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ONE DOLLAR

Faircloth chosen GIAA 8-Man Football Player of the Year

At David Emanuel Academy's Sports Banquet Monday night, December 5, Racyn Faircloth was the only player at DEA chosen to play in the GIAA All Star Football game this Friday night in Macon. He was also chosen as the GIAA 8-Man Football Player of the Year. Faircloth also received All Region and All State and was chosen as Most Outstanding Player.

He is the son of Ben and Shana Faircloth of Swainsboro. His grandparents are Danny Wayne and Karen Faircloth; Butch and Jan Henry; and Mark and Angie Hudson. Congratulations Racyn!



FAIRCLOTH WITH AWARDS

EAC holiday-themed play to be held December 16, 17

cil will present a festive North Green Street, play Friday, Dec. 16th Swainsboro, next to Banand Saturday, Dec. 17th, both beginning at 6:30 p.m. The play will be performed in The Kal-

Emanuel Arts Coun- EAC, located at 109 gles II Salon and Stewart's Jewelers.

The production will consist of three short manson Gallery of the (Continued on page 2A)

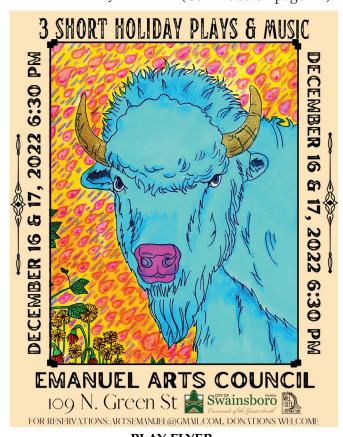




Photo by Mark Williams Studio

SCOTT KICKS FIELD GOAL FOR THE WIN

Swainsboro Tigers head to State

Victorious in Irwin County battle

If you like an old-fashioned football contest of skill, strategy and pure power, Friday night's game was just your style. In front of a loud, loyal and spring-loaded crowd stranger to playoffs, the Irwin County Indians didn't seem to be quite ready for the first Tiger steady advance super-

Brown, Jakari Nobles, and a showcase stop by and a keeper by Adams Jerrod Steward. With himself to quickly move 5:16 left in the quarter, Swainsboro down to Irwin County fumbled the Indians 23-yard line. ,and the Tigers took over. On a third and 1 call, Swainsboro again moved the Tigers offensive line the ball on the ground in Ocilla, the SHS Tigers pulled back the curtain with mixed results until standing in their way to 23-yard dash straight into took the snap, got botthe state championship the end zone. Landen tled up by an Indian playoff in Atlanta. No Scott followed up with the point after for a 7-0 Swainsboro post. The Indians of Ocilla opened their show on the Tiger drive of the evening. A 35- yard line with a ground assault that was vised by QB Ty Adams interrupted by the outcalled on runs by Qin standing Tiger defense

ambush, and broke out a little "Mellow magic", breaking free and sailing for a 66-yard cruise into the end zone. Irwin County got a hand on the extra point attempt and snatched 1 point back bringing the board to 13-0

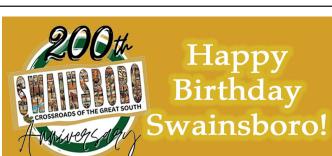
Swainsboro lead at the end of quarter 1. Irwin County Quarterback Cody Soliday promptly brought the Indians back into the fight with a touchdown pass to open the second quarter movtook on the last obstacle and Demello Jones took a Demello Jones at QB ing the board to 13-7. A Tiger drive worked on the clock beginning at 9:26 in the 2nd quarter and featured gains by Ty Adams, Jordon Williams, Bryson Tarver, and Demello Jones. Driving down to a 2nd and goal, Jones once again hit paydirt and took it in for (Continued on page 2A)

Council votes to rename Pine **Brook Nature Park**

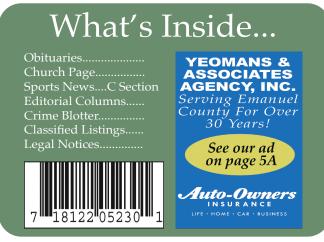
boro City Council convened for their monthly meeting on Monday, December 5, at 6 p.m. at City Hall with all members present. Joe Bedgood with Dellwood Baptist Church gave the night's invocation, and the pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Council then reviewed minutes from the November 7 and November 15 meeting and passed a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

"The worst thing that can possibly happen to someone, is not dying, it's being forgotten." These were the touching words spoken by local Veteran, Johnny Tapley, that rocked Council members and those who attended Monday night's

Members of the Swains- invited to address the Council regarding the first item on the agenda's New Business list, he began his presentation by thanking the first responders in the room who helped place flags at many of our local cemeteries and Pine Brook Nature Park, which is located on the corner of West Main and Tyson Street. Tapley explained that over 700 flags were placed around the County's cemeteries to indicate to the volunteers of the Wreaths Across America project where a Veteran is buried so that their headstone or gravesite can be provided with a wreath. This project began in September of 2021 when 13 men and women were killed in Afghanistan. (Continued on page 6C)



Swainsboro is turning 200! On Friday, December 9 at 11 a.m. on the Downtown Square, the Chamber will be honoring the Crossroads of the Great South with a Bicentennial Ceremony and would like for you to join. Come celebrate your history and the 200th anniversary of our town! Coffee and cookies wil be served.





EAC open house to honor the Kalmansons

The Emanuel Arts Council will host an Open House to honor Neil and Mary Kalmanson on Wednesday, Dec. 14th, from 4 to 6 p.m. The Kalmansons will be leaving Swainsboro in January to live in Texas. Light refreshments will be

"We would like to invite the community to come and see Neil and Mary before they leave," said Jacquie Brasher, executive director of Emanuel Arts Council. "Neil Kalmanson has been an integral part of the art scene here in Emanuel County since 1973. Our art gallery is named after him as well."

The EAC will also celebrate its one-year anniversary in the new building on North Green Street, located next to Bangles II Salon and Stewart's Jewelers.

EAC holiday-themed...

(From front page) plays featuring a cast that includes Pam Baggett, Deanna Ryan, Miracle Joyner, Violet Leu Tyam, Emmi Lai Tyam, Amber Purcell, Virginia Lee Palumbo, Jessica Palumbo, Alex Smith,

the play's director. "Live theatre is a meeting place where communities share dreams," said Ellison. "These

Beau Gunn, Matthew

Fordham Jr., Kenny

Griffin, and Ron Ellison,

comic plays explore either performance. humorous situations imagined in today's commercial, mythical, and family celebrations of the Christmas season. Musical interludes will stringed instruments and songs."

Admission to the play is free, but donations are welcome. Seating is limited in the gallery, so reservations are recommended by emailing artsemanuel@gmail. com to reserve seats for fundraisers, and grants.

The play is sponsored by the City of Swainsboro and made possible through a generous grant from Mill Creek Foundation. The connect the stories with Emanuel Arts Council, Inc. (EAC) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose purpose is to empower and grow the community through cultural programs in all areas of the arts. The EAC operates through membership, donations,



FIREFIGHTERS OPENING THE ROOF FROM THE ARIAL LADDER TRUCK



SCENE OF THE FIRE

Fire destroys Twin City landmark

by Bill Cahill

A long time, wellknown popular restaurant was struck a devastating blow Monday. Lew's Open Pit Barbeque located at 407 North Railroad Avenue in Twin City suffered a major fire. Shortly after 9 a.m. on Monday morning, a tractor-trailer log truck struck the power pole on the corner of North Railroad Avenue

and West Broad Street. engine and The crash caused live wires to rest on the truck, roadway and ripped the service connection from Lew's. A call was made to Twin City Police reporting a motor vehicle had hit the pole. When Chief Withers arrived moments later, he found the wires down and smoke coming from the building. Fire units from Twin City, Swainsboro

Canoochee, and Garfield responded. Georgia Power responded and had to kill power along the North Railroad Avenue area. Fire units were on scene for over three hours. Twin City Police were assisted by Deputies from the Sherriff's Office and State Public Safety Motor Compliance Carrier Division.



(From front page)

his 3rd TD of the night. With 6 minutes left in the half, the Tigers went for 2 points, but had to settle for six bringing a 19-7 score to the board. Irwin County pressed harder on the next possession with Soliday overcoming an Indian penalty to move the team down the field. A great defensive effort by Swainsboro held Irwin County out of Tiger territory but the 2nd quarter ended with no point change despite a late

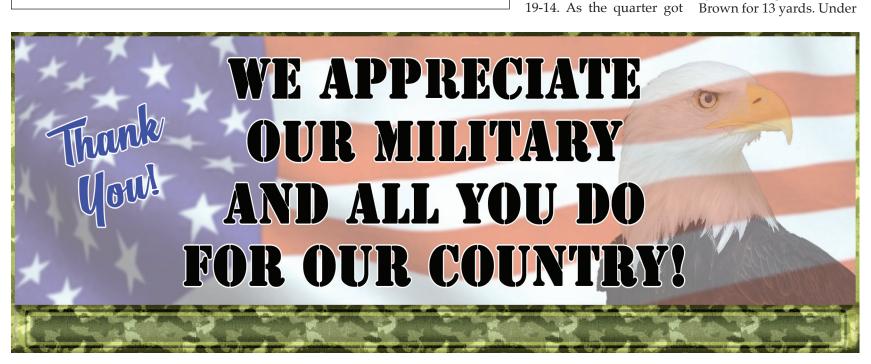
Swainsboro possession. Quarter 3 began with a typical, no-surprise back and forth with the two teams. Irwin County continued a hybrid offense with airball and ground pounding with mixed results. Jonorian Foots scored stops and interruptions in the Indian backfield and the Tiger defense held tight. As the quarter wore on, battle fatigue began to show on both sides of the ball with penalties all around. Swainsboro got an interference call and with 5:47 left in the third, Irwin County pushed from

short, the drama got long, and the crowds got loud. The Tigers struggled with short gains and were looking for their rhythm while the Indians also ran into trouble courtesy of the Tiger defense and Tra 'Lyvion Harris and Jakari Nobles tackles. Soliday struck again with passing and Irwin County was set to score as the 3 rd period

The last quarter of the game was straight out of an old movie. Irwin County scored as the quarter opened up making it 21-19, Indians on top. With under 11 minutes to go, the Tigers got the ball and moved down field. Jones and Adams swapped running slots and within minutes Swainsboro was inside the Indian 5-yard line. Jones was denied on 3rd and goal. Landen Scott goes in for the field goal try which is blocked, recovered and run back to the Swainsboro 45, then to the 28 by the Indians. Under 5 minutes left in the game. Soliday fails to get County, and an attempted 42-yard field goal falls short. With the ball back ued to add to their score, Ty Adams gives to Qin

4 minutes left. Adams runs the ball up to the 38-yard line. On the next play, Adams hands off to Brown for a 1st down with 2:05 left in the game. Ty Adams runs for a gain, but his pass is incomplete. On third and 8, DeMello Jones runs for the end zone but is horse-collared and goes down.. With the penalty on Irwin County, it's now 1st and goal for the Tigers at the 13-yard line. With 49 seconds left, the Tigers called run but no gain came. At 4th down with 12 to go and the clock running down, Landen Scott ran onto the field and without hesitation, took care of business and kicked the winning field goal. Final score: Swainsboro 22, Irwin County 21. In a storybook finish to a truly unbelievable season, the 2022-2023 Swainsboro Tigers are now poised to compete for the State Championship, Class 1A, Division 1 classification. The final game will be against Prince Avenue Christian School the first down for Irwin of Athens, at Center Parc Stadium in Atlanta, Thursday, December 8th at 8 p.m. The game will inside the 10 and contin- in Swainsboro hands be televised on Georgia Public Television, locally seen on Channel 9.





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SEVERAL OF THE SAR MEMBERS FROM OUR LEANNA'S FRIDAY MORNING COFFEE AND BREAKFAST REPLACING THE 13 FLAGS AT THE PATRIOTS PARK THAT WERE PLACED BY THE WIREGRASS CHAPTER LAST YEAR HONORING THOSE 13 U.S. SERVICE MEMBERS THAT WERE KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN.

