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Happy Easter

‘For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.’ - John 3:16

We will celebrate Easter

this Sunday, March 31. Children around Emanuel County are anxiously awaiting Peter Cottontail, hoping that he’ll fill their Easter baskets with chocolate bunnies, yellow peeps, prize

eggs, and other goodies! Of course, there’s more to Easter than our favorite rabbit and the treats that he leaves behind. Easter is a reminder that Jesus Christ died for our sins on Calvary and rose

again.

Pictured are Brad, Jessley and Jessica McKenzie admiring a sculpture recreating the crucifixion of Jesus on the cross, crafted by the late Keith Thompson.

Mr. Thompson always enjoyed drawing and painting but had never created a statue. He said that Jesus inspired and led him as he worked on the project. His hope was that someone would

be touched by the creation.

We at *The Forest-Blade* hope you and your family have a wonderful Easter. Our office will be closed March 29 in observance of Good Friday.

Taking action against illegal drug distribution

The Swainsboro Police Department and the Emanuel County Sheriff’s Department combined efforts to suppress

the open-air illegal drug sales in Swainsboro. The Swainsboro Police Department’s Drug Suppression Unit was formed by

the Chief to take a proactive response to reduce illegal drug sales and reduce the criminal activity that results in relationship

to illegal drug usage.

Thursday afternoon, March 2 officers detained several individuals in a raid of a known drug trade on Williams St. in Swainsboro. During the operations several arrests were made relating to illegal drug sales including Walter Kelly - Possession of dangerous drugs and possession of drug related object; Alfred Johnson - Possession of marijuana, possession of cocaine; Ronald Foots - Possession of marijuana.

Other arrests were made on individuals that had outstanding warrants for their arrest. Those arrested were identified as Felicia Ann Davis - Felony probation warrant; Alease

Andrews - City probation warrant.

The operations were in response to numerous complaints of criminal behavior in the neighborhood, more specifically complaints of illegal drug activity.

More operations are being planned in the near future as the unit works on gathering intelligence on the location of targets relating to criminal activity from the sale of illegal drugs.



OFFICERS MAKING ARRESTS ON WILLIAMS STREET

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200 YEARS “Two Centuries of Swainsboro”

A look back at stories of local life in Swainsboro from 1822 to 2023 is now available. Copies of the 75-page magazine were included in last week’s edition of the Forest Blade, and a limited number are available at no charge at *The Forest-Blade* on W. Moring Street.



On Tuesday, March 19, the Family Reading Night at Swainsboro Primary School took place. It was a huge success where families had to “Escape the School” by working together solving puzzles and riddles with ocean themes. After following the clues, they were able to escape the school and open the treasure box. Inside was a new book and the thrill of the escape as a family.

This event was organized and sponsored by Family Connection with funding from the Mill Creek Foundation. A meal was served, and door prizes were given to the lucky winners. Six very lucky winners went home with a new bike that was generously donated by East Georgia Healthcare. Thanks to Party Perfection with Molly and Molly McReynolds for the decorating help and the balloon arch.”

Family Reading Night held at SPS



SCENES FROM THE EVENT

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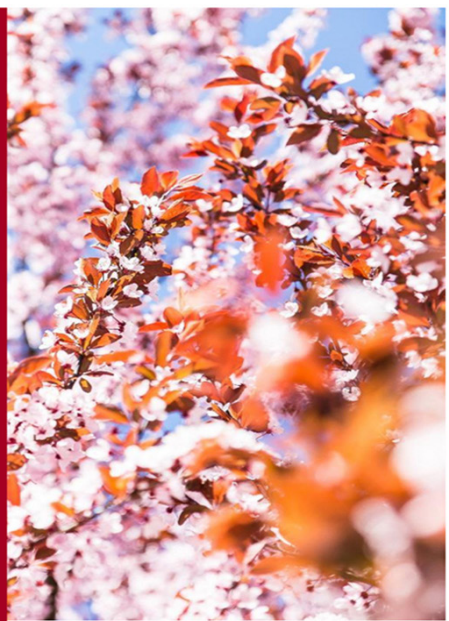
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We are hosting our first grief support group together. Anyone is welcome to join us. Light refreshments included. Chaplain Gregory Ely with PruittHealth Hospice and Palliative Care will be leading this event. Also sponsored by Chapman Funeral Home and Durden Hudson Funeral Directors.

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Franklin Memorial Library’s Food for Fines

by KAYLA WILLIAMS, ASSISTANT MANAGER

During the month of February, Franklin Memorial Library conducted a service called, “Food For Fines”. This was an opportunity for our patrons to waive any fines they may have collected over time in an effort to reduce their debt. We accepted canned goods, packaged food and pet food. Each non-perishable item waived \$1.00 off of their fines.

After the month of February, we reached out within our community and contacted our local Emanuel Co. Animal Shelter and donated to them what pet food was brought in. We also

reached out to our new local food bank, The Lazarus Project, to donate the canned and packaged foods to them. Both of these organizations have one thing in mind, our community. Their dedica-

tion and love for our community is not only needed but appreciated.

We would also like to thank you, our patrons. Your kindness goes a long way, and we are truly thankful for you!



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KAYLA ALEXIS WILLIAMS, JOHN HANCOCK III, LUKE WILLIAMS, LILLY WILLIAMS WINDY WARD AND MALISSA HANCOCK WITH THE LAZARUS PROJECT

MacArthur speaks to Veterans

The Veterans at the Library held their weekly meeting Monday, March 25, at the Franklin Memorial Library. With Chair Johnny Tapley presiding, there were 40 in attendance, including one new Veteran. Venoid Vann Irvin served in the U.S. Army, U.S. Army Reserves, U.S. Navy Reserves and the Georgia Army National Guard from November 13, 1968, until August 7, 2008. Vann served with the 382nd CSH and the 24 Infantry Division, 1st Calvary. His first 19 years was as an enlisted soldier and then the remainder of his service was as a commissioned officer rising to the rank of Captain. His duty stations were Germany, Saudi Dubai, Iraq, Kuwait, Bosnia and Panama. Douglas MacArthur presented his program on the PGA HOPE (Helping our Patriots Everywhere).

Douglas is a PGA Teaching Professional that is starting a FREE program here in Swainsboro for Veterans to teach them how to play the game of golf and also for veteran golf players to improve their game. He is starting out with 20 participants (two ten-man groups) on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Swainsboro Country Club. For those Veterans that do not have golf clubs, they will be provided. If you are a veteran and would like to participate, please call Douglas MacArthur at 941-704-9200 or email him at dougmacarthur7@hotmail.com. Chair Johnny discussed the upcoming “Veterans Golf Tournament” scheduled for Saturday, May 18, at the Swainsboro Country Club. The first registered 18 teams of four will be the only participants. If you would like for your four-man team to be one



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of the participants, please contact John Tapley at 478-494-2517. Also, if you would like to be a HOLE sponsor, please also contact Johnny.

Farm Bureau accepting scholarship applications

Emanuel County Farm Bureau is taking applications for the Dolan E. Brown Memorial Scholarship. This \$1,200 scholarship is available to students attending a college or vocational school. The student may be an

undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in an accredited program, either fulltime or part-time. The scholarship will be based on the student’s academic performance, leadership abilities, and future plans as they relate to agri-

culture.

The winner will be chosen from the top five finalists. Applications may be picked up from the Emanuel County Farm Bureau office at 320 Lambs Bridge Rd. and must be returned by April 26, 2024.






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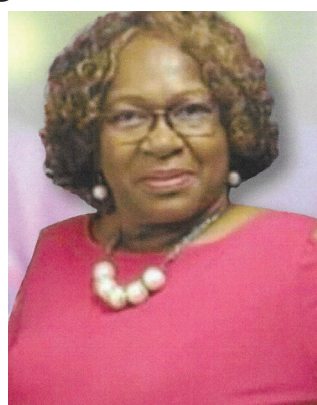
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Patricia Ann Worthen Dukes, 65

Elder Patricia Ann Worthen Dukes, age 65, entered into eternal rest on Thursday, March 14, 2024, at East Georgia Regional Memorial Hospital in Statesboro after an extended illness. A Celebration of Life was held Saturday, March 23, at 3 p.m. at the Swainsboro City Auditorium with Evangelist Alex Worthen presiding and Pastors Frank and Leola O'Neal officiating. Interment followed in Swainsboro City Cemetery.

Patricia was born December 7, 1958, in Swainsboro, to the late Albert and Juanita B. Worthen. She attended Emanuel County Schools and attended Swainsboro Technical College where she earned degrees in Early Childhood Education and Cosmetology. Patricia was employed by the Emanuel County Board of Education for 37 years. She was joined into holy matrimony on July 9, 1999, to Archie



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Dukes. Mrs. Dukes is preceded in death by her father; daughter, Laqueta E. Turner; and sisters, Sarah Worthen and Aretha Worthen.

Mrs. Dukes leaves to cherish her memories with her mother; husband; sons, Patrick Turner of Jacksonville, FL, Quintin Dukes (Katrisha) of Swainsboro and Bernard Dukes of Dublin; seven grandchildren; one brother, three sisters; special friends; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Dawn Jennings Prescott, 61

Mrs. Dawn Jennings Prescott, 61, of Swainsboro, passed away Friday, March 22, 2024, at her residence. Memorial service was held Tuesday, March 26, at 11 a.m. in the chapel at Deloach-McKerley-Prescott Funeral Home in Waynesboro with Rev. Steve Sirmons officiating. The family received friends Tuesday, March 26, from 10 to 11 a.m. prior to the service at Deloach-McKerley-Prescott Funeral Home.

