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The Merchant’s Walk Library closed Jan. 22 and re-opened as the East Cobb Library, Feb. 1 in its new location. A ribbon-cutting ceremony took place March 9.

The Cobb County Public Library System’s East Cobb Library is located at 4880 Lower Roswell Road in Marietta, in the Parkaire Shopping Center, less than two miles from its previous location.

The East Cobb Library, designed to meet the current and future library needs of the community, is 16,684 square feet. The facility includes a multipurpose room, children’s activity room, teen space, study rooms, vending area and self-checkout.

For information, visit the Cobb County Public Library System Web site at www.cobbcat.org.

Northwest Georgia news and notes

More than 3,000 people from Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Alabama recently attended the Department of Labor’s (DOL) North Georgia Career Expo and Job Fair at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center in Dalton. Tags from as far away as Houston County in Georgia were spotted in the parking lot. Deputy Regional Director Nick Fogarty and Dalton-Whitfield Public Library Manager John McPhearson represented Northwest Georgia Regional Library at the event, which the DOL called one of the largest ever held in North Georgia.

“During the four-hour event, we talked with nearly 300 people, ranging from as young as high school students to as mature as retirees looking to supplement their retirements,” said Fogarty. “There was no ‘typical’ job seeker. The need for a job has cut across all ages and professions. Although we were there to discuss using library computers and resources for job searching and applications, there were those that expressed interest in library careers – both professional and support staff.”