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## **“The Gathering”**

Alliance for Truth and Racial Reconciliation Conference

Newnan, GA at the historic Train Depot

April 20-22, 2012

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We are happy to announce the schedule for this year’s Alliance for Truth and Racial Reconciliation (ATTR) Gathering. We will be meeting April 20-22, 2012, in Newnan, GA, to share strategies and tell our stories.

The Gathering’s three-day event will begin on Friday evening, April 20, with dinner and a social. On Saturday at the historic train depot in downtown Newnan, speakers and panelists will focus on their communal stories. Presentations include the retelling of histories and sessions on memorials to the slain, racial healing, restorative justice, education initiatives, reparations and restitution, the role of the arts in reconciliation work, prosecutions of “cold case” civil rights murders, and more. In addition to the focus on lynching and racial violence, several groups working to cross racial divides for progressive change will be participating. Presenters include community organizers from Valdosta, GA; Monroe, GA; Atlanta, GA; Duluth, MN; Wilmington, NC; Chattanooga, TN; and Rosewood, FL.

The Gathering will end on Sunday, April 21, with a march and memorial event focusing on the Sam Hose lynching of April 23, 1899, in Newnan and the “Palmetto Massacre” one month earlier. Hose, Elijah Strickland, other African Americans killed at Palmetto, and Alfred Cranford—Hose’s Newnan employer and alleged victim—will all be remembered at that service.

The preliminary draft of the schedule is attached to this email. We hope you will be able to attend! Registration is available on our website: <http://www.attr.org/pages/conference2012.htm>. Please register by March 31 if you are planning to attend. Attendance to the conference is free.

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