Mrs. Prescott was born September 9, 1962, in Buford, SC, to the late Walter Thomas Jennings, Sr. and Faye Cowart Jennings. She was a graduate of Herschel V. Jenkins High School in Savannah and Gupton-Jones College of Mortuary Science in Atlanta. Dawn worked in the Pathology Department of Memorial Medical Center prior to entering funeral service and later in the OB/GYN practice of Dr. Stephen Cheng. She began her career in funeral service as an apprentice at Fox & Weeks Funeral Directors. During her



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30+ year career with Fox & Weeks, Dawn was a licensed Funeral Director, manager of the Pre-Need Department and a location manager. Mrs. Prescott is preceded in death by her parents; brother, Walter Thomas Jennings Jr.; and companion, Robbie Sellars.

Mrs. Prescott is survived by her sons, Andrew Prescott (Renee) of Gray, Louisiana and Stephen Prescott of Savannah; daughter, Bailey Sellars (Justin Hynko) of Brooklet; aunt, Ann Farrar of Swainsboro; six grandchildren; several aunts, uncles and many friends.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

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PRE-RESURRECTION FLYER

Piney Grove to host Pre-Resurrection Celebration

Pastor Michael Thomas and Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Cross – Green Community, will host a Pre-Resurrection Celebration “The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus” on Saturday, March 30, at 6:30 p.m. Proclaimers are Reverend Ronnie Spry from Second Shiloh Missionary BC in Augusta, Bishop T.V. Outen from Ada Grove PC Cross – Green Community, Reverend Eric Tate from Solomon Temple BC in Wadley, Minister Kenneth Thomson Jr. from William Grove COGIC in Millen, Reverend Leroy Jordan Jr. from Bark Camp MBC and Mt. Carmel MBC in Millen, Reverend Melvin Habersham from Jones Grove BC and Rosier Grove BC in Midville, and Reverend Garrett Williamson from M Div in Augusta. Everyone is invited.

Gayle Page Strickland Elkes, 86

Gayle Page Strickland Elkes, age 86, passed away peacefully on March 12, 2024, at The Windsor of Ocala under the care of Hospice of Marion County after a heart-breaking journey with dementia. A memorial service was held Friday, March 15, at 2 p.m. at Ocala First United Methodist Church in Ocala, FL.

Gayle was born April 17, 1937, in Kite, to the late Burley and Annie Ruth Fortner Page. She was a loving mother, a caring friend to innumerable, and one of God's faithful servants. Gayle enjoyed the simple life of a country girl. She fondly remembered visiting extended family with her grandparents and often shared her recollections with interested family members. Gayle returned to Kite often for visits, but she always returned annually each Thanksgiving for the Page Family Reunion and to attend the Masters Golf Tournament during her visits in April.

A 1955 graduate of Swainsboro High School, Gayle attended the Barrett School of Nursing in Augusta where she received her degree in nursing. There, she met the love of her life, Edmond Thomas Strickland, Jr., who was a native of Calhoun. They were happily married for 26 years and had three children. Sadly, Dr. Strickland predeceased Gayle on July 10, 1986. In November 1994, Gayle married Frank Elkes with whom she shared 20 years until his death in 2015.

After Dr. Strickland returned to the United States from his Navy Deployment to Vietnam as a field surgeon in 1968, the couple moved from Georgia and made their home in Ocala, FL. Gayle enjoyed entertaining and was a gracious hostess. She was a member of the Marion County Medical Society Auxiliary, the Ocala Chapter, NSDAR, the J.J. Dickison Chapter



ELKES

No. 56, UDC, HUGs Charity Board, PEO, Reviewer's Book Club, and her special bridge club for over 55 years. As an active member of Ocala First United Methodist Church, Gayle faithfully served on many committees and was active in The Open-Door Sunday School class as well as United Methodist Women.

Mrs. Elkes is survived by her children, Edmond Thomas Strickland, III (Jody) of Perry, Gayle Page Branson (Rusty) of Ocala, FL and Stuart Burley Strickland of Gainesville, FL; six grandchildren, Tyson Strickland (Anna) of Comer, Morgan Grizzle (Gordon) and Samantha Lineberger (Luke), all of Perry, Tucker Branson (Kaeley) and Sawyer Branson (Ashley), all of Ocala, FL and Bryson Strickland of Gainesville, FL; seven great-grandchildren, Harper Ann and Mary Elizabeth Strickland, Thomas, Evie, and Owen Grizzle, and Sam and Sutton Lineberger; two siblings, Burley Page, Jr. (Connie) and Annelle Norris of Kite.

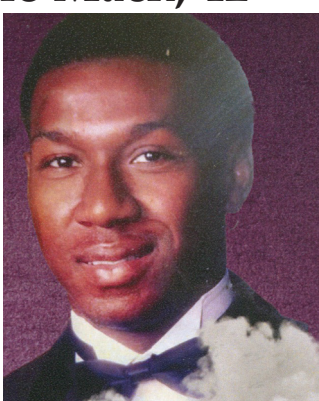
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to HUGs Charities, PO Box 34, Ocala, FL 34478 or hugscharities.info; Hospice of Marion County, PO Box 4860, Ocala, FL 34478 or hospiceofmarion.org; The Alzheimer's Association, alz.org; or Minton Chapel Cemetery Fund, c/o 732 Page Garrett Road, Kite, GA 31049.

Roberts Funeral Home and Crematory of Dunnellon was in charge of the arrangements.

Keon Travelle Mack, 42

Mr. Keon Travelle “Boo” Mack, age 42, departed this life and was called to his eternal home on Monday, February 19, 2024, after a brief illness. A Celebration of Life was held Saturday, February 24, at 12 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Stillmore with Dr. Muriel Belle presiding. Interment followed in Stillmore City Cemetery.

Keon was born August 11, 1981, in Emanuel County, to Sarah A. Mack and Curtis Gordon. He was a 1999 graduate of Emanuel County Institute. Keon became a member of First Baptist Church of Stillmore at the age of eight. He was well-



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known and loved in the Stillmore community and loved the Word.

Mr. Mack leaves to cherish his memories with his parents; brother, Deacon Reginald Mack, two sisters; and a host of loving and caring aunts, uncles and cousins.

Reno Tapley Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Williams Chapel to hold Family and Friends program

Williams Chapel Holiness Church in Swainsboro will have a “Family and Friends” Program on Saturday, March 30, at 7 p.m. Guest preacher for the evening will be Rev. Jonathan Hampton. The pastor, Bishop Clyde Fowler, Jr., extends an invitation to everyone.

Mary Ann Brinson Brown, 90

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the passing of Mrs. Mary Ann Brinson Brown, age 90, of Twin City, on Friday, March 22, 2024, at Ogeechee Area Hospice in Statesboro. Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, March 26, at 11 a.m. at the Brinson Cemetery in Twin City with Rev. Franklin Sasser officiating and Rev. Stewart Moody assisting. Interment followed immediately after the service.

Pallbearers were Benjamin Lewis Brinson, III, Jonathan Belk Brinson, Wiley Clark Evans, IV, Matthew Brinson Evans, William Holton Brinson, Remer Young Brinson, III and Jessie Tarver, Jr.

Mary Ann was born July 22, 1933, at the Brinson Homeplace near Twin City in Emanuel County, to the late Lucile Belk and Remer Young Brinson. She graduated from Emanuel County Institute and attended Georgia Teachers College in Statesboro. Mary Ann was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker. She left Georgia Teachers College in May 1952 to marry Dolan Edward Brown, Jr. They initially lived at their farm in Garfield but moved to Twin City five years later. Faith and family were her priorities in life. Mary Ann dedicated her time to caring for her family and her church. She was a lifelong member of Twin City First Baptist Church where she actively served in Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, GA's, Acteens and WMU (Women's Missionary Union). At the same time, she always supported Dolan in his various leadership roles in agriculture and the church and traveled with him often. The family, nuclear and extended, was important to Mary Ann. She raised her sons to value and respect past and present family and appreciate their agricultural heritage. Cousins were always welcome and encouraged to visit. Nothing made her happier than time with family or good news about them.

After her grandchildren arrived, Mary Ann was always available and willing to provide some extra TLC (tender loving care) whenever they needed her, whether it was a short visit, a sick day, or a holiday from school. All seven grandchildren looked forward to visiting and celebrating holidays, birthdays and other special occasions with her. Mrs. Brown is



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preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Betty Lane Brinson; brother and his wife, Lt. Colonel Remer Young Brinson, Jr. and Shirley Blitch Brinson; and nephew, Benjamin Pierce Brinson.

