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Sheriff J. Tyson Stephens Highway Dedication set for Wednesday, October 26, 10:00am

The former Sheriff J. Tyson Stephens will be memorialized in a ceremony dedicating a segment of U. S. Highway 80 East from the eastern city limits of Swainsboro to the western city limits of Twin City on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 10:00 am on the square in downtown Swainsboro. (Intersection of U.S. Highway 80 and U. S. Highway 1) Recognizing Sheriff Stephens will be the honorable Representative Larry J. (Butch) Parrish, spon-



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sor of House Resolution 342, and the honorable Senator Max Burns. J. Tyson Stephens served with honor and distinction as the sher-

iff of Emanuel County from January 1, 1985, to December 31, 2020. A lifelong resident of Emanuel County, Sheriff Stephens had previously served as a county commissioner prior to becoming Sheriff in 1985. Following the dedication and sign unveiling ceremony, signs identifying the stretch of road will be erected at each end of the segment of highway stating, "Sheriff J. Tyson Stephens Memorial Highway." The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

"Keep Emanuel Beautiful" keeping up the fight

Earlier this year, a committee of interested citizens was formed by the Emanuel County Commission to wage war on the continuing problem of litter in the county. Since that time, the group has conducted several meetings and held a very successful spring clean-up. Now, the question

seems to be how serious the group really is, and what the next step should be. An executive committee has recently been discussing ideas about how to best structure the group and plan strategy and objectives. According to members of the group, they are still "committed to winning

the war on litter, but they need more soldiers and a little help with getting the ammunition." The next meeting of Keep Emanuel Beautiful will be on November 3rd in the Commissioners board room at the County Office Building, and as always, the public is encouraged to attend.



ADMINISTRATOR SINGLETARY WITH COMMISSIONERS DAVIS, FOSKEY, SHERROD AND CANADY

Commissioners adopt Comprehensive Plan

by BRITTANY HALL
The Emanuel County Board of Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, October 17, with all Commissioners present except Commissioner Keith Thompson. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Sherrod at 6 p.m. at the John C. Coleman Hotel located in downtown Swainsboro.

Commissioner Desse Davis presented the invocation and Vice Chairman Commissioner Hugh Foskey led the pledge of allegiance. Minutes from the regular Commissioners meeting that was held on September 19 were presented for review. Commissioner Canady motioned for the approval of minutes as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Foskey

with all remaining Commissioners voting accordingly. **Public Comments**
Doug Claxton, representing the Georgia Forestry Commission, presented the Commissioners with the County's annual report. His presentation was a summary of the 2022 fiscal year for landowners and the Emanuel County Forestry unit. (Continued on page 2A)



Photo by Gambrell Photography

ECI C-TEAM

Bulldogs back in championship game

by RON WEATHERFORD
The ECI C-Team will host the area championship game Thursday at Rountree Stadium.

For the third consecutive year the championship will be a battle of the unbeaten Bulldogs, ECI vs Toombs Co.

Toombs won the match in 2020 in the pit and ECI won the title last year at Rountree Stadium.

"Toombs Co. is really good, and we are going

to have to play mistake free football to win," commented head coach Greg Kennedy. "The team who maximizes their offensive possessions and takes care of the football will win. Toombs players are big, fast, and athletic."

Losing several key players from last year's championship team was a concern for Coach Kennedy this season, but it was next man up as the young team has stepped up and risen to the occasion.

This marks the seventh time since 2009 ECI has played in the championship game and is looking for their sixth title Thursday against Toombs Co.

ECI advanced to the championship round defeating North Tattnall last week 38-8.

Toombs Co. defeated Screven Co. 43-14 in the first round.

Kickoff for the championship game is scheduled for 5 p.m.

SMS Tigers defeat Dodge County in first round of MGMSAA region play Championship game set for tomorrow

The SMS football team participates in the Middle Georgia Middle School Athletic Association (MGMSAA) League. The league consists of eight middle school teams from around the area: Jeff Davis, Dodge County, Bleckley County, Vidalia, East Laurens, West Laurens, Dublin, and Swainsboro. Swainsboro Middle School finished the 2022-2023 regular

season with a 4-3 record and entered region playoffs as the no. four seed in their division. The three losses came to Dodge County, Bleckley County, and Vidalia teams.

The Tigers traveled to compete against Dodge County (no. one seed) in the first round of MGMSAA playoffs last Wednesday and left with their fourth bid to the championship in the last

five years. The score was 24-22.

"Our team is led by a core group of 8th graders who have given us relentless effort throughout the season to reach this point," SMS Head Coach Corey Chalker commented.

The championship game will be Thursday, October 20, against JR Trippe Middle School in Vidalia. Game time is slated for 4:30 p.m.

Emanuel County Historic Society to host spaghetti lunch/supper

by MISSY ELDER
This year the Emanuel County Historic Society will host its spaghetti lunch and supper at the Varner 4-H Center in Swainsboro on Thursday, October 27. We continue to have a huge interest in the museum so continue to need funds for updates. This is our only fundraiser. Dine-in or take-out lunch is from Noon to 1 p.m. while dine-in or take-

out supper will be from 5 to 7 p.m. We appreciate your con-

sideration. Please call 478-763-3631 for any information.

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Commissioners adopt Comprehensive...

(From front page)

Despite being two rangers short most of the year, the forestry team has worked together and completed almost everything that they had on their list. They finally have a full crew of employees including Chatt Jones who transferred to Emanuel County from Candler County in December and Chris Garner who began working as a ranger in May of this year. Claxton explained that as the site prep season began last year, they had good conditions to burn and plow fire breaks, however being short two rangers made scheduling Forestry practices more difficult to finish in a timely manner. However, once those positions were filled, the work progress began to increase to complete landowner's needs. He also added that Emanuel County had a very dry and busy fire season, with the drought and lack of rainfall but thankfully the recent thunderstorms have helped slow those fires down. This year, Rangers have been deployed to Texas and other Western States to assist with wildfires as well as many Emanuel County employees who assisted with the St. Catherine's Island fire for several weeks in July.

Claxton concluded his presentation by saying that the Georgia Forestry team is striving to stay ahead of this year's workload by planning prescribed burns for this winter now that burning season is fast approaching. He further added that they are also focus-

ing on unit repairs and maintenance of equipment to prepare them for the upcoming plowing season.

In the 2022 fiscal year, Georgia Forestry Commission had a responsibility of overseeing the protection of 306,529 forested acres and 439,000 total land areas; 1,958 total permits; assisting burns of 34 landowners and 1,235 acres; firebreaks of 65 landowners; they sold 125,680 seedlings, had 20 community school programs that oversaw 4,516 people; and received 397 total calls.

"We truly appreciate the support of the Emanuel County Commissioners, and we enjoy our working relationships with all Emanuel County Fire Departments. We will strive to continue to do our part to provide an important economic and public safety service for the people of Emanuel County," Claxton said. If you have a question about permits, safe outdoor burning practices, or the many programs they offer, please visit the Georgia Forestry Commission's website at <https://gatrees.org/>.

New Business

County Administrator, Guy Singletary, presented Commissioners with a Comprehensive Plan Adoption that has been discussed at previous planning meetings and public hearings. He explained that Emanuel County is now at its final step before having to submit to the State for final approval and that instilling a comprehen-

sive plan will outline the framework for all of the upcoming projects within our area. These projects will give many of Emanuel County's beloved facilities, including city recreation departments, an opportunity to receive a much-needed update. It will also allow Commissioners to adopt new ordinances and goals for our community. Commissioner Davis motioned to adopt a resolution and Commissioner Foskey seconded.

County Administrator, Guy Singletary, held a discussion on outdated Surplus Equipment that needs to go to auction. Canady motioned for this equipment to be sent to auction and Foskey seconded.

Comments

Monday October 17 officially kicked off election season with early voting. The commissioners would like to remind everyone that if you support public safety you need to support SPLOST. By voting for SPLOST, you are contributing to the safety of our communities by aiding our first responders with the emergency communication systems and equipment that they need to save you and your loved one's lives. Not only that, but SPLOST also contributes to our many existing facilities including the recreation departments that have been utilized since their construction many years ago. If you want a better community for you and your children, make sure to check the box next to SPLOST, when you vote!

Local author Kathy Bradley to headline EGSC Vision Series event in November

East Georgia State College (EGSC) is excited to welcome local author Kathy Bradley to the college for the next Vision Series event. The event will be held on National Author's Day, Tuesday, November 1, at 11 a.m. EGSC faculty, staff, and students, and the entire community are all invited to attend the free event. Bradley's speech will be held in the Gambrell Building Auditorium on the EGSC-Swainsboro Campus. She will conclude her speech with a book signing for people in attendance. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

A lawyer by training and a storyteller by nature, Kathy A. Bradley has been writing from her family farm in southeast Georgia for more than 20 years as a newspaper columnist and magazine contributor.

Kathy is the author of two books, *Breathing and Walking Around* and *Wondering Toward Center*, for which she received Georgia Author of the Year Awards in 2013 and 2017. She has also received the Will D. Campbell Prize for Creative Nonfiction, was a finalist for the Foreward INDIES Book of the Year Award in Essay and was a nominee for the Sigurd Olson Nature Writing Award (SONWA).

Breathing and Walking Around is not a memoir. It is a record of four years' worth of observations of common people, everyday events, and the natural world made by Kathy Bradley from her home in the coastal plains of South Georgia. A lawyer



LOCAL AUTHOR KATHY BRADLEY

bring order to her own life, that she most clearly articulates the universal truths that weave through all our stories, ribbons of continuity and hope. Beginning at Sandhill, the house she built on her family farm, Bradley takes the reader with her as she walks miles of dirt roads with the dogs Lily and Tamar, alert to the details of rural living – the movement of the seasons, the nearness and unpredictability of wildlife, the sights and sounds otherwise drowned out by 21st century living. The meandering continues down the Atlantic beaches, the shorelines of inland lakes, backroads, and interstates, and we are at her shoulder as she, like a paleontologist, uncovers joy in the magic and mystery of the familiar and the brand-new.

But *Breathing and Walking Around* is a true story and, so, along with the joy there are moments of questioning and uncertainty, moments when doubt challenges faith. It is in these moments, when Bradley struggles to

bring order to her own life, that she most clearly articulates the universal truths that weave through all our stories, ribbons of continuity and hope. Beginning at Sandhill, the house she built on her family farm, Bradley takes the reader with her as she walks miles of dirt roads with the dogs Lily and Tamar, alert to the details of rural living – the movement of the seasons, the nearness and unpredictability of wildlife, the sights and sounds otherwise drowned out by 21st century living. The meandering continues down the Atlantic beaches, the shorelines of inland lakes, backroads, and interstates, and we are at her shoulder as she, like a paleontologist, uncovers joy in the magic and mystery of the familiar and the brand-new.

Through sponsored field trips, students and community members have opportunities to attend exhibitions and dramatic productions, not only in Georgia, but in neighboring states, as well.



GROUP PHOTO



GROUP SESSION

Leadership Emanuel Visits Crider, Inc.

On Wednesday, October 12, the Leadership Emanuel class met at the Crider Conference Center in Stillmore, for a catered lunch before heading to the main facility for class. Discussion included seeking innovative ways to change, grow,

and improve, seeking meaningful challenges for yourself, and creating meaningful challenges for others. The group was welcomed by Abby Walden, Chief Financial Officer, and shown a short video covering the operations that take place at Crider, Inc. After

the video, the class was given a tour of the plant, showing operations from receiving of materials through to packaging of finished product for shipment. The tour included the canning process as well as pre-cooked items. At the conclusion of the tour,

the class heard from Billy Crider, the company's founder, about his humble beginnings in the industry and how Crider has become the entity it is today.

Leadership Emanuel is a program sponsored by the Swainsboro-Emanuel County Chamber of

Commerce and funded in part by the Millcreek Foundation. Its intent is to build better, more informed leaders in our community through a series of sessions emphasizing practices of exemplary leadership, business and industry tours, and group discussions

on issues facing our community both now and in the future. The sessions meet at various locations throughout our county allowing the participants to experience the opportunities available, better equipping them to be more effective leaders for the future.

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Chamber Member Spotlight: Emanuel Janitorial

The Emanuel Janitorial was established by Hope and Harrison Pitts and was in business for approximately 17 years under their management. In September of 2021, Marcus & Melinda Simmons purchased the store and are the current owners. The business supplies restaurants, churches, groups, families, and individuals with all the supplies they may need for a small event, or they sell in bulk for large events. Emanuel Janitorial has everything you need from catering supplies, restaurant supplies, party supplies, helium balloons, baking supplies, paper/janitorial supplies, and cleaning supplies. They also deliver to local businesses. The Emanuel Janitorial is a family-owned business, and their mission is to better serve the community with products they need with friendly service.

Emanuel Janitorial is a member of the Chamber because they believe the Chamber of Commerce helps to support small businesses and helps



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support the community to grow as well. An interesting fact about their building is that before it became home to Emanuel Janitorial, the building enjoyed widespread popularity and acquired historical significance as the "The Nancy Auditorium" and The WJAT Radio Station. During the time of The Nancy Auditorium, over 200 well known country music, gospel, and 'rock and roll' artists performed there. The Nancy Auditorium

would also become known as the location of the first performance of Hank Williams Jr.

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ECI LADY BULLDOGS

Lady Dawgs hosting Super Regional

by **RON WEATHERFORD**
The ECI Lady Dawgs softball team will be hosting one of the 8 Super Regionals this Thursday and Friday in the state playoffs. There will be four teams in each regional which in the past would have been the first 2 rounds of the state playoffs spread over 2 weeks. This season they will take care of the first two rounds in 2 days in each super regional.

First game of the regional at ECI is scheduled for 12:00 featuring Seminole Co. against

Charlton Co. The 2:00 game will have the Lady Dawgs playing Wheeler Co. The Lady Dawgs will enter the state playoffs as the number one seed from region 3 with a 20-5 season record. Wheeler Co. is the number 4 seed from region 4 with a 9-14 record. Charlton Co. has a season record of 9-10 and the number 2 seed from region 2. Their opponent in the first game, Seminole Co., is the 3 seed from the crowded region 1 with a 18-7 season record. The losers of game

one and game two will face each other in game 3 which is scheduled for 4:00. Winners of games one and two will play in the nightcap at 6:00. Games on Friday will begin with a noon starting time for the first game and 2:00 for the second game. Winner of Super Regional will advance to Columbus for the Class A Softball Tournament. With parking at a premium, local fans are encouraged to get there early if attending Thursday and Friday games.

El Bethel Baptist Church to hold concert

Jody Nasworthy will be in concert on October 30, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at El Bethel Baptist Church located at 429 Abb Johnson Road in Twin City. All are invited to attend!



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Bradley to headline EGSC Vision Series in November

Join East Georgia State College on November 1, 2022 at 11 a.m. as they welcome South Georgia author Kathy Bradley. This event coincides with National Author Day and will be held in the Luck F. Gambrell Building on EGSC's Swainsboro campus. Bradley will hold a book signing after her talk, and books will be available for purchase.

A lawyer by training and a storyteller by nature, Kathy A. Bradley has been writing from her family farm in southeast Georgia for more than 20 years as a newspaper columnist and magazine contributor.

Kathy is the author of two books, *Breathing and Walking Around and Wondering Toward Center*, for which she received Georgia Author of the Year Awards in 2013 and 2017. She has also received the Will D. Campbell Prize for Creative Nonfiction, was a finalist for the Foreward INDIES Book of the Year Award in Essay and was a nominee for the Sigurd Olson Nature Writing Award (SONWA).

For more information about Bradley and her works, see the article in this week's edition!

About EGSC's Vision Series:

The Vision Series at EGSC is an initiative that brings programs of intellectual and cultural enrichment to the College and its broader constituency. Since its inception, the Vision Series has hosted outstanding personalities, authors, newsmakers, musical performances, dance companies, and theatrical productions. Through sponsored field trips, students and community members have opportunities to attend exhibitions and dramatic productions, not only in Georgia, but in neighboring states, as well.