L TO R: CHAIR JOHN TAPLEY, SCOTTY NASWORTHY, GARY MASON AND WILDER SMITH, JR



EARLY SATURDAY MORNING, DEC 3, GETTING READY WITH THE SMALL U.S. FLAGS THAT WILL BE PLACED ON THE GRAVES OF VETERANS BURIED AT THE CITY CEMETERY L TO R: GARY MASON, JOHN TAPLEY, JOHN DAVID BAILEY Veterans at the Library Prepare for WAA

met for their weekly coffee and breakfast meeting on Friday morning, Tapley, asked members if they would help him replace the 13 U.S. Flags at Patriot Park in preparation of the Wreaths Across America event that will be held on Saturday, December 17. At 9:15, the entire crowd jumped up and made their way to Patriots Park. The next morning, Saturday December 3rd, they met at the Swainsboro City

Veterans at the Library Cemetery shelter at 7:15 the flags to mark their to prepare for the 65 to 70 volunteers that showed up to place a small U.S. December 2. Chair, John Flag on each veteran's grave in the Swainsboro City Cemetery, Early Settlers Cemetery, Old Baptist Church Cemetery, East Brook Cemetery, and the Forest Lawn Cemetery. Each Section of the cemeteries had a packet with the complete cemetery sections with that section marked with the veteran's names listed. Two or more volunteers took a section with

graves. On Saturday, December 17, volunteers will have wreaths placed at each section and they will take the wreaths to where each flag is located. At the Swainsboro City Cemetery there are nearly 600 veterans buried and when all the other four cemeteries are added and the special wreaths ordered by family members around the county, the total being received for the WAA will then be 1,310 wreaths.



SUNSHINE HOUSE GIVEATHON FLYER

Sunshine House *GiveAThon* still seeking its goal of \$110,000

The Sunshine House GiveAThon on Donaldson, they will continue to accept goal. The event raised \$97,500 and had "We appreciate all who followed us throughout the evening", said Rusty Lane event chair. "We felt we were very successful in spite of a few challenges" According to executive director Carol O. Box 617 Swainsboro, 30401.

Thursday Dec 1, fell slightly short of its contributions through January 6, 2023. "We expect the overwhelming generosity technical difficulties due to Facebook. of those folks who were very busy with other Christmas events on Thursday will help us pull through and meet our goal,". added Donaldson. You can send contributions to The Sunshine House CAC at P.

Twin City Lions Club holds monthly meetings

The Twin City Lions Club held their monthly lunch meeting on November 3, at Simply Southern in Twin City. The guest speaker was **Emanuel County Probate** Court Judge Don Wilkes. Judge Wilkes spoke to the club about how the probate process works and the need for all citizens to have a will and ensure their affairs are in order to help their loved ones handle their estate, nor matter how large or small, upon their death.

On December 1, the Twin City Lions Club met at Simply Southern in Twin City for their monthly lunch meet-



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was Emanuel County Development Authority CEO Ken Warnock. Mr. Warnock shared many updates on economic Hyundai plant in Bryan activity in the Emanuel County area including unemployment for the I-16 corridor can poten-Guest speaker county, the competitive- tially impact our county.



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ness of jobs available in our county versus surrounding counties and how the 8400 job County off I-16 and further developments of the

SMS Band members selected for the 2022-23 University of Georgia Honor Band

Nineteen outstand-School band members were selected for membership in the 2022-23 University of Georgia Honor Band. Students auditioned against other middle school band students from across the state for selection in this event.

The students selected Mason, ing Swainsboro Middle were; Shannon Benjamin, euphonium; Grayson Trumpet; Brassell, Kenzlee Bush, Alto Sax; Cameron Cummings, Tuba; Dei'Vion Davis, Percussion; Carly Jersey, Flute; Malyiah Jones, Baritone Sax; Gi'Zyria French Horn; Emillio Kirkland, Flute; Zaylin Talledo, French Horn;

Clarinet; Thomas McCullough, Trombone; Mason Outlaw, Trumpet; Jose Perez, Euphonium; Emma Sconyers, French Horn; Kaci Smith, Bassoon; Maci Sumner, Oboe; Arlin Swanner, Lee, Clarinet; Lillian Jayden Wilcher, Tuba



SMS BAND MEMBERS THE WERE SELECTED



East Georgia State College will hold its Fall Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, December 10 at 10 a.m. The ceremony will be held in the Gymnasium in Swainsboro. Friends and family of the graduates are welcome to attend the event. The speaker for the ceremony is Dr. Patrice Buckner Jackson.

Dr. Patrice Buckner Jackson, known in her community as Dr. PBJ, disrupts burnout by refreshing the hearts and equipping the hands of overworked, undervalued "heart-workers"; achievers who serve from a heart of purpose.

Dr. PBJ is an educator of almost 25 years and an Executive Coach for more than 10 years. She holds a doctoral degree in Education Administration, served in executive leadership at colleges and universities, and facilitates leadership training as a faculty member for the Center for Creative Leadership. Dr. Jackson worked in higher education at many levels, from student assistant to President's Cabinet and is the recipient of several professional awards and accolades.

Dr. Jackson founded EduCare Training and Consulting, LLC out of a purpose pouring in to those who pour out so much. Much of her work is specifically focused on equipping and refreshing educators. Compassionate work can carry a high price tag: your mind, body, spirit and relationships may be in distress as you serve the needs of others. Dr. Jackson leads her community to serve well without paying an ultimate price.

Currently, Dr. PBJ serves as creator and host of the Disrupting Burnout podcast as well as the founder and facilitator of the EduCare Women's Leadership Academy.

East Georgia State College looks forward to celebrating its graduates!

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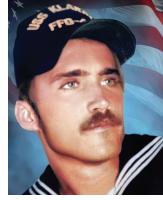




Kelley Thompson, 60

Kelley Thompson, 60, of Swainsboro, peacefully entered the presence of the Lord while surrounded by his loving family and friends on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at his residence. Graveside service will be private.

Kelley was born March 24, 1962, in Swainsboro, to Christopher Kelley Thompson and Patsy F. Thompson. He attended Swainsboro High School, earned his GED, and later enlisted in the U. S. Navy. After three years of duty, he was honorably discharged for health reasons. Kelley worked in several businesses in the Douglas area for years before ultimately finding his way back to Swainsboro. Along with faithfully caring for his parents, he found his true passion in a position with Emanuel County Animal Shelter. Kelley's love and compassion for animals never wavered, and there was never a dog or cat he didn't want to bring home. Kelley was an avid reader. He mostly enjoyed biographies and history, but would venture into most any subject. Kelley enjoyed every minute spent with his fur baby, Rudy, and cared for him fervently. He was also a lover of music and movies - an interest shared with his father. Kelley acquired quite an eclectic collection of albums, CDs, and DVDs over the years. He was kind, compassionate, and always saw



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the best in others. Mr. Thompson is preceded in death by his father; maternal grandparents, Rudolph and Martha Fields; and paternal grandparents, Linwood and Mary Thompson.

Survivors include his mother, Patsy F. Thompson of Swainsboro; sister, Melonie Jordan (Eddie) of Swainsboro; brother, Tracy Thompson of Swainsboro; nephews, Zach Thompson and Tyler Thompson, both of Dallas, GA; fur baby, Rudy; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

The staff at PruittHealth Hospice of Swainsboro remarkable in every way for caring for Kelley and the family would like to extend their deepest appreciation for their dedication and care.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully asks that memorial donations be made to Emanuel County Animal Shelter, 343 Market Street, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Vivian Ann Mills, 73

Mrs. Vivian Ann Mills, 73, of Kite passed away Saturday, December 3, 2022, at her residence following an extended illness. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday, December 5, in the chapel of Chapman Funeral Home with Reverend Andrew Flowers and Reverend Stanley Mills officiating. Interment followed in Mills Family Cemetery. The family received friends from 2 until 3 p.m. Monday, December 5, at Chapman Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Johnny Roberts, Ashton Mills, Reamer Oglesby, David Oglesby, Steve Oglesby, and Jimmy Cheek. Honorary Pallbearers were Joe Beas-

ley and Joey Boulineau. Mrs. Mills was born June 24, 1949, in Millen, to Moses Oglesby and Ruby Lanier Oglesby. She enjoyed walks on the beach with her dog, Prissy, visiting the mountains, gardening, going on vacation with her sisters, and going to yard sales. Mrs. Mills loved her family and grandchildren. She was a member of Eastwood Church of God. Mrs. Mills is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Sonny Mills; Moses Lamar Oglesby.

daughter, Rhonda Johnsons, Al Mills (Amber) Mills (Missy) of Midville, and Stanley Mills



MILLS (Ashly) of Wrightsville;

grandchildren, Cody Rebec-Carmichael, ca Mills, Kyle Carmichael, Alaina Johnson, Addie Brown, Mikey Johnson, Ashton Mills, Lyley Mills, and Waylon Mills; great-grandchildren, Casey Miller, Nolan Carmichael, and Lucy Bridges; sisters, Myra Oglesby Fleming of Millen, Susie Loreen Oglesby Beasley (Joe) of Statesboro, Ruby L. Oglesby Roberts (Johnnv) of Flowery Branch, "Gennie" Geneva Oglesby of Herndon, Eloise Oglesby Coleman and Beverly Oglesby Boulineau (Joey), both of Midville, and Karen Oglesby Cheek (Jimmy) of Dellwood; brothers, Reamer T. Oglesby (Ramona) of Twin City, David Oglesby (Teresa) and Steven Oglesby (Julie), both of Midville; sister-inlaw, Bonnie Spearman of Warner Robins; special niece and caregiver, Brittany Boone; fur baby, Prissy; several other nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

John Wesley Kerbo, 58

John Wesley Kerbo, 58, passed away early Wednesday morning, November 30, 2022, at his home under hospice. A private service will be held at a later date.

John was born in Tampa, Florida, to Donn and Carol Kerbo. He resided for most of his life in Garfield. John worked for many years as a small engine mechanic. He loved being outdoors, either hunting or fishing. John was a good son and was loved by many. Mr. Kerbo is preceded in death by his mother.

Surviving are his father, Donn Kerbo (Dorita); brother, John Anthony Kerbo (Lauren); step-



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brothers, Gary Simpson (Paige), Jeff Simpson, and H.T Clifton III; step-sisters, Melanie Simpson and Karen Reys; and a special family friend, Rebecca Batchelor.

Kennedy Funeral Homes, Hooks Chapel, of Metter is in charge of arrangements.

Della Mae (Derriso) Reese, 84

Mrs. Della Mae Reese, 84, of Swainsboro passed away Friday, December 2, 2022, at Emanuel County Nursing Home following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, in the chapel of Chapman Funeral Home with Brother Levi Carpenter, Brother Robert Goodbread and Brother Donnie Daniels officiating. Interment followed in Odomville Cemetery in Adrian. The family received friends from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, December 5, at Chapman Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Mason Johnson, Austin Stockholm, Elijah Lloyd, Nathaniel Lloyd, Joe Diekemper, Adam Boatright, and Colby Scott. Honorary pallbearers were members of Swainsboro 1st Assembly Church and Dot West.

Mrs. Reese was born July 23, 1938, in Covena, to Charlie Derriso and Thelma Stephens bara Lloyd (Jeremy), Derriso. She enjoyed watching Jimmy Swaggert Ministries and the weather channel. Mrs. Reese enjoyed crafts with crocheting, fishing, and gardening. She loved spending time with her family and especially traveling to the beach Home of Swainsboro at Jekyll Island. Mrs. Reese was proud to be a



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5th generation. She was a member of Swainsboro 1st Assembly Church for over 40 years. Mrs. Reese is preceded in death by her parents; husband, William Roy Reese, Sr.; son, Roy Reese, great-grandson, Michael Walker, Jr.; four brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include her daughters, Donna Kirkland (George) of Midville and Kay McGee of Swainsboro; grandchildren, Christy Hayslip (Brian), Beth Love (Andy), Terri Valiton (Greg), Jessika Martin (Trent), Jeff Kersey (Melany), William Stockholm (Marjorie), Bar-Wade Reese, and Wes Johnson (Kristie); pet bird, Bubbles; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and many friends.

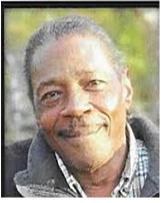
Chapman Funeral was in charge of arrangements.

Aurelious Alvin Reid, 71

Aurelious Alvin Reid, age 71, was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, November 26, 2022, following a brief illness. A Celebration of Life was held Friday, December 2, at 1 p.m. in the Swainsboro City Cemetery.

Aurelious was born May 12, 1951, in Macon, to the late Rosa Lee Reid and Aurelious Kelly. He was known to family and friends as "Regis" Regis was educated in Emanuel County and after graduation, he enlisted in the US Army. He faithfully served his country from 1973-1979. Regis worked at Advanced Metal and Battle Lumber. Mr. Reid is preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Donna Kelly.

