. When she was pregnant with her son, her water broke at the Y! This place is truly like a second home. "I love the friendliness of everyone at the Y from the staff to the members, you can always find a smiling face and an encouraging word." We love having Beth and her family at the Athens Y!



## Upcoming Events & Registration

### KINDERMARKET



Our Spring Kindermarket Consignment sale is Thursday, March 5th through Saturday, March 7th! You don't want to miss out on great deals for children's clothes, home goods, adult clothes and more! Visit [athensymca.org/kindermarket](https://athensymca.org/kindermarket) for more information on days and times.

## Upcoming Events & Registrations

### CAR SEAT SAFETY CHECK



We will host a car seat safety check on March 5th from 5 pm to 7 pm. This event is put on by SAFE Kids, a worldwide non profit whose mission is to prevent injuries. This safety check is open to the public! To learn more about SAFE Kids, visit [safekids.org](http://safekids.org). *In the event of inclement weather or heavy rain, we will have to cancel the car seat safety check.*

### MAXIMUS Y STRONGMAN CHALLENGE



Join us for our 5th annual Maximus Y Strongman Challenge in memory of Dango Nguyen! Registration going on NOW! Visit [athensymca.org/strongman](http://athensymca.org/strongman) for more information on events and how to register.

## Upcoming Events & Registrations

### CAMP & SUMMER REGISTRATION

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Camp Kelley, summer swim and sports camp registration will begin on **April 6, 2020**.

The Camp Kelley financial assistance lottery will be **March 9 - 27, 2020** during business hours: Monday through Friday from 9 am to 6 pm.

Visit [athensymca.org/day-camp](http://athensymca.org/day-camp) for more info.



#### New for Camp Kelley 2020: 5-year-olds

The Athens YMCA proudly serves 5-year-olds in our communities. We had additional guidelines and information for our 5-year-old campers.

#### **5-year-olds who HAVE NOT completed Kindergarten:**

Any 5-year-old camper that has not completed Kindergarten will have specific hours. *These campers cannot be dropped off before 8:30 am and must be picked up by 5 pm.*

**5-year-olds who HAVE completed Kindergarten:** Any 5-year-old camper that has completed Kindergarten must provide a school progress report. *All 5-year-olds that do not have a progress report on file must be picked up by 5 pm.*

- No exceptions will be made. For any 5-year-old who does not show a progress report, the late fee will be applied at 5 pm. Any child picked up late more than two times will be dismissed from camp.
- Camp Kelley operates 10 hours per day. Groups move every 50 minutes with little downtime. Our youngest campers are often overwhelmed by the camp schedule. We recommend that 5-year-old campers only be at camp for up to 7 hours.
- Camp staff cannot help children change into swimsuits or any other clothing. Campers must be able to do this on their own.
- Campers will get extremely dirty and have accidents. Please send your camper in play clothes, as well as packing additional play clothes in their bag. This is camp, we play in the dirt.

It is important for us to define ourselves as a day camp and not daycare. While we do promise to care for your child as if they were our own, we must stay inside the boundaries of operating a day camp. We are moving large groups to different events and activities throughout the day. Campers must be able to handle a large, fast-paced, loud environment with several transitions for the whole day.

We would love to meet you and your camper before the summer begins. We encourage you to set up a meeting and tour. Please contact Youth & Family Programs Director Gina Jackson - [gina@athensymca.org](mailto:gina@athensymca.org) to schedule a tour.

**EXCLUSIVE OFFER**

**20% OFF**  
**YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE**

**Athens YMCA**

You're invited to  
**Academy Sports + Outdoors**  
for an exclusive offer.

**Saturday, March 7, 2020**  
**3505 Atlanta Hwy**  
**Athens, Georgia 30606**

Redeem this offer by presenting it on March 7, 2020 at time of checkout to receive your one-time discount. Hope to see you there!



**Offer valid** 03/07/2020 **in-store only.** Discount taken pre-tax. Coupon must be surrendered at checkout. Cannot be combined with other offers, discounts, or coupons. Cannot be combined with a price match. Not valid on clearance, Hot Deals, licenses, firearms, ammo, gift cards, sales tax, shipping & handling, exchanges, store credit, or previous purchases. If you return a portion of your purchase, the discount may be forfeited and/or refund will be the price actually paid. No cash value, no cash back. Void where prohibited. Additional exclusions and restrictions may apply. Selection, prices, offers, and exclusions may vary online and by store. No rain checks. Academy Sports + Outdoors reserves the right to limit quantities. This offer is subject to change, alteration, or termination by Academy Sports + Outdoors at its sole discretion at any time.