Mrs. Brown is survived and lovingly remembered by her sons and daughters-in-law, Dolan Edward Brown, III and Pamela Strickland Brown of Garfield, David Brinson Brown and Susan Kent Brown of Statesboro and Mark Hendry Brown and Kimberly Townsend Brown of Garfield; seven grandchildren and their spouses, David Brinson Brown, Jr., of Statesboro, Lazar Brown Oglesby and Johnny Oglesby of Millen, Mary Beth Brown of Statesboro, Belk Ashton Brown of Twin City, Sarah Brown Gay and Garrison Gay of Charlotte, NC, Caroline Brown Callaway and Adam Callaway of Garfield, Dolan Edward Brown, IV and Marianna Peebles Brown of Garfield; three great-grandchildren, Cates Hendry Callaway, Grace Brinson Gay and Dolan Emmett Brown; nieces, nephews and their children, William Holton Brinson and Ruth Lewis Brinson of Augusta, Ginger Brinson Dobbs and John Dobbs of Grovetown, Carol Brinson Tuten and Ray Tuten of Lincolnton, Remer Young Brinson, III and Laura Curley Brinson of Augusta; special friends, Annie Jo and Loy D. Cowart of Twin City; and a host of cousins and many other friends.

Mary Ann's family extends a heartfelt thanks to the staff and caregivers at the Lodge at Bethany of Statesboro and Ogeechee Area Hospice of Statesboro for their love, attention, and amazing care.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: The Brinson Cemetery Association, c/o Martha Ann Wells, 209 Long View Lane, Pickens, SC 29671; The Lodge at Bethany, 77 Bethany Way, Statesboro, GA 30458; or Ogeechee Area Hospice, 200 Donehoo Street, Statesboro, GA 30458.

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

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God's Holy Tabernacle presents Youth Conference

God's Holy Tabernacle, 398 Parish Pond Road, Twin City, presents *Called Out to Take A Stand* Youth Conference Wednesday – Friday, March 27 - 29, at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy fun, prizes, refreshments, panels and preaching.

Editorials Columns

Happiness is where you find it

I saw a program a couple of days ago about a study that had compiled statistics to determine who the happiest and unhappiest people were in the world today. My first reaction was to wonder why people spend good money on surveys like this, but I was interested enough to keep watching. I learned that the happiest people in the world are in Finland. This study is apparently done regularly, and it seems that Scandinavians are always at the top of the list. I was surprised

to see that the United States was way down in the other direction. I was also surprised to learn that the younger segment of our population was even further down the list when compared to similar age groups throughout the world. Turns out, our younger generations came in as being less happy than most of the European countries.

I kept listening, and even more surprising was the fact that prior to 2007, these younger Americans consistently scored much high-

er before starting an unhappy slide toward the doleful section of the scale. This study went on to conclude that politics, cultural and societal issues, as well as the economy had not undergone any radical shifts that would account for the change. One single factor, however, was identified as being a monumental influence in remodeling the lifestyle of 16- to 28-year-olds. It was around 2010 that the “smart phone” reached its most powerful point in sales and ownership numbers in

the United States. That is far from scientific proof, but it is certainly something to ponder. Like anything else in life, too much of a good thing is not always good for you, and an argument to determine the benefits versus the detriments of all the electronic marvels that have taken over our lives would keep every lawyer in the galaxy employed ‘til the end of time. A final interesting statistic from the study graded the happiness status of children in the industrialized world and unindustrialized

Charles Schwabe



world. You can probably guess as to that surprising result. The children who were from what we often refer to as the “third world countries”, according to the study, showed more enjoyment and contentment with life than their counterparts in the “more highly developed and advanced countries”. The

study cited the less stressful nature and more relaxed approach to life as a major factor. If we want to get our happiness number back to where it ought to be, perhaps our ideas about better, faster and cheaper ought to be moderated with just a little more of that good old-fashioned human touch.

Easter morn

Each year I remember and cherish the beauty, joy, love, and hope of Easter Sundays. Baskets, hunting eggs, decorating hard-boiled eggs, a new spring dress made by my grandmother and shoes to match was exciting. After receiving my basket from the Easter Bunny, I walked up Church Street in my new spring dress, and white sandals feeling proud. The joy that has lasted with me for my

lifetime was to come when I went into the little Sunday School room at the top of the outside stairs into the First Methodist Church. My beloved teacher, Mrs. Mae Vann, shared the story of her sunrise experience. She had awoken in the darkness of early morning and gathered with a group from our church to sit on the bleachers at the football field behind SHS. After prayers and read-

ing of the empty tomb, the morning sun came over the horizon and illuminated the sky. It was a moment of knowing that light will always overcome darkness. We were awed when she told us the story and led us in the same prayers that brought on the bright sky. We were surprised when she told us that a member of our class, Roy Hayes, had been among the group. He is the grandson of

Dr. Dess and moved away after graduating. Each Easter my heart is filled with the beauty, joy, hope and love that light can always overcome darkness. As my children were growing up, my husband, Al, and I made the celebration of Easter more than rabbits and hunting for eggs. However, my sons and daughter did enjoy all of the traditions. I have one of these stories left to tell. Since they did not have

Shirley Proctor Twiss



a taste for hard-boiled eggs, we were happy to find the plastic egg that could be opened. Al and I filled each egg with a candy egg and hid them around our yard while they were still sleeping. One Easter morning before they were allowed

to go out to hunt, we looked out to find our yard was filled with the opened plastic eggs, and all the candy eggs had been eaten by our dog. I leave you with this tale to wish you all the happiness that Easter brings each year.

Welcome to a new generation of Georgia Bulldogs

There is a lot going on at my alma mater, the University of Georgia. Not all the news has been good. There was the tragedy last year when an athletic department staffer and a member of the

football team were killed in a tragic car crash that law enforcement authorities say involved speeding, racing, reckless driving and alcohol impairment. This, ironically, hours after a parade in Athens to celebrate the team's

back-to-back College Football Playoff National Championships. A year later, the lawsuits and recriminations continue. The latest tragedy involves 22-year-old nursing student, Laken Riley, who was killed while jogging

last month. Jose Antonio Ibarra, an illegal immigrant from Venezuela, is charged with her murder. He had been previously arrested by both federal and state officials in multiple jurisdictions and had a bench warrant issued for his arrest in December in Athens after failing to appear in court in a shoplifting case I used to call Athens “The Classic City of the South,” but no more. The inmates are running the asylum now. The mayor is an unapologetic liberal weenie and the local district attorney archly announced she wouldn't enforce all the laws of the land. Just the ones she agrees with. And then, of course, there is all the hand-wringing over the football team's prospects of another national championship, as though anything less is abject failure. But in spite of all of this, the University of Georgia is busy doing what its mission states: “To teach, to serve, and to inquire into the nature of things.” In other words, it is first and foremost an academic institution. And a good one. UGA has been ranked among the top 20 among public universities for eight consecutive years and looking at the incoming Class of 2028, it is only going to get better. The university announced that it had received more than 43,000 applications for admission and more than 15,900 students accepted for the fall semester. The incoming class comprises approximately 80% in-state students and 20% out-of-state students. In total, 20,100 applications came from in-state

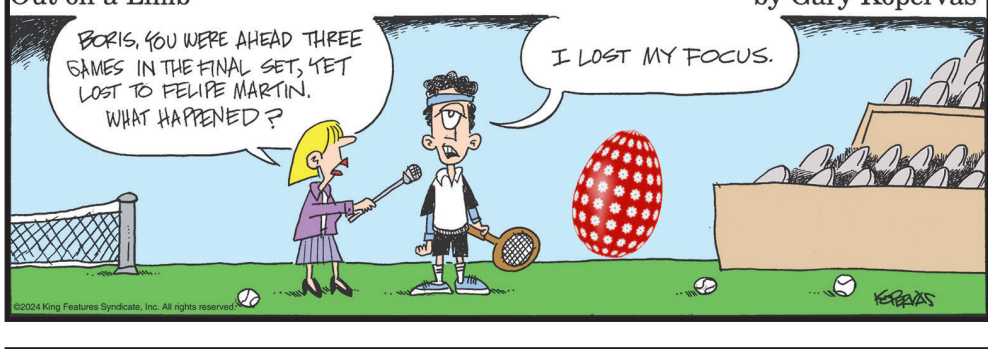
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students representing 618 Georgia high schools in 148 of Georgia's 159 counties. Applications from in-state students were up 7% this year. In addition, some 23,440 applications came from 48 states, Washington, D.C. and 41 countries. “While getting into the University of Georgia is increasingly competitive, UGA is the state's flagship institution and our primary focus is on recruiting, admitting and enrolling Georgia residents,” said David Graves, director of undergraduate admissions. Close to one-third of UGA's graduates will enter the university as transfer students, as well. Decisions on admission of transfer students for summer and fall 2024 are being made with notification every Friday until mid-April. Wherever they come from and however they got here, they are brighter than a newly minted penny. Admission was offered to those with superior academic records. The middle 50% of admitted students reported a GPA of 4.05-4.33; an ACT score of 29-34 and an SAT score of 1280-1470. Interestingly, first generation students, where neither parent nor guardian has earned a bachelor's degree, make up 21.6% of the class. Knowing all of this, I'm hiding my diploma lest the powers-that-be decided to take a look at my academic record. It was somewhere south of stel-

lar. That will be our secret. “As the University of Georgia's reputation for excellence continues to grow, we are attracting the best and brightest students from across our state and around the world,” said UGA President Jere W. Morehead. “I congratulate all of the students admitted to the Class of 2028 and look forward to the many contributions they will make to our stellar academic community.” I add my congratulations and I would offer the Class of 2028 some advice: Enjoy the next four years. They will be some of the most memorable years of your life. I don't have to remind you to study hard. You could not have gotten into the university had you not had good study habits. But soak in the experience while you are there. I can promise you that there is nothing like Sanford Stadium on a bright, crisp fall afternoon. Have some fun. Party a little. (But not too much.) Get involved in campus life. Make friends. The ones you make will likely be friends for life. Most importantly, remember that once your four years are over and you have that diploma in hand, no matter where life takes you, you will be Georgia Bulldogs forever. Welcome and Woof! Woof! You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dickyarbrough.com or at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139.

