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KENNESAW I HIGHER EDUCATION

Interim president for KSU named

Regents withhold employee documents, citing exemption to open records law

By Jon Gargis jgargis@mdjonline.com

Just over two weeks since the announced resignation of Kennesaw State University

President Dan Papp, the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents announced Papp's interim successor.

Houston Davis, the university system's chief academic officer

and executive vice chancellor, will take over as KSU interim president July 1, USG officials announced Thursday. Davis, 43, who has been with the USG since May 1, 2012, will serve as



Houston Davis

search will be announced at a later date. Papp, 68, has served a total of 43 years in the university system. On May 11, the same day his university held its final graduation ceremonies for the school year, Papp announced he was retiring after 10 years, saying it "felt like the right thing to do." He said he had planned to announce his retirement after the school's final graduation ceremony, but when news started to leak a day earlier, university officials made the announcement the next morning.

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QUEEN FOR A DAY

Above: Miss A.G. Rhodes 2016 Cobb Pageant winner, 100-year-old Rita Haley, proudly wears her crown and sash, as daughter Judith Haley-Myers, who was her escort, helps her with her flowers during the annual contest in Marietta. Right: First runner-up Mary Otero, 80, gets a warm hug from her grandson, Bryan Beteth, who also served as her escort for the contest Wednesday. Seven residents of the facility competed to be crowned the title for the annual contest. / Staff-Kelly J. Huff



MARIETTA CITY SCHOOLS I AWARDS

Susan Donlin named Teacher of the Year

By Mary Kate McGowan mkmcgowan@mdjonline.com

MARIETTA — Marietta Middle School's Susan Donlin's hands were overflowing with plaques and a trophy Thursday afternoon during Marietta City Schools' Teacher of the Year and Employee Awards Celebration

luncheon.

Donlin, who is a special needs teacher who lives in Marietta, was named the 2017 district Teacher of the Year. She has been working in the district since 2005, and discovered her passion for teaching when she was

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Susan Donlin, a Marietta Middle School special education teacher, celebrates being named Marietta City Schools' Teacher of the Year with Superintendent Emily Lembeck. / Staff-Mary Kate McGowan

MARIETTA I CITY COUNCIL

Replacing Coleman could take months

By Anthony L. White anthony.white@mdjonline.com

MARIETTA — It took a week for the Marietta City Council to approve a resolution suspending Anthony Coleman



Coleman

from the Ward 5 council seat after his May 5 felony conviction, but it could take months for Gov. Nathan Deal to appoint a temporary replacement for Coleman on the council. While the Governor's

replacements for Coleman, Marietta Mayor Steve Tumlin said he wants to ensure Ward 5 that "the City Council is still

office goes through the process of vetting possible

open for business and the citizens of Ward 5 are represented.

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COBB I HOLIDAY

Memorial Day weekend guide

Staff reports

With Memorial Day and a three-day weekend ahead, Cobb residents have a variety of activities that cater to everyone from the music lover to the history buff.

The city of Marietta kicks off the weekend with a concert in Glover Park on Marietta Square tonight, followed by an early-morning Veterans Memorial 5K on Saturday that will feature a 5K, a 1K walk/ fun run and a tot trot for children under five. Runners and late-risers can catch a military appreciation ceremony featuring a performance by the 166th Army Band at 11 a.m. on the Square.

If you're looking for something to entertain the kids, check out the final weekend of the Yaarab Shrine Circus and Carnival at Jim Miller Park, or the Acworth inflatable slide opening today. Cobb County pools also open this weekend, including the Seven Springs Water Park in Powder Springs, Tolleson Pool in Smyrna and Sewell Pool in Marietta.

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