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- Oct. 17 - 21** Breast Cancer Awareness Week
- October 19** Inaugural EGSC One Act Play Invitational Health Clinic Table Day - 11 a.m. HOME Bobcat Baseball vs Middle Georgia State - 12 p.m. Student Town Hall - 4 p.m. Academic Support Workshop - 5 p.m. HOME JV Women's Basketball vs Coastal Georgia - 5:30 p.m. AAU Presents: The Black Experience - 6 p.m.
- October 20** Emanuel Co. Schools Social Worker/Counselor Meeting Emanuel County Family Connection Meeting - 11 a.m. AAU Meeting - 5 p.m. FAFSA Workshop - 5 p.m.
- October 21** Inaugural One Act Play Invitational Let's Vibe: Conversations with Kenneth K. Law - 5 p.m.
- October 24** Last Day to Withdraw - 12-Week Session - Augusta Only HOME JV Men's Basketball vs Supreme Team Prep - 5 p.m. Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting - 6 p.m. HOME Bobcat Basketball vs Middle Georgia State - 7 p.m.
- October 25** BCM Weekly Meeting - 10 a.m. EGSC Unity Women's Group Meeting - 5 p.m. Intramural Flag Football - 6 p.m.

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Larry "Reno" Riner, 79

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mr. Larry "Reno" Riner, age 79, of Swainsboro, on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at Memorial Health in Savannah. Funeral services were held Friday, October 14, at 3 p.m. in the Union Primitive Baptist Church with Corbin Wiggins officiating. Interment followed in the Church Cemetery. The family received friends one hour prior to the service, at the church, from 2 to -3 p.m.

Pallbearers were Greg Riner, Will Riner, Ashley Denney, Zach Denney, Mitch Hall, Shawn Riner and Petey Amerson. Honorary pallbearers were M. L. Gay, Ronnie Sweat, Danny Kirk, Steve Tanner, Gene Hall, Rod Wiggins, Stevie Riner, and Daniels' Creek Hunting Club Members.

Mr. Riner, "Reno" was born December 2, 1942, in Swainsboro, to the late Ira T. and Georgia Brinson Riner. He was a carpenter by trade and was previously employed by Vogel, and was owner/operator of



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Reno's Seafood. "Reno" was an avid outdoorsman, loved hunting, and was a member of the Daniels' Creek Hunting Club. He enjoyed Georgia Football and NASCAR Racing. "Reno" had a very outgoing personality and never met a stranger. In addition to his parents, Mr. Riner is preceded in death by his brother, Denny Riner.

Survivors include his daughter, LaRhee Davis (Corey) of East Dublin; son, Tim Riner (Alice) of Swainsboro; brother, Ted Riner (Jan) of Portal; sister-in-law, Shirley Riner of Swainsboro; grandchildren, Blaze Riner, Rolan Riner, Layla Hall and Cleveland Davis

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

Dave Hall, 72

Boasting smoking three packs a day for nearly 60 years, most said cancer would get him, but as he always told them, they were wrong. On Monday, October 10, 2022, Dave passed away following an extended illness with dementia. Per his wishes, Dave won't be having full services; he didn't want to chance a preacher preaching a sermon about him. Instead, he wanted to just go "sunny side up". In line with his wishes, the family accepted family and friends Wednesday, October 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Chapman Funeral Home.

Mr. Hall was born May 7, 1950, in Swainsboro, to Allen Hall, Jr. and Alice Hayes Hall. As a boy, Dave was raised on the farm, working in chicken houses and harvesting crops, steadily looking for a way out of it and seeking any opportunity to leave home. He travelled far and wide, living in different parts of the state, but would find that home wasn't so bad and returned to his homeplace where he lived the remainder of his life.

Over the years, Dave worked several different jobs. He experienced careers in law enforcement, truck driving, logging, and scale operator, until back and neck problems forced him out of work altogether. Following in the footsteps of his father before him, he looked forward to picking up pecans every year for Christmas money. Wealth and fame were never in the stars for Dave, but he always understood the value and importance of friendship. He knew most everyone and had somehow worked with all of them. Dave's riches were in the friendships and memories he shared with so many.

Dave enjoyed the company of several women. He maxed out his marriages allowable by law at five, yet courted several before, after, and during his marriages. In the end, he found contentment with a special girlfriend and a dog named "Boy", and the last five years of his life were the only years not spent chasing women,



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except for pursuing the entire floor of nurses at Emanuel Medical Center Nursing Home over the past year.

As his boys and many friends discovered over the years, he could fix anything that needed fixing, or at least had the tools for the job. All that was needed was a phone call or a ride up to the barn to find what was needed and Dave would be there willing and ready to offer his expertise to those that would listen.

Dave's greatest pride and joy were his children. In his eyes, his boys could do no wrong. He was proud to have had sons and was even prouder to have grandchildren. He loved his children and grandchildren immensely and gifted them special names, rarely referring to them by their given names. Mr. Hall is preceded in death by his parents.

Dave is survived by three sons, Mitchell (Kristin) Hall, Mark (Shanda) Hall, and Charles (Mary) Radford, all of Swainsboro; grandchildren, Ashlyn, Brogen, and Easton Hall, Camden, Brooks, and Ivy Hall, and Taylor and Trevor Radford, all of Swainsboro; special friend, Connie Newsome of Swainsboro; three brothers, Jerry (Paula) Hall of Twin City, Gene (Tina) Hall and Aaron Hall, both of Swainsboro; numerous nephews and nieces; cousins; branch kin; and lifelong friends who all loved him dearly.

The family asks you hold close your good memories of Dave and forgive those that were bad.

A special thanks is given to the staff of Emanuel Medical Center Nursing Home and Pruitt Hospice.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

Agnes Sylvene Ellis, 93

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mrs. Agnes Sylvene Ellis who passed away on October 10, 2022, at the age of 93, after a brief illness. Funeral service was held at the Peebles-Curry Memorial Chapel in Swainsboro on October 14, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Jim Harrell, who Mrs. Ellis cherished, officiating. A graveside memorial followed at Eastbrook Cemetery in Swainsboro. The family received friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Pallbearers were Bill Simmons, Josh Alexander and Adam Lowrey.

Mrs. Ellis was born on April 24, 1929, in Abbeville, South Carolina, to the late Ollie Bonner and Iva Ruth Ellis. She married her husband, late John Harris Ellis, in 1947. Mrs. Ellis graduated from Due-West High School in Due-West, South Carolina, and attended Erskine College for clerical training the following year. In 1946, she began working at Riegel Textile in Ware Shoals, South Carolina, until 1961. After moving to Georgia in 1965, Mrs. Ellis worked for the head office of Swainsboro Sportswear and then Advanced Metal until retiring. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, (their Mema), and great-grandmother who enjoyed spending her time with those around her. Mrs. Ellis filled her days by her husband's side - accompanying him on their daily errands around town, tending the garden, and visiting with neighbors. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Swainsboro and the Agape Sunday School class for nearly 50 years. Once moving to Birmingham, Alabama in 2018, she found solace in writing letters and calling her Georgia and South Carolina family as often



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as she could. A longtime fan of the Atlanta Braves, many summer nights were filled with watching a Braves game with her family. She will forever be remembered for her sweet spirit and deep dedication to her faith. Mrs. Ellis is preceded in death by her parents, Ollie Bonner and Iva Ruth Ellis; husband of 71 years, John Harris Ellis; daughter, Harriett Deidra Ellis Bishop; siblings, Frank Ellis, Maggie Hannah, Bernice Fogle, and Jim Ellis.

Survivors include her son, Bonner Timothy Ellis (Joy) of Flowery Branch, Georgia; daughter, Micki Ellis Hall (Donald) of Birmingham, Alabama; grandchildren, Lauren Ellis Alexander (Josh) of Marietta, BriAnna Hall Lowrey (Adam) of Blountsville, Alabama, and Victoria Brooklyn Hall of Birmingham, Alabama; great-grandchildren, Ava Taylor Lowrey, Ana Kathleen Lowrey, John Walker Lowrey, and Nolan Young Alexander; and many wonderful nieces, nephews, and close friends who she treasured.

The family would like to thank her many doctors, Shelby Ridge, and the hospice team who dedicated themselves to Mrs. Ellis in her final days.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Swainsboro First Baptist Church, 240 W. Main St., Swainsboro, GA 30401

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

Angela J. Spence Herrington

Angela J. Spence Herrington of Metter passed away early Monday morning, October 17, 2022, at Candler County Hospital. A private graveside service will be held in Mt. Zion Cemetery in Toombs County.

Angela was born in Swainsboro. She was a daughter of Lela and Walter Spence, Sr. Angela graduated from Swainsboro High School, and received her Associate's Degree in Business Administration from Southeastern Technical College in the nineteen-nineties, and worked there for many years in the Accounting Department. Ms. Herrington is preceded in death by her father,



HERRINGTON

Walter Spence, Sr. Surviving is her daughter, Mary Herrington of Covington; grandchildren, Joseph Sheppard and Josey Herrington; mother, Lela Page Smith; brother, Walter Spence, Jr. of Swainsboro; and sister, Janice (Ned) Raymond of Covington. Kennedy Funeral Homes, Hooks Chapel, of Metter is in charge of arrangements.

Shirley Marie Beck, 53

Mrs. Shirley Marie Beck, age 53, beloved wife of Todd Beck of Adrian, passed away peacefully on Thursday evening, October 6, 2022, at Fairview Park Hospital in Dublin. Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 9, in the Williams Chapel of Sammons Funeral with Pastor Jack Stafford and Patty Stafford officiating. She was laid to rest in the Odomville Cemetery in Adrian. Friends and family visited at the home of Bill and Ann Beck in Adrian on Sunday, and at the funeral home from 2 p.m. until the hour of service.



BECK

Serving as pall bearers were Gary Green, Wes Johnson, D. J. O'Berry, Allen Beck, Wesley Watkins, Morgan Elliott and Charles Collins.

Born in Savannah, Shirley was the youngest of eight children in the family. She grew up in Swainsboro where she attended Swainsboro High School. Shirley later attended, and graduated from, Swainsboro Technical College where she earned an Associates of Arts Degree in Accounting. In September of 1986, she married Johnson County native, Todd Beck. The newlyweds made their home in Adrian where they have remained. Shirley worked at Adrian Homes until it's closing in 2011, and later worked at the Nazarene Camp Ground until December of 2019. She was totally family committed and was happiest when her children, grandchildren, siblings and any other family mem-

bers showed up. Shirley was affectionately known as "Squirrel" and was "Mama" to everybody. She has been a caregiver to her mother for the past years, and enjoyed yardwork, coffee (all day long), her soaps, and Candy Crush. Shirley was a member of the Norristown Revival Center in Norristown. Mrs. Beck is preceded in death by her father, Judge Lester Woods; and siblings, Bobby Woods, Earl Woods, and Peggy Woods Warnock.

Mrs. Beck leaves behind her husband of thirty five years, Todd Beck of Adrian; children, Tiffany Green (Gary), Kristie Johnson (Wes), and Michael Beck, all of Adrian; mother, Martha Conner Woods of Adrian; siblings, David Collins of Kite, Dennis Collins of Dublin, Theresa O'Berry (Kris Peacock) of Adrian, Tammy Johnson (Alford) of Swainsboro, and Amanda Beck of Soperton; grandchildren, Alyssa, Kinsley and Remington Green, Lexi and Grayci Beck, Kaitlyn and Kaden Johnson, and Alexis and Tyson Hilton; and many nieces and nephews.

SAMMONS FUNERAL HOME is in charge of arrangements.

John Vernon Sikes, 91

Mr. John Vernon Sikes, 91, of Garfield, passed away Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at his home surrounded by family, following an extended illness. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, October 17, at Garfield Baptist Church in Garfield with Reverends Franklin Sasser, Bob Conley and Thomas Simmons officiating. Interment followed in Hebron Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. The family received friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, October 16, at Chapman Funeral Home.



SIKES

Pallbearers were Andrew Sikes, Evan Ford, Donovan Dean, Wesley Clark, Steven Clark and Adam Johnson. Honorary pallbearers were Jimmy Cowart, James Carlton Cowart, John Bussell, Jimmy Womack and David Mills.

Mr. Sikes was born January 21, 1931, in Garfield, to Hardy Newton Sikes, Jr. and Erna Johnson Sikes. He retired from the U. S. Air Force after 22 years of service, and from the U.S. Postal Service after 18 years of service. Mr. Sikes was a member and deacon of Garfield Baptist Church, and served his community as a mayor of Garfield, as a member of the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department, and as a member of the Ridgeway Masonic Lodge #104. Mr. Sikes is preceded in death by

his parents; and sisters, Virginia Covington and Patsy Covington.

Mr. Sikes is survived by his wife, Juanita Sikes of Garfield; son, John Gregory Sikes (Martha) of Charlotte, NC; daughter, Cindy Ford (Raymond) of Powder Springs; grandchildren, Andrew Sikes (Becky) of Smithfield, VA, Ashley Dean (Donovan) of Lexington, SC, Rachel Ford and Evan Ford, both of Atlanta; great-grandchildren, Harper Sikes, Hudson Sikes, Avery Sikes, Ellianna Sikes, Camden Dean, and Connor Dean; sister, June Ellen Clark of Garfield; several nieces, nephews, and many friends.

The family has requested flowers for the funeral service or donations to be made to Garfield Baptist Church, PO Box 175, Garfield, GA 30425 or PruittHealth Hospice, 667 South Main St., Swainsboro, Ga 30401 in remembrance of Mr. John Vernon Sikes.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn M. Fellows, 78

Mrs. Evelyn M. Fellows, 78, of Swainsboro, passed away Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at AU Medical Center in Augusta following an extended illness. Memorial service will be private and held at a later date.

Mrs. Fellows was born July 27, 1944, in Lansing, MI, to the late Sylvia Wiles Ellis. She loved her dog, Taz. Mrs. Evelyn loved working in her flower garden, traveling, reading, bird feeders and playing online poker games, especially Blackjack. She was of the Methodist Faith. Mrs. Fellows is preceded in death by

her mother; husband, David Fellows; sister, Susan Van Noller; brothers, Ronnie Ellis, Robert Ellis and Junior Ellis.

Survivors include her son, Michael Miller (Stephanie) of Laingsburg, MI; daughters, Lesley Burch of Adrian, Christina Burt (Brian) and Dawn Gordon (Krey), both of Michigan, and Michelle Gibler of South Carolina; sister, Carol Cooper of Mason, MI; 13 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and many friends.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Larry Hall, 71

Mr. Larry Hall, 71, of Swainsboro, passed away on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at Piedmont Augusta following an extended illness. Memorial service will be private at a later date.

Mr. Hall was born July 15, 1951, in Bridgeton, NJ, to Lawvertia Hall and Onita Watson. He served in the U. S. National Guard. Mr. Hall is preceded in death by his parents; sons, Daron Stephens and Nicholas Hall; brother, Russell Hall; sisters, Elaine

Hall-Herring and Gwendolyn Hall.

Mr. Hall is survived by his wife, Mary S. Hall of Swainsboro; sons, Frederick Seabrough, Victor J. Hall, and Audraeus D. Hall, all of Swainsboro; daughter, Shakera D. Hall of Atlanta; sister, Adlene Hall-Herring; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; several nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro is in charge of arrangements.

London Ruth Brown and Dante Brown, Jr.

London Ruth Brown and Dante Brown Jr. were born October 8, 2022. London departed her earthly home on October 8 and Dante peacefully departed the earth on October 9, in Nashville, TN. Burial services will be held on Lake Spivey

October 22. Twins, London and Dante Jr., are survived by their parents, Shaketa and Dante Brown; and siblings, Kylie and Caleb. Lamentations 3:32 "Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love."

Summertown Baptist to host Trunk-or-Treat

Summertown Baptist Church will Host a Trunk or Treat at the Community Center in Summertown on Wednesday, 10/26, from 6 to 8 p.m. All are invited!

Ada Grove Pentecostal Temple to hold Benefit Service of Appreciation

A Benefit Service of Appreciation honoring Senior Deacon Willis and Mother Mamie Harmon will be held Saturday, October 22, at 4 p.m. at Ada Grove Pentecostal Temple, 1234 McGarrh Mill Pond Rd., Cross-Green Community. Guest Preacher will be Pastor Willie (Pete) Harden. You and your congregation are cordially invited to attend.

Blundale Baptist Church to hold revival

Blundale Baptist Church will hold Revival November 6 - 9, at 2675 Hwy 1 North Swainsboro. November 6 will start at 6 p.m. with Louis Pearce, November 7 will start at 7 p.m. with John Durden, November 8 will start at 7 p.m. with Bucky Benton, and November 9 will start at 7 p.m. with Nick Robertson. Everyone is invited to attend.