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Sheriff Jeffrey Brewer, Chief Deputy Nick Robertson, Corporal Trent Kersey and Deputy Jamey Chalker had the pleasure of participating in Read Across America at Twin City Elementary School and Swainsboro Primary School. They read Dr. Seuss books to several classes. The Sheriff's Office considers it a privilege to be involved in our school's activities and appreciated the invitation to participate.



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Ashely Williams crowned Miss SES 2024

Friday, March 8, 2024, 46 beautiful young ladies competed for the title of Miss Swainsboro Elementary School. We are so proud of all our contestants. Ashely Williams was crowned Miss SES 2024. Members of her court include Tailyn Williams, 4th place; Mackenzie Perry, 2nd place; Allison Helton, 1st place; and Lora Layne Edenfield, 3rd place.

Additionally, Natalie Peebles was named Miss Photogenic, Lovelee Ruiz won People's Choice Award and Lena Stoneking was named Overall Spokesmodel.



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Shepard, Brown-Perry named Miss and Mr. SPS

Swainsboro Primary School held its annual Mr. and Miss SPS Pageant on Friday, March 15. In addition to the pageant, a photogenic competition was held, as well as a People's Choice Award. The winners of SPS's 2024 Pageant Competition were as follows: Miss SPS Johanna Shepard; 1st runner up - Amilya Wadley; 2nd runner up - Sarah Laine Coxwell; 3rd runner up - Leanna Scarboro; 4th runner up - Hadley Stapleton.

Mr. SPS Kameron Brown-Perry; 1st runner up - Forrest Farrow; 2nd runner up - Abel Rogers; 3rd runner up - Rayce Sheppard; 4th runner up - John Mixon.

The winners of the photogenic competition were Dani Kate Parker and Forrest Farrow. The People's Choice Award went to Brinslee Bell and Kameron Brown-Perry.

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Glad Garden Club greets Spring

by JOANN TRAMMELL

The regular meeting of the Glad Garden Club was held at the Sudie A. Fulford Learning Center Monday, March 11, at 10 a.m. Members attending were President JoAnn Trammell, Sylvia Durden, Audrey West, Carolyn Brown, Jeanette Hall, Thomasene Flanders, Lisa Parham, Sherri Clifton and Karen Van Horn. An inspirational message was given by Sylvia Durden on remembering how Jesus is in all that we do and how He is the answer. We are so grateful for Sylvia's constant inspiration and words of wisdom.

The Club was so blessed to have Paula Karrh from the Seedling Garden Club present the program on the rules and regulations of putting on a flower show and how Glad's participation benefits all divisions. Horticulture was emphasized. Paula is famous in the world of garden clubs as she holds many titles including Master National Council

Gardener, Inc. Judge, International Daffodil Judge and American Camellia Society Judge. The Biennial Flower show is April 27, 2024, at the Sudie A. Fulford Center with the theme being "Our World As A Canvas". Paula brought many samples of Horticulture and Design and how much fun it is to bring in specimens to win that Horticulture blue ribbon. Design awards are more specific and stricter. One new division that is being started by Amber Allbritton is a Botanical Photography Arts Exhibit that currently has no award but is being started "just for fun". What an interesting and informative presentation that generated a lot of excitement for the flower show. Glad Garden Club also had the honor of an invitation to the cute cottage home of Kay Stephens to view her vast gardens of Daffodils. Even though Daffodils are the main theme of her estate, there are many other varieties of herbs

and flowers to complete the landscape. Then the Club entertained a delicious lunch at Kay's pond house. Such beautiful settings on a blustery spring day. Upon leaving, all members were treated to sacks full of cuttings from Kay's gardens to see if maybe we could start gardens of our own. Thank you so very much Kay. A Thank You note was received from Peggy NeSmith of the Dream Center in Vidalia for members donation of clothes to a worthy group of ladies. In addition to flower show, club members discussed plans to participate in the 2024 Pinetree Festival to be held May 3 and 4. Such fun in planning and participation on the festival was had that all we can hope for is better weather. See you at the Flower show and the festival.

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Bulldogs sweep another Region Series

by RON WEATHERFORD

The ECI baseball team continued their region schedule last week, winning all three games against Jenkins Co. The Bulldogs defeated the Eagles Tuesday in a home game 15-0. Then completed the three-game series in Millen on Wednesday, winning both games of the doubleheader 13-0 and 8-0.

During the series the Bulldogs recorded their sixth shutout of a region opponent, resulting in seven consecutive shutouts the last seven games. The Bulldogs scored 36 runs on 34 hits against their neighbors from across the river. The Pitching staff yielded just eight hits to the Eagles including a shutout by Gabe Lee in the 15-0 win on Tuesday. The game Tuesday started calmly at first with ECI taking a 3-0 lead into the third inning. The Bulldogs exploded for 12 runs in the final two innings to run rule Jenkins 15-0 in four innings. Lee yielded just three walks while striking out four for the Bulldogs' second consecutive no-hitter. Hudson Henry was a single away from hitting for the cycle leading the Dawgs at the plate with three hits including a HR. Jackson Kennedy ended the day with two hits. Five other Bulldog batters had one hit each.

The Eagles held the Bulldogs to a 1-0 lead going into the fourth inning in the first game of the doubleheader on Wednesday. But like in the first game on Tuesday, the Bulldogs got the scoreboard changing numbers. They scored three runs in the fourth and put the game on ice in the fifth, plating nine more to win the game 13-0 in five. Andrew Chalkley toed the rubber for ECI allowing just two hits, striking out six in his four innings of work. Jackson Kennedy pitched the final inning giving up a hit and one strikeout. Hudson



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Henry, Tuff Boddiford, Jackson Kennedy, Ab Marsh, Andrew Chalkley, Kanyon Thompson, and Aden McQuaig all had two hits against Eagle pitching.

The second game of the doubleheader was the first seven inning game the Bulldogs had since region play began, with an 8-0 ECI win to complete the sweep. After a scoreless two innings to begin the game, the Bulldogs scored four in the third to take the lead. They had some two-out magic in the seventh inning putting four more on the board to win their eighth consecutive game. Charlie Rehberg followed his no hitter in his last outing, with a four-hit shutout for five innings, striking out nine Eagle batters. James Parker closed out the final two

innings allowing just one hit. Henry and Rehberg closed out the final game of the series with two hits each to lead the Bulldogs at the plate.

The Bulldogs are jumping off the region schedule this week with two non-region rematch games. Tuesday they will have home game against Burke Co. after defeating the Bears 14-6 earlier in the season. Thursday they will host Southeast Bulloch. The Bulldogs lost to the Yellow Jackets 2-0 back in February. Hopefully these two games will be more competitive and put some pressure on the Bulldog batters and defense to ready them for stiffer competition in the playoffs when the regular season ends in a few weeks.

Swainsboro Tigers blow through East Laurens

by TROUP BRINSON

The Swainsboro Tigers baseball team (12-3) made an emphatic statement last week in region play, dismantling the East Laurens Falcons in all three games and remaining undefeated (6-0) in region competition. The Tigers won the three-game set by a combined score of 41-9.

Swainsboro's offense has been front and center stage all season. The Tigers have scored in double digits in six of the past seven games and East Laurens could not slow the train headed their way. In game one of the series in East Laurens, Lenox Lively started on the hill and was impressive, going all five innings, allowing only one hit and

11 strikeouts. The offense for the Tigers controlled the game, collecting 11 hits and capitalizing on seven walks for a 14-3 victory. Peyton Mason led the way with three hits, including two doubles. Gabe Conley and DJ Stanford added triples and Brice Marchman also contributed two knocks for Swainsboro to get the series opening win.

On Thursday, Swainsboro hosted East Laurens for a double header. In game one on Thursday, Mason pitched nearly six innings and claimed the win. Swainsboro again hit the ball well, adding 12 more hits in the 13-3 victory. Conley was 3-4 with two doubles. Brandon Chapman and Caden Daley

each had two hits for the Tigers.

In game two of the double header, Chapman pitched five innings, allowing only four hits while striking out 10 batters. Swainsboro completed the three-game sweep with a 15-3 victory. The Tigers added 11 more hits to the scoreboard, with Mason going 3-4 and Ashton Deloach going 3-3. Chapman added a double and Jeffery Webb tripled for the flaming-hot Tigers.

Swainsboro looks to stay perfect in region play this week against the Dublin Irish. The Tigers play road games on Tuesday and Friday and will host the Irish on Thursday at Tiger Field. All games are scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

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BRADDY

Braddy no-hits Jags

On Thursday, March 21, a little history was made at David Emanuel. Sophomore Richard Braddy pitched a no-hitter against DEA's longtime foe Thomas Jefferson. Braddy was dominant in the region contest as the Eagles prevailed 2-0. Braddy pitched seven innings and struck out ten Jaguars and was supported with some stellar defense by senior Jay Carter and sophomore Cooper Riner. Tucker Free scored the opening run on an RBI from Brody Fleming and Riner doubled in Billy Martin to account for the Eagles runs.