Mr. Reid leaves to carry on his loving and caring memories with his four daughters, Temple Shipman of Paris, TX, Felecia Thomas (Anthony) of Augusta, Lakeisha Anthony (Rudolph) of



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Swainsboro, and Anitra Wilson of Statesboro; seven sisters, Charlene Drummer of Swainsboro, Shirley Kelly, Sybil K. Balcom (Willie James), Harriett Banks (Charles), Audrey Kelly, and Beverly Goodson (Walter), all of Macon; three brothers, Llewellyn "Kit" Kelly (Lisa), Larry Kelly (Lonnie), and Donald Kelly (Gwen), all of Macon; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

James Franklin Edenfield, 72

James Franklin Edenfield, age 72, died on Sunday, December 4th 2022 at Memorial Health in Savannah. Franklin was born on December 17, 1949 in Swainsboro, Georgia. He was an Honor Graduate from Swainsboro High School in 1967, and a 1971 graduate of the University of Georgia where he was a member of the Mu Chapter of the Sigma Nu Fraternity. After graduation, he was awarded a patronage position by US Senator David Gambrell to the United States Capitol Police Force where he served from 1971-1972. He returned to Georgia to attend law school and graduated cum laude from the University of Georgia School of Law in 1975. During his tenure there he was active in Moot Court and was selected for Law Review. Upon graduation, he accepted a position with Spivey & Carlton in his hometown of Swainsboro and became a partner early in his career. He practiced at Spivey, Carlton and Edenfield as a partner and then managing partner until his retirement in 2019. Franklin was a member of the Young Lawyers Division of the State Bar from 1975-1985 as well as a member of the Georgia and American Academy of Hospital Attorneys. He served as the Emanuel County Attorney, Emanuel County Hospital Attorney, Jefferson County Board of Education Attorney, special appointment representative for the DOT, and State Court Solicitor. Mr. Edenfield had a legal career that spanned 43 years and represented numerous other professional organizations, individuals and groups. Outside of his professional life, Franklin was passionate about many things, including woodworking, SCUBA, and the Georgia Bulldogs. He also showcased his talent for both storytelling and giving legal advice through a column in the Tybee Beachcomber entitled "Tales from a Backwoods Southern Lawyer". He could often be seen dancing along to oldies, or enjoying a glass of scotch and a cigar on his deck. But above all, Franklin adored his family, and they adored him. To those who knew him,

he will forever be remem-

bered as a brilliant, kind,



EDENFIELD loving, funny, stubborn,

good-old-fashionedsouthern gentleman. He was a man of many names, but his favorite was papa. Franklin retired to Tybee Island to be closer to his grandchildren, his greatest joy, and he remained there until his passing. He is preceded in death by his parents, Bernice Lorene Tucker and Lieutenant Colonel James Otis Edenfield: matergrandparents Eddie Frank and Susie Scott Tucker; and paternal grandparents David Alton and Mabelle Joyner Edenfield all from Statesboro. Franklin is survived by his beloved wife of 36 years, Dabney Adams Edenfield of Tybee Island; daughter Sloan Edenfield (Brian) of Wilmington Island; daughter Taylor Edenfield of Tybee Island; step daughter Curry Epley (Chris) of Wilmington Island; step-son Rocky Brazzell (Mary Kate) of Wilmington Island; and stepson Cameron Brazzell of Atlanta; Grandchildren Thatcher and Amelia Knudson, Croix and Capers Nicolini, Crew Epley, and Beckett Brazzell; sister, Pat Mitchell Seydel (Scott) of Atlanta; Uncles James Tucker (Marie) of

A memorial service will be held on Friday, December 9th at 11:00am at Joiner-Anderson Funeral Home in Statesboro with Rev. Sonia Clifton officiating. The family will receive friends following the service.

Port Wentworth and Ted

Tucker of San Francisco;

and nephew Mark Mitch-

ell (Miranda) of New

York.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be made in his name to the Tybee Post Theater, P.O. Box 2356, Tybee Island, GA 31328.

Friends may sign the online register book at www.joineranderson.

Joiner-Anderson Funeral Home & Crematory of Statesboro is in charge of arrangements.

Lucy Mae Young, 90

Lucy Mae Young, age 90, passed away Wednesday, November 23, 2022. Homecoming services were conducted Saturday, December 3, at 11 a.m., at St. John Baptist Church with Rev. Bobby Williams Jr. Officiating.

Lucy Mae was born September 28, 1932, in Burke County, to the late Porter and Beulah Bynes. She graduated from high school in 1950, and in 1955, Lucy was united in holy matrimony to John C. Young Sr. From that union, they had eight children. Lucy Mae was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She became a faithful member of Antioch Rock Creek Baptist Church. Mrs. Young is preceded in death by her siblings, Mary (McKinley) Henderson, Bessie Bynes, Willie Bynes, Lynwood (Ruby) Bynes, Johnnie (Hattie) Bynes, Joseph Bynes, Sidney Bynes, and Porter Bynes Jr.

Mrs. Young leaves to cherish her memories with

Make Room

are ready or not, the season behavior doesn't get your is here. Well I am not quite approval? Do you think you ready, what about you? I have bought only one gift. I am still deciding on how I am going to give gifts. Sometimes I buy gifts or give money, or take time and bake pies for the neighbors. Well, I must decide quickly because

the time is upon us. As I think about what time it is, I think about to things that happen before Jesus arrived. Yes it had been prophesied that the Messiah was coming. When Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem to pay their taxes and register to vote, she went into labor. When they inquired about a room in the hotel, there was no room. Not only was there no room, they did not make room. Absolutely no one gave up their room for a women with child

So today while we see the signs of Christmas through the beautiful lights and the nativity scenes, have we really prepared our hearts and made room for Jesus. While we are spending money and time on material or natural things, are we spending time with Jesus? Let us not get so caught up in traditional that we miss the real reason for this season.

This is a good time to examine our lives to make sure we have made room for Jesus. The bible says, " Let every man examine himself." Check to make sure you have the real Christmas. Jesus brings Love, Peace and Joy. So Is there someone you truly hate? There seems to be a lot of that going around lately. Are you in a gang of hate



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three daughters, Dorothy Williams of Millen, Brenda Young of Atlanta, and Sandra (Benjamin) Young-Mayes of Augusta; bonus daughter, Gloria Donald Young of Millen, John Young Jr. of Millen, Carl (Deandrea) Young of Midville, Al (Joyce) Young of Swainsboro, and Christopher "Eric" (Clara) Young of Millen; a host of grandchildren; great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrange-

Well as you know the sea- without realizing it? Are you son of joy is up on us. Yes, hating people you don't even we are getting ready for know because they don't Christmas. Whether you look like you or maybe their are better than someone else? Well it's time to check your list and it would not hurt to check it twice. You might find out you are naughty instead of being nice.(smile).

> Anyway, let us just make room for Jesus by getting rid of clutter in our hearts Jesus comes to the lowly, the humble, the broken hearted. Make room for Jesus so that you will have Christmas (Love, Peace and Joy) everyday of your life.

Emma L. (Logue) Horne, 73

Emma L. (Logue) Horne, 73, passed away Sunday, December 4, 2022. Funeral services will be private.

in Swainsboro to the late Carlis and Pearl (Brantley) Logue. She graduated from the Southeastern Technical College and was an accountant for WXRS Radio for 25 years. Mrs. Horne lived in Swainsboro all of her life before moving to Rhode Island in 2020. She was a member of the Maranatha Pentecostal Holiness Church of Soperton, and was an avid reader. Mrs. Jean Sawyer; five sons, Horne was very family oriented and truly loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

> Mrs. Horne was the loving mother of Newton Meadows (Amanda) of Swainsboro, Ennis



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Meadows (Lorrie) of Swainsboro, Jonni Goddard of Smithfield, RI, Amber Meadows and Brandon Meadows, both of Swainsboro. She was the sister of the late Carlis Logue, Jr.; grandmother of 13; and great-grandmother of 19.

Tucker-Quinn Funeral Chapel of Greenville, RI was in charge of arrange-





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Georgia Memory Net reminds Georgians that the holidays provide an opportunity to talk to loved ones about Alzheimer's symptoms

ATLANTA, Georgia Having Productive Con- Georgia Memory Net Georgia Memory Net (GMN), the statewide program dedicated to earlier diagnosis and customized care plans for Georgians living with Alzheimer's, wants to remind Georgians that holiday gatherings are an optimal time to check-in with older relatives. If they are showing symptoms that might be signs of Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia, GMN recommends having a conversation with them about the importance of getting an accurate diag-

"For some, the holidays are a rare opportunity to spend time in-person with parents, grandparents, or older relatives," said Kyle Brunen, Georgia Memory Net's Project Director. "They might notice their loved ones are exhibiting new symptoms like memory problems, cognitive decline, or personality changes. I know it can be tough, but if you detect these symptoms, we recommend finding an opportunity to start a conversation with your family member about the importance of getting a diagnosis."

Georgia Memory Net offers a one page guide to help Georgians have productive conversations with loved ones experiencing memory loss. versations About Getting an Alzheimer's or Other Dementias Diagnosis, shares the warning signs of Alzheimer's, as well as advice on how to encourage loved ones to talk to their Primary Care Physician about getting a diagnosis. The guide is available at tinyurl.com/k2sbm4wh

The one-page guide includes valuable information to share with loved ones experiencing memory loss, along with techniques for having more productive conversations by listening supportively, being patient, and using creativity.

"People experiencing signs of dementia can be reluctant to get diagnosed," said Dr. Allan Levey, Founding Director of GMN. "They might feel afraid or hopeless, or think that a diagnosis won't change anything. The truth is that an accurate diagnosis can bring clarity, connect the person and their loved ones with new sources of support, and lead to care that can improve their lives and their health."

When Georgians talk to their doctors about their memory loss or cognitive decline, Georgia Memory Net recommends asking if a referral to a Georgia Memory Net Memory Assessment Clinic, or The guide, titled Tips for MAC, is right for them. net.org

manages these clinics all around the state, and also provides telemedicine services for patients who can't access a MAC for any reason. More information on referrals to Georgia Memory Net is available at gamemorynet.org/patient/patient-referrals/

"We understand that starting difcult conversations isn't most people's idea of having a happy holiday," said Brunen. "But we've also seen that diagnosis, and the treatment and support it can lead to, can be an amazing gift in the lives of people living with undiagnosed dementia."

About Georgia Memory Net: Georgia Memory Net is a statewide program dedicated to earlier diagnosis and customized care plans for those living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. The program is a collaborative supported by Georgia Department of Human Services, managed centrally by the Emory Brain Health Center, and comprises healthcare organizations statewide, community services partners specializing in dementia support, and the Georgia Division of Aging Services / Area Agencies on Aging network. The program's website is gamemory-

Georgia Memory Net offers Telehealth options for diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias

ATLANTA, Georgia Georgia Memory Net, the statewide program dedicated to earlier diagnosis and customized care plans for Georgians living with Alzheimer's, is implementing multiple telehealth options to help Georgians access diagnostic services around the state.

In years past, Georgians in need of an Alzheimer's or related dementia diagnosis had to travel to a metropolitan area like Atlanta or Augusta to be assessed by a specialized neurology practice. The waits for an appointment could be as long as 18 months. That long wait is one of the reasons why Georgia Memory Net (GMN) was created. One of GMN's goals is to make quality dementia diagnoses available to all Georgians, no matter where they live in the state.

This effort includes launching telehealth options for dementia diagnostic appointments. Telehealth appointments allow patients who can't make it to one of GMN's Memory Assessment Clinics for any reason to re- help the patient log in ceive diagnosis much to their appointment,

appointments for patients at home via telehealth, and now GMN is launching a new hybrid telehealth model.

"Our new telemedi-

cine partnership with the Georgia Department of Public Health is a meaningful step for our organization in eliminating barriers to care for individuals with memory loss and other symptoms of cognitive impairment," said Kyle Brunen, Georgia Memory Net's Project Director. "These telemedicine locations in Dooly and Emanuel counties are the first, with more to come, and provide the necessary technology, connectivity, and clinical staff to deliver a first-class cognitive assessment closer to a patient's home."

While some telehealth options require a patient to log in to a device in their home, Georgia Memory Net's new telehealth sites take place in a clinical setting that is close to home. There, staff can

closer to home via tech- and support them in nology. Each of GMN's any other way needed Memory Assessment during the diagnosis. Clinics can provide These assisted sessions telehealth diagnostic are currently being offered at the Dooly County Health Department in Vienna, and the Emanuel County Health Department in Swainsboro.