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Summertown Food Pantry at Summertown Baptist Church will open for October Distribution on Saturday, 10/22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated.

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Homecoming and Revival services at Nunez Baptist

Homecoming services are planned at Nunez Baptist Church Sunday morning, October 30. Rev. Jim Harrell will

bring the Homecoming message. The service will also include special music, along with memories and updates. A covered dish meal will immediately follow in the Social Hall of the church. There will be no Sunday School that morning, and the Homecoming service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening, church will begin Revival Services. Rev. Jon Reed of Focused Evangelism Ministries will preach the messages on Sunday evening beginning at 6 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. Many will remember Evangelist Reed from the Crusade for Christ held at the City Auditorium this past May.

On Wednesday evening, the church welcomes back to the community, Dr. Jamie Archer, to bring the final message of the Revival. Dr. Archer has been in Pastoral Ministries for 28 years and currently serves as the Senior Pastor of the Cumming Baptist Church. That service will also begin at 7 p.m.

As is customary at Nunez Baptist Church, there will be special music at every service.

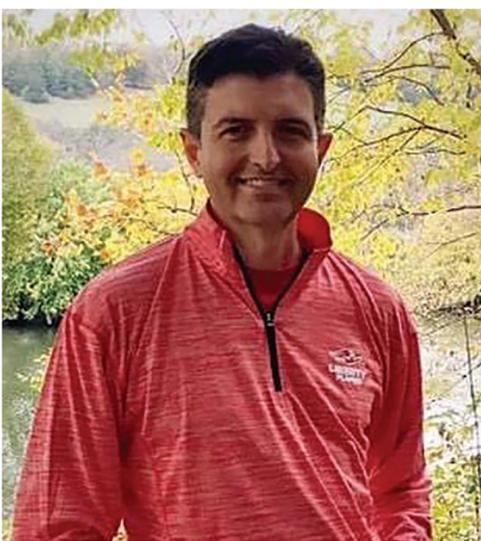
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SYCAMORES

Emanuel County Historic Society to host annual Fall Open House October 22

The Emanuel County Historic Society will host its Annual Fall Open House on Saturday, October 22nd from 5 PM to 8 PM. This year we're trying something new.

Our outbuildings are rich in the history of this county, and we are going to tell that in four of the buildings: Coleman Academy, Stevens Crossing Post Office, Sycamores and the Hendley Cabin. This history will have a little twist to it, based on facts mixed with the fiction and a surprise "ghost" story built in.

We have been told of an apparition, a good one, having been seen in the neighborhood for several years which gave us this idea.

Not to worry! This "ghost" is a good person, full of love and understanding. We will not involve scary, spooky ghosts. This will be suitable for children of all ages.

We hope you will come out. All the buildings will be open as usual. No admission is ever charged at the Longview Farm and County Museum.

DEA announces Head Master's list

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| Honor Roll | Hall, and Levi Shaw |
| 1 st grade: Amastin Beggs, Callie Mae Davis, Wren Drake, Logan Hammock, Sumner Register, and Caleb Vautier | Headmaster's List |
| 2 nd grade: Calyn Bowen, Emma Camps, Harlee Claxton, Weslee Fields, Waylon Mills, and Hudson Moore | 1 st grade: Jaxson Bishop, Berkley Brown, Walter Clark, Trot Everett, Jameson Griner, Wilson Howell, Brooks Powell, and Jeffrey Register |
| 3 rd grade: Blakely Holland, Adah Way, and Jax Womack | 2 nd grade: MJ Boatright and Nat Henry Braddy |
| 4 th grade: Milly James Farmer, Samuel Martin, Ayslin, O'Keefe, Brantley Register, Bryton Rowland, Lydia Warrick, Tate Wilkes, and Farrah Williamson | Rd grade: Walker Arp, Sarah Beecher, Case Black, Blakely Brinson, Harper Canady, Ellis Claxton, Phoebe Daniel, Bailey Duckworth, Judson Flanders, Addison Griner, Easton Hall, Julian Hodges, Blakely Johnson, Kavya Patel, Ellis Register, Isabella Smith, McKenleigh Tankersley, and Carolyn Vautier |
| 5 th grade: Kevin Jaquish and Callen Sapp | 4 th grade: Layla Clark, Lauree Douglas, Mary Bess Fields, Dalton Flowers, Greyson Gowen, Tyran Kirby, Evie Moore, Joel Vautier, and Ava Williams |
| 6 th grade: Kaley Flowers, Lara McNure, Lorelee Scarboro, and Amelia Wilkes | 5 th grade: Bentley Brinson, Charlie McRae, and Lawton Wiggins |
| 7 th grade: Lake Bush, Madison Slater, and Anna Sutton | 6 th grade: Henny Patel and Kate Yeomans |
| 8 th grade: Braydon Lawson and Bailey McNure | 7 th grade: Weston Lee, Emily McRae, and Aubrey Scott |
| 9 th grade: Juddson Wilkes and Aubrey Williams | 8 th grade: AJ Edenfield and Mason Williams |
| 10 th grade: Brogen Hall and Clayton Hood | 10 th grade: Peyton Lee |
| 11 th grade: Josie Grace Black, Ella Claire Claxton, Sara Cate Fennell, Billy Martin, Maddie Perkins, Emma Proctor, and Tony Sutton | 12 th grade: Ann Carol Daniel, Lanna Douglas, Peyton Free, Molly Racyn Faircloth, Cayley Hammock, CheyAnne Howard, and Emma Taylor |
| 12 th grade: Cora Ellington, Ace Ely, Racyn Faircloth, Cayley Flanders, Alivia Fortner, Riley Griner, Ashlyn | |

Seeds of Hope

Dan and his Dad were sitting together looking at a family photograph album. Looking at a picture of a young man who had a head full of hair he asked, "Who's that guy, Dad?" "Me," he replied. "That's how I used to look." "What happened?" he asked curiously.

Things change. People change. Times change. The universe changes. The heavens, admitted the Psalmist, will grow old. God will change them as a man putting on new clothing and throwing away the old. And then he wrote, "But You will remain the same, and Your years will never end!"

Everyone is familiar with change. It is part of life. There are times when it is welcome and there are times when we fight against anything that is new and different, untried and unproven. There are days when everything is turned upside down and inside out. Some mornings begin with peace and calm and then turn into a tempest by lunch. We assume that we will escape every illness and live long only to be diagnosed with cancer. We know that our marriage will last a life time only to receive a notice that our spouse wants a divorce. Is there any news that could be more welcome - more comforting - more desired - more important - more joy producing than the words of the Psalmist: "You - O Lord - will remain the same"? Now and through eternity.

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BOTTOM ROW (L-R): ASHLYN HALL, EMMA TAYLOR, MOLLY HAMMOCK, JAYLIN HALL

DEA celebrates homecoming week

David Emanuel Academy celebrates their homecoming week with their Senior Homecoming Court Representatives; Riley Griner, Ace Ely, Racyn Faircloth, Heath Johnson, Ashlyn Hall, Emma Taylor, Molly Hammock, and Jaylin Hall. DEA's Homecoming game will be held Friday, October 21, against Westminster School, where two representatives will be crowned King and Queen. We hope all the Eagles have a safe, fun and memorable Homecoming!

Miss Smith, Mr. Padgett to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Smith of Swainsboro proudly announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Miss Emily Rebecca Smith, to Mr. Cliff Coram Padgett of Savannah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Padgett of Augusta.

The bride-elect graduated from the University of Georgia in 2018 with a Bachelor's of Business Administration in Accounting and in 2019 with a Master's in Accountancy. She is currently employed as a Certified Public Accountant at Hancock, Askew & Company in Savannah.

Miss Key is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kidd of Reidsville, and Mrs. Vada Hunter of Sallisaw, Oklahoma and the late Mr. Buck Hunter, Mrs. Marion Cuttino of Fernandina Beach, FL and the late Mr. David Cuttino and Mrs. Melba Smith of Reidsville, and



MISS SMITH AND MR. PADGETT

the late Mr. Clifford Smith.

The future groom graduated from Georgia Southern University in 2015 with a Bachelor's degree in Logistics and Marketing. He is currently employed by the Georgia Ports Authority in Savannah.

Mr. Smith is the grandson of Ms. Peggy Coram Belger of Augusta and the late Clarence A. Belger,

Sr., the late Sarah McKie Padgett DesCombes, the late Herbert Alexander Padgett of Augusta, and the late Charles Edward DesCombes of North Augusta, SC.

The wedding is planned for November 19, 2022, at Swainsboro First United Methodist Church. A reception will follow at Mont Royal Clubhouse.



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It's not about the 'stuff' we make available to the community, but the 'souls' we serve

by BRITTANY HALL
As you travel down Hwy 80 and into the small community of Adrian, you'll be greeted by a sign that says, "Welcome to Adrian, Home of The Hinton House." If you aren't a local, your mind may begin to wonder what a special place the Hinton House must be to hold such a legacy...

'Was it the home of an early settler?' Was it the home of a local athlete whose talents allowed him to be recognized all over the world? Well no. It's a place much more wholesome and worthy of attention, that either of those things. As you travel further into town, you'll find another sign directing you down a small city street. If followed, you'll be led to 116 South James Street. A beautiful, brick, ranch style home, with porch covered archways that almost beg you to come in. The side of the carport is adorned with a banner and a cross, indicating that this *must be the place*.

While it looks like just a normal home from the outside, these walls, both inside and out, have witnessed the changing of lives and have helped homes become better homes through its services. Owned by Dr. J. Jack Hinton, The Hinton House is a compassionate ministry that partners with the 'I'm In Crew', a locally organized network of 1,200 members who are dedicated to their mission of providing true kindness by helping someone in need and expecting nothing in return.

While the Hinton House is a new establishment, it's roots were planted long before Dr. Hinton himself even realized its purpose. After more than 40 years of service, Dr. Hinton retired from a successful practice where he ran occupational medical, health, safety, and environmental functions in the Oil & Gas Industry. Not only did his career give him the opportunity to travel and live globally, it also led to wider horizons. Hinton served as Dean of a University in Kazakhstan in Central Asia for two years. After living life abroad and the unfortunate passing of his wife from a

long battle with cancer, Dr. Hinton retired and returned home to Adrian in 2019 to care for his father, mother, and sister. It was during this time that Hinton's life began to change for an even greater good and the Hinton House began to blossom into the place that it is today.

In 2019, Dr. Hinton learned of a critical need being faced by *I'm In Crew*. The organization had run out of space and was turning down donations of needed furniture, appliances, and other valuable items. Turning these items down meant that the families and individuals who could use them, would not be getting them. Keith Soles, who is the founder, and driver behind the success of *I'm In Crew* explained the situation to Dr. Hinton and it turned out to be a pivotal moment where a light sparked in Hinton's heart inspiring him to help.

"I had bought a property that was formerly owned by Adrian High School's Coach Drake, in 2006," Hinton explained. "For me, it was an investment opportunity that I just hadn't done anything with."

Little did he know, that his "investment opportunity", was provided for him by a higher power with a higher purpose, and it would eventually be a haven of home goods for thousands in need.

"I had never felt pushed to do anything with the property, until in December of 2019. It was during one of my daily devotions that I was inclined to approach Keith about allowing the *I'm In Crew* to use the property to store the items that they were having to turn down," Hinton said.

After the holidays were over and the two had a chance to meet, they found their way over to the beautiful brick home located at 116 South James Street in downtown Adrian.

"I remember that cold winter day in early January of 2020, when Keith met me to see the property," Hinton said as he reminisced, "As I was showing him the house, he received a phone call about a washer and dryer

that was being offered for donation. I specifically remember Keith telling the caller, 'If you had called me five minutes earlier, I would have had to turn you down, but I'm currently standing in a house that's been graciously offered for us to use, so I can take them.'" Hinton said with a smile, thinking back on that moment.

"It was early February, and the crew had begun to set up permanency in their new space. Everything was unfolding beautifully, proving further that this was meant to be and all a part of God's plan. It was at this same time that Dr. Hinton received the heartbreaking news that his father had sadly passed away. Trying to cope and roll with the motions of grief while still giving all his faith to God, Hinton was approached by Soles who asked if they could give their organization the name, "*The Hinton House*", in honor of Dr. Hinton's father. From that, the early ministry, a partnership, and the legacy of *The Hinton House*, was born.

In the beginning, *The Hinton House* only served as a warehouse of the *I'm In Crew*. During this time, the carport, driveway, and front yard was used for their periodic 'reverse yard sales'. However, they have since changed their goals after being inspired by two key members and volunteers, retired Salvation Army Officers, Jim, and Dee Tooley, who provided the group with their philanthropy experience to expand and run the ministry. Their vision for *The Hinton House* was that it could also be open to the public three days a week for three hours each day, in addition to being a facility that sources free goods during outdoor giveaway events. Thus, a two-armed ministry was developed.

"We started warehousing donations in January 2020, and our first 'Reverse Yard Sale' was in April that year. It was a tremendous success and word spread quickly. Now, we're serving nearly 2,000 individuals every three months, representing more than 600 families. That's incredible when you realize that's all in three hours in each of the 13 days we're open per month," Hinton explained.

The Hinton House is also affiliated with the Mt. Olive Church of the Nazarene who is well known locally for their monthly Food Bank, which serves hundreds. Through their affiliation with Mt. Olive Church of the Nazarene, which is a 501(c)(3) organization, *The Hinton House* operates as a non-profit. Their earnings are always \$0.00, as everything is free to the public. The program also utilizes all volunteer assistance, pays no salaries, and everything received is through donation alone.

"Everything is free, no matter its value. Even if we assist in helping



JIM TOOLEY, JACK HINTON, AND DEE TOOLEY



THE HINTON HOUSE

to deliver something or have to travel to get something that is being donated; there is no charge." Hinton explained, "We provide clothing, household goods, small and large appliances, home furnishings, furniture, linens, home medical equipment and supplies, cookware, dishes, decorations, children's toys, games, and school supplies. But most importantly, we're a listening ear and a whispered prayer, when it's most needed." He said with a smile.

There are two operational facilities at *The Hinton House*. The house is open to the public to walk-in and shop for clothing, household items, linens, decorations, and other small supplies. There are separate dedicated rooms for women's clothing, men's clothing, linens, kitchen necessities, and general household goods. On the outside of the property, there is a barn that stores more immense items. Access to the barn requires a BARN PASS, where the public is escorted to see furniture, appliances, or any large home furnishings that they may need. *The Hinton House* also has a very special place for the items that go untouched, too.

"We have reciprocal arrangements with other groups, such as the Salvation Army, Rise Up, Teen Challenge, and the Christian Family Center, to supply them with items for their ministries that haven't been taken from *The Hinton House*."

These organizations also inform us of unique needs that we can be of assistance with," Hinton explained. The support from sister organizations, the community, their ministry, and so many others have not gone unnoticed. Hinton says that without these amazing people, none

of this would have ever been possible. I want to say thank you to Keith Soles, for helping give us our start and letting us be an active member of the *I'm In Crew* network. Thank you to Jim and Dee Tooley, for not just their vision to expand the ministry, but to tirelessly invest their time to see it through, day after day, week after week. Thank you to our current core volunteers, Sandra Bailes, Cheryl Harvey, Vicky Carter, Lisa Foskey, Glenn Weaver, Gloria Meeks, and Liz Dreher, for their tireless efforts to receive, sort, display, keep all items fresh, and assist with giveaway's. Thank you to the Mt Olive Church of the Nazarene and the Pine Hill Holiness Church for their monthly financial assistance that helps towards operational expenses. Thank you, Wynola Smith - City of Adrian Mayor and City of Adrian Council Members - Michelle Leirer-Love and Suzanne Hutchinson, who sit on our executive committee and volunteer their time and efforts. And thank you to the Marketplace, for their faithful advertising of *The Hinton House* in their weekly paper.

Among the already inspiring moves this Godsend of an organization is making throughout Emanuel County and the lives that they're changing from their kindness, *The Hinton House*

is also a proud partner with the City of Adrian, sponsoring annual Family Fun Days and July 4th Celebrations; even manning the popular concession stand.

The Hinton House is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, unless it's a holiday. There's generally no preparation needed to visit, unless large items that require special

transport are desired. For those, the volunteers ask that you have a truck or trailer, as well as help to load it, if possible.