Eagles open region play

For baseball fans, historians, and purists, when David Emanuel and Thomas Jefferson play this season, they will get to see Billy Martin and Ty Cobb play on the same field. On Tuesday, March 19, the Eagles opened region play in Louisville against rival Thomas Jefferson. The Eagle's Brody Fleming engaged in a pitching duel with the Jaguar's Ty Cobb. Through five innings the contest



FLEMING



SMITH

DEA Middle School travels to Thomas Jefferson

On Tuesday, March 19, the David Emanuel Middle School baseball team travelled to Louisville to take on their Thomas Jefferson counterparts as Eagles came away with a 9-6 win. Lake Bush and Gannon Smith combined to strikeout 10 Jaguars. Bush and Karson Kettles each hit homeruns and Dalton Flowers, Gannon Smith and Jack Evan Fields doubled as they paced the Eagles offense.

Eagles cruise past Trojans

David Emanuel traveled to Jeffersonville March 7 to take on the Trojans of Twiggs Academy. The Eagles were dominant from the beginning with strong pitching performances from Jay Carter, Sailor Powell and Tucker Free. The trio combined for 12 strikeouts in five innings. Leading the Eagles at the plate was

Brody Fleming with a 3-4 day which included two doubles. Clayton Hood contributed the hard way by being hit three times by Trojan pitchers but made them pay by scoring three times. Joshua Tanner, David Vautier, Billy Martin and Tucker Free each added a hit as the Eagles went on to victory 13-2.



FREE

DEA Eagles fall short to Vidalia Heritage

David Emanuel went on the road March 12 to take on the Eagles of Vidalia Heritage in a nonconference matchup. Brody Fleming pitched admirably against the senior-laden foe having the lead in the fifth, but in the end, DEA could not hold on leading to a 17-7 loss. Fleming joined by Layton Terwilliger, Jay Carter, Tucker Free combined for five strikeouts. Cooper Riner went 1-1 and two bases on balls, Richard Braddy went 2-2, and Jay Carter went 2-2 and HBP, led the David Emanuel offense with Free adding a hit and Fleming doubled in the effort.



WILLIAMS LAYS DOWN THE SACRIFICE BUNT

David Emanuel competes in inaugural Edmund Burke track meet

On March 13, the David Emanuel track team travelled to Waynesboro to compete in Edmund Burke Academy's first ever track meet. The DEA

boy's 4X100 relay team won their heat as John-Nathan Martin, Revan Fortner, Billy Martin and Tony Sutton made the circuit flawlessly. Sutton

and Martin finished second in their 100m heats. Bryan Beasley won the 800m boys heat and Maddie Perkins won the girls 100m heat.



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DEA hosts St. Andrews

David Emanuel hosted the Lions of St. Andrews and came out swinging. In the first inning, junior Clayton Hood doubled, and sophomore Brody Fleming followed with a long homerun to leftfield to get the Eagles off and running. Cooper Riner, Tucker Free and Jay Carter added hits to lead the Eagles to victory. On the mound, Richard Braddy led the charge with five dominant innings as Layton Terwilliger cruised through the sixth and Brody Fleming shut down the game highlighted with back-to-back strikeouts to end the game.



FLEMING CELEBRATE AFTER A LONG HOMERUN



HOOD

Eagles roll Trojans

The Eagles hosted the Twiggs Academy Trojans Thursday, February 29, and put on an offensive display rolling to a 17-2 victory. Tucker Free, Clayton Hood, Randon Williams and Sailor Powell all had big hits for David Emanuel with Brody Fleming adding a big blast to put the game out of reach. Jay Carter and Layton Terwilliger proved to be too much for the Trojans as they combined for five strikeouts in the three-inning affair.



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Lady Eagles soccer involved in two nailbiters

The David Emanuel Middle School soccer team has had two recent matches end in exciting finishes leading to two ties. On Friday, March 15, the Lady Eagles hosted Vidalia Heritage in a rain-soaked affair. The match ended in a 2-2 tie with the final goal being scored with seconds remaining. Emily McRae and Lyla Martin each scored for David Emanuel.

On Thursday, March 21, the Lady Eagles hosted the Robert Toombs Lady Crusaders and



2024 DAVID EMANUEL EAGLES MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER TEAM

again, the match came down to the wire as the

Eagles and Crusaders ended in a 1-1 tie. Lyla

Martin scored the lone goal for the Lady Eagles.

David Emanuel Tennis off to a fast start

On March 13, the Eagles Tennis team travelled to Macon to take on the Covenant Rams and Windsor Knights to open region play. On the girls' side versus Windsor Academy, Emma Proctor and Kyli Bell defeated Gracie Swift and Sealy Dent. The boys' team had a very successful day as Peyton Lee defeated Cameron Houston, Paxton Dixon defeated Isaiah Wilson, AJ Edenfield defeated Jackson and Peyton Lee and Paxton Dixon defeated Houston and Ben Tribble.

The teams then competed against Covenant Academy as Emma Proctor and Kyli Bell defeated Avery Walters and Suzanna Foskey for the girls' team and AJ



PERKINS AND BROWN

Edenfield defeated Gunner Erickson for the boys' team.

On March 18, the David Emanuel Tennis team competed against Robert Toombs and Trinity Christian of Dublin in region play at East

Georgia College. In girls' action versus Robert Toombs, Emma Proctor defeated Savannah Moore, Maddie Perkins and Addie Brown defeated Macy Kennedy and Hannah Williams, and Emma Proctor

and Kyli Bell defeated Haylie Kight and Ella Newton. On the boys' side, Paxton Dixon defeated James Varnes and Peyton Lee and Paxton Dixon defeated Houston and Ben Tribble.

In girls' action versus Trinity Christian, Emma Proctor and Kyli Bell defeated Elizabeth Hill and Sara Hawkins and Maddie Perkins and Addie Brown defeated Bethany Hawkins and Clarita Yoder. Peyton Lee defeated Daniel Hester for the boys.

On March 21, the DEA tennis team ventured to Millen to take on Jenkins County. Emma Proctor and Kyli Bell took home a win, as did Addie Brown and Maddie Perkins in a marathon match ending in a tiebreaker.

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TERWILLIGER

DEA Golf team competes at Edmund Burke

On March 21, the David Emanuel golf team travelled to Waynesboro to compete in a match at Edmund Burke Academy. David Emanuel finished in a close second to Edmund Burke as freshman Layton Terwilliger led the Eagles shooting a 78.

Moore presents program to Exchange Club

Donna Moore, manager of the Victim Assistance Program for the Middle Judicial Circuit District Attorney's Office, spoke to the Swainsboro Exchange Club on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. She gave an overview of this program and it's staff.



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Another ECI wrestling season has come and gone

by COACH DAVID HODGES

To be honest, it has taken me a while to get over it. It has taken time to even think about saying that the season is over. Living in denial, probably so. The season, in a nutshell, was crazy. ECI wrestling took the program to the next level by wrestling different teams they usually don't get to wrestle. Individually speaking, several wrestlers performed well. Jacin Baltazar-Zamora and Jacob McBride led the team, both of which had winning records this season. Jacin recorded 27 wins this season, topping it off with a trip to state, and Jacob recorded 24 wins. Both guys led the team valiantly on and off the mat. The two-time state qualifier, Jaden Handsom, another senior, made a huge impact on the dogs by having a 27-win season. A huge junior class supported the three seniors. Gage Gay, who qualified for state this year, led the juniors with 25 wins, followed closely by Jesse Hirschy, Clayton Stripling, Gaven Simmons, and



ECI WRESTLERS WITH COACHES AMY MCBRIDE AND DAVID HODGES

don't forget about the underclassmen Creed Sanders, another state qualifier, and Jordan Handsom, who both had 21 win seasons. Our girls were amazing, too. Destine Hirschy led the girls with 22 wins, topping her season off with a fifth-place finish at state, followed closely by Makailiegh Handsom.

The ECI Boys Wrestling team filled 12 out of 14 weight classes this year and the Girls team was able to fill five weight classes. The girls didn't see as much action as the guys due to the sport growing in the area. They both competed well and continue to impress those they come in contact with. Being

around them is like the MasterCard commercial "PRICELESS!" When we go off and compete, other people from other schools are in awe of their character, manners, and how they carry themselves as a whole. We have been to several places where we get comments about how good our wrestlers are and how well they behave, follow instructions, and listen. That is a testament to our kids, parents, and our culture at ECI. With that being said, thank you to our School Board, thank you to our School's Leadership Mrs. Edenfield, Mr. Roberson, and Mrs. Frye, and thank you parents for raising

quality character in our wrestlers at ECI.

We want to congratulate the following wrestlers for their achievements this year. Congratulations to Jacob McBride and Lillie Hammond for making the All Area 3A Academic Team with Honors. Both of them held a 4.0 GPA the entire wrestling season. 1st Team All Area 3A Gage Gay. 2nd Team All Area 3A Jacin Zamora, Jacob McBride, Jaden Handsom, and Creed Sanders. All Area 3A Female Wrestler of the Year Destine Hirschy. Finally, we want to thank our support personnel, Aliya McCoy and Katelyn Simmons, for all their work behind the scenes.



PERKINS

Eagles compete in Gator Relays

On March 21, the David Emanuel track team competed in the Gator Relays at Georgia Southern University. For the girls, Maddie Perkins came home with a fifth-place finish in the high jump and logged a seventh-place finish in the long jump. On the boys' side, Jay Carter won sec-

ond place in the discus, Tony Sutton finished fifth in the 100m, John-Nathan Martin took fifth in the 800m, Revan Fortner grabbed sixth in the 200m and the boys 4X100m relay team consisting of Billy Martin, Revan Fortner, John-Nathan Martin and Tony Sutton finished fourth.