More information on Georgia memory Net, and how to get a referral, is available at https://gamemorynet. org/patient/patient-referrals/ About Georgia Mem-

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Good for the soul: Gibson's Barbeque and more!

by BRITTANY HALL When you put your work, you can't help but to make something beautiful out of it or in Dr. Willie Gibson's case, something delicious. Gibson is a father of three and has been married to his "Queen" Mrs. Char Gibson, for thirty years. He is also the owner of Swainsboro's newest food-truck, Gibson's Barbeque and More. If you're traveling down North Main Street on a special Friday afternoon, you may find it hard to ignore the savory smells that call out to you. Those beckoning smells are coming from a place that's located on the cor-

Although Gibson's Barbeque and More is sweet and original compared to many other foodtrucks, the story behind its creation is what really makes it special. In the early 90's Willie Gibson was heading down a different path that was leading him to his first calling, Education.

ner of *K.T.'s place* where

"For 10 years I served as a teacher and a coach." Gibson explained.

In 1991 Gibson received his bachelor's degree from Claflin University before attending Troy State University where he obtained his master's degree in 2003 and his specialist degree in 2005. After graduating from Troy State University, he decided to excel his education a step further and went on to earn his Doctorate Degree from Nova Southeastern University which he suc-

cessfully did in 2013. Following his prosperous journey as a student, Gibson began changing the lives of young minds through his gift of mentoring and began his teaching career in Hancock County. He later transferred to Washington County, then Oglethorpe County and was finally led home to Emanuel County, where he became a pillar of guidance within our community. Even after his recent retirement, Gibson is still known as, "Principal Willie Gibson," by many who continue to admire

"The last twenty years heart and soul into your I served as principal and was blessed to do so at all levels." He explained.

After retiring, Gibson says that he began to spend more time fishing, traveling, and being with family and friends, all of which he stated, "have been so rewarding." However, he still missed the opportunities that came with a full-time career, especially one that involved connections through community.

"My favorite part of working with the school system was by far interacting with the students. That's what I truly miss the most." He said with a smile.

After some soul-search-Gibson's BBQ truck ing, Gibson realized is waiting to fill your that one of his greatest appetite and meet every talents, cooking, could savory expectation your allow him to get back tastebuds are drooling into society while also giving him enough leisure for family-time and hobbies. It was also during this thought that he was reminded of how good food will always bring people together and put a smile on their face, which is something that everyone could benefit from.

"My passion for cooking and particularly grilling began very early on when I would watch my grandmother and father create meals. Witnessing that was like a science lesson for me, which I absolutely loved. Their recipe's and all the love they poured into them inspired me to go into the barbecue business. Now I'm able to create so many dishes and watch people enjoy their meal. I also must admit the compliments are motivating as well." He said through an appreciative smile.

Gibson's Barbeque and More is coming up on their one-year anniversary and since it began in January of last year, it has been producing mouthwatering meals for all to enjoy, which Gibson says has been his goal from the very beginning.

"Good food definitely brings the community together and that's all were trying to do!" He said.

Gibson's Barbeque and More offers a wide variety of wholesome, grilled goodness, including brisket, chicken, ribs, pulled pork, mac and cheese, green beans, baked

beans, cabbage, chicken wings, burgers, and fries and on special occasions, even turkey legs. These are just a few of the delicious meals that they offer, however, something else that you can find there that isn't on the menu, is the positivity and kindness that comes with every plate.

"My goals are to provide great barbecue and customer service that is second to none! This is also one of the reasons why I'm currently not interested in opening a brick-and-mortar establishment because I love traveling to meet new people and establishing new relationships with them, as I provide a satisfying meal in the process." He explained with

Gibson's barbecue and more, is located at K.T.'s at 636 North Main Street here in Swainsboro, on certain days and weekends. Although, they're currently in the process of solidifying a permanent schedule, you can keep updates on when and where the food-truck will be by following them on Facebook at Gibsons Barbecue-more.

"I first must thank God for his grace and mercy. Without Him, none of this would've been possible. I have received support from numerous individuals, including, my family, the citizens of Hancock County, Swainsboro Middle School, and recently the citizens of Emanuel County. The response has been humbling. I also must give a shout out to Off the Hook Fish and Seafood for their guidance and support as well as Victor Wilcher and Stanley Wimberly from men reaching men and Mr. Andy Coney who is a master craftsman at what he does and has assisted me with his incredible knowledge, to ensure that things work properly." Gibson said.

He concluded the interview with a heartwarming shout-out.

"I want to reiterate my gratitude toward people who have supported Gibson's Barbecue and More. I am so thankful to do what I'm doing now."

Be sure to follow Gibson's online and visit them in person the next time they're in town! Let Mr. Willie know the Blade sent you!



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Social Thems

It's Christmas, time to be glad On Monday, November decorations for Emanuel and wreaths. Agold Angel

Garden Club met at the beautiful Sudie A. ord Community Learning Center. What a comfy, cozy place to put the club in the mood to make our Christmas decorating plans. Meeting called to order by President, JoAnn Trammell at 10 a.m. and inspirational message of caring for each other especially this time of given by Carolyn Brown. Accepted minutes handed out and/or given by Carolyn Brown, Secretary. Margaret Sweet, Treasurer gave a detailed and extensive report including final profit made on fundraiser earlier this year. Margaret Sweet resigned as Treasurer. Due to a quorum being present, Audrey West was elected new Treasurer and approved by the Board of Directors. Thank you, Audrey. Gloria Mason gave a report on anticipated Christmas

County Medical Center. Jeanette Hall reported that invited to participate in the the Wreaths Across America Ceremony on December 17th, 2022, by Johnny Tapley meeting at Pine Brook Park with time to be announced later. Lisa Parham and Sherri Clifton have purchased new Christmas decorations and members can hardly wait to see them when members decorate Emanuel County Medical

Christmastime can be an unsettling time of year for those in the hospital - be they patients or staff. The Glad Garden Club thoroughly enjoys delivering some cheer to the hospital. On Monday, November 21, 2022, under the creative eye of Jeanette Hall, Director of Decorating, halls with boughs of holly, Christmas trees, angels,

greets you at the door. A traditional Christmas tree Glad Garden Club was was placed in the lobby along with carolers, Santa, and a snowman. There are even presents under the tree. Even the cafeteria has a lighted Baroque Christmas tree and presents. The cafeteria and the chapel both have nativity scenes. On the way to ICU there are wreaths in the hallway and, of course, in ICU there is a fiber optic lighted Guardian Angel. Lisa Parham and Sherri Clifton directed decorating the outside of the hospital with lighted garland, bench decorations and brand-new toy soldiers guarding the front entrance. Other anticipated activities include delivering Christmas stockings to a designated nursing home, perhaps singing a carol, then on to the members decorated the Sunshine house to deliver our annual donation in



FROM L TO R: 90-YEAR-OLD PETE BOATRIGHT, 98-YEAR-OLD DOYLE TATUM

New Veterans at the Library meet

The Veterans at the Library held our weekly meeting on Monday, December 5, 2022, at 9:15 a.m. with Chair, Johnny Tapley, presiding and 40 veterans in attendance. The newest veteran to attend is Doyle John Tatum. Doyle was a member of the U.S. Army and served in World War II. He was stationed in England and landed at "Normandy" on DD + 2. He obtained the rank of Private in the "Infantry". Doyle will turn 98 on Tuesday, December 6, 2022. Other items taken up was the success of placing the flags out on the 5 cemeteries that will have the Wreaths Across America placed on December 17, 2022. As of today, there will be 1,319 Wreaths to place.

Twin City Elementary Beta members participate in state competition

bers from Twin City event. This gave stu-Elementary are cele- dents the opportunity brating their recent participation in the Georgia Savannah Convention Elementary Beta State Convention. They were their level of comfort. announced as winners These victories at the of the following competitions: Large Group opportunity to compete Performing Arts, Living Literature, Portfolio, 2-D Art, Service Learning, Songfest, Engineering, Musicology, Robotics, Painting, Quilting, Hand-Drawn Anime, Poetry, B&W Photography, Jewelry, Trading Pin, Digital Art, Woodworking, Piano Solo, Social Studies, and On-site Painting.

National Beta State Convention allows students the opportunity to compete in various academic and STEM-based, virtual, and performing arts competitions. The

National Beta mem- offered as a hybrid to compete onsite at the Center, depending on state level provide an at the national level. The National Convention will be held at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville, KY, during the Summer of 2023.

Mr. Robbie Warnock, principal of Twin City Elementary, said, "TCE has a long history of doing well at state and national conventions. We have an awesome group of students backed up with dedicated sponsors and tons of parent and community support. Thanks to all of you who make our small school shine!"



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With more than 500,000 active members and 9,000 clubs nationally and internationally, National Beta has become the nation's largest independent, non-profit, educational youth organization. National Beta promotes the ideals of academic achievement, character, service, and leadership among elementary and secondary school students. National Junior Beta includes grades 4-8 and National Senior Beta includes grades 9-12. Visit betaclub.org for more information.

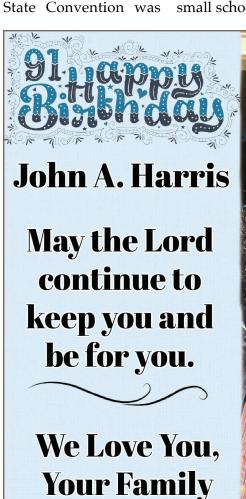


1ST PLACE RECIPIENT ANNA SUTTON, 2ND PLACE RECIPIENT BAILEY MCNURE AND 3RD PLACE RECIPIENT KALEY FLOWERS

VFW Patriot Pen Essay Winners

Each year the Veterans of Foreign Wars conducts an essay contest for 6th through 8th grade students. These essays are between 300 and 400 words and have a different theme each year.

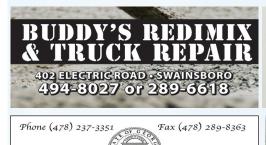
The 10 entrants from David Emanuel Academy were judged and the winners are Anna Sutton who earned 1st place, Bailey McNure who earned 2nd Place, and Kaley Flowers who earned 3rd Place.







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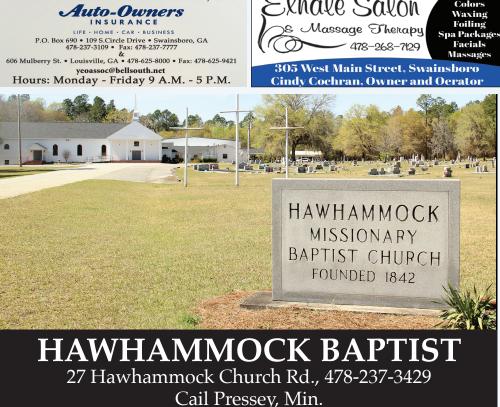
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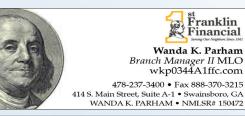
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unger one would rule over the older one.

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Isaac's favorite. Jacob njoyed being at home

and helping his mothe

The other was holding his brothers heel when they were I

RUTH IN SCRIPTURE

ong after her marriage to Isaac, Rebekah had born no children. Isaac asked the Lord to iive Rebekah a child. Rebekah became pregnant and it felt to her like children were ighting inside her. The Lord explained to Rebekah that she would have twins and tha they would be heads of rival nations and one would be stronger than the other and the

When the children were born, one was covered with so much reddish hair that it appeare









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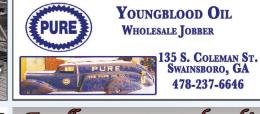
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Editorials Columns

A Season to smile about

downright astounding what an funny-shaped oblong ball can have on

human beings this time of year. People who would normally greet you with the standard

rhetorical query dealing with the price of gas, or how's your Momma doing or how 'bout them Dawgs, are now switching over to "hey man, what's up with those Tigers"? It's not that the Swainsboro High School football programs haven't always been pretty

good, it's just that now, the Tigers are about to effect a leathery, little hop on a bus and head to Atlanta to play for the State Championship and now, just about everybody from Stevens Crossing down to Wesley knows the names of the guys on the line, in the backfield, and on special teams. I even heard two ladies in church discussing which Tiger receivthe 40-yard dash. That's what high school ath-

we are and what we are capable of, not just on the field but everywhere. When you can have programs in the schools that bring that sort of credit to the entire community, it's a positive thing for all concerned. Because that sort of credit and spirit comes from hard work, dedication, cooperation and a sense of loyalty, not just from a er had the best time in football team but also from school administration, classroom teachletics does, especially in ers, cheerleaders, bandsmall towns. It brings members, students and pride and focus to who of course, all the Moms

and Dads and all the other fans. And when that credit results in more exposure and more appreciation for the entire school system and its mission, then that's like winning the lottery with a super multiplier winning number to go with it.