If you're interested in donating to *The Hinton House*, you can message them through their Facebook Page at *The Hinton House* or join their Facebook group by searching *The I'm In Crew network*. *The Hinton House* accepts all re-usable donations ranging from a box, or a bag of goods, to the contents of an entire home during their open hours. However, if a donation cannot be delivered during those times, the carport is always open to the public to leave donations.

"The Lord certainly knows what He's doing," Hinton said with a smile, "We think, 'what are we going to do with all this stuff?' Whenever we get it, but it seems we get it just in time. At the end of 2020, there were five separate families that had lost their homes to fire, and the gift of an entire home's contents was just what they needed, to give them all a new start."

Dr. Hinton says that the goal of *The Hinton House* is simple, "Be Jesus".

"I remember early on, at one of our Volunteer Team Meetings where we were entertaining the idea of writing our Mission Statement. After the discussion, it was as if our purpose and meaning unanimously bloomed in each of our minds. What we're meant to do here, what we're all about, is to simply be Jesus. The minutes of that meeting elaborated that, 'It's not about the 'stuff' we make available to the community, but the 'souls' we serve.'"

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Fulford Center hosts Annual Chess Tournament

The Sudie A. Fulford Community Learning Center at East Georgia State College hosted the Fulford Center Annual Chess Tournament Saturday, October 8.

The tournament was open to surrounding schools who have a chess club or students

who compete in chess tournaments throughout the year. Over 30 elementary, middle, and high school students attended the tournament that was directed by Jay Youngblood.

Individual awards and section awards were presented to par-

ticipants. The first-place winner in the tournament was Isaac Sherrod from Trinity Christian School. James Dooley was the second-place winner from Alleluia Community School. The third-place tournament winner was Sukumar Paidi

from Vidalia High School.

The following participants received section awards: Nathan Britton, Top High Player outside of top 3 (Vidalia High School); Amos Nehring, Top Middle School Player (Lafayette Christian

School); Titus Nehring, Top Elementary Player (Lafayette Christian School); Ethan Hart, Top Rated Player (Vidalia High School); Omar Cruz, Top Unrated Player (Trinity); Paul Dooley, Overachiever Award (Alleluia Community

School); Silas Nehring, Sportsmanship Award (Lafayette Christian School).

The Fulford Center would like to thank the schools and students who participated in the tournament and Jay Youngblood for overseeing the event.



PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: WANDA ELLIS, TAMMY ALLEN, PETITE GARRETT, AND MARY ELLEN SMITH

Swainsboro Kiwanis Club Participates in Annual Trunk-or-Treat

Members of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club donated candy at their recent club meeting for Franklin Memorial Library's second annual Trunk-or-Treat held Thursday, October 13, in the library's parking lot. Over 600 children looked "Spooktacular" as they collected candy, reading books, coloring books and crayons, and sunglasses from a variety of decorated trunks supplied by local businesses including Emanuel County Family Connection, and the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club. Representing Kiwanis were club president Tammy Allen, board member Wanda Ellis, Mary Ellen Smith, and Petite Garrett.



MULTIPLE PHOTOS FROM THE EVENT

SHS FBLA celebrates annual Fall Festival

by QUINTUS WILLIAMS and JORDAN WADLEY GARDNER
Swainsboro High FBLA members recently volunteered at Swainsboro Primary's annual Fall Festival. Students were each assigned different jobs to assist teachers with games, painting, cotton candy making, etc. The students enjoyed helping the teachers out and working with younger people. The overall turnout was great, and the students can't wait until next year.

City of Adrian Yard of the Month

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Leadership Emanuel makes healthcare industry visits

On Wednesday, October 5th, the Leadership Emanuel class met at Emanuel Medical Center where they discussed inspiring a shared vision. The group focused on knowing your “why”, enlisting others with shared aspirations, and the importance of listening first and often. After discussion, the leadership class was given a tour of Emanuel Medical Center (EMC). Damien Scott, CEO of Emanuel Medical Center, shared that EMC is a CMS 5-Star hospital for the 2nd time in 3 years, and they’re rated #1 in GA by CMS for physician

communication, #2 in GA by CMS for nursing communication, and #1 in the nation by CMS for preventing hospital-acquired infections. The next location visited was East Georgia Healthcare Center (EGHC). The class learned about the many services offered and the 14 counties covered by EGHC as well as a walk-through of the EGHC mobile unit. Leadership Emanuel participants chose to wear blue in support of the County-Wide Anti Bullying Campaign that day.

Leadership Emanuel is a program sponsored by the Swainsboro-

Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce and funded in part by the Millcreek Foundation. Its intent is to build better, more informed leaders in our community through a series of sessions emphasizing practices of exemplary leadership, business and industry tours, and group discussions on issues facing our community both now and in the future. The sessions meet at various locations throughout our county allowing the participants to experience the opportunities available, better equipping them to be more effective leaders for the future.



GROUP AT EGHC



GROUP IN SESSION



GROUP AT EMC

Seedling Garden Club holds meeting

The Seedling Garden Club held its second meeting of the new year on Monday, October 10, 2022, at First Methodist Church Social Hall. Twenty members and two guests were in attendance. In the absence of club president, Diana Malone, Nancy Lisenby, first vice-president called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Along with second vice-president, Susan Stevenson, everyone there was given a big welcome. The two then presided over the meeting for the evening.

The meeting was opened with Chaplain, Ann Pebbles giving the inspiration titled “Hugs” have you hugged someone today. All agreed that they are always in need of hugs. Secretary, Lucille Braswell read the minutes from the last meeting with Kay Peacock, treasurer giving the treasurer’s report. Both were approved as presented. Yonna Bailey, yard of the month chairman, reported the “Yard of the Month” for October was given to Jan Lamb. Yard of the month is given by the club each month to a deserving yard that promotes beautifying the community. Anyone wanting to nominate a yard is welcome to contact the club. Kay Peacock reported on the Oleander District Annual Meeting that was held on October 5, 2022, at Ogeechee Technical College in Statesboro, Georgia. Eight members of Seedling Garden Club attended the meeting. The club donated a basket to be raffled and a

silent auction item. Both were well received and brought a good price for the Oleander treasurer. Seedling Garden Club was presented a Garden Club of Excellence award from The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. Special guest of honor was Peggy Tucker, GCG President. Campbell Vaughn, a Master Gardener specializing in Residential Design presented an interesting program on “Great Native Plants for Landscaping” Everyone enjoyed visiting the exhibits and hearing reports from State and District. At this meeting Lucille Braswell was

elected District treasurer for the 2023-2025 term. She will take office in April 2023.

After the business session Kelli Torpy of the Gourd Farm in Wrens presented a very interesting program on gourds. The title of the program was “Different Ways to Decorate with Gourds” Along with a slide presentation Torpy showed different ways to decorate with gourds inside and out. In her introduction she stated that the Gourd Farm was started in the early 1970’s by her husband’s grandmother, Lena Braswell. After her death, the desire to keep

the farm going turned into a family affair with young son Tate helping prepare the fields and young daughter Abi helping with the harvesting. They have cut the size of the farm to 15-20 acres. They ship gourds all over the place. The table scape that Kelli designed, using gourds was out of this world. Using just wildflowers, grasses, and gourds the table was decorated with old jars, cotton and of course all different shapes of gourds. Kelli surprised the group by giving away nine door prizes. These included gourd bird houses, decorated small gourds, and

a flower arrangement in a gourd. All winners were thrilled. Daughter, Abi helped her mother in presenting door prizes. Abi also enters the garden club’s flower show in the spring and wins ribbons and Jr. Garden Club Design award.

Using a Fall/Halloween theme the hostesses served pimento cheese sandwiches, chicken salad croissants, red velvet and chocolate cupcakes, chips, and soda. The table was decorated with a beautiful arrangement of fall flowers along with black cat containers holding candy corn. Hostesses for the meeting

were Wanda Ellis, Becky Hill, Dale Joyner, and Pat Tiller.

Before adjourning, the club’s “Bird Lady” Wanda Scarboro, informed the club that the hummingbirds have left for the winter. She reminded attendees to still leave feed out because some birds don’t leave and will need food. The meeting was adjourned with Amber Albritton winning the door prize.

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Editorials Columns

The Fair revisited

A "Rite of Fall" for Swainsboro takes place this week. If you lived your childhood growing up in Emanuel County, chances are you learned that the month of October was a very special time. You knew that one day soon a convoy of big trucks carrying all sorts of exciting, mysterious looking equipment would pull into town bringing rides, tent shows, thrills, chills, and exhibits along with local livestock competition and all other manner of merriment. It was time for the Fair, and ever since 1917, this annual event has managed to maintain its appeal even though it has had different names

at different locations with different sponsors during the years. Way back when, the schools canceled classes for a day so everyone could go to the fair. There was a parade on Monday with floats and beauty queens that would go through downtown out to the old fairgrounds where Hardee's is located now. The old 4H Clubhouse sat on a hill on that corner before it was moved on back up the hill a little more. The first Walmart store was many years off, and that whole shopping center was nothing but a field where the Forestry Unit had a lookout tower. The fair's Exhibit Hall sat right behind the 4H build-

ing back then and made for an imposing and very "official looking gateway" to the sawdust covered fairgrounds. Inside the big exhibit barn were wonders to behold. Table after table was covered with cakes, pies, preserves, canned and bottled delicacies, prize-winning potatoes, pumpkins, and squash, and they were all adorned with red, blue, and gold ribbons. Back then nobody ever heard of the SPCA and you could see just about every animal in the forest stuffed and looking proud to be on display in the hall. Forestry folks not only had Smokey the Bear there, but a live black bear on a leash as well,

who seemed to be carefully eyeing some chickens penned up in the next stall. Some years, the brand-new Ford, Chevy and Plymouth models were on display. Out on the Midway, you could see a lot of sights and learn a lot of things that sure weren't being taught in grammar school back then. A giant snake from India, a pygmy from the Amazon, and the tallest man in the world were all waiting for you behind the flap that opened into the side shows. It was a great chance for the kids who lived on farms to show their livestock, and it was good for the city kids who had never milked a cow or fed hogs

Charles Schwabe



to see it up close. But the best show of all was just watching the people walking around and taking it all in. In those days, for many folks the Fair was the highlight entertainment event of the year. It was a chance for the whole county to gather and take pride in who we were and what we did. Agriculture was the major part of the economy. Family farms were everywhere you looked and producing

something on your own was a way of life. Today, it's a different way of life no doubt, but a connection to that past is still around, and thanks to the Swainsboro Jaycees and the Southeast Georgia Jaycee Fair, you can still enjoy a little reminder, or better still, create some new memories, even if it's just watching the crowd "taking it all in." This year's Fair began Tuesday night and will run through Saturday night, October 22-

Halloweens past

This is a quiz to determine if you walked around the square as I did in my past Halloweens. First of all, do not be afraid to admit, you share the fifties decade with me. Did you go trick or treating? Had you ever heard of trick or treating? Did you have an elaborate costume bought from a costume shop? If your answers were all "NO", then you definitely joined me on a walk around the

square. Trick or treating came into popularity much later. Perhaps this was to eliminate the tricks' part. Your favorite "dress up" would have been a ghost made from an old bed sheet with eyes cut out or a false face bought from the five and ten. Did we have fun celebrating this annual holiday? The big event was the Halloween Carnival in the SHS gym. This was always sponsored by the senior class

as a money-maker for the senior trip to Washington. The gym was filled with fun and scary attractions to bring in money for the seniors. Favorite was the haunted house. The hallway behind the stage was dark, spooky and filled with witches, ghosts, and the bogie-man himself. It was so terrifying that younger children had to walk through holding the hand of a parent, but they were thrilled to make it

through. We lined up to bob for apples. The "country store" always sold out of the bargains donated by folks who were glad to be rid of such. A king and queen were crowned late in the evening. After being nominated by their class, contestants collected donations in a jar to become Halloween royalty. Just before the donations were counted, some father or grandfather pushed a five-dollar bill

Shirley Proctor Twiss



though the slit in the lid of the jar, and that bought the crowns. After the end of the carnival, there was an annual trick always paid to our principal, Mr. Glen. Some group called a taxi to go to his house. Since he lived across the street from

SHS, the culprits could watch to see him come to the door and tell the taxi to leave. Now, how do I know that! Did we have Halloween fun in the fifties? Write to Shirley at sptwiss@gmail.com.

Remembering a group of heroes in Iraq

It seems like a lifetime ago and in some ways it was. It has been 17 years this week since I was in Iraq with the men and women of Georgia's 48th Brigade Combat Team. Even today, it is an experience seared in my brain. How I ended up there was due to my friend, Bill Stewart, of Brunswick. A former chief of staff

to Georgia's U.S. Sen. Mack Mattingly, Stewart suggested to a one-time staff member of his that he should invite me to Iraq for a visit. That staff member happened to be the now-Brig. Gen. Stewart Rodeheaver, commander of the 48th BCT. Much to my surprise, I got an email from Gen. Rodeheaver shortly there-

after and an invitation to come over and see things for myself. Sharing the invitation with some of my media colleagues, I was advised to turn it down. I was told that public information staff would keep tight reins on me and I would see only what they wanted me to see within the Green Zone, a relatively safe area

(if there was such a thing) in that war torn region. That prompted me to email the general back and say in effect if that was the case, I would pass on the opportunity. I did not intend to hang around the pressroom all day and pretend I had witnessed the war. I received assurance from him that I was free to go wherever I wished and without any handlers. Gen. Rodeheaver was true to his word, although I suspect had I pushed the limit too far, he would have changed the rules quickly. Generals can do that kind of thing, you know. I did see the war up-close and personal and a bit too up-close for comfort. I wangled an invitation to join a convoy of Humvees as they swept through the notorious Triangle of Death - so called because of the terrorist activity in the area between the cities of Mahmudiyah, Yusifiyah and Lucafiah - looking for IEDs. That is military jargon for Improvised Explosive Devices or simply, bombs. We found one. Right under the Humvee in which I was riding. The IED detonated on my side of the vehicle and just behind me. Sparks, smoke and asphalt were everywhere. Had we been going a few seconds slower or had the bad guys been a little faster on the draw, we might not be having this conversation.

Dick Yarbrough



Viewing the scene upon our return from the mission, it was amazing to see how large a crater the bomb had made in the road. I still have the photograph of the incident to remind me that war is real and people do get killed. We were lucky that day and may I never forget it. The 48th Brigade Combat Team is a part of the Georgia National Guard, a group of citizen-soldiers from across the state who leave jobs and families to serve their country. In this case, in Iraq. Lt. Col. Tom Carden gave me a succinct description of their duties there. "What we do is find out who are the good guys and who are the bad guys," he said, "and then we get rid of the bad guys." Today, Maj. Gen. Carden is Adjutant General of the Georgia Department of Defense. At the same time they were fighting the omnipresent terrorists, members of the 48th BCT were employing their back-home skills helping construct bridges, repairing dams, installing power lines, running medical clinics and showing the best of us to a people who had known only the brutality of a despicable dictator. Today, I wonder what

has become of this special group of people. I do know that in addition to Gen. Carden, Gen. Stewart Rodeheaver is retired and living in Eatonton. I still correspond with him on occasion. Colonel and later Major General John King is Georgia's able Insurance Commissioner, appointed by Gov. Brian Kemp and currently running for a full term in office. But there are all the others with whom I spent perilous days and nights that I don't know about. They hailed from across our state: Places like Statesboro and Montezuma, Palmetto and Gray, Dublin and Brunswick. Back home they were mechanics, firefighters, schoolteachers, postal workers, doctors, nurses, correctional officers, police officers and the like. Your friends and neighbors. But for my short stay in Iraq, they were my Band of Brothers and Sisters. Seventeen years later, they are still my heroes. I hope they are well. You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dick-yarbrough.com; mail to: Dick Yarbrough, P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139; or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/dickyarb

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Bulldogs maul Panthers in first region game

by **RON WEATHERFORD**

After 6 games the Bulldogs finally opened region play Friday night against Portal, winning in dominate fashion 42-14. Using a cliché early in the article, the game was not as close as the score would indicate. The Bulldogs defense never allowed the Panther offense to cross midfield in the first half. They held Portal to minus 1 yards of total offense the first two quarters and just 102 for the game. Some official crews are known for calling holding. Friday's crew evidently was the

chop block crew. Five chop block penalties were called in the first quarter alone. The Bulldogs first 2 drives got bogged due to 4 of those, getting way behind the chain on both possessions. The defense helped the offense late in the quarter. After a sack of the Portal quarterback by Timmy Dobson, the Panthers were backed up to their own 11. Bruce Steele broke through the line on the next play with a jarring tackle causing a Panther fumble putting ECI in business at the one-yard line. Steele was rewarded with a one-yard plunge into the endzone

to put ECI up 7-0. After forcing another Panther 3 and out the Bulldogs marched 62 yards to add to their lead. PJ Farnum put 6 on the board from 4 yards out. Matthews EP once again, split the uprights for a 14-0 ECI lead. The defense once again gave their offense a short field after another Portal fumble at their own 9-yard line. Farnum scored his second touchdown for a 21-0 ECI lead with 5 minutes left in the half. The defense wasn't through, stopping the Panthers on their next drive. Cordarius Lee out

fought a Portal receiver on an interception returning it back to the Panther 32-yard line. The Bulldogs needed just 4 plays from there when Tuff Boddiford scored 2 yards out to make the score at halftime 28-0. The Bulldogs added one more touchdown in the third quarter to go up 35-0 when Boddiford once again found the endzone from 5 yards out. The Panthers got on the board late in the third quarter. The Portal quarterback escaped the pass rush and zigzagged his way on a 75-yard touchdown run as the third quarter horn sounded.