Middle School baseball loses two to Metter

by RON WEATHERFORD

The ECI C-Team had two region games last week against the Tigers in a two-game home and away contest. The Bulldogs lost both games against Metter. ECI lost the home game on March 18, 16-4. The Tigers completed the sweep in Metter two days later by a score of 8-4. The bats were quiet for the Bulldogs in the 16-4 loss. TJ Weaver with a double, William Kennedy and Jacob Hughes with a HR had the hits for ECI. The Metter batters were teeing off on Bulldog pitching with 17 hits. Judson Underwood started the game going four innings, striking out six, allowing five earned runs on 10 hits. Hane Henry pitched the fifth inning allow-

ing just two hits and no runs. JR Rehberg closed the game in the sixth allowing six runs on five hits.

Jacob Hughes started the game on Thursday throwing a strong five 1/3 innings giving up just one ER, scattering seven hits while striking out five. Henry relieved Hughes, pitching 2/3 of an inning with no hits for earned runs. Leading hitters for the Bulldogs were Hughes 3-4 with two RBI, William Kennedy 2-3 and Jack Lee 2-4 with a double.

The Bulldogs have three games on tap this week. They have home and away region games on Monday and Wednesday against Jenkins Co. with a non-region game stuck in the middle on Tuesday in Portal.

Grand jury returns 23 true bills, 3 no bills

The January 2024 term of the Emanuel County Grand Jury reconvened on Friday, March 15, 2024. David Schecter served as foreperson, Patrick Andrews served as assistant foreperson, Casey Woods served as clerk and John Allen Bailey served as bailiff. The District Attorney's Office presented 26 bills of indictment to the Grand Jury, and the Grand Jury returned 23 true bills and 3 no bill.

True bills included:

Charles Mykail Cureton: Identity fraud; Criminal attempt to commit a felony
Melody Tennil Smith: Criminal damage to property in the second degree
Charles Nathan Burgess: Aggravated assault (x2); Battery, family violence; Interference with government property
Andrew Rhett Edgy:

Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer; Operation of unregistered vehicle; Taillight violation

Tywan Lekeith Boynton: Aggravated assault, family violence

Derrick Antonio Swan: Robbery by sudden snatching (x2); Financial transaction card fraud (x4)

Steven Randolph Jackson: Obstruction of an officer (x3); Criminal trespass

Quashaun Lamarius Chillious: Possession of controlled substance w/intent to distribute; Theft by receiving stolen property; Giving false information to law enforcement officer (x2); Possession of firearm during commission of a felony; Making false statement; Possession of firearm by convicted felon

Cameron Shadell Robinson: Possession of meth; Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer; Driving without a license; Possession of drug related objects; Operating vehicle without insurance; Failure to wear protective gear on a motorcycle; Taillight violation

Harold Hood Ricks Jr.: Possession of schedule II controlled substance w/intent to distribute; Possession of meth w/intent to dis-

tribute; Possession of marijuana w/intent to distribute; Speeding; Possession of firearm by first offender probationer

Henry Charles Sanford Jr.: Burglary in the second degree (x2)

Balik Tynierious Johnson: Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer; Obstruction of an officer; Possession of marijuana less than an ounce

Sherry Denise Brooks aka Sherry Heathcock: Aggravated assault

Galen Alexander Sterling: Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer; Possession of schedule II controlled substance; Possession of marijuana less than an ounce; Possession of drug related objects; Driving while license suspended; Distracted driving; Speeding; Possession of firearm during commission of a felony

Tydreke Santele Carlton: Malice murder; Possession of firearm during commission of a felony (x3); Felony murder (x2); Armed robbery; Aggravated assault; Hijacking a motor vehicle; Theft by receiving stolen property; Possession of schedule I controlled substance (bath salts/amino propanol); Possession of marijuana less than an ounce; Possession

of drug related objects; Obstruction of an officer

Christopher Shane Richardson and Rebecca Sue Wilkerson: Possession of meth; Possession of drug related objects

Daylon Jamel Vickers: Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer; Driving while license suspended; Obstruction of an officer; Speeding

Anthony Deshawn Randall: Possession of cocaine; Driving while license suspended

Kendell Deshawn Flournoy: Possession of firearm by convicted felon; Obstruction of an officer (x2)

Jayjay Cody Pace: Possession of firearm by first offender probationer

Kelvin Demetrius Thomas: Theft by taking; Possession of firearm by convicted felon

Raymond Andy Bush: Criminal damage to property in the second degree; Theft by taking; Burglary in the second degree

Margarita Maria Sturgis: Theft by taking

No bills included:

Samuel Lamar Carlyle Jr.: Possession of cocaine

Cocaine Letez Thomas: Aggravated assault; Battery, family violence

Monika Ann Esco: Theft by taking

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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); Probation Office (PROB); or East Georgia State College (EGSC).

Alease Tova Andrews, 40, arrested 3/21/24; Probation violation

Jeremy Lasean

Armstrong, 33, arrested 3/24/24; Probation violation – felony

Joseph Charles Beavers, 29, arrested 3/21/24; Probation violation – felony

Stanley Edwards Boatwright, 46, arrested 3/23/24; Probation – SPD

Terry Earl Boatwright, 59, arrested 3/23/24; Windshield/window wiper requirements/DUI less safe/Open container/Possession of schedule I controlled substance/Driving while license suspended/revoked

Frances Stella Bosarge, 46, arrested 3/21/24; Disorderly conduct

Joshua Ryan Burris, 33, arrested 3/19/24; Tag/registration requirements/Driving while license suspended/revoked/Holding/supporting wire-less telecommunications device/Probation violation

Katina Michelle Childs, 49, arrested 3/22/24; Disorderly conduct

James Latron Cohen, 46, arrested 3/19/24; Speeding/Driving while license suspended/revoked/Hold for Chatham Co.

Kennedy Elise Coleman, 19, arrested 3/23/24; Possess of marijuana less than oz/Possession and uses of drug related objects

Felicia Ann Davis, 43, arrested 3/21/24; Probation violation – felony/Bench warrant

James Stuart Davis, 45, arrested 3/22/24; Bench warrant – felony

Sammy Davis, 56, arrested 3/21/24; Improper backing/Driving while license suspended/revoked

Ronald Darrell Foots, 51, arrested 3/21/24; Possess of marijuana less than oz

Shonciera Marquisha Greene, 26, arrested

3/22/24; Probation revocation

Kobe Juan Jackson, 27, arrested 3/21/24; Hold for Bulloch Co./Crossing state/county guard lines

Alford Lee Johnson, 50, arrested 3/21/24; Possession of cocaine/Possess of marijuana less than oz

Craig Anthony Kirkpatrick, 38, arrested 3/22/24; Probation State Court

Shnara Nicole Lockett, 38, arrested 3/22/24; Probation revocation

Robert Sanders McKenzie, 61, arrested 3/22/24; Failure to comply

Makayla Jordan Mitchell, 27, arrested 3/21/24; Probation violation/Bench warrant – felony

Mack George Odom, 40, arrested 3/19/24; Probation violation – felony

Christopher Grant Phillips, 49, arrested

3/21/24; Probation revocation

Jarrold Ruskin Powell, 44, arrested 3/22/24; Stalking

Christopher Dewayne Ricks, 39, arrested 3/19/24; Possession of firearm by convicted felon/ Possession of firearm by convicted felon

Andrew Branson Self, 43, arrested 3/24/24; Cruelty to children 3rd degree – allow child to witness forcible felony/battery/family violence/Battery – 2nd or subsequent offense

Hozascheeia Gabrianna Sherrod, 25, arrested 3/21/24; Probation revocation

Demetri Anthony Stanford, 38, arrested 3/19/24; Probation violation – felony

Ty'Darius Quintelle Stevenson, 24, arrested 3/18/24; Probation violation

Janice Marie Wadley, 50, arrested 3/22/24;

Aggravated stalking

Jeffery Wayne Waters, 57, arrested 3/19/24; Possession and use of drug related objects

Adam Jackson Wiggins, 31, arrested 3/19/24; Possession and use of drug related objects/Possession of meth

R e b e c c a Sue Wilkerson, 40, arrested 3/169/24; Possession of substances w/intent to use to manufacture schedule I or II controlled substances/Possession and use of drug related objects/Possession of schedule I controlled substance

Malik Williams, 25, arrested 3/18/24; Probation hold/Tag/registration requirements

Brian Keith Wilson, 40, arrested 3/18/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked/ Possession of meth

Twenty-one sentenced in Superior Court

The following occurred during the Emanuel County Superior Court January 2024 term:

Johnny Lee Bivins, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count trafficking cocaine. He was fined \$50 with 30 years, 10 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count possession of schedule I drug w/intent to distribute with 30 years, 10 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count possession of controlled substance w/intent to distribute with 30 years, 10 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count possession of marijuana w/intent to distribute with 10 years to serve; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation; one count possession of firearm by convicted felon with 10 years to serve; one count possession of firearm during commission of felony with 5 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 35 years, with the first 10 years to be served in confinement and the remainder to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. Upon service of 10 years, the remainder of the sentence may be served on probation; PROVIDED, that the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a).