We earnestly hope the final score on Thursday night will shower glory all over our Swainsboro High School Tigers, but if not, this team's performance during the season has already claimed a place in SHS annals and

Charles Schwabe

made a name for them, for this school system and for the community they call home. But don't take all this the wrong way. We know we are good, but now we need to show the rest of the state. I have an old cap that says Swainsboro Tigers, 2000 State Football

Champions. I think its time for a new hat, and like an old football coach I knew always loved to say, "You don't carry the ball like a loaf of bread, and you don't tackle a man around his shoulders, and you don't ever quit 'til you win. Congratulations and Let's Go Tigers!

Column produces an extraordinary reunion

It is one of the most rewarding experiences in my 25 years of churning out columns. And it was a total accident. A happy accident. You may recall that back in July, I asked my friend Hans Trupp in Brunswick his take on the recently-released Top Gun Maverick. He was a Top Gun during the Vietnam war and I was interested in getting his take on the movie and how authentic he found it. Although I have known Hans Trupp for many years and have even done some business with him, until that column I didn't realize the extent of his involvement in the war. He flew more than 200 combat missions over North Vietnam from two different aircraft carri-

the USS Constellation. Among the many medals and commendations Trupp received, one stands out in particular: The Distinguished Flying Cross. It is awarded for "heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight" and "involving operations that are not routine." That was the case on June 14, 1966, when Lt. Hans Trupp and a colleague aboard the carrier USS Ranger took off in their F4B Phantom jets for a target not yet defined. "It was 3 a.m.," he says. "and we had no idea what was going on. But once they tell you to go, you have 2 minutes to be in the air." It turned out to be two enemy planes bombing a

ers: the USS Ranger and PT boat trying to smuggle spies into Haiphong Harbor. Both planes were shot down by radar-controlled missiles. "We never had a visual on them," Hans told me. "It was all on instruments. That was very unusual. We were instructed never to fire without a visual. This was an exception." It was also the only time in Naval history when planes launched at night from a carrier in all-weather conditions resulted in a kill of enemy airplanes. And this is where the story takes an incredible turn. When I wrote about this episode back in July, received a lot of mail from readers recounting their own Vietnam experiences, including a hand-written note from

Fred Washburn in Dawson County who remembered that night very clearly. Washburn was a seaman working radar aboard the destroyer USS Rogers and spotted two blips on the screen flying around in a circle. He had tracked them from Hanoi down to Haiphong Harbor. "I didn't know what they were doing but I figured they were up to no good," he said. The problem was he had to convince his captain on the USS Rogers that these were bad guys and then get him to call the captain on the lead destroyer, the USS Kuntz, the only ship authorized to communicate with the USS Ranger. Fortunately, Washburn's persistence paid off and the rest, as they say, is history. Hans Trupp promptly took care of the bad guys. I shared Fred Washburn's letter with Trupp who was astonished. "I have had a lot of questions over the years how this all came until you sent me his let- light of our whole tour."

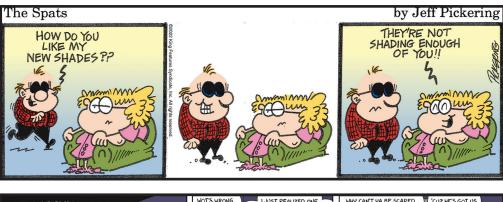
Dick Yarbrough

ter. There are a million people who could have been running radar that night," he said, "and it turns out it was a guy from right here in Georgia." With the persistence that can only come from a Top Gun-turned real estate mogul, Trupp tracked down Washburn and talked to him on the phone. The next step was a Zoom call and a face-to-face meeting 56 years after that fateful night. I was privileged to just sit and listen. Washburn, an unassuming man who ran a service station in Albany for 41 years, told me he wasn't much of a letter writer but that my column struck a chord with him. "I remember the whole thing well," he said. "Fifteen minutes after the Ranger was alerted, Hans was out there doing his about and didn't know thing. It was the high-



Hans Trupp got the kill and the Distinguished Flying Cross but wanted to be sure one thing about that episode got corrected. "The Kuntz received credit for what happened that night. Until I got Fred's letter, I never even knew the Rogers was involved. The credit belongs to Fred Washburn." You read it here. People ask where I get my ideas for columns. Sometimes it is pure luck. I had simply asked my friend Hans Trupp what he thought about a movie and ended up with an incredible story that beats any movie you could ever imagine. You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dickyarbrough.com; at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139 or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/dickyarb.

Editorial Cartoons _







Question: What are nanobots?

Answer:

Nanobots will be very small robots. They are being developed as [part of nano technology which is developing extremely small

The idea of nanobots (they are still in the development stage and not been made yet) is to create robots tar are so small we could for instance use them to do surgery or treatments of diseases in humans (or for that matter other animals) by injecting them in the blood stream and directing them to a location and have them perform actions on the human body from the inside. I have not read the following, but I would presume we would then direct them back to a location and remove them from the body there.

You can imagine how small these nano robots would be to do that, however, they would not be lim-

Gail Williamson, Editor/Publisher

Dwight Watt

ited to just use in people or animals, but you could use them to go in other small locations and build or repair things that a normal size robot or human could not. We have drastically reduced the size of many things and nano technology

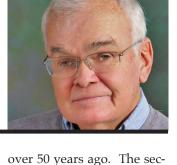
is moving stuff to a nano

size world. Reading and learning about nanobots reminds me of two science fiction movies, which in both cases reduce humans to small sized ones. The first was Fantastic Voyage which came out in 1969 and I watched the which they shrunk a submarine with surgeons in it that were injected in a person who had an assassination attempt on them and this crew was to go in and repair the damages and save the person's

life. With nanobots we may

be able to do what they

did as science fiction just



ond thought was Honey I

shrunk the Kids, but it went

in a different direction but

with miniaturization. Every year we see things that were science fiction not long ago become real life and today's science fiction will probably be real life (well let's skip the horror science fiction) not that far

of our lifetimes. Send me your questions about computers to me at the paper or to my e-mail dwight@dwightwatt.com and tell me you read this in this paper. I will pick a question to answer each week.

into the future and in many

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DEA Varsity girls put up a good fight for the first night of the season

David Emanuel Academy's Varsity Eagle girls' basketball team began their first night of the season with a game against Glascock County Girls on November 29. Addalyn Terwilliger started things off with a 7-pointer followed by Molly Hammock who scored 5 points for the Eagles. Maddie Perkins added 3 points to their score board followed by Kyli Bell who added 9. After Bell's play, Aubrey Williams made an incredible play and scored another shot earning the Eagles 17 more points on the board. Emma Proctor finished things off with 3 more points, earning the Eagles a final score of 44 against Glascock's 52. Although it was a loss the Eagles still put in a good fight, and we can't wait to see what they do next time!

Eagles earn first win of their season

David Emanuel Academy's Varsity Eagles' board and Jesse Moore followed with a play that varsity Eagle girl's game. Racyn Faircloth startby Billy martin who earned 16 points for the Eagles. Peyton Lee added another 6 points to the boys!

basketball team began their first night of the earned the boys 12 more points. After Randon season with a game against Glascock County Williams made a play that added 9 more points on November 29, immediately following the to the scoreboard, Tony Sutton finished things off with a one pointer which gave DEA the ed things off with an 8-point score followed advantage and the final winning score of 52 against Glascock County's 28. Congratulations

Eagles Varsity girls win

David Emanuel Academy's Varsity Eagle girls' basketball team began their second night of the season with a game against Screven Christian Academy Girls on December 1.

Raleigh Faircloth started things off with a 4-pointer followed by Scout Hall who scored 2 points for the Eagles. Payton Peebles added another 2 points to the score board followed by Addalyn Terwilliger who added 10. Aubrey Williams made a play that earned the Eagles 9 more points on the board before Riliegh Andrews 2 finished things off with 2 more points which earned DEA a final score of 29 over SCA's 16. Congratulations Girls!

second game of the season

DEA dominates SCA in second game of the season

David Academy's Varsity Eagles' basketball team earned another 2 points game of the season Karson Kettles who Girls win. Lake Woods 6-point play before 6.

by AJ Edenfield who started things off with Ethan Fields added 8 DEA!

Emanuel a 2-point play followed points to the board. After Paxton Dixon made a play that earned played their second for the Eagles and the Eagles 6 more points, Riley Phillips with a face-off against added another 2 points finished things off with Christian to the board before a 2 pointer which gave Academy on December Layton Terwilliger DEA the advantage 1, immediately follow- added 2 as well. Tucker and the final winning ing the Eagle Varsity Free followed with a score of 30 over SCA's Congratulations

Toy drive being held

Please drop-off toys at two locations through December 19, at Men Reaching Men Outreach, 206 W. Main St. in Swainsboro from 1 to 5 p.m. or Swainsboro Recreation Dept., 632 McLeod Bridge Rd. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Toy giveaway will be held December 19, from 12 to 5 p.m. at Vann Community House for ages 3 to 12.

For more information and toy pick-up, call any of the following: Rita Faulkner - 478.494.8263; Stanley Wimberly - 478.299.5909; John Troupe - 478.299.7254; Roy Brantley - 478.206.0699.

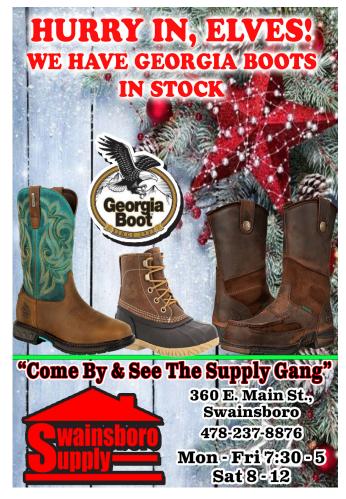
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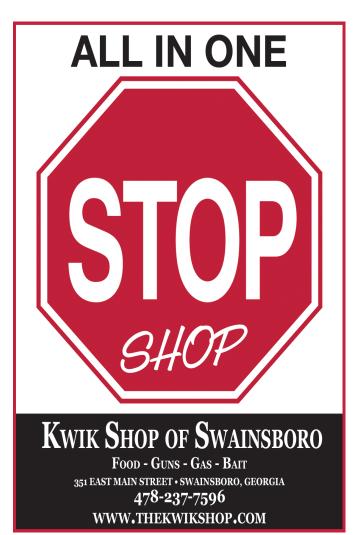
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Don't miss Swainsboro's 200th birthday celebration Friday, December 9







EGSC's Zuriyah Davis named GCAA Player of the Week

Zuriyah Davis of East Georgia State College has been selected as the Georgia Collegiate Athletic Association's Player of the Week. Davis averaged 24 points, 4.5 rebs, 3 assts, and 2.5 stls in 2 wins for the Lady Bobcats last week.

Congratulations, Zuriyah!



ZURIYAH DAVIS



COMPATRIOT STEVE BURKE PRESENTING HIS PROGRAM AT THE FOUR RIVERS **CHAPTER MEETING**

Burke presents "Swamp Fox" program

Chapter, Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Thursday night, November 17, 2022, at the Chatters Restaurant in Lyons, with President George King presiding and 12 members attendance. The program for the evening was presented by dual member Steve Burke. Burke's program was on "Francis Marion, Swamp Fox". Revolution. He had an officer commission not only in the South Carolina Militia, but also the Continental Army. During the British occupation of South Carolina and Charleston, he was a persistent

The Four Rivers adversary. His method Georgia of warfare was irregular, and it made him one of the fathers of modern guerrilla warfare and maneuver warfare. He is noted as an ancestor of the U.S. Army Rangers and the 75th Ranger Regiment. After participating in several battles, such as Fort Sullivan, Siege of Savannah Monck's Corner and at Waxhaw's, Marion organized a small unit, which at first consisted of between 20 and 70 Francis Marion was men and was the only a military officer who force then opposing served in the American the British Army in the State. Marion rarely committed his men to frontal warfare but repeatedly bewildered larger bodfrom the field.