With the score 35-7 the Bulldog JV team took over in the fourth quarter and put on a 12 play 69-yard drive to put ECI up 42-7. Clayton Stripling took it in from 4 yards out for his first varsity touchdown. The Panthers would add 7 points to their total in the fourth quarter without running an offensive play on a 80 yard kickoff return. The Bulldogs kept the ball for the remainder of the game to preserve the region win. The Bulldogs used a stable of 9 running

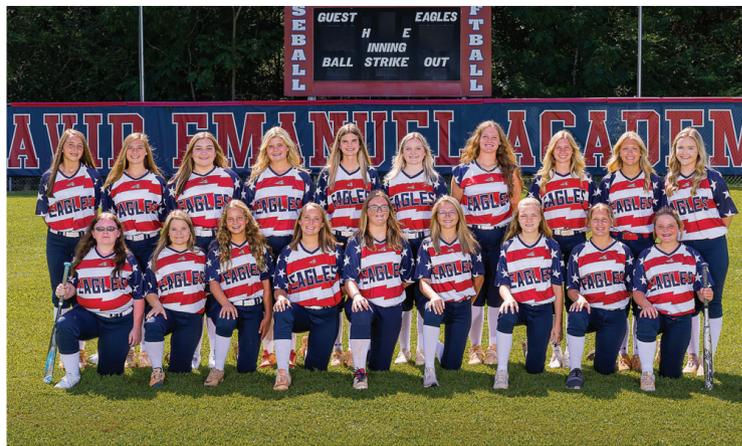
backs during the game with Farnum leading the pack with 121 yards. Freshman Tyler Foreman ended the game with 86 yards rushing. Bryce Kearson was 7-9 for 54 yards with Peyton Mercer grabbing 3 and Farnum with 2, leading the receivers. Lee and James Parker caught one each from Kearson. The Bulldogs will take the long trip to the coast this Friday for their second region game to face the 7-1 McIntosh Co. Buccaneers in Darien.



#37 DOBSON SACKS PORTAL QB FOR 9 YARD LOSS



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LADY EAGLES

Lady Eagles host Fullington Trojans as playoff rivals

David Emanuel Academy's Lady Eagles hosted Fullington Academy Trojans over the recent weekend as state playoff rivals. The weekend series event featured two scheduled games, both played on Saturday, October 15, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tentative plans for game three, if neces-

sary, followed at 4 p.m. Monday, October 17. Game one kicked off at 11 a.m. and resulted with a 3 - 0 Eagle win. The Trojans returned to the field at 1 p.m. and claimed their win for the day by defeating the Lady Eagles 12 - 0. A 1-1 win/loss ratio for both teams deemed game 3 necessary and

the Trojans returned to Stillmore this past Monday, October 17, for the final round. The Lady Eagles scored three points against the rival team but ultimately lost grip of the opportunity to enter state playoffs this season after falling short of the win by 14 points. The final score was 3 - 17.

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DEA defeats Crisp Academy 54 - 0

David Emanuel Academy Varsity Eagles traveled to Cordele to compete against the Crisp Academy Wildcats on Friday, October 14. The team returned home with their sixth win of the season. The final score was 54 - 0. Billy Martin and Randon Williams completed two punt return plays for the first two Eagle touchdowns. Martin scored with a 64-yard dash and Williams followed with a 46-yard haul for a 12 - 0 lead. Raycyn Faircloth ran the ball 36 yards for the team's third touchdown. A completed 2-point play backed by Riley Griner brought the score up to 20 - 0.



2022-2023 DEA VARSITY EAGLES

Jesse Moore gained the next two touchdowns for the Stillmore Eagles by completing an 88-yard touchdown run followed by a 52-yard run. Tony Sutton backed Moore's

first touchdown by running the ball for a successful 2-point play. A second 2-point play from Richard Braddy to Peyton Lee secured Moore's second touchdown for a 36 - 0 lead over the Wildcats. A 78-yard kickoff return for touchdown made by Moore increased the Eagle's lead by an addi-

tional 6 points. At 42 - 0, Ebb McCullough completed a 1-yard run for a 48 - 0 scoreboard reflection. Bryan Beasley tacked on the Eagle team's final points with another 1-yard run for a 54 - 0 final score. So far, the Eagles have remained undefeated

throughout the 2022 - 2023 season. The team holds no. 1 seed status in the state for their division and is ranked no. 4 in the nation. The Varsity Eagles will host the Wildcats from Westminster Schools of Augusta as homecoming guests this Friday, October 21. Kick off is set for 7:30 p.m.

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Swainsboro-Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce 2022 Industry Appreciation Golf Classic

The Swainsboro-Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce held its 2022 Industry Appreciation Golf Classic on Friday, October 7, at the Swainsboro Golf & Country Club. Twenty-five teams competed in the four-man scramble with nine teams representing industry and playing courtesy of the Emanuel County Development Authority. Lunch was provided by Emanuel Medical Center before the 12:30 p.m. shotgun start. The industry team winners were Stitch-N-Print - 1st Place, Handi-House Manufacturing - 2nd Place, and America Knits - 3rd Place. The non-industry team winners were Southern Landscape

Management - 1st Place, Pineland Communications - 2nd Place, and Durden Banking Company - 3rd Place. Throughout the tournament, there were several prize holes the golfers could participate in. The Longest Drive winner was Kyle Hammock, the Closest to the Pin winner was Bobby Crooms, and the Chip-Off Challenge winner was Tyler Rhodes. Congratulations to the winning teams and golfers and thank you to all participating teams! Thank you to our door prize contributors - Berni's on West Main, Ever Wild Boutique, Haleigh B's, Leannas, Mojo's, Mojo's Car Wash, Queensborough Bank, Ronnie Royal, Swainsboro

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Jail Report

The following persons have been booked into Emanuel County Jail, according to Emanuel County Sheriff Jeffrey Brewer, on warrants obtained by one of several local law enforcement agencies, designated by each name: Drug Task Force (DTF); Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI); Georgia Department of Pardons and Parole (GAPP); Georgia State Patrol (GSP); Emanuel County Sheriff's Office (ECSCO); Swainsboro Police Dept. (SPD); Stillmore Police Dept. (SMPD); Twin City Police Department (TCPD); Garfield Police Dept. (GPD); Adrian Police Dept. (APD); Child Support Recovery Unit (CSRU);

Intensive Probation Service (IPS); or Probation Office (PROB).

Danajah Keunna Wilcher, entered 10/10/22; Driving lic susp/rev; released 10/10/22; SPD
 Angelia Munns Johnson, entered 10/10/22; Driving lic susp/rev/Speeding <14 MPH over; released 10/10/22; ECSCO
 Mitchell Steven McCoy, entered 10/10/22; Bench warrant/Superior court; ECSCO
 Jason Glenn Wilkerson, entered 10/10/22; Driving lic susp/rev/VGCSA possession of drug related object;

released 10/10/22; TCPD
 Margaret Ann Bedgood, entered 10/11/22; Theft/taking; released 10/12/22; SPD
 Caven Thomas Sellers, entered 10/13/22; VGCSA marijuana/poss less than oz/VGCSA possession of drug related object; SPD
 Joshua Slater Riner, entered 10/13/22; Other; released 10/13/22; ECSCO
 Rafiek Deynakeus Walker II, entered 10/13/22; Disorderly conduct; released 10/13/22; SPD
 Jerry Armstrong III, entered 10/13/22; Simp assault/Other; SPD
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Smith, entered 1/13/22; Unregistered vehicle/VGCSA marijuana/poss less than oz/No license on person; released 10/14/22; SPD
 Kathy Lynn Keel, entered 10/14/22; Disorderly conduct; released 10/14/22; ECSCO
 Christopher Deandre Fowler, entered 10/14/22; VGCSA possession marijuana/Poss of firearm during commission of felony/VGCSA possession of drug related object; released 10/14/22; SPD
 Amber Nicole Meadows, entered 10/14/22; Probation/Swainsboro PD/Middle Ga Probation/ Probation/

Swainsboro PD/Middle Ga Probation; SPD
 Christian Blake Scarbrough, entered 10/14/22; Theft/shoplifting; released 10/14/22; SPD
 Westley Morgan Holloway, entered 10/14/22; Probation/Superior court; ECSCO
 Rebecca Louise Rizzo, entered 10/14/22; Bench warrant - City/ Probation/Swainsboro PD/Middle Ga probation; SPD
 Andy Guzman, entered 10/15/22; DUI/alch/Open container/Reckless driving/Speeding 30+MPH over; released 10/16/22; GSP

Chazman Quazel Lott, entered 10/16/22; DUI less safe/Driving lic susp/rev/Open container/Failure to maintain lane/Other; released 10/16/22; GSP
 Robert James Bell, entered 10/16/22; DUI/alcohol/under 21 yo/Open container/ Following too closely; released 10/16/22; GSP
 Jasper Timothy Baker, entered 10/16/22; DUI/alcohol/under 21 yo/ Other; released 10/16/22; GSP
 Gregory Steward, entered 10/16/22; Theft by taking/Motor vehicle; ECSCO

Sheriff's Reports

According to the Emanuel County Sheriff's Office...

October 8

Victim met with investigators regarding an alleged incident that took place outside of the Starblazer club in Swainsboro. Victim stated offender started an argument and had a gun in his waistband. Victim wanted to make a report in case further altercations occur.

Deputies responded to a single vehicle accident on Bell St. Vehicle left the road and struck a utility power pole that caused extensive damage to property and vehicle. The driver refused medical services.

October 11

Victim states that her and the offender are married and have been having marital issues. Victim had gotten divorce papers, but had to print them off. The couple have a 5-year-old together and offender wanted to get the child on this day. When offender asked about setting up visitation, a verbal argument began. Victim grabbed the child and went back inside her workplace; offender followed her inside and grabbed her right arm and pushed her. Upon arrival, there was a visible mark on her arm.

Deputy met with complainant's daughter at Sherriff's office to report tag lost or stolen.

Deputies responded to George L. Smith

State Park in reference to a welfare check. The c/p, the victim's daughter, advised Emanuel 911 that she spoke with the victim before calling 911 and stated that the victim was having thoughts of self-harm and was highly intoxicated. Upon arrival, contact was made with the victim who stated that he was an alcoholic and needed help. Deputy offered to take him to hospital, but victim went inside and fell asleep. Victim was turned over to EMS and was treated at Candler County Hospital.

C/p stated that he noticed that the license plate that was affixed to his vehicle was either lost or stolen and does not recall where the incident may have occurred.

October 12

Deputy met with complainant in reference to a dispute. C/p advised that she made a report at SPD because her ex-boyfriend was seen sitting next to her house and called her and asked where she was going, then started following her. C/p stated offender followed her through several roads and tried to run her off the road. C/p stated this has happened in the past and believes offender has a tracking device on her phone or vehicle.

Deputy assisted SPD on a call for a vehicle that struck a pole on S. Main St. A vehicle struck a light pole in Tractor Supply parking lot.

October 13

Complainant called the Sheriff concerning two unauthorized offenders on his son's property. One offender contacted c/p by text on a previous day, wanting to clean his yard but c/p didn't respond. Offenders took it upon themselves to perform yard maintenance and remove property from a residence on Blackberry Trl. without authorization. Both offenders showed up and produced a bill for \$13,500 for labor in cleaning the yard and were told by c/p to attempt to collect it through Magistrate Court and to leave the property. One offender was polite and conversed respectfully with c/p and deputy. Other offender was belligerent, disrespectful and disruptive.

Deputy met with victim on Leopard Rd. in reference to a theft report. Victim stated he discovered building material that mostly consisted of lumber and tin roofing had been taken from his property that is under renovation. Suspect was identified by victim as an employee who has worked for victim and someone who would know the routines and activities of the work sites.

Deputies assisted Mobile Crisis with a call on W. Broad St. concerning victim who was reported suicidal. Subject was transported to EMC for evaluation.

Deputies responded to Hwy. 1 South and Sandhill Church Rd. in reference to a vehicle fire. Upon arrival, the vehicle was fully engulfed. C/p stated he was driving and heard a loud bang and smoke started coming from under the hood. Vehicle fire was extinguished by Swainsboro FD.

October 14

Deputies received a report from complainant in reference to suspect returning to her property and also parking down the road from her house. Deputies were on another serious call and were not able to respond at the time of the call. C/p then advised that the suspect left the area and deputies responded to the area but were unable to make contact with the vehicle.

Deputies responded to Hwy 23 South in reference to a domestic dispute. Upon further investigation, both subjects got into a heated argument that ensued over another female that the male subject/husband was involved with. During the altercation, the male subject was pushed by offender and sustained what he claimed was a recent surgery, along with a minor cut on his arm. Both parties were intoxicated and the male subject was transported by EMS due to the nature of the said complaint. Offender was detained and transported to EmCo Det. Ctr.

Deputy met with complainant at ECSCO where he stated that about three weeks ago, he called about stray dogs at his house and was told someone would be out there that day but they didn't show up so he called back the next day and they stated they would be out there the following day and they never showed up. C/p wanted to know what he could do about the situation.

Deputy was located on Sheldon Dr. holding the perimeter in reference to a previous call when he was approached by victim who stated someone had been on his property the night before because his horses were let out. Victim and deputy were looking at the pasture and gate, then his pond house and noticed the door was kicked in. Deputies went in and cleared the pond house and the door had indeed been kicked in, with a foot print on the door. Deputy asked victim to step inside to see what was missing and found that appx. \$800 worth of items were taken.

Complainant stated offender keeps harassing her on Facebook and is an ongoing occurrence.

Complainant stated she ordered some packages to be delivered to Lake Luck Dr. and UPS tracking shows they were delivered but she never got them.

October 15

Deputies responded

to JM Spearman Rd. in reference to a domestic dispute. Complainant stated she and her boyfriend/offender got into an argument and offender put his finger against her head and pushed it in and threatened her. C/p stated she packed up her things two months ago to move out but hasn't done so yet. Offender stated he did not lay a hand on c/p but stated he would hit her back in the heat of the moment but he never would hit her or never has hit her. Offender stated c/p doesn't work and treats his kids awful and wants her gone because the situation is bad and is only getting worse.

Deputy responded to Griffin Ferry Rd. in reference to a stolen gun. Complainant stated his car had been gone through and his Glock 43x was stolen.

Deputy responded to Falcon Trl. in reference to complainant stating he saw a male subject walking in front of her house and when he saw her, he walked up the road and got into a parked car with the lights off, then drove past her house and went two houses down and turned around and drove slowly by her residence, then left the area.

October 16

Deputy responded to I16 regarding an animal collision. Complainant stated his vehicle struck a deer, causing inoperable damage.

Grand Jury returns 10 true bills, 1 no bill

The October 2022 term of the Emanuel County Grand Jury convened Friday, October 14. With the Honorable Judge Tommy J. Smith presiding, he swore in Mary Sue Avoery to serve as bailiff. Elected by the grand jurors

to serve as foreperson was Dianne Lawson. Pamela Carr was elected as assistant foreperson and Corine Hampton as clerk. The District Attorney's Office presented 11 bills of indictment involving 12 defendants, and the grand jury

returned 10 true bills and 1 no bill follows:

True Bills

John Albert Fleming – Two counts sale of methamphetamine.

Timothy Johnson – One count criminal damage to property in the second degree (felony).