Johnny Lee Bivins, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of cocaine w/intent to distribute. He was fined \$50 with 30 years, 10 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count possession of marijuana w/intent to distribute with 10 years to serve; one count co-defendant only; one count possession of firearm by convicted felon with 10 years to serve. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 30 years, with the first 10 years to be served in confinement and the remainder to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. Upon service of 10 years, the remainder of the sentence may be served on probation; PROVIDED, that the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a).

Jonathan Glenn Parcell, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count entering auto. He was fined \$50 with 5 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 5 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a). The above sentence includes a behavior incentive date of 3/11/2027 in accordance with O.C.G.A. 17.10.1.

Wretrick Clark, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of firearm by convicted felon. He was fined \$50 with 10 years prob., enter/complete inpatient rehab; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Dechane Jones, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count failure to register as a sex offender. He was fined \$50 with 30 years, 3 years to sersve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 30 years, with the first 3 years to be served in confinement and the remainder to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. Upon service of 3 years, the remainder of the sentence may be served on probation; PROVIDED, that the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a).

Jonathan Smith, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$50 with 3 years probation; one count obstruction with 12 months probation; one count affray with 12 months probation; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation. Defendant is

sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a).

Eric Clinton Bishop, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one theft by conversion. He was fined \$50 with 5 years probation, completion of inpatient rehab. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 5 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(a).

Stephen Lynn Dossett, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of meth. He was fined \$500 with 3 years probation, RSAT susp. for rehab; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation; nol pros for fleeing; fined \$50 for tag light violation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Dantavian Armstrong, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of firearm by convicted felon. He was fined \$500 with 10 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Malik Hall negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by receiving stolen property. He was fined \$500 with 10 years prob., 170-180 PDC susp. upon MH eval.; one count theft by receiving stolen property with 10 years prob., 170-180 PDC susp. upon MH eval.; one count failure to maintain lane with 12 months probation; nolo on one count possession of marijuana. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. The above sentence includes a behavior incentive date of 3/12/2027 in accordance with O.C.G.A. 17.10.1.

Shane Nelson negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by shoplifting. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation; one count driving without a license with 10 years prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Anthony Daniel Courcells negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$500 with 3 years probation; one count theft by shoplifting with 12 months prob. one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from of 12 months. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Sheena Caamal negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of meth. She was fined \$500 with 3 years probation; one count theft by shoplifting with 12 months prob.; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Stephanie Nesmith negotiated a guilty plea on one count trafficking meth (reduced) possession of meth w/intent to distribute. She was fined \$250 with 20 years, 10 years to serve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 20 years, with the first 10 years to be served in confinement and the remainder to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence. Upon service of 10 years, the remainder of the sentence may

be served on probation; PROVIDED, that the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Tre'Shawn D. Ivey negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by receiving stolen property. He was fined \$250 with 10 years to be served on probation; one count theft by receiving stolen property with 10 years probation; one count possession of marijuana with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Keith Young negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$50 with 8 years probation; one count possession of cocaine with 3 years probation; one count possession of cocaine with 3 years probation; one count fleeing or eluding with 12 months probation; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Keith Young negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$50 with 8 years probation; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation; one count obstruction with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 8 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Andrew Jarrell Lillard negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by receiving. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation, enter and complete the forge; one count shoplifting with 5 years probation; one count driving w/suspended license with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

April Lynne Henry negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of meth. She was fined \$500 with 3 years probation, drug court in Laurens Co; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Rakeem T. Rogers negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of firearm by convicted felon. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Austin Fields negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of schedule IV controlled substance. He was fined \$500 with 3 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 2/8/23 – 3/12/24. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Angelita Person negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of cocaine less than gram. She was fined \$50 with 3 years prob., completion of outpatient rehab. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

The following occurred during the Emanuel County Superior Court March 2024 term:

Chasity Lynne Thompson, negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by shoplifting. She was fined \$50 with 12 years, 5 months probation; DWLIS with 12 months probation; nol pros for possession of meth; nol pros for possession of drug related objects. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 12 months to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the conditions of probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

Swainsboro Police Reports

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

March 14
Officers were dispatched to S. Main St. in reference to stolen property. Complainant stated he has been leasing a house to offender for two years and has been wanting to sell the property and completed the process of evicting offenders. Offenders moved out of the residence and took the oven/stove that did not belong to them. Officer made contact with offender who stated he and c/p made an agreement about taking the oven/stove.

Officer took a walk-in report in reference to damage to a vehicle. Complainant stated he was driving on Hwy 80 East and thinks a rock hit his headlight cover, causing damage to the vehicle.

March 15
Officer had two abandoned vehicles removed from Swainsboro Livestock and Auction.

Officer ran a license plate to find it has suspended registration and the registered owner's license are suspended, at which time he imitated a traffic stop. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer responded to Lucky St. in reference to a report of three men knocking on complainant's front door asking if anyone was home.

Officers received a call to respond to The Deluxe Inn in reference to a male subject that wanted to leave and a female would not let him and there was yelling the background. Officer was met by complainant who stated nothing was wrong and everything was okay. C/p had blood coming from his nose and on his hands so they went back to the room and a witness stated she saw a male subject running from the motel. C/p stated a man went in the room, struck him with a gun and took \$800.

Officer took a walk-in report in reference to complainant stating her kids went outside and noticed a vehicle parked in front of the house belonging to offender in an ongoing investigation.

March 16
Officer observed a vehicle traveling 54 MPH in a 35 MPH zone, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle did not have valid insurance and was towed.

Officer observed a driver not wearing a seatbelt and the tag on the vehicle was unsecured, at which

time he initiated a traffic stop.

Officer observed a vehicle with no tag lights, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Officer could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from the vehicle and asked the driver to step out. He could then smell it coming from the driver's breath. The vehicle was searched to find suspected crack cocaine, a pipe and a brillo roll. Driver and one passenger were transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer observed a vehicle with a headlight out, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Upon running the driver's license, it was found to be suspended. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

March 17
Officer ran the tag on a vehicle to find it has suspended registration and the owner has suspended license, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Officer could smell an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officers were dispatched to S. Main St. in reference to a dispute between two customers. While enroute, officers were advised they left the location. Officer spotted the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. Offenders were followed back to the location and stated their order was not right and asked to get it corrected and complainant refused to do so. One offender told c/p she should hit her with the bag of food. Officer spoke with the manager who stated the order was basically right and she told them due to it being prepared the way it was ordered that she was not swapping it out. Both offenders have been told not to return to the property.

Officer was dispatched to N. Main St. in reference to a report of a stolen phone. Complainant stated offender took the phone and will not return it. Officer contacted offender who stated she would return the phone to SPD, as she did, and the phone was returned to c/p.

Officer was dispatched to S. Main St. in reference to a caller having a complaint on a delivery driver. Officer spoke with the manager of the business who advised they have been having issues with their system and they received a call from a male subject stating he was with the corporate office and wanted to help with the system issues. The manager stated she gave the

caller all the info he asked for, including customer's phone numbers that had ordered and the delivery driver's name. When the manager arrived to work, she had a customer call informing her that the delivery driver was asking for sexual favors for a tip but the caller stated they knew it was not the driver. After a while, the manager had a customer go to the store demanding answers because she received a call from their delivery driver stating they were gonna do things for their food. The manager informed officer that she had no idea who was calling their customers but it was the number that called advising he was going to help fix their system issues and was given customer's phone numbers and the delivery driver's name. Officers went to c/p's residence and she called offender's phone and offender was impersonating the delivery driver and stating obscene gestures. Offender stated he was the only person working but did not know officers had already been to the business and knew other people were working. Officer got c/p to ask offender questions and asked where he was at and he stated he was at the establishment in the bathroom and was scared. While one officer stayed at c/p's residence, another officer went to the establishment and offender was not there. Offender and the delivery driver had very different voices and the delivery driver did not have c/p's number in his phone.

March 18
Officer observed a vehicle with a brake light out, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. It was determined that the vehicle did not have valid insurance and suspended registration. Vehicle was towed.

Officer was dispatched to Huddle House in reference to a male making people feel uncomfortable. Offender stated he was just trying to buy a salad and cup of water. Complainant stated offender was saying inappropriate gestures to the waitress and making mocking faces to them and wanted his trespassing from the location.

March 19
Officer responded to Richard St. in reference to a kitten being attacked by a dog. Complainant was holding the punctured kitten wrapped in a cloth and appeared to be lifeless. C/p stated her neighbor has two bulldogs and she has had issues with them going in her yard.

Officers responded to E. Pine St. in reference to someone trying to get into complainant's window. Officers observed the screen on the window to be bent.

March 20
Officer responded to E. Pine St. in reference to two subjects knocking on windows and doors. Complainant stated someone was tapping on her bedroom window and when she looked out, she saw two subjects. C/p stated a few minutes later, offender knocked on her door twice and a few minutes later, they tapped on her window again and were shining a flashlight in the window.

Officer met with complainant who stated she wanted the father of one of her children out of her house. She stated he went over there about a month ago to see the child and has been staying there ever since and she wants him gone. C/p stated he does not pay any bills or help out in any way and his name is not on the lease. She also stated he has threatened her if she kicks him out. Officer met with offender who stated he has been there about a year and just gave c/p \$4,000 and has been giving her money the entire time for bills and never threatened her.

