Marietta Campus Safety Day
March 22 — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This year’s Campus Safety Day is just around the corner, and we’re excited to see you there.

The event will be held Wednesday, March 22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Marietta campus in between Norton Hall and Howell Hall.

Cobb County Bomb, KSU Police MCV, KSU Police Community Affairs, KSU Fire Safety, KSU Health Services and GSP SWAT will be at the Campus Safety Day.

Lunch will be served between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to all attendees.

KSU’s Department of Public Safety held its Chili Cook-off Feb. 28. Congrats to Chief Stearns who took home first place.

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Quarterly Award Winners

Officer of the Quarter

Corporal Jesus Tamayo has proven to be an officer who every C-shift member can count on. He is an experienced operator with a strong grasp of day-to-day requirements and makes every effort to enhance shift efficiency and professionalism. In addition, Corporal Tamayo's commitment to leadership by example was clearly demonstrated during a recent vehicle fire accident on Interstate-75. Arriving first, he immediately secured the scene by deploying his vehicle to block the exit ramp. His quick and decisive action was key to creating a safe operating environment for other first responders and rescue operations.

Congrats, Corporal Jesus Tamayo!

Citizen Service Award

Dr. Megan Bowles consistently renders outstanding service in her partnership with the KSU Police Department. She provides expert technical advice and training to the Office of Victim Services, particularly in the implementation and training for the overdose reversing Naloxone program. In addition, she has increased accessibility to OVM services by generously providing office space within the medical facility. Dr. Bowles also provides critical leadership on public-health-related issues to include Ebola and Zika viruses as well as providing timely medical advice at the Office of Emergency Management's Quarterly Crisis Coordinator Meetings and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training.

Congrats, Dr. Megan Bowles!

Staff Member of the Quarter

Christy Hendricks’ phenomenal execution of her job duties and commitment to the department sets a standard for others to follow. During the quarter, Christy has trained more than 200 KSU faculty, staff, and students in CPR, including sworn and non-sworn members of the Department of Public Safety. As an integral member of the Emergency Management Training Team, Christy’s expertise, dedication and focus are key elements in ensuring that KSU is a well-prepared, safe university.

Congrats, Christy Hendricks!
Spring isn’t officially upon us until March 20, but winter’s frigid mornings and icy roads are behind us. That means we’re looking ahead to spring.

Though this time of year is great to spend outdoors because of the season’s enjoyable weather, let’s not forget the hazardous weather spring might bring: tornadoes, floods, lightning and more.

Knowing how to react to these spring-time severe weather situations is imperative because some of them are year-round hazards.

**Tornadoes**
The National Weather Service advises us to practice a tornado drill with our families at least once a year because, once a tornado strikes, you might have only a few minutes to find shelter. Know the location of shelter areas wherever you spend prolonged time.

**Floods**
According to the National Weather Service, a flood is an overflow of water, and a flash flood is caused by excessive rainfall in six or fewer hours.

Flooding can happen during any time of the year because of heavy rain or snowmelt. Only six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult, and a foot can displace a small car. Never walk or drive in flood waters.

**Lightning**
April showers bring May flowers, but March brings the beginning of frequent thunderstorms. Avoid all water, including baths and showers, during a storm. Additionally, stay indoors for 30 minutes after the final clap of thunder.

Georgia’s weather is infamously inconsistent, so check the National Weather Service’s website, weather.gov, each morning so you what the day’s forecast looks like. Knowing what to expect each day will help you prepare.

In any severe weather, knowing the difference between a watch and a warning is important. A watch means the severe weather is possible, and a warning means the severe weather is occurring or is imminent.

For more information, visit www.nws.noaa.gov/com/weatherready nation/spring_safety.html
**Spring Break Safety**

**What to Communicate**

KSU’s Spring Break is the week of April 1, 2017, and is perhaps the one week of the semester that students don’t have to worry about their studies.

Many travel, and that’s often their first time vacationing away from their family. Vacationing without family — like living without family — for the first time should be approached with caution.

Here are a few topics to consider to ensure safety to students.

**Traveling**

First, to avoid getting lost, have a back-up to GPS ready. Your phone could lose signal or its battery could die. Whether you use GPS, printed directions or a traditional map, don’t rely on one source of directions.

**Hotel**

Always keep your room number private and ensure your door clicks shut whenever you’re in the room. Do not lose your room key. Lock up your valuables even if you’re not expecting anyone to enter the room.

**Swimming**

If you’re going to the beach, know the flag system for warnings. Use caution with a yellow flag and do not enter when the red flag is raised; blue means all is safe. Stay hydrated and know that the sun maximizes the effects of alcohol.

**Drinking**

Speaking of alcohol, do not consume a drink that has been out of your sight — including community drinks like a punch bowl. Never binge drink and never drink without people you trust. If you came with them, leave with them.

**Sex**

Do not abuse alcohol because it impairs your judgement. Consider packing extra protection before leaving for your trip; never have unprotected sex. Remember: Any consent must be vocally affirmative.

For additional information, visit springbreak.org/safety-tips/
IMPORTANT DATES AND TRAINING

- **Radio Check (10 a.m.) and Siren Test (noon)**
  First Wednesday of each month
- **CERT Light Search and Rescue**
  March 2 — 2 p.m. to 4 pm.
  Norton Hall (Marietta) Training Room
- **CPR for Crisis Coordinator**
  March 14 — 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
  Chastain Pointe 312
  Email Christy Hendricks (dhendr16@kennesaw.edu) to sign up.
- **Bleeding Control Class**
  March 15 — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
  Police Precinct in Norton Hall (Marietta)
- **Crisis Coordinator Training**
  March 21 — 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
  Chastain Pointe 312
- **Campus Safety Day**
  March 22 — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
  In between Norton Hall and Howell Hall (Marietta)
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HOW WILL I KNOW WHETHER CAMPUS IS OPEN, CLOSED OR DELAYED?

Check the following resources to determine whether KSU is open, closed or delayed due to inclement weather.

Web
www.kennesaw.edu
oem.kennesaw.com

The Campus Advisory Page
www.kennesaw.edu/advisories

Twitter
www.twitter.com/kennesawstate
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Local Media Outlets
www.cbs46.com
www.wsbtv.com

On-campus emergencies: 470-578-6666
Off-campus emergencies: 911
Non-emergencies: 470-578-6206
Personal safety should be No. 1. If you do not feel safe to travel, don’t.

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