Jacob Joel Iacoviello – One count aggravated battery (felony) and one count unlawful acts of violence in a penal institution (felony).

Justin Demond Johnson – One count fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer (felony), one count cruelty to children in the second degree (felony), one count driving under the influence (less safe) (drugs), one count discharge of a gun near highway or street, one count discharging a firearm under the influence, one count driving without a license, and one

count possession of a firearm by first offender probationer (felony).

Cavan Thomas Sellers – One count possession of marijuana with intent to distribute (felony) and one count possession of firearm during the commission of a felony (felony).

Charles Edward Fields – One count fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer (felony), one count possession of cocaine with intent to distribute (felony), one count possession of marijuana with intent to distribute (felony), one count obstruction of an officer, one count possession of drug related objects and one count failure to wear seat safety belt.

Shaquille Devalle Copeland – One count

possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and one count possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony.

Wyatt Cameron Adams – One count battery, family violence (felony).

Robert Blalock Hawkins – One count obstruction of an officer (felony).

Laportia Mishon Johnson and Lyndon Bernard Johnson – One count child molestation (felony) – Lyndon; and one count cruelty to children in the second degree (felony) – Laportia.

No Bill

Kyle Matthew Edenfield – One count aggravated battery (felony) and one count aggravated stalking (felony).

Scott sentenced in superior court

The following occurred during the Emanuel County Superior Court October 2022 term:

Cody Alexander Scott negotiated a plea of guilty on one count possession of heroin and one count possession of drug related object. He was fined \$1,500 and sentenced to 3-years probation.

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Emanuel County has applied to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for a Community Facilities Loan/Grant. A requirement of funding is that a public hearing be held for any interested county residents to ask questions concerning this project. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the meeting will be held via Free Conference Call.

The grant application is for the following:
 To purchase SCBA for the Emanuel County Fire Department

The meeting will be held on **Friday, November 18, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.** via Free Conference Call. Persons wishing to attend the meeting may join by:

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Swainsboro Police Reports

Officers with the Swainsboro Police Department (SPD) report...

October 7

Officer was dispatched to S. Main St. in reference to a damaged vehicle.

Officer was dispatched to N. Anderson Dr. in reference to a couple arguing. Offender was trying to get complainant back in the building when officer told her to step inside while he spoke with c/p. C/p stated that offender stole his debit card and took around \$300 out of his bank account without his permission. Officers went inside to speak with offender and she was gone. When units were about leave, c/p stepped outside and stated that offender also took his phone.

October 8

Officer performed a traffic stop due to the driver not having on a seatbelt. The driver got out of his vehicle and acted like he was confused as to what was going on and officer walked up to him and told him why he was stopped, at which point the driver claimed he was wearing his seatbelt. Officer asked for his license and he stated he did not have a license but had an ID card. Officer returned to his unit to run offender's ID card to find that his license are suspended for a first offense of DUI and no insurance. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer observed a vehicle with no working tag lights, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Officer ran the driver's info to find that he was wanted out of Laurens Co. and there was a warning to use caution because he might be armed and dangerous. Upon doing a search of offender, a glass pipe with a crystal-like substance inside of it was found in his pocket. Consent was given by the driver to search the vehicle and a pistol was located under the seat. Offender then stated there was an AR15 in the toolbox. Offender and passenger were transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer responded to W. Main St. in reference to harassing communications. Complainant stated she received a phone call about having an outstanding warrant for failing to appear at Judy Duty in Statesboro. Offender then asked c/p for her identifying info and she supplied him with her DL info and SS#. C/p stated she then realized what happened and blocked the number and offender began to text her from another number threatening to ruin her life if she didn't provide him with sexual photographs.

October 9

Officer was contacted by 911 in reference to a theft that occurred at Roadway Inn and the owner was in FL. Officer called the victim who stated he and his wife stayed at Roadway Inn and left his Bi-pap machine and when he called up there, he was told it was no longer there.

Officer was on Pine St. when a vehicle approaching him turned in front of him, coming close to hitting his patrol unit. Officer pulled in behind the vehicle and asked the driver to be more careful and the passenger got out and used the ATM. Officer ran the tag number and it was taking some time to come back so he pulled

off as he warned the driver about failure to yield. Officer left and was then notified that the tag came back suspended for failure to appear, at which time he turned around and got behind the vehicle to find that it did not have any head lights or tail lights on. Officer turned his blue lights on and the driver turned his head lights on and pulled over. The driver's door opened and the driver put his left leg out and was putting his hand in a compartment to the left of the steering wheel. Officer told him to show his hands and did so. Officer asked for his name but he wouldn't say thing, then stated "you know me". Officer told the driver that he did not know him and told him he smelled a strong odor of alcohol on him. Offender stated that nobody could say that he had been drinking. Officer asked offender for his name again and he complied, then was asked to step out of the vehicle. Offender's eyes were bloodshot, sleepy and watery, and he was unbalanced and unsteady on his feet and his speech was slurred, mumbling at times, and slow, and he was very nervous acting. Offender was asked to blow into a PBT device but would put his tongue in the way of his breath and the last time he blew, it registered positive at .10. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail and blamed his family members for calling and telling on him, then would cry and hit his fist on the counter and kept asking why he kept putting himself in these situations. Offender was not given a temporary driver's permit due to his license being suspended.

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for running a red light. Officer asked the driver for his license and stated he did not have them on him but had a picture of them on his phone. Officer was able to smell a faint odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. Officer asked how much he had to drink and he stated not too much. Offender did not have slurred speech, but his eyes were sleepy looking. Officer asked offender to step out of his vehicle and take a field sobriety and he agreed. After performing the field sobriety test, offender was given a PBT that showed alcohol level.

Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer was approached by complainant/victim who stated his secondary home had been damaged.

October 10

Officer observed a vehicle with no working tail light and the windows were tinted very dark. Officer pulled behind the vehicle and it failed to maintain its lane, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Two males jumped out and ran on foot. Officer opened the driver side door and offender was in the seat. Officer asked who the males were that ran and she stated she did not know them. Units secured the perimeter and officer ran offender's license to find they are suspended for failure to appear. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Complainant stated that her friend/victim was at her house with the kids making cookies and c/p saw a post on Facebook from offender about c/p and victim being at the house smoking drugs with the kids. C/p asked her boyfriend, who is friends with offender, to text him and ask him to take it down and stop posting about them. Offender sent a text back asking the victim/offender's ex, to text him to talk about court and their son. The victim has a TPO on offender and he keeps trying to call and text her off of a app.

October 11

Officer was dispatched to Crump St. in reference to a domestic dispute. Complainant reported that offender arrived at his house and was angry because she believed he had another female inside. C/p reported that he did not want offender to return. Offender was issued a criminal trespass warning and escorted from the property.

Officer responded to Lewis St. for someone hitting a power box.

Officer was dispatched to Lucky Spot in reference to a theft committed by an employee. Officer located offender at Sunoco who very agitated and was crying, and asked where the deposit was that she took from Lucky Spot. Offender stated she worked at Lucky Spot and put some of the money into the Bit Coin machine and the rest was in her purse. Officer asked offender how much she put in the machine and she said \$2700. Officer asked how much the

deposit was and she stated around \$4500. Officer asked offender why she took the money and she stated that a man called the store and said he was the owner's brother and told her to take the money and gave her an account number to send the money to. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail. Officer then went back to Lucky Spot and spoke with the clerk who stated the offender was driven to the store by a female subject. The clerk stated they both walked in the store and she heard offender tell the other female "we are stealing from this man and he doesn't even know it". The clerk stated that the two females walked back to the Bit Coin machine and were back there for quite a while before the other female left the store and left offender there.

October 12

Officer responded to Easy Stop in reference to shoplifting. Complainant stated a male walked out with a pack of cigars after his ApplePay failed to go through.

Officer was dispatched to O'Reilly's for a damage to vehicle report.

Officer was dispatched to E. Main St. in reference to a vehicle that went in the ditch. Driver was identified as complainant who stated she tried to pull off of the road to turn around and went in the ditch.

Officer was dispatched to Richard St. in reference to two males knocking on people's doors. Officer made contact with the male subjects and asked why they were walking in the rain and why they were knocking on people's doors and they both stated their car wouldn't start and needed some jumper cables. Officer asked where the car was and they stated at the dead end. One male stated they were walking to his father's house on Solomon St. Officer left them walking and traveled to the dead end and did not locate a vehicle. Officers then went to Solomon St. and located the two males. Officer asked the males where the vehicle was and they stated it was at the end of Neal St. and they went down the wrong road. The father agreed to go and jump the vehicle off as long as the male subjects could ride with officers because he did not want them with him. While traveling to

the vehicle, officer could smell a slight odor of marijuana coming from the rear of his unit. One male stated that the keys were locked inside the vehicle but once it was jumped off, it would unlock.

Once the vehicle had power, the male could not find the keys and the vehicle would not unlock. Officer asked one male to step to the side to speak with him and asked what they were doing at the dead end and he stated he was picking his friend up from his girlfriend's house but couldn't tell him where she lived. Officer then asked if they had been smoking pot and he stated he hasn't smoked but the other male smoked in his vehicle. Officer then looked in the window and could see marijuana shake in the passenger seat. Officer then asked the other male where he was sitting in the vehicle and he stated in the passenger seat. He then asked how much marijuana was in the vehicle and he stated not too much and it was in the pizza box in the back seat. He then stated it was all his and he was the only one that had it. The male subject was unable to find the keys and asked if they could unlock it. Officer notified 911 to send ECSO to unlock the vehicle. Once unlocked, a search of the vehicle was done and one male was arrested for possession of marijuana. The male subject told the officer he wanted his wallet that was in the back of his father's truck and a search of it was done before giving it to him and two small straws with white powder residue were in it. Officer then asked the male subject about a white pill and if he swallowed it and he stated he didn't know anything about a white pill. The other male subject stated it was in the zipper pocket on his wallet. Officer searched the wallet again and did not locate any pill, then looked in the back of the father's truck and found a wet, mashed pill and collected it. One male subject was transported to EmCo Jail and advised that the powder substance was Percocet.

October 13

Officer was dispatched to Wendy's due to two males in the restaurant with guns. Offender 1 was detained and officers were told that offender 2 went towards Taco Bell. Offender 1's moth-

er arrived on scene and with her help, offender 2 was identified. Officers left to look for offender 2 but were unable to locate him. Victim 1 stated it all happened because he was "being clowned on Facebook" and provided the messages. Victim 2 stated she actually used to date offender 1 and that could be why he has something against her and her current boyfriend/victim 1. Offender 1 was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer was traveling behind a vehicle and noticed the tag expired this month and ran it to find that it expired on 10/2, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle came to a stop and the passenger got out and ran. Officer approached the driver side and made contact with the driver and asked who the passenger was and he stated he did not know - he was just giving him a ride. Officer then asked for his license and he stated he did not have them on him. Officer asked for his name and DOB. Once back-up arrived, the driver was asked to step out of the vehicle and officer could smell marijuana coming from his person. Officer asked if he could search him and he stated yes. Upon searching the vehicle, officer noticed a green leafy substance sitting on the middle console. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail. Officer could still smell marijuana and offender admitted it was under his testicles.

Officer observed a vehicle with very dark window tint, at which point he turned around and ran the tag to find that it had been suspended/expired registration. Officer then initiated his blue lights and the vehicle pulled over. Officer made contact with the driver and asked for his license and he stated the vehicle was not his and he left them in his vehicle. Officer could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage and he stated he had not had anything to drink, then stated he drank one earlier. Offender was asked to blow into the PBT and registered .09. Offender was transported to SPD and administered the state administered breath test on the Intox and he blew two samples and was not charged with DUI due to the lowest sample being under .08 BRAC.

NOTICE

The City Commission of Twin City does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held in the City Commission Chambers on November 1, 2022 at 7:30PM and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2022 TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

CITY WIDE	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Real & Personal	16,005,388	16,983,601	17,349,622	17,021,110	20,355,577	20,686,775
Motor Vehicles	657,280	541,750	470,630	237,026	343,010	305,370
Mobile Homes	213,615	200,723	180,024	209,648	224,410	226,980
Timber - 100%						
Heavy Duty Equipment						
Gross Digest	16,876,283	17,726,074	18,000,276	17,467,784	20,922,997	21,219,125
Less M & O Exemptions	489,596	502,791	493,417	496,278	512,515	607,076
Net M & O Digest	16,386,687	17,223,283	17,506,859	16,971,506	20,410,482	20,612,049
State Forest Land Assistance Grant Value						
Adjusted Net M&O Digest	16,386,687	17,223,283	17,506,859	16,971,506	20,410,482	20,612,049
Gross M&O Millage	17.524	17.964	18.473	21.321	19.359	19.852
Less Rollback (LOST)	10.281	10.773	11.260	14.104	12.476	13.233
Net M&O Millage	7.243	7.191	7.213	7.217	6.883	6.619
Total City Taxes Levied	\$118,689	\$123,853	\$126,277	\$122,483	\$140,485	\$136,431
Net Taxes \$ Increase		\$5,164	\$2,424	-\$3,794	\$18,002	-\$4,054
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COMPATRIOT DR. JOHN DERDEN AND MARY ELLEN SMITH FIRING TWO 6-POUNDER FIELD GUNS TO HONOR PATRIOT COLBY SMITH

Derden speaks to the 42nd Colby Smith Reunion

Descendants of Revolutionary War Patriot Colby Smith held their annual 42nd Reunion Saturday, October 15, 2022, at the Bethany Baptist Church in Washington County at 12:00 a.m. with Co-President Dess Smith III presiding. There were 20 in attendance including three guests:

Compatriot Dr. John Derden, Compatriot Steve Burke, and Compatriot Bernard Martin.

After the blessing was said by Co-president

Wilder Smith, Jr., an outstanding covered dish lunch was enjoyed by all. Co-president Dess Smith III then welcomed everyone and introduced the speaker for the reunion, Compatriot Dr. John Derden. Remaining with a revolutionary war theme, Dr. John presented his program, "General George Washington's 1791 tour of Georgia". John's program included a power point presentation along with his speech. After the election of officers

for 2023, the roll call of Colby's children's descendants, the memorial for those descendants that have passed on since last year's reunion, and the closing prayer, was said by Compatriot Bernard Martin. Everyone then moved outside for a 3-round volley fired by 50 cal. Pennsylvania/Kentucky Flintlock rifles, 69 cal. Charleville Flintlock Musket and two 6-pounder Field Guns.

Derden speaks to the Fall Line Chapter SAR

The Fall Line Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Tuesday night October 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce in Sandersville with President Sandy Mercer presiding. There were 14 in attendance including 5 guests:

East Fall Line Region Vice President Bill Tankersley, Dr. John Derden, Compatriot John Tapley, Selwyn May, and Bernice Strickland. President Sandy introduced Selwyn May and Bernice Strickland to tell the Chapter about the DAR's "Wreaths Across America" project that they will be doing this year in the Old Sandersville Cemetery on December 17, 2022. They also talked about the assistance that will be needed for the Fall Line Chapter during that day. President Sandy then called on dual



PRESIDENT SANDY MERCER AND COMPATRIOT DR. JOHN DERDEN

member Dess Smith III to introduce the speaker for the evening, Dr. John Derden. Before introducing Dr. Derden, Smith informed the group about the recent presentation that Derden made at the 132nd Congress for the National Society Sons of the American Revolution in Savannah on July 13, 2022. Tuesday night's presentation was on "It all Started in a Bar, Revolutionary Savannah". Derden

focused on the role and significance of the port city in the American Revolution. He emphasized that Savannah's strategic importance to both sides during the war made the town a focal point of several campaigns and that the failed attempt by the combined French and American forces to retake Savannah in October 1779 led to what has been described as "the bloodiest hour of the American Revolution."