COMPATRIOT STEVE BURKE PRESENTING HIS TRAVELING TRUNK TO OVER 600 STUDENTS FROM TWIN CITY ELEMENTARY AND SWAINSBORO PRIMARY SCHOOL, **K-2ND GRADE**

Burke presents traveling trunk to area students

18, 2022, Farm Day 2022 was held at the Georgia Sports Arena at 9:00 a.m. Many booths were set up by Chair Kim Hooks for over 600 students to enjoy many different animals, including riding horses. Sheri Watt asked local survivalist Compatriot Steve Burke to present his Wiregrass Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution "Traveling Trunk" to all the students in groups of 25 to 30 at a time. The Traveling Trunk consisted of artifacts, pelts, hats, and many other items that Patriots would have used in the late 1700's in our area. Compatriot Steve

On Friday, November Burke is the Vice President of the local chapter. He was assisted by Registrar Dess Smith III. The most interactive part of Steve's presentation was when each student got to have their group photo taken with one of Steve's "roadkill" hats. Also on display was several types of flintlock rifles including a Kentucky/Pennsylvania 50 cal., a 1750's matchlock, a French Charleville 69 cal. musket, a British Brown Bess 75 cal., and an 1842 percussion cap smooth bore Whitworth 45 cal. rifle. Steve also displayed his just completed 6-pounder Field Cannon that he built himself.



JULIE FRIX

Julie Frix nominated as VFW Teacher of the Year

Julie Frix has been selected as the Lanier-Moore VFW Post 5745 Teacher of the Year.

She is the Work-based Learning Coordinator for ies of Loyalists or British Emanuel County Schools. She finds job placements regulars with quick sur- for students, networks with local industry and busiprise attacks and equal- nesses, teachesemployability skills, teaches curriculy sudden withdrawal lum centered on personal responsibility.

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VFW Voice of Democracy winners

ered and graded in ners were announced. 3rd Place.

Each year the Veterans an oral version. This This year's winners are of Foreign Wars con- year the 18applicants Addalyn Terwilliger duct an essay contest from David Emanuel who earned 1st place, for 10th through 12th Academy were grad- Josie Black who earned grade students. This ed on their essay and 2nd place, and Landon essay had to be deliv- delivery and the win- Lindsey who earned

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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 (ECSO); 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).

Ionathan Frederick Butler, entered 11/28/22; Speeding 15-29 MPH over/Driving lic susp/ rev/Burglary/Burglary/ Burglary/Burglary; released 11/28/22; SPD

Melinda Marie Jones, entered 11/28/22; Theft/ Shoplifting; released 11/28/22; SPD

Ricardo Jerome Taylor, 11/28/22; entered Trafficking in cocaine, illegal drugs, marijuana, or meth/Probation/ State court/Middle Ga Probation/Hold for out of county billing; ECSO

Casey Michelle Eubanks, entered 11/28/22; Probation/State court/ Middle Ga Probation; **ECSO**

Quinn, entered 11/28/22; Speeding 15-29 MPH over/Driving lic susp/rev; released 11/28/22; ECSO

Joshua Kyle Farley, entered 11/28/22; DUI/ drugs/Possession of drug related object/VGCSA possession of marijuana/ VGCSA possession of drug related object; GSP

Jemal Arin Thomas, entered 11/29/22; False imprison; SPD

Aristizabal, Andres entered 11/29/22; Hold for out of state extra diction; ECSO Roger Dewayne

Burke, entered 11/29/22; Probation/Superior court; **ECSO** Teddy Smith Jr, entered

11/29/22; Enticing a child Uwimana Afrika Jawara for indecent purposes/

Enticing a child for inde- rev/Driving lic susp/ cent purposes; ECSO

Annie Belle Mathews, 11/29/22; entered Disorderly conduct; released 11/308/22; ECSO

Davon Jamari Dovle, entered 11/30/22; DUI/ drugs/Driving while unlicensed/expired/Theft/ rec/stolen prop/Hold for out of county billing/Hold for Tattnall Co; SPD

Deanthony Maquail Hall, entered 11/30/22; Battery/simp battery-family violence; released 12/2/22; SPD

Chevy Clay Sluder, entered 12/1/22; Stat rape/Child molest/ Flee/attempt to elude police/fel/off/Fell/ attempt to elude police/ fel/off/Driving lic susp/

rev/Reckless driving/ Speeding 15-29 MPH over/Failure to stop at stop sign/Operation of veh w/o tag/decal/Failure to maintain lane/Hold for

Laurens CO; ECSO Devin Ivey Burdick, entered 12/2/22; Aggr stalking; ECSO

Robert Daniel Marchman, entered 12/2/22; Reckless driving/VGCSA possession of drug related object; released 12/2/22; SPD

Tashia Kay Davis, entered 12/2/22; Theft/ shoplifting; released 12/2/22; SPD

Olivera Vincente Hernandez, entered 12/2/22; Speeding 15-29 MPH over/Driving while unlicensed/expired; released 12/2/22; ECSO

Moody Oliver III, entered 12/2/22; Dep acct fraud/bad checks over \$499; released 12/3/22; **ECSO**

Craig McDonald Reese, entered 12/3/22; Driving lic susp/rev/Speeding <14 MPH over; released 12/3/22

Dwayne Edwards, entered 12/4/22; DUI/ alch/Failure to maintain lane; released 12/4/22; SPD

Victoria Hope Digiorgio, entered 12/4/22; Theft by taking/Motor vehicle; **ECSO**

Lashannon Nicole Godfrey, entered 12/4/22; Simp battery/Other/Crim trespass; SPD

Swainsboro Police Reports

with Swainsboro PoliceDepartment (SPD) report-

November 28

Officer was dispatched to Walmart in reference to shoplifting. Officer met with complainant who stated that offender shoplifted by not scanning some items and changing price tags on jeans to scan them for a lower price. Offender admitted to doing this and apologized. Offender was

to the Emanuel County Jail and charged with shoplifting first offense.

Officer was dispatched to Ralph Smith Place in reference to a homeowner finding a broken window. On arrival officer met with c/p who stated that he was working on the home when he noticed the rear bathroom window busted. There was nothing missing from the home.

Officer observed a man

the arrested and transported asleep in a vehicle with the door open. Offender was arrested for possession less than one ounce of marijuana.

November 29

Officer was dispatched to SPD in reference to a report. Officer spoke with c/p who stated that she discovered her firearm missing from her gun box.

Officer was dispatched to East Meadowlake Parkway in reference to a report. C/p stated that one of the UPS vehicles catalytic converter had been cut but had been welded back together.

Officer received a phone call where c/p stated that his life and property was being threatened by offender.

Officer conducted a traffic stop where offender ended up being arrested for theft be receiving stolen property, DUI, and driving while unlicensed.

November 30

SPD in reference to a lost tag. C/p stated that his tag was allegedly mailed to his residence on November 1, but has yet to come.

Officer met with c/p at SPD in reference to a report. C/p advised that she has an employee who allegedly calls her mother during the work day complaining about her job. The mother then contacts the business with different threats about coming to

Officer met with c/p at the location and disrupting the workplace.

Officers were dispatched to the Roses parking lot for a domestic that occurred at this location between a male subject and an employee. C/p stated that her husband showed up at her job and when she walked away from him, he struck her in the back of the head. Offender was placed under arrest for simple battery family violence.

Sheriff's Reports

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

November 28 Deputy was dispatched to Tom's Pawn in reference to a dispute. Complainant stated someone pawned his Browning rifle without his permission and wanted it back. Staff at Tom's stated the rifle in question had been sold and they could not give c/p the buyer's info. C/p wanted to file a report in order to find out who sold his rifle. Deputy did a report to find out who sold c/p's rifle and it was his daughter.

Victim stated a truck passed her on Hwy 80 East and something flew up and hit her windshield, cracking

Deputy met with complainant who stated she lost

Deputy was dispatched to Fellowship St. in reference to a domestic dispute. Complainant stated her uncle/offender beat her up over an argument about letting a guy help her move into her house and made several passes at offender's girlfriend. Who was also there helping c/p move into her house. C/p stated she and her uncle were arguing and he proceeded to grab her by the hair, throw her down, and strike her on her face. Offender was GOA so deputies went to his residence on RJ Holder Rd. and he stated he and his niece did indeed have an argument and he was just trying to get his blower back and they were tussling over it and he did snatch it from her but he did not punch or hit her in the face.

Deputy met with complainant in reference to a child custody dispute. Complainant stated that he and his wife got into a verbal dispute concerning another male subject around which time c/p stated his wife had left the residence with their daughter to go to Macon and refused to return. C/p further stated that he was concerned about the safety of their daughter.

Deputies responded to Mt. Zion Church Rd. in reference to a vehicle fire. The FD was already on scene and extinguishing the vehicle. Complainant advised the vehicle shut off while driving and he started to smell fuel so he pulled over and checked under the hood and didn't see anything and tried to crank it and saw smoke. C/p exited the vehicle and noticed flames under the

Deputy arrested offender Jail for Probation Revocation. on Hwy 1 South on a State Probation Warrant.

Deputy observed a vehicle traveling 81 MPH in a 55 MPH zone, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle returned with suspended registration and no valid insurance and the driver had a suspended license for failure to appear.

Deputy was contacted by DTF agent in reference to a subject that she had active sale of meth warrants on. Deputy ran the individual through ECSO and was informed that the individual had an active outstanding probation warrant. Deputy was asked to meet DTF in reference to serving the warrants. GSP made contact with DTF and began to attempt to make contact with the vehicle while being fed info from DTF. DTF was attempting to make a controlled buy in Kite prior to the stop. GSP was able to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle and the driver and passenger/offender were asked to step out of the vehicle. Offender transported to EmCo Jail for the active warrants.

November 29 Deputy responded to Hwy 192 in reference to someone breaking into a camper and stealing gas. Complainant stated someone siphoned the gas out of his truck and broke into his camper and left the door open. Tool marks were observed on the door frame. C/p stated he observed a vehicle in his driveway the previous evening. It was also observed that a bicycle valued at \$100 was taken from the camper.

Deputy met with complainant who stated she hired offender to level her house and offender gave her an estimate to do the job and she gave him \$3500 for the first installment on 10/24 and offender cashed it on 10/25 and as of 11/29, offender has not done the work. C/p reached out to offender with no luck of making contact. Bulloch Co. tried to serve him at his address and it was determined that he no longer

Deputy met with complainant who stated he lives on her deceased brother's property and has goats and livestock on someone else's land that he takes care of and suspects hired a handy man and got him to disconnect the water to the property.

Deputy responded to Superior Probation in reference to two males that needed to be transported to EmCo Offenders were taken into custody and transported to EmCo Jail.

Deputy responded to Powell Dr. in reference to damage to property. Victim stated that within a two week period, someone keved the hood, trunk, and both sides of his vehicle.

Deputy responded to Bonnie Rd. in reference to complainant stating someone had taken her Amazon packages from her residence. C/p stated a neighbor on Mustang Dr. possibly had footage on the incident and she would attempt to make

contact with the neighbor. Deputy met with complainant at ECSO who stated that someone went in her vard and cut her catalytic converter off of her RV.

Deputies assisted the Fire Dep.t with a structure fire on Shady Ln. The structure was fully engulfed upon arrival.

Deputies responded to Egret Pl. in reference to juveniles playing loud music and killing c/p's chickens. C/p advised that in the past 3 months, she has been having fuel, food, and electricity stolen from her by her neighbors. C/p has not done reports for previous incidents. Deputies tried to make contact with the neighbors and upon approaching the camper, they could smell a strong odor of marijuana. No one obviously came to the door and c/p stated they party every weekend and sometimes shoot weapons next to her home.

November 30 Deputies assisted GSP with

a single vehicle MVA fatality. Complainant stated she never received her vehicle tag in the amil and assume it was lost in transit.

Deputies were serving warrants on offender on Hwy 1 North and made contact with him. Offender was informed of the warrant and asked if he could lock up and put his dog on a leash. Deputies allowed offender to do so and once his dog was put on a leash, he took off running. Deputy took off behind him and was able to catch him without any use of force or injuries. Offender was placed under arrest and

transported to EmCo Jail. Deputy spoke with complainant who stated she was going through her belongings and trying to find her deceased husband's guns and could not find a 380 Ruger. C/p stated that her husband always kept the gun I his jacket pocket and she there.

Deputy took a report in reference to a stolen tag. Complainant stated her car was at Daniels Chevrolet impound yard and when she got it back, her tag was gone.

