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North Atlanta's Voice on Mental Illness • Including, but not limited to: Buckhead, Brookhaven, Roswell, Dunwoody, Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Sandy Springs, East Cobb, Milton, Peachtree Corners

## **Newsletter - September 2014:**

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### **NAMI Northside Atlanta Education Meeting:**

**Monday, September 22, 2014, 7:00 PM, Social, 7:30 PM, Program  
Dunwoody United Methodist Church, Room #258**

► **Educational Meeting Presentation: "Maintaining Stability and Restoring Hope" - Dawn Walker, Founder of the We Care Nation, will speak on her supervised housing program for adults with psychiatric disabilities. [www.wecarenation.com](http://www.wecarenation.com)**

**Want to do something important, fun and free? Join our friends at NAMI Dekalb for a Candle Light Ceremony Vigil at the Decatur Square Bandstand near the old Courthouse. In honor of Mental Illness Awareness Week, Thursday, October 9, 2014, 7:30 - 8:30 PM, Rain Venue, Holy Trinity Church 515 Ponce de Leon. Come early get a candle, provide the first name of person(s) to be honored. Participate in a raffle – all proceeds go to NAMI Dekalb. Free and open to the public.**

[www.namidekalb.org](http://www.namidekalb.org)

**Your NNA Board of Directors has scheduled a Board Members Planning Meeting for the near future – please notify a board member with any input you wish in addition to the recent survey.**

**Have you contacted your US House of Representatives and requested them to bring the Murphy HB 3717 (100 cosigners) and Barber HB 4574 (60 cosigners) to a compromise to pass Congress and improve mental health treatment and services? Some knowledgeable people have called these bills the most important Mental Health legislation in 50 years. Please review the bills closely and take legislative action with your representatives.**

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