Lisenby speaks to the Brier Creek Chapter

The Brier Creek Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Thursday, October 6, 2022, at Walls Diner in Sylvania at 7 p.m. With President Wayne Howard presiding, there were 14 members in attendance and two guests as well as the Georgia Society Secretary Gary L. Smith and the East Fall Line Region Vice President Bill Tankersley. The program for the evening was presented by Mike Lisenby, a retired lawyer from Swainsboro who has applied for SAR membership in the Wiregrass Chapter. His presentation was on the *Battle of Sullivan's Island, South Carolina*. The Battle of Sullivan's Island, the first decisive patriot victory over the British Royal Navy, shocked the world and protected Charleston during a critical early stage of the American

Revolution. Charleston's recruit artillerymen won against a powerful British Royal Navy Squadron on the 28th of June 1776. The Royal Navy had 274 cannons and two mortars mounted on 10 British warships and 30 transports carrying their 2,500 troops. The British Navy was commanded by Commodore Sir Peter Parker and the British troops were commanded by Major-General Henry Clinton. The second South Carolina Regiment, 450 men, garrisoned the fort, commanded by Colonel William Moultrie, a planter and veteran of the Cherokee War. The American forces in Charleston had 6,500 troops commanded by Major General Charles Lee that remained in Charleston and were never deployed to Sullivan's Island. During the battle, the fort was struck by

several thousand cannon balls, but the palmetto trunks used in the structure absorbed the shock of the strikes and the fort's structure remained intact. The American gunners were protected by the sixteen-foot-thick sand and timber walls and suffered few casualties. American's casualties were 17 dead and 20 wounded. 7,000 British cannon balls were collected on Sullivan's Island after the battle. The British Flagship, The Bristol, was struck seventy times and suffered the most damage. Every man serving on the quarterdeck was killed or wounded. Among the 111 victims throughout the ship, 40 of them were dead. If you would like to become a member of the Brier Creek Chapter, please call President Wayne Howard at 912-690-4626 or e-mail 1950.mon.goose@gmail.com.

Burke speaks to the Wiregrass Chapter SAR

The Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting on Thursday night, October 13, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. with President Wilder Smith, Jr. presiding. There were 14 members in attendance and two guests. President Wilder introduced the speaker for the evening, Compatriot Steve Burke. Burke's presentation was on the "Battle at Trenton". Burke informed attendees that during this battle that was held on the early morning of December 26, 1776, General Washington had crossed the Delaware River with his Continental Army and attacked the Hessian auxiliaries that were stationed at Trenton. The Hessian's were surprised,

and the battle was very short. The Continental Army strength was 2,400 with the Hessian's at 1,500. The casualties and losses for the Continental army were: two frozen to death and five wounded while the Hessian's were: 22 killed, 83 wounded and 800-900 captured. Many of the Continental Army's enlistments were up this month, but because of the great victory, it boasted the morale and most of the soldiers re-enlisted and new recruits were attracted to the ranks. President Wilder then called on Registrar Dess to present the Wiregrass Chapter with the 242nd Commemoration of the 1st Siege of Augusta Streamer held on September 17, 2022.



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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION
ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

Pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Emanuel County on July 18, 2022, and a call for an election issued by the Emanuel County Board of Elections, as Election Superintendent for Emanuel County, notice is hereby given as follows:

1. On November 8, 2022, a special election will be held in Emanuel County to submit to the qualified voters of Emanuel County the following question:
SPECIAL ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX

- () YES Shall a special one percent sales and use tax be reimposed in the special district of Emanuel County for a period of time not to exceed six years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$22,039,000 for the purpose of (i) funding the following capital outlay projects at: (A) County-wide, level one and level two capital outlay projects consisting of County administrative offices, hospital improvements, jail improvements, EMS vehicles and equipment, animal shelter improvements, airport improvements, economic development, Swainsboro Emanuel County Recreation Department improvements, Twin City recreation / Roundtree Park improvements, and County-wide communication systems; (B) for Emanuel County, road equipment, road improvements, fleet vehicles, County buildings improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, solid waste improvements and equipment, E-911 system, rural fire vehicles, and equipment, and technology equipment; (C) for the City of Adrian, public safety vehicles and equipment, recreation improvements, water and sewer debt, and public works vehicles and equipment; (D) for the City of Garfield, street and drainage improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, and public works vehicles and equipment; (E) for the City of Nunez, public works improvements, park improvements and equipment, and public safety vehicles and equipment; (F) for the City of Oak Park, public works equipment and improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment and improvements, streets and road improvements, public facility improvements, and recreation department equipment and improvements; (G) for the City of Stillmore, street improvements, water system improvements, public safety facility and equipment, community house improvements, and recreation equipment; (H) for the City of Summertown, public works equipment and improvements, street improvements, recreation improvements, water and sewer improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, and public facility improvements; (I) for the City of Swainsboro, water and waste water improvements, fire department vehicles and equipment, police department vehicles and equipment, public works vehicles and equipment, streets and sidewalks improvements, cultural arts and education infrastructure; city hall renovations, and public facility improvements; and (J) for the City of Twin City, water and sewer system improvements, road improvements, police vehicles and equipment, fire department equipment, recreation improvements and equipment, sidewalk and trail improvements, public works equipment, and public building/facility improvements?

2. All qualified voters desiring to vote in favor of imposing the tax shall vote "Yes" and all qualified voters opposed to levying the tax shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast are in favor of imposing the tax then such tax shall be imposed beginning upon the termination of the special purpose sales and use tax presently in effect and shall cease to be imposed on the earlier of (a) 24 calendar quarters after the tax is imposed or (b) as of the end of the calendar quarter during which the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Revenue determines that the special purpose sales and use tax will have raised revenues sufficient to provide to the County and the Municipalities net proceeds equal to or greater than the amount specified as the maximum amount of net proceeds to be raised by the special purpose sales and use tax.

3. Estimated sales tax revenues shall be divided between and among Emanuel County and all of the qualified municipalities within Emanuel County in accordance with an Intergovernmental Agreement which is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Emanuel County.

4. Reference is hereby made to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 36821(d), which provides in part that any brochures, listings, or other advertisements issued by the Board of Commissioners or by any other person, firm, corporation, or association with the knowledge and consent of the Board of Commissioners shall be deemed to be a statement of intention of the Board of Commissioners concerning the use of bond funds.

5. The last day to register to vote in the election is Tuesday, October 11, 2022. Anyone desiring to register may do so by applying in person at the voter registration office located at 105 South Main Street, Swainsboro, Georgia, or by any other method authorized by the Georgia Election Code

6. The election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

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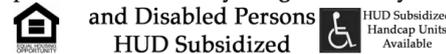
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF FRANCES DRAKE DURDEN KEENE, ESTATE NO. 22E0108

DECEASED NOTICE

IN RE: Petition to Probate Will in Solemn Form and for Letters of Administration with Will Annexed

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS EMANUEL COUNTY, GEORGIA

RE: Estate of Billy J. Johnson, Deceased
Estate No. 22-EO-120
ALL CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF BILLY J. JOHNSON, ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO RENDER THEIR DEMANDS TO THE UNDERSIGNED IN ACCORDANCE TO LAW, AND WILL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ESTATE ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE IMMEDIATE PAYMENTS TO THE UNDERSIGNED. THIS 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022.

Jessie N. Johnson, Executor
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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
By virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from BRIAN E JOHNSON AKA BRIAN EDWARD JOHNSON TO MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR AGSOUTH FARM CREDIT ACA, AS AGENT/NOMINEE FOR AGSOUTH FLCA OR PCA AS THEIR INTERESTS MAY APPEAR, dated March 12, 2018, recorded March 19, 2018, in Deed Book 461, Page 452, Emanuel County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of Fifty-Five Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$55,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Agfirst Farm Credit Bank, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Emanuel County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in November, 2022, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE 58TH G.M. DISTRICT OF EMANUEL COUNTY, GEORGIA, CONTAINING 5.06 ACRES AS SHOWN ON A PLAT PREPARED BY GEORGE WILLIAMS DONALDSON, SURVEYOR, DATED JANUARY 18TH, 2010 AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE 152, OF THE RECORDS OF CLERK SUPERIOR COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY, GEORGIA. SAID PLAT IS HEREBY INCORPORATED HEREIN FOR A MORE FULL, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND BEING BOUNDED AS SHOWN ON PLAT AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY COUNTY ROAD 252, ALSO KNOWN AS THE OLD KENFIELD ROAD; ON THE EAST, SOUTH AND WEST BY LAND OF BEVERLY JOHNSON. PARCEL ID: 120023A

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JOHNSON, or tenants(s). The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: LoanCare, LLC, Loss Mitigation Dept., 3637 Sentara Way, Virginia Beach, VA 23452, Telephone Number: 800-909-9525. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require a secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

AGFIRST FARM CREDIT BANK as Attorney in Fact for BRIAN E JOHNSON AKA BRIAN EDWARD JOHNSON THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Attorney Contact: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071
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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by JEFFERY C. HORNE to NITA H. LIVINGSTON, P.O. Box 646, Swainsboro, Georgia, 30401, dated November 7, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 408, pages 82-86, Emanuel County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Emanuel County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in November, 2022, to wit: November 1, 2022, the following described property:

All that lot or parcel of land lying, situate and being in the 53rd G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, containing 0.248 of an acre, more or less, as shown on a plat of survey made by Walter K. Maupin, Surveyor, dated July 14, 1989, and recorded in Plat Book 13, page 651, Emanuel County Clerk's Records, and to which plat reference is hereby made for descriptive and all other legal purposes. Said property is triangular in shape, fronts for a distance of 100.63 feet on the northern side of an eighty (80) foot street, and is bounded, now or formerly, as follows: Northwest by lands of Temple Baptist Church; East by lands of Roy Joe Boulineau; and South by the right of way of an eighty (80) foot street.

Said Deed to Secure Debt was executed to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$59,000.00, with interest at the rate specified therein together with all other indebtedness of the borrower to the lender then due or that might thereafter become due, or thereafter become contracted, which was or would be evidenced by a note or notes.

The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees. Notice of intent to collect attorney's fees has been given, as provided by law. Said property is commonly known as 107 Tiger Trail, Swainsboro, GA 30401, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the subject property is: JEFFERY C. HORNE or tenant or tenants.

Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, and covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; (2) O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1; and (3) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2, the entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: NITA H. LIVINGSTON, P.O. Box 646, Swainsboro, GA 30401.

The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require the secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the Deed to Secure Debt described herein. This sale is conducted on behalf of the secured creditor under the power of sale granted in the aforementioned security instrument, specifically being Nita H. Livingston, as Attorney in Fact for Jeffery C. Horne, P.O. Box 646, Swainsboro, GA 30401. Attorney P.O. Box 68 Swainsboro, GA 30401 THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

HARVEY P. STEVENS NOTICE TERMINATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

TO: Georgia Department of Revenue Income Tax Lien Section 1800 Century Boulevard NE

Suite 9300 Atlanta, GA 30345-3205

Take notice that: The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land lying, situate and being in the 53rd G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, containing 1.00 acre, fronting on the Eastern side of Wyatt Circle as shown on a plat of survey dated April 14, 1983, made by Walter K. Maupin, Surveyor, which is recorded in the Office of Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court in Plat Book 11, page 257 to which reference is made as a part of this description. Said property is bounded now or formerly as follows: North by lands of Mary E. Williams and Bobby L. Williams, formerly lands of Register Construction Company; East by lands of Steven L. Shelton and Jami K. Shelton, formerly lands of Register Construction Company and lands of Richard Hermann, formerly lands of Register Construction Company; South by lands of Stephanie Rae Boatright, formerly lands of Register Construction Company; and West by Wyatt Circle. Said property is the same as that conveyed by a Warranty Deed dated April 26, 1983 from Myrtle R. Register to Alton Johnson, which is recorded in the Office of Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court in Deed Book 1C, page 675.

Said property is designated by the 2019 Emanuel County Tax Assessors as Map and Parcel No. 057-075. Will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 2nd of November, 2022. The tax deed to which this notice related is dated November 7, 2017, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia, in Deed Book 456, pages 330-331.

The property may be redeemed at any time before the 2nd day of November, 2022, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: Harvey P. Stevens, P.O. Box 1329, Swainsboro, GA 30401. Please be governed accordingly. This 26th day of September, 2022. HARVEY P. STEVENS P.O. Box 1329 Swainsboro, GA 30401 Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. Attorney at Law P.O. Box 68 Swainsboro, GA 30401 478-237-2271

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF GREGORY NEWSOME, ESTATE NO. 22E0039

DECEASED

IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed. TO: ANTHONY NEWSOME This is to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before OCTOBER 31, 2022. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.

DON E. WILKES
Judge of the Probate Court
By: Jeanie Hooks
Clerk of the Probate Court
P.O. Box 70 / 125 South Main Street Swainsboro, Ga. 30401
Address
478-237-7091
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DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX SALE

Under and by virtue of certain tax Fi. Fa.'s issued by the Tax Commissioner of Emanuel County, Georgia, in favor of the State of Georgia and County of Emanuel against the following named persons and the property as described next to their respective name(s). There will be sold for cash or certified funds at public outcry, before the Courthouse door in Swainsboro, Emanuel County, Georgia, between the legal hours of sale, on the first Tuesday in November, 2022, the same being November 1st, 2022, and continuing on November 2nd, 2022, if necessary between the legal hours of sale, 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. The below listed and described properties, or as much thereof as will satisfy the State and County tax execution on the respective individual and property. The property (ies) hereinafter described have been levied on as the property of the persons whose names immediately precede the property description. Each of the respective parcels of property are located in Emanuel County, State of Georgia. The years for which said Fi. Fa.'s are issued and levied are stated opposite the name of the owner in each case. Each defendant and tenant in possession, if applicable, has been notified of levy time and place of sale. Purchaser shall pay for title, all transfer costs, all taxes, advertising costs and recording fees. Any mobile home(s) situated on the parcels are excluded from sale unless otherwise noted. Any mobile home included will be considered a fixture of the property. All redemption rights given to the land will apply to the mobile home.

Map & Parcel: 017002
Defendant in Fifa: Morales, Julio C.
Current Record Holder: Morales, Julio C.
CRH Address: 543 Revis Blocker Road NE Glennville, GA 30427
Amount Due: \$598.08
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: 397/386
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1452nd GMD, being 1.10 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 15, Page 446. Or as further described in Deed Book 397, Page 386. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 017002, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 020009
Defendant in Fifa: Love, Crystal Di-

ane
Current Record Holder: Love, Crystal Diane
CRH Address: 16 Love Road Adrian, GA 31002
Amount Due: \$1,116.39
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020
Deed Book: 402/227
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1452nd GMD, being 16.50 acres, more or less. Being Tract 2. As shown in Plat Book 13, Page 428. Or as further described in Deed Book 402, Page 227. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 020009, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 026022
Defendant in Fifa: Newsome, Hollis Alan
Current Record Holder: Newsome, Hollis Alan
CRH Address: 147 Atkinson Drive Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$498.97
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: 265/378
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1452nd GMD, being 1.00 acre, more or less. Or as further described in Deed Book 265, Page 378. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 026022, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 044089
Defendant in Fifa: Tapley, Geneva L.
Current Record Holder: Tapley, Geneva L.
CRH Address: 370 Kemp Road Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$1,522.68
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: 308/11
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 53rd GMD, being 6.71 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 18, Page 552. Or as further described in Deed Book 308, Page 11. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 044089, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 069092
Defendant in Fifa: Jackson, Wauline Estate
Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Jackson, Wauline C., Deceased
CRH Address: 37 Piney Grove Road Midville, GA 30441
Amount Due: \$532.02
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: 17/164
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1208th GMD, being 0.82 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 8, Page 20. Or as further described in Deed Book 17, Page 164. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 069092, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: 069133
Defendant in Fifa: Carswell, Eddie Lee Jr.
Current Record Holder: Phillips, Gertrude D.
CRH Address: PO Box 402 Midville, GA 30441
Amount Due: \$816.43
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018
Deed Book: 517/636
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1208th GMD, being 1.00 acre, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 17, Page 201. Or as further described in Deed Book 517, Page 636. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 069133, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: 075035
Defendant in Fifa: Brantley, James Randy
Current Record Holder: Brantley, Terri
CRH Address: 337 New Turner Drive Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$2,686.58
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020
Deed Book: 518/108
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 53rd GMD, being 10.40 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 7, Page 56; Plat Book 8, Page 1 & Plat Book 6, Page 171. Or as further described in Deed Book 518, Page 108. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 075035, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 076A032
Defendant in Fifa: Gardner, Unette
Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Gardner, Unette, Deceased
CRH Address: PO Box 2077 Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$2,048.91
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020
Deed Book: HP/295
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Swainsboro, 53rd GMD, being 0.65 acres, more or less. Being Lot 18, Block B, of Swainsboro West Subdivision. As shown in Plat Book 10, Page 446. Or as further described in Deed Book HP, Page 295. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 076A032, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 080004B
Defendant in Fifa: Mendiola, Eduardo
Current Record Holder: Mendiola, Eduardo
CRH Address: 1200 Mathis Street Lake Worth, FL 33461
Amount Due: \$1,027.40
Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018,2017
Deed Book: 362/422
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Nunez, 1502nd GMD, being 0.34 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 12, Page 266. Or as further described in Deed Book 362, Page 422. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 080004B, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 095C020
Defendant in Fifa: Daniels, James B.
Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Daniels, James B., Deceased
CRH Address: PO Box 1534 Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$1,897.20
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: 257/420
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Swainsboro, 53rd GMD, being 0.22 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 8, Page 206. Or as further described in Deed Book 257, Page 420. Being