Deputy received a tip from the tip line that there was a person being held in a locked room on Rufus Woods Crossing. Deputies responded to the address in question and entered the residence which is a boarding home. Deputies spoke with all of the renters and the owner showed deputies all the rooms. The house was clean and all of the renters seemed to be happy with staying there. Everyone was well dressed and appeared healthy.

Complainant stated she hit a deer on Hwy 23 North, casing moderate damage to her vehicle.

Deputies responded to JM Spearman Rd. in reference to warrant service. Offender was taken into custody and transported to EmCo Jail

without incident.

December 2 Deputy was dispatched to Marylynn Dr. in reference to a damage to vehicle report. Complainant stated she was at a friend's house when she and suspect got into a verbal argument over money and when suspect left, he threw a bottle at her vehicle, causing

two dents. Deputy observed a vehicle traveling 70 MPH in a 55 MPH zone, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Driver informed deputy that he did not have a license. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail for speeding and driving while unlicensed.

Deputy met with complainant on Durden Rd. in reference to an animal collision. C/p stated a deer struck his vehicle causing moderate

Deputies responded to Quick Loop in reference to an ex-tenant trespassing on property. Complainant advised that she evicted offenders two weeks prior and also filed a writ of possession through the courts. C/p advised offenders had been served and she posted no trespassing signs on the front porch and noticed the tenants were back at the property. Deputy made contact with offenders who advised he was not aware of the eviction due to him being incarcerated. Male offender was advised by c/p that he had until the following

just now noticed it is not morning to be off the prop-

Deputy responded to Hwy 23 North in reference to a

theft. Complainant advised that on 9/19, he sold a truck to offender without a bill of sale and they made an agreement on the removal of some scrap metal on the property. C/p advised that shortly after that he noticed a pair of pallet forks that attach to a tractor were missing. C/p advised that he made contact with offender about the item in question and offender stated he had them and would return them. C/p has been waiting until now and made several attempts to get offender to bring the forks back and offender refuses.

December 3

Deputies were on duty at Swainsboro Raceway and while monitoring the pits, they observed two males who appeared to be having a verbal argument. As they got closer, they observed one offender take a hit with a closed fist. During the fight, one offender was pushed and fell on a car jack, causing two abrasions to his head. Both offenders were transported to EmCo Jail for disorderly conduct.

December 4

Deputy responded to Payton Rd. in reference to neighbors shooting. Complainant advised that his neighbor/offender had been driving recklessly on the dirt road in front of her residence and had been shooting in the area. C/p stated offender was harassing him due to a stalking order in place by c/p. Deputy did observe tire marks in the area from vehicles playing in the road but did not see anyone in the area. Deputy then attempted to make contact with offender and did not get anyone to answer the door and seemed like no one was home at the

Deputies responded to Mayrlynn Dr. in reference to an unwanted person. One offender advised the other offender went to her house to buy some tires and fell asleep on her couch, and stated she doesn't know offender and wanted him out of her house. She tried several times to wake offender up and he finally woke up. Offender was intoxicated and sated he had been at the residence since after lunch and was there to buy some tires and fell asleep. Offender was then asked to leave the property and deputies discovered his vehicle registration was suspended and his license was

suspended. Deputies advised offender to call someone to pick him up due to him being intoxicated. Offender could not find his phone and stated someone stole it and \$400

cash from his front pocket. Deputy responded to Ogburn Dr. in reference to the caller stating that a Uhaul truck was taken from the residence. Complainant stated he got a text from his ex that she knew where he was and about five minutes later, he heard the Uhaul crank and leave and the horn blow when it left. C/p made contact with 911 and informed them that the Uhaul and his ex were at a residence on N. Main St. Deputies made contact with offender and she was taken into custody. Offender stated she took the Uhaul in attempt to make c/p walk and was unaware that she was committing a

crime in doing so. Victim stated she and offender were living together on Hwy 121 South and they broke up and she packed up her belongings that she could. Victim went back the following day to get the rest of her belongings and offender refused to give her the rest. When deputy arrived, offender had set victim's

belongings outside. Deputy met with complainant on Reba Dr. in reference to an aggressive dog that entered onto her property attempting to enter into her chicken coup. C/p stated the dog shows signs of aggression towards member of her family to the point that the dog had to be run off with a shovel. C/p stated she contacted the neighbor about the dog but still has issues

Deputy responded to Red Oak Rd. in reference to a vehicle unlock. Vehicle was unlocked and complainant advised she wanted to make a report due to offender stealing her keys. C/p stated offender was at her house and was choking a 10-yearold and when c/p broke it up, offender grabbed her keys and ran out the door.

Deputies responded to Princess St. in reference to a third party caller advising that the neighbor requested law enforcement. Complainant stated she was on her porch and heard a noise beside her house then saw someone walking around her house with an object in his hand. C/p stated that once the suspect saw her, he ran towards a wooded



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Swainsboro Primary School November Character Kids

At Swainsboro Primary School, the character trait for November was "Thankfulness". One student from each class is selected for displaying thankfulness each day. These students get

special recognition at a Character Kid breakfast. They also get a special lunch, a certificate, pencil and charm, a book from a book vending machine, as well as a free Character Kids who ice cream from Dairy

Queen. In addition, a video of these boys and girls is shared on the Swainsboro Primary School FaceBook page. We are so proud of the always work hard!!



SCENE FROM BACKPACK GIVEAWAY EVENT

FBC hosts third annual backpack giveaway

third The annubackpack giveaway sponsored by the Emanuel Missionary Baptist Association was held this past weekend on Dec 4. The event was hosted at First Baptist Church Swainsboro in conjunction with the Georgia Baptist Christmas Backpack program.

We collected a total of 270 backpacks from

numerous churches in the Emanuel Association. The backpacks were all filled with a Bible, food items, clothing items, hygiene items, as well as fun toys, games, or accessories.

At the event at FBC, 90 children from Emanuel County participated in games and songs and received a backpack and lunch. At least 8 churches in the county sent people to volunteer and 8 people accepted Jesus as their Savior and Lord!

If you are interested in hearing about or participating in other events sponsored by the Emanuel Missionary **Baptist** Association, please reach out to Emily Jarrell (emilyjarrell414@gmail.com) or Billy Brinson (brinsonbilly58@gmail.com).



Eagles have a unique place in nature - certainly a place that differs from all other birds. The represent strength, power and freedom from the things of this world that would distract them. No wonder they have a special place in God's Word. Isaiah promised, "Those who hope in the Lord will renew their

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Council votes to...

(From front page)

"That destroyed a lot of us veterans." Tapley said through somber eyes. "We put the flags up on our own with our own money and we just changed them this past Friday. That's our greatest pet peeve because if you can't fly a flag with color and dignity then you need to cut it down. There are men and women who died for that flag and to ride through this town and see them in the shape that I have seen many of them in, is disgusting." On December 17, Tapley along with Wreaths Across America will be placing 1,361 wreaths across our county. "No one knows how many veterans are buried in this county. Some of the material I have read is how dying is the worst thing that can happen but dying is not the worst thing that can happen. The worst thing that can happen is to die and be forgotten. There are graves that have been here for one hundred years and the only thing they've received are sand spurs and bird droppings. They have no family, so we, the Veterans at the Library, have elected ourselves to be their family." He said to Council members. Our County is home to over 165 disabled veterans and the total number of veterans who currently call Emanuel County home is far greater. However, there is so much uncertainty on

the number of buried veterans throughout our County which spans over 170 cemeteries. "You can't tell me that there's not a veteran there at every one of them and our goal is to find those veterans and provide them with a wreath because they deserve that. We are not in this for profit." He explained. "Last year when I went to Aiken to pick up the wreaths, I asked the Lady who was over the cemetery, how many wreaths she would put out. She looked out over the headstones and said, 'Johnny, I'll put out around 676.' And as she continued to look out at the headstones she said, 'On Christmas morning, it is a beautiful thing to look out across here and see those wreaths.' Then she began to cry. Me being a grown man you know what I did, right? I began to cry too. The worst thing is not to die, it's to be forgotten." Tapley asked Council to consider maintaining the Early Settlers Cemetery not only for its history within our community but because 97% of the graves there are our veterans. He also presented Council with a petition of signatures that requested Pine Brook Nature Park and Bird Sanctuary be renamed in honor of our veterans and first responders, especially due to its lack of housing birds and being maintained. Councilperson Parker immediately responded with a motion to approve the renaming of the park to Veterans and

passed 6-0. Members of the Swainsboro City Council convened for their monthly meeting on Monday, December 5, at 6 p.m. at City Hall with all members present Joe Bedgood with Dellwood Baptist Church gave the night's invocation, and the pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Council then reviewed minutes from the November 7 and November 15

First Responders Memorial

Park, Councilperson Da-

vis seconded, and the vote

meeting and passed a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Old Business:

1. Council considered the approval of the BAK contracts for the Gumlog Gym and Karrh Theatre projects. A motion was made by Councilperson Parker to fund the theater project as well as the gymnasium with equal amounts sourced from the American Rescue Plan monies and "various entities". Coun-Quarterman cilperson seconded the vote and it passed 5-1 with Councilperson Sconyers being the

opposing vote. Chief Mike Strobridge discussed roofing issues at the fire department's headquarters. A motion was made by Councilperson Parker to give the job of repairing the roof to Justice-N-Sons LLC. who offered to repair both the roof and interior of the Fire Department for the price of \$43,330 with a 20 year warranty. The money for through SPLOST monies. Councilperson Sconyers seconded this vote and it unanimously passed be-

tween all councilmembers. Council considered the bid for the airport Apron Rehabilitation project. Councilperson Parker made a motion to approve the funding of this project through the DOT grant with the city having to pay half. Quarterman seconded this motion with all other votes being unanimous.

4. Council considered the resolution for the creation of the airport authority. Councilperson Parker made the first motion for approval of getting it passed by legislation and Stafford seconded. The vote passed 6-0.

Council considered intergovernmental agreement for the airport which addressed the establishment of the airport authority and its de-annexation so that the City could push them both through to

the 2023 local legislation. Parker made the first motion for the approval of the intergovernmental agreement and Davis seconded. The vote passed 6-0.

6. Council considered proceeding with the de annexation of the airport property. Parker made the first motion and Davis seconded. The vote passed 6-0.

Council considered the adoption of the 2023 budget. Councilperson Stafford made the first motion to adopt the 2023 Budget and Councilperson Sconyers seconded.

New Business:

Council considered for advertisement the game room application for Dirghayu V Patel dba Sarvi Enterprise LLC. otherwise known as RACO, located at 202 East Main Street. Councilperson Parker made the first motion for approval of this advertisement and Councilperson Quarterman seconded. The vote passed unanimously.

2. Council discussed the the repairs will be funded downtown electrical issues that include over 119 recentacles that need replacing as well as numerous other issues including those that have been caused by LED bulbs not being installed correctly. Councilperson Sconyers made a motion to receive quotes for the restoring of the downtown electrical issues. Councilperson Collins seconded and all other votes passed unanimously.

> Chief Mike Strobridge presented a quote for the purchase of their personal protective equipment or turnout gear for the Fire Department's newest two employees. He also explained that he has requested that they attend the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in February and that this gear is necessary for them to attend these training sessions. Councilperson Parker made a motion for this approval and Councilperson Collins seconded. All other votes passed unanimously.

Chief Randy Ellison presented a quote from West Chatham Warning Devices for the newest patrol cars equipment. Councilperson Parker made a



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motion for this approval and Councilperson Collins seconded. The vote passed

Building Inspector Bruce Kirby presented a request for a used truck. A motion was made by Councilperson Davis for the purchase of a new Chevrolet with 212 miles at the price of \$46,000 through the funding of the American Rescue Plan. This was the low bid of those presented. Councilperson Parker seconded the vote and it passed unanimously.

6. Council considered the quote in the amount of \$49,500, from MW Collins Inc. for inert material grinding at the inert landfill. Councilperson Collins made a motion to spend the money for this project from the Public Works fund. Councilperson Quarterman seconded. The vote passed 6-0. Councilperson Davis made a motion to get a quote for a security gate with a keypad for the landfill and Councilperson Parker seconded the vote.

7. Council considered the approval of the Ponce Electric, Inc. quote in the amount of \$16,800 for electrical repairs at the airport. Councilperson Collins made the first motion and Councilperson Stafford seconded. The vote passed 6-0.

8. Council considered advertising to increase council fees with an effective date of January 1, 2024. Councilperson Davis made a motion to increase fees paid to council members to \$800 a month. Councilperson Parker seconded the vote and it passed unanimously.

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Eugenia A. Ducker, City Clerk

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition

to Robert Cayden Lane.

This 8th day of November, 2022. **Bobbie Sherrod**

Petitioner IN THE PROBATE COURT OF

EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF IN RE: ESTATE OF JIMMIE L. **BROWN**, DECEASED

ESTATE NO. 22E0157 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and **LAKESHA BROWN**

has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of JIMMIE L. BROWN 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 DECEMBER 19th, 2022.

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Judge of the Probate Court By: Nicky Neal Clerk of the Probate Court P.O. Box 70/ 125 S. Main St. Swainsboro, GA Address 478-237-7091

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

All creditors of the estate of Barbara Chance Jones, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and al persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment. This 16th day of November, 2022. Timothy Carlton Jones. Executor of

Barbara Chance Jones, decedent Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. P.O. Box 68

Swainsboro, GA 30401 NOTICE TO FORECLOSE RIGHT TO

TO: RAFAEL REYNARD TURNER

12 Willie Davis Road Midville, Georgia, 30441 ANNA JANE TURNER

12 Willie Davis Road Midville, Georgia, 30441 REED TURNER

12 Willie Davis Road Midville, Georgia, 30441 TO ANY OF THEIR HEIRS

KNOWN & UNKNOWN &: TO ANYONE IT MAY CONCERN TAKE NOTICE THAT:

The right to redeem the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, together with any improvements, lying, situate and being in the 57th G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia containing one (1) acre, more or less, and being the middle lot of three lots shown on a

plat of survey made by Aubrey E. Scott, Jr., Surveyor, dated August 22, 1980, recorded in the office of Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court in Plat Book 9, Page 2 82, to which reference is made as a part of this description. Said one acre lot of land is bounded on the north by lands of Rev. E.D. and Mozelle A. Curry; East by a one-acre lot of land, formerly lands of Jerry White and Marjorie White, which is the property of Carlie Lee Riggins and Isabelle Riggins; South by the right-of-way of county-maintained Road Number 74; and West by a one-acre lot shown on the afore-referenced plat of survey, being the land of Jerry White and Marjorie

The above-described property is the same as that conveyed from Jerry White and Marjorie White to

White.

Anna Jane Turner and Renee Turner by a Joint Survivorship Warranty Deed dated April 10, 1995, recorded in Emanuel County Records in Deed Book 72, Page 401.

Also being the same property conveyed to Charles William Brannen and Patricia Denise Brannen under a Tax Sale Deed dated the 2nd day recorded in Deed Book 528, Page 292-293, aforesaid Clerk's Records. As described in Deed Book 176, Page 191.

Said property is currently described as Emanuel County Tax No. 108, Parcel 074.

Subject to: Existing easements for rights of way, public utilities and any other outstanding liens which may attach to said property.

After Advertisement, said property was sold at public outcry on November 2nd, 2021 to satisfy tax fi fas for the years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, & 2020 and for penalty and interest in favor of the County of Emanuel, State of Georgia against Rafael Reynard Turner, Anna Jane Turner, Reed Turner and any of their heirs at law or whom it may concern, and will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 2nd day of January, 2023.

The Tax Sale Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 2nd day of March 2021 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Burke County, Georgia, in

Deed Book 1184, Pages 225-226. The property may be redeemed at any time before the 2nd day of January, 2023 by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: Charles William Brannen & Patricia Denise Brannen, 120 St. Galilee Road, Midville, Georgia, 30441. Telephone #: 912-536-3820.

Please be governed accordingly This 1st day of December, 2022. Charles William & Patricia Denise 120 St. Galilee Road

Midville, Georgia, 30441 Telephone #: 912-536-3820.

JEREMY GUNN NOTICE TERMINATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

TO: Lonnie Bell Gunn and any heir at law of the said Lonnie Bell Gunn; and any person or entity having any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the following described property. 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 1560th G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, designated as Lot #1, fronting a distance of 100 feet on the Northwestern side of GA Highway 23 and extending backwards between parallel lines a distance of 200 feet, as shown on plat of survey dated September 12, 1972, made by Walter K. Maupin, Surveyor, which is recorded in the Office of Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court in Plat Book 7, page 3, to which reference is made as a part of this description. Said property is bounded now or formerly as follows: Northwest by lands of Mary Nell Armstrong; Northeast by lands of Henry Lewis; Southeast by GA Highway 23; and Southwest by lands of Mary Nell Armstrong.

This tract is identified on Emanuel County Tax Assessors Map 117.

Said property is the same as that conveyed by a Warranty Deed dated December 10, 1993 from John Robert Thompson to Lonnie Bell Gunn, which is recorded in the Office of Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court in Deed Book 56, page 327. Will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 21st of

December, 2022. The tax sale deed to which this notice relates is dated November 2, 2021, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia, in Deed Book 528, pages 290-291.

The property may be redeemed at any time before the 21st day of December, 2022, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: Jeremy Gunn, P.O Box 372, Twin City, GA 30471.

If you have questions or would like to know the redemption amount, please contact my attorney, Morgan E. Morris, at P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro. GA 30401, 478-237-2271.

Please be governed accordingly. This 14th day of November, 2022. Jeremy Gunn

P.O. Box 372 Twin City, GA 30471 Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 68 Swainsboro, GA 30401

478-237-2271

EDSEL WESLEY HODGES, JR. and **RETHA HODGES** NOTICE TERMINATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

TO: Tammie Meeks and any heir at law of the said Tammie Meeks; and any person or entity having any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the following described property. Take notice that: The right to redeem the following

described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land sit-

uate, lying and being in the 50th G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, containing 1.5 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point where the property of Jack Meeks joins the property of Frank Flanders and at the Western point of this parcel being conveyed today, and proceeding thence in Northwesterly direction along property of Frank Flanders to a point; thence in a Northerly direction along Leman Road a distance of 152 feet to a point; thence in an Easterly direction along other property of Jack Meeks 160 feet to a point; thence in a Southerly direction 350 feet to a point on the Northern boundary of property of Patricia Jarriel; thence in a Westerly direction 100 feet along property of Patricia Jarriel to the point of beginning and bounded now or formerly as follows: North by lands of Jack Meeks; East by lands of Jack Meeks; South by lands of Patricia Jarriel; Southwest by lands of Frank Flanders; and

This tract is identified on Emanuel County Tax Assessors Map 067, Parcel 021.

West by Leman Road

Said property is the same as that conveyed by a Quitclaim Deed dated June 27, 1997 from Mary Lisa Webb to Tammie Meeks, which is recorded in the Office of Clerk, **Emanuel Superior Court in Deed** Book 97, page 522.

Will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 21st of December, 2022.

The tax sale deed to which this notice relates is dated November 2, 2021, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia, in Deed Book 528, pages 288-289.

The property may be redeemed at any time before the 21st day of December, 2022, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: Edsel Wesley Hodges and Retha Hodges, 5067 Paynes Chapel Road, Millen, GA 30442

If you have questions or would like to know the redemption amount, please contact my attorney, Morgan E. Morris, at P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401, 478-237-2271

Please be governed accordingly. This 14th day of November, 2022. Edsel Wesley Hodges, Jr. & Retha

5067 Paynes Chapel Road Millen, GA 30442 Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. P.O. Box 68 Swainsboro, GA 30401 478-237-2271

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF **EMANUEL** IN RE: MAMIE CHRISTINE BROWN.

DECEASED. All creditors of the Estate of Mamie Christine Brown, Deceased, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to Richard M. McNeely, attorney for Carole Elaine Brown Stepney, Administrator of the Mamie Christine Brown Estate, at P. O. Box 767, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401, according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment of any

indebtedness due the estate This 22nd day of November, 2022. RICHARD M. MCNEELY,

Attorney for Carole Elaine Brown Administrator of the Mamie

Christine Brown Estate Richard M. McNeely, P.C. P. O. Box 767 Swainsboro, Georgia 30401 (478) 237-4225

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF **EMANUEL** COUNTY STATE OF **GEORGIA**

IN RE: ESTATE OF LINDA KAY TRAVETT, DECEASED **ESTATE NO.** 22E0160 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern

YOLANDA P. CAMPBELL has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of LINDA KAY TRAVETT 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 JANUARY

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

478-237-7091 Telephone Number

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

All creditors of the estate of Frances Drake Durden Keene, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68. Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

This 1st day of December, 2022. Christopher Lee Lawrence. Administrator of the Estate of Frances Drake Durden Keene, decedent Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. P.O. Box 68

Swainsboro, GA 30401

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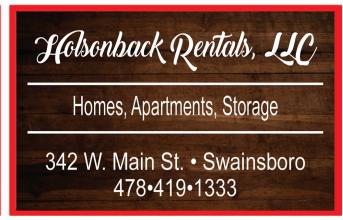
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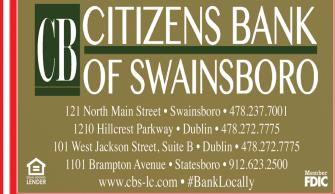














For the Holidays

How to prevent Christmas tree fire hazards

- •Ensure that your live tree is fresh nobody likes a burning Christmas tree! The needles should be hard to pull from the branches and don't break when bent between your fingers. The bottom of the trunk should be sticky with resin. If you tap the tree on the ground, few needles should fall off.
- •Keep the tree away from heat sources such as fireplaces, vents and radiators.
- •Be sure to check the water level daily and make sure the stand is filled with water. Heated rooms will quickly dry out the tree.
- •Practice Christmas tree safety by placing the tree out of traffic and make sure it's not blocking doorways.
- •If you buy an artificial tree, be sure to look for the "Fire Resistant" label. The label doesn't guarantee the tree won't catch on fire, but it does indicate the tree is more resistant to catching on fire.

How to avoid candle fires

- •Only burn candles where you can keep an eye on them.
- ·When you go to bed, leave the room or leave the house, extinguish all candles.
- •Ensure candles are placed on heat resistant, stable surfaces and where kids and pets can't reach them or knock them over.
- •Candles should always be placed far away from items that could catch fire and burn easily, such as trees, decorations, curtains and furniture.

How do you avoid electrical fires?

- •Practice Christmas light safety by buying your lights from reputable retailers. Check that your lights are approved by a nationally recognized testing lab such as UL, Intertek or CSA. UL identifies products meeting safety requirement for indoor and outdoor use with a red holographic label. For indoor only usage, the product will have a green holographic label.
- •Be sure to check all lights and throw out any that have broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or any loose connections.
- ·Never use electric lights on metallic trees.
- •Make sure to use extension cords for their intended use indoors, outdoors or both.
- •Be sure to plug outdoor Christmas lights in to circuits that are protected by Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs).
- •Fasten outdoor lights securely to the house, trees or other supports to keep them from pulling away with the wind. But don't damage the cord with fasteners. Take care not to puncture roofing shingles when fastening lights to the home.
- ·Watch for water and snow and keep both extension cords and lights clear of them.
- •Make sure cords and light strands are not pinched in doors, windows or under furniture. This can damage the cord and its insulation.
- •When you leave home or go to bed, be sure to turn off all indoor and outdoor Christmas lights and electrical decorations.
- •Be very careful around power lines keep yourself and your equipment at least 10 feet away from them.
- •Don't overload electrical outlets with too many decorations or other electrical devices they could overheat and cause a fire.

Is your fireplace ready for the holidays?

- ·Have your fireplace inspected to see if it needs cleaning before using it through the holidays.
- •Be sure to keep a screen on the fireplace to prevent embers from popping out and landing on the floor or carpet.
- •Don't burn wrapping paper in the fireplace. The paper ignites quickly and burns intensely and could result in a flash fire.
- Only used seasoned wood.
- •Be careful with "fire salts" which produce colored flames when thrown on wood fires. If swallowed, they can cause vomiting. They also contain heavy metals that can cause gastrointestinal irritation.

Smoke Detector Safety During the Holidays

The holidays symbolize a time of joy and giving. In that thread of thought, you should be giving your first line of defense against fires your undivided attention during the holiday season. That's right, smoke detectors are pieces of fire safety equipment every house should have. But it's not enough to simply install them. You have to regularly test and maintain your smoke detectors to ensure they are operating properly day in and day out. The holidays are the perfect time to do so because lights, dry foliage and increased kitchen activity are all added fire hazards that can turn the happiest time of year into a nightmare.

- Test alarms monthly
- Replace batteries twice a year
- Replace smoke alarms every 7 10 years

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