known as Tax Map & Parcel 095C020, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 127033
Defendant in Fifa: Cox, Joanne W.
Current Record Holder: Cox, Joanne W.
CRH Address: 2333 GA Highway 192 North Midville, GA 30441
Amount Due: \$3,918.75
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020
Deed Book: 323/223
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 57th GMD, being 17.70 acres, more or less. Being Tract 14. As shown in Plat Book 20, Page 45C. Or as further described in Deed Book 323, Page 223. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 127033, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 131057
Defendant in Fifa: Gardner, Rileene
Current Record Holder: Gardner, Rileene
CRH Address: 494 Granddaughter Avenue Twin City, GA 30471
Amount Due: \$1,169.93
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018,2017,2016,2015
Deed Book: 130/300
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1560th GMD, being 0.81 acres, more or less. Being Tract 2. As shown in Plat Book 18, Page 230. Or as further described in Deed Book 130, Page 300. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 131057, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 132048
Defendant in Fifa: Oglesby, Bernard
Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Oglesby, Bernard L., Deceased
CRH Address: 1286 Lambs Bridge Road Twin City, GA 30471
Amount Due: \$7,138.32
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018,2017,2016
Deed Book: 367/13
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1560th GMD, being 19.30 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 1, Page 177. Or as further described in Deed Book 367, Page 13. Less & Except: 1.00 acre conveyed in Deed Book 367, Page 15, shown in Plat Book 22, Page 325. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 132048, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 136040
Defendant in Fifa: Woods, Dessie
Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Woods, Dessie P., Deceased
CRH Address: PO Box 331 Stillmore, GA 30464
Amount Due: \$1,578.35
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
Deed Book: FW/451
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 58th GMD, being 1.00 acre, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 6, Page 146. Or as further described in Deed Book FW, Page 451. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 136040, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: 165025
Defendant in Fifa: Hunter, Rebeca D.
Current Record Holder: Hunter, Rebeca D.
CRH Address: 337 Old Swainsboro Road Twin City, GA 30471
Amount Due: \$745.65
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020
Deed Book: 490/620
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Twin City, 1560th GMD, being 1.01 acres, more or less. Being Lots 15 & 16. As shown in Plat Book 14, Page 90. Or as further described in Deed Book 490, Page 620. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 165025, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 166024
Defendant in Fifa: Price, Dean
Current Record Holder: Price, Dean
CRH Address: 1337 Highway 23 South Twin City, GA 30471
Amount Due: \$2,739.20
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018
Deed Book: IG/85
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1560th GMD, being 2.34 acres, more or less. As shown in Plat Book 11, Page 369. Or as further described in Deed Book IG, Page 85. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 166024, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: 185031
Defendant in Fifa: Brinson, Joseph
Current Record Holder: Brinson, Joseph
CRH Address: 210 Mundy Street Maxton, NC 28364 - 2308
Amount Due: \$513.18
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018
Deed Book: 409/73
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1429th GMD, being 0.30 acres, more or less. Or as further described in Deed Book 409, Page 73. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel 185031, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: S01003
Defendant in Fifa: Woods, Ray E.
Current Record Holder: Woods, Ray E.
CRH Address: PO Box 75 Swainsboro, GA 30401
Amount Due: \$678.78
Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019,2018,2017
Deed Book: DQ/527; DR/1B
Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Stillmore, 58th GMD, being 0.48 acres, more or less. Or as further described in Deed Book 140, Page 69. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel SM1015, Emanuel County, Georgia.
Map & Parcel: T07070A
Defendant in Fifa: Stanford, Christopher Anthony
Current Record Holder: Stanford, Christopher Anthony
CRH Address: 123 Davis Road Twin City, GA 30471
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Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2018,2017,1993
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The Lord heard Sarah laughing and questioned her about it. She tried to deny that she had laughed, but the Lord knew that she had.

The Lord asked Abraham, "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?"

He then stated that he would return at the appointed time next year and Sarah would have a son.



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 Defendant in FiFa: Stokes, Anner W.
 Current Record Holder: Stokes, Anner Mae a/k/a Anner W. Stokes
 CRH Address:
 PO Box 255
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 Amount Due: \$1,407.68
 Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,1996
 Deed Book: 44/470
 Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Twin City, 1560th GMD, being 0.28 acres, more or less. Being Lot 2, of Davis Row Subdivision. As shown in Plat Book 6, Page 13. Or as further described in Deed Book 44, Page 470. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel T08060, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: T09043
 Defendant in FiFa: Brinson, J. C. & Pecola
 Current Record Holder: Brinson J. C. & Pecola
 CRH Address:
 4182 A Autumn Hill
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 Amount Due: \$522.83
 Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
 Deed Book: DQ/62
 Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Twin City, 1560th being 0.54 acres, more or less. Or as further described in Deed Book DQ, Page 62. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel T09043, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: T10037
 Defendant in FiFa: Walker, Albert L. & Albert JM Walker
 Current Record Holder: Heirs Known & Unknown of Walker, Albert L., Deceased & Walker, Albert JM
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 Amount Due: \$2,168.98
 Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
 Deed Book: 105/106
 Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, City of Twin City, 1560th GMD, being 0.34 acres, more or less. Being Lot 21, of John E. Whetsell Subdivision. As shown in Plat Book 8, Page 618. Or as further described in Deed Book 105, Page 106. Being known as Tax Map & Parcel T10037, Emanuel County, Georgia.

Map & Parcel: WS1014
 Defendant in FiFa: Betty, Kitchens Estate
 Current Record Holder: Kitchens, Alfred H.
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 311 Lewis Street
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 Amount Due: \$431.88
 Tax Years Due: 2021,2020,2019
 Deed Book: 370/213
 Legal Description: All that tract of land being in the: State of Georgia, County of Emanuel, 1502nd GMD, being 0.23 acres, more or less. As shown

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 * Deed Book: Refers to Deed Records located in the Emanuel County Courthouse, Clerk of Superior Court's Office where property is more fully described. 4C226

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PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
 TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:
 SARAH SMITH OVERSTREET has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of WILLIAM Q. OVERSTREET, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before NOVEMBER 13, 2022.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
DON E. WILKES
 Judge of the Probate Court
 By: Jeanie Hooks
 Clerk of the Probate Court
P.O. Box 70 / 125 South Main Street Swainsboro, Ga. 30401
 Address
 478-237-7091
 Telephone Number

SUMMARIES OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
 Pursuant to requirements of the Georgia Constitution, Attorney General Christopher Carr, Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, and Legislative Counsel Rick Ruskell hereby provide the summaries of the proposed constitutional amendments that will appear on the November 8, 2022, general election ballot for consideration by the people of Georgia (short captions are those adopted by the Constitutional Amendments Publication Board):
- 1 - Provides for suspension of compensation of certain State officers and members of General Assembly.
 Senate Resolution No. 134
 Resolution Act No. 304
 Ga. L. 2021, p. 939

() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to suspend the compensation of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Labor, or any member of the General Assembly while such individual is suspended from office following indictment for a felony?"
 () NO

Summary
 This proposal provides for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony. It amends Article II, Section III, Paragraph I of the Georgia Constitution in subparagraphs (b), relating to felony indictment of certain public officials,

(d), relating to the period for appointment of a review commission, (e), relating to petition for review of suspension, and (h), relating to termination of suspension not first tried at the next regular or special term following indictment.

A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.
- 2 - Provides for temporary local tax relief after disasters.
 House Resolution No. 594
 Resolution Act No. 803
 Ga. L. 2022, p. 837

() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the governing authority of each county, municipality, and consolidated government and the board of education of each independent and county school system in this state shall be authorized to grant temporary tax relief to properties severely damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster and located within a nationally declared disaster area?"
 () NO

Summary
 This proposal provides that the governing authorities of counties, municipalities, and consolidated governments and the board of education of each independent and county school system shall be authorized to grant temporary tax relief to properties severely damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster and located within a nationally declared disaster area. It authorizes the Georgia General Assembly by general law to provide for the eligibility, procedures for obtaining, and all other matters regarding such temporary tax relief. It amends Article VII, Section I, Paragraph III of the Georgia Constitution by revising the current text of subparagraph (a) and adding a new subparagraph (h). A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.
SUMMARIES OF PROPOSED STATE-WIDE REFERENDUM QUESTIONS
 Pursuant to Code Section 21-2-4 of the O.C.G.A., the Secretary of State is authorized to include with the summaries of proposed constitutional amendments summaries of any statewide referendum questions to be voted on at the same general election:
- A - Provides tax exemption for agricul-

tural equipment and certain farm products in certain circumstances.
 House Bill No. 498
 Act No. 260
 Ga. L. 2021, p. 602

() YES Shall the Act be approved which expands a state-wide exemption from ad valorem taxes for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities, and which adds dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption?"
 () NO

Summary
 This proposal expands an existing ad valorem tax exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products of certain entities and adds dairy products and unfertilized poultry eggs to the exemption. It amends Code Section 48-5-41.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated in paragraphs (2) and (9) of subsection (a). If approved by a majority of the voters, the Act becomes effective on January 1, 2023, and applies to all tax years beginning on or after that date.
- B - Provides tax exemption for certain equipment used by timber producers.
 House Bill No. 997
 Act No. 859
 Ga. L. 2022, p. 736

() YES Shall the Act be approved which grants a state-wide exemption from all ad valorem taxes for certain equipment used by timber producers in the production or harvest of timber?"
 () NO

Summary
 This proposal authorizes a new exemption from ad valorem taxes for certain equipment used by timber producers in the production or harvest of timber. It enacts new Code Section 48-5-41.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. If approved by a majority of the voters, the Act becomes effective on January 1, 2023, and applies to all tax years beginning on or after that date.

OFFICIAL ABSENTEE / PROVISIONAL / EMERGENCY BALLOT
 Emanuel County, Georgia
 General Election - November 8, 2022

To Vote:
 1. Use Black or Blue ink to mark the ballot.
 2. Completely fill in the empty oval to the left of the candidate name or choice in all races you wish to vote.
 3. If voting for a Write-In candidate, completely fill in the oval to the left of the Write-In selection, then write the name of the Write-In candidate in the space provided.
If you make a mistake or change your mind on a selection:
 A. Do not attempt to mark through the selection or attempt to erase. Write "Spoiled" across the ballot AND across the return envelope.
 B. Mail or return the spoiled ballot and envelope to your county board of registrars; a new official absentee ballot will be mailed to you.
If you decide to vote in-person: Surrender the ballot to the poll manager at an early voting site within your county or the precinct to which you are assigned. You will then be permitted to vote a regular ballot.
 *I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law. * [O.C.G.A. 21-2-284(e), 21-2-383(a)]

For United States Senate (Vote for One)
 Herschel Junior Walker
 Republican
 Raphael Warnock
 (Incumbent) Democrat
 Chase Oliver
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For Commissioner of Agriculture (Vote for One)
 Tyler Harper
 Republican
 Nakita Hemingway
 Democrat
 David Raudabaugh
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For State Senate District 23 (Vote for One)
 Max Burns
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Write-in

For Governor (Vote for One)
 Brian Kemp
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Stacey Abrams
 Democrat
 Shane Hazel
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For Commissioner of Insurance (Vote for One)
 John King
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Janice Laws Robinson
 Democrat
 Write-in

For State House of Representatives - District 158 (Vote for One)
 Butch Parrish
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Madeline Ryan Smith
 Democrat
 Write-in

For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)
 Burt Jones
 Republican
 Charlie Bailey
 Democrat
 Ryan Graham
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For State School Superintendent (Vote for One)
 Richard Woods
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Alisha Thomas Searcy
 Democrat
 Write-in

For Solicitor General (Vote for One)
 Connie P. Terwilliger
 Republican
 Write-in

For Secretary of State (Vote for One)
 Brad Raffensperger
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Bee Nguyen
 Democrat
 Ted Metz
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For Commissioner of Labor (Vote for One)
 Bruce Thompson
 Republican
 William "Will" Boddie, Jr
 Democrat
 Emily Anderson
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For Ohooppee River Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor (Vote for One)
 Sidney Lanier

For Attorney General (Vote for One)
 Chris Carr
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Jennifer "Jen" Jordan
 Democrat
 Martin Cowen
 Libertarian
 Write-in

For United States House of Representatives - District 12 (Vote for One)
 Rick W. Allen
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Elizabeth 'Liz' Johnson
 Democrat
 Write-in

For County Commissioner District 4 (Vote for One)
 James A. "Jim" Sherrod
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Write-in

For County Commissioner District 5 (Vote for One)
 Timothy Oliver
 Republican
 Write-in

For County Commissioner District 2 (Vote for One)
 Keith Thompson
 (Incumbent) Republican
 Write-in

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

1
Provides for suspension of compensation of certain State officers and members of the General Assembly.
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 Resolution Act No. 304
 "Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to suspend the compensation of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Labor, or any member of the General Assembly while such individual is suspended from office following indictment for a felony?"
 Yes
 No

2
Provides for temporary local tax relief after disasters.
 House Resolution No. 594
 Resolution Act No. 803
 "Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the governing authority of each county, municipality, and consolidated government and the board of education of each independent and county school system in this state shall be authorized to grant temporary tax relief to properties within its jurisdiction which are severely damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster and located within a nationally declared disaster area?"
 Yes
 No

A
Provides for ad valorem tax exemption for certain timber production, reforestation, and harvesting equipment.
 House Bill No. 997
 Act No. 859
 "Shall the Act be approved which grants a state-wide exemption from all ad valorem taxes for certain equipment used by timber producers in the production or harvest of timber?"
 Yes
 No

B
Expands ad valorem tax exemption for family-owned farms and adds qualified products to the exemption.
 House Bill No. 498
 Act No. 260
 "Shall the Act be approved which expands a state-wide exemption from ad valorem taxes for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities, and which adds dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption?"
 Yes
 No

Special One Percent Sales and Use Tax (Vote for One)

Shall a special one percent sales and use tax be reimposed in the special district of Emanuel County for a period of time not to exceed six years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$22,039,000 for the purpose of (f) funding the following capital outlay projects: (A) County-wide, level one and level two capital outlay projects consisting of County administrative offices, hospital improvements, jail improvements, EMS vehicles and equipment, animal shelter improvements, airport improvements, economic development, Swainsboro Emanuel County Recreation Department improvements, Twin City recreation/ Roundtree Park improvements, and County-wide communication systems; (B) for Emanuel County, road equipment, road improvements, fleet vehicles, County buildings improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, solid waste improvements and equipment, E-911 system, rural fire vehicles, and equipment, and technology equipment; (C) for the City of Adrian, public safety vehicles and equipment, recreation improvements, water and sewer debt, and public works vehicles and equipment; (D) for the City of Garfield, street and drainage improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, and public works vehicles and equipment; (E) for the City of Nunez, public works improvements, park improvements and equipment, and public safety vehicles and equipment; (F) for the City of Oak Park, public works equipment and improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment and improvements, streets and road improvements, public facility improvements, and recreation department equipment and improvements; (G) for the City of Stillmore, street improvements, water system improvements, public safety facility and equipment, community house improvements, and recreation equipment and improvements; (H) for the City of Summertown, public works equipment and improvements, street improvements, recreation improvements, water and sewer improvements, public safety vehicles and equipment, police department vehicles and equipment, public works vehicles and equipment, streets and sidewalks improvements, cultural arts and education infrastructure; city hall renovations, and public facility improvements; and (J) for the City of Twin City, water and sewer system improvements, road improvements, police vehicles and equipment, fire department equipment, recreation improvements and equipment, sidewalk and trail improvements, public works equipment, and public building/facility improvements?
 Yes
 No

Disclaimer: This is a SAMPLE ballot, which includes all races. Eligibility to vote in some races will depend on residing district.

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