Officer was dispatched to Oaklawn Dr. in reference to a call about loose dogs and one tied to a tree. Officers tried to make contact with anyone in the home but didn't get an answer. A strong odor of marijuana was coming from within the home and officers knocked multiple times but didn't get an answer. Officers could hear footsteps and a toddler crying and tried calling out for an adult to open the door. The toddler was running from window to window crying but no other response. Officers were ready to make entrance due to the child being alone then heard a response. As officers tried to get someone to open the door, a car pulled into the residence and the driver introduced herself. She was asked if anyone was in the house and she stated her husband was. She was asked to open the door so they could check on the toddler. Her husband was asked to step outside and when asked why he did not go to the door, he stated he was in the shower and could not hear the knocking. When asked about the smell of marijuana, both stated they did not smoke and

nothing was in their home. They were asked for consent to enter the home and they both agreed. There were multiple dirty diapers on the living room floor, a small residue of marijuana on the bed in the first bedroom, multiple dirty dishes in the kitchen with trash all over the floor and a cat litter box by the table full of cat feces and not covered properly. In another room, there was a faint smell of marijuana and more small residue found on the desk with a small scale and small bags used to sell and distribute. The husband stated he did smoke marijuana every now and then but he was no drug dealer. He showed officers where he had his marijuana and it was taken into evidence, as well as the scales and bags. They were given seven days by AC1 to properly house her dogs and was told DFCS would be notified due to the conditions found inside the home.

March 21
Officers responded to Market St. in reference to a call about a vehicle being stuck in the ditch. Offender stated his sister was backing up in the roadway to turn around and got stuck, then changed the story to he was driving and backed up into the ditch trying to turn around. When offender's sister arrived, she stated she was backing the vehicle up but could not tell the direction she was going or what really happened, then told officers her brother was really driving. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail for driving while license suspended and improper backing.

Officer responded to W. MLK Blvd. in reference to complainant stating he was inside his house with the radio playing when offender went inside. C/p was recording offender due to an incident the prior day and she him to stop recording her and she grabbed him and broke his camera screen. Offender was told not to return.

Officers were dispatched to Mason Dr. in reference to a dispute. 911 advised a male subject punched his sister in the face and was walking. Officer observed the female standing by the road crying and asked if she was the caller and she stated her mom called. Officer asked her what was going on and she stated her brother hit her in the eye and knocked her down. Officer then asked where he was at and she stated he walked but didn't know where he was

going. At that time, she spotted him and officer advised he would be back with her in a few. Officers made contact with offender who stated his sister went to take his phone and he pushed her. Officer had offender get in the car and took him back to the incident location where they met the mother and sister. When speaking with the mother, she stated she received information that offender has been skipping school and she took his video game out of his room before he arrived home and when he got home, she tried talking to him and he got an attitude with her and she told him to give her his phone. She stated he would not give it to her so she grabbed it and he bowed up at her and lunged towards her, and her daughter jumped in between them and offender struck her in the face. She further stated that her daughter fell to the ground and her other son had to pull him off of her. Upon speaking with the daughter, she stated the same thing as her mother. She also stated her two small kids were in the room when all this happened. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer responded to Roadway Inn in reference to a dispute. Complainant stated she went to the hotel to get a room but the power was out and she spoke with offender who told her to go into the front office and wait for her to go in. C/p stated while she was walking to the office, offender locked her out and started cussing at her. Offender stated c/p didn't walk to the officer right away and waited outside talking about her to the housekeeper, then wanted to go in. Offender stated that she is tired of females like c/p going down there thinking they can do whatever and was told to quit cussing and yelling. As officer went to speak with other witnesses, they stated offender was causing a disturbance. Offender continued to cuss and yell while officer was speaking with witnesses so she was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer was at SPD for court and the Judge and JAG Probation met in reference to offender and they concluded to revoke offender for three days to jail. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Officer was at SPD court and the Judge concluded that offender would be transported to jail for probation revocation for five days. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

Sheriff's Reports

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

March 18
Deputy met with complainant who filed a report about text messages he was receiving. C/p stated the texts are threats and disturbing pictures of people with their heads cut off and the sender would request money. It was determined to be a scam as found online as "Mexican cartel scam".

Deputy met with complainant in reference to a property damage. C/p stated he struck a pothole in the road causing both passenger side tires to bust and had to pay a towing company to remove his vehicle and pay for two new tires. C/p wanted a report to provide to EmCo Commissioner for compensation of \$428.87 due to the roadway not being properly maintained.

Deputy met with complainant who stated she was notified by someone that timber had been cut off her property on

Scuffletown Rd. and she had not given anyone permission to cut the timber nor did she receive any money for the trees that were cut down. C/p stated she found out a named subject gave permission to cut the timber and received money. It was also advised that the subject gave permission for timber to be cut off of several other parcels of lands adjoining c/p's. It is unknown what logging company cut/removed the trees.

Deputy observed a truck cross the center line twice and initiated a traffic stop on US 1 Bypass. Deputy approached the driver side and advised why he was stopping him and he stated the reason was due to the wind and the size of his truck. Deputy asked for the driver's license and while speaking with him, he appeared to be very nervous and was visibly shaking. Deputy returned to his unit and ran the driver's Alabama license to

find this commercial and non-commercial license are suspended. Deputy returned to the vehicle and informed offender he was under arrest and the vehicle was searched to find a small bag containing meth. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail.

March 19
Complainant was traveling on Hwy 1 when a log truck kicked a rock up and struck her windshield. Deputy met with complainant who stated he has a junkyard on Hwy 1 North and found where someone cut the fence and took three sets of taillights and a windshield from a van.

March 20
Victim stated she hit a deer on Hwy 23 North causing inoperable damage to her vehicle.


March 21
Deputy met with complainant who stated she owns HB Logging and an ex-employee went to the job site and was watching with binoculars. C/p stat-

ed when they approached him, he stated he and his wife, who also works for the company, were going through a divorce and he was watching her.

Deputies responded to Hwy 297 in reference to damaged property. Complainant advised he ran over a large piece of metal in the roadway and another car also struck the object. C/p stated his vehicle sustained damage to the oil pan and was not drivable. The other vehicle was found a few feet away from the scene with visible damage.

March 23
Deputies were dispatched to McKenzie Dr. to serve an active warrant on offender. Offender saw deputies approaching and ran out the back door through the woods. Deputy gave chase while another attempted to cut offender off on the roadway, but he was able to escape.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Yasmine D Turner to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., its successors and assigns, dated March 9, 2020, recorded in Deed Book 493, Page 551, Emanuel County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 536, Page 407, Emanuel County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of NINETY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$90,824.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Emanuel County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property: SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notified pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given). Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned.

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2. The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Rocket Mortgage, LLC, 1050 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226, 734-805-7125. Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Yasmine D Turner or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as 502 Richard St, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control. The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. as Attorney in Fact for Yasmine D Turner McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A"

One certain tract or parcel of land, together with any and all improvements thereon, lying and being in the 53rd G.M. District, Emanuel County, City of Swainsboro, Georgia, and being known as Lot No. 1 in Block H of Neal's Fine Haven Subdivision as shown on plat prepared by Frank J. Ford, Surveyor, September 19, 1959, and recorded in Plat Book 1 page 259, of the Records of the Clerk, Superior Court, Emanuel County, Georgia. Said lot being more particularly shown on an individual plat of same prepared by Frank J. Ford, Surveyor, on August 2, 1963, and recorded in Plat Book 2, page 235, aforesaid Clerks Records. Said Lot No. 1 in Block H being bounded as follows: On the Northeast for 117.98 feet by Richard Street; on the Southeast for 150 feet by Lot No. 2, Block H, said subdivision; on the Southwest for 121.85 feet by lands now or formerly of Mrs. Richard Neal; and on the Northwest for 150 feet by James Avenue.

ALSO: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Swainsboro, 53rd G. M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, and being designated as Parcel "A", Lot 2, Block H, of Neal's Pine Haven Subdivision on a Plat prepared by Walter K. Maupin, Surveyor, dated June 13, 1977, and recorded in Plat Book 8, page 673, in the records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia. Said Plat is hereby incorporated herein for a more full, complete and accurate description hereof. Said property being bounded as shown on said plat as follows: On the Northeast by Richard Street; Southeast by Parcel "B" Lot 2, Block H, said subdivision; Southwest by lands now or formerly of Mrs. Richard Neal and Northwest by Lot No. 1, Block H, said subdivision.

The above described tracts of land is the same as that conveyed by a Joint Survivorship Warranty Deed dated August 31, 2010 to Mark Galo and Ashley Galo from Shelby Coleman, which is recorded in Deed Book 344, Pages 427-428, of the Records Office of Clerk, Emanuel County Superior Court. MR/kri 4/2/24 Our file no. 24-13962GA - FT1

Notice of Sale Under Power State of Georgia, County of Emanuel. Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed given by 308 Glenwood Associates LLC ("Grantor") to Newtek Small Business Finance LLC ("Grantee"), dated November 22, 2019, and recorded December 10, 2019 in Deed Book 489, Page 401, Emanuel County, Georgia records (the "Security Deed"), conveying the after-described property to secure a certain Note dated November 22, 2019 in the original principal amount of \$1,738,800.00 from Place Vendome Holding Co., Inc. and 308 Glenwood Associates LLC to Grantee (the "Note"), with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Emanuel County Courthouse within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

Tract one: All that tract or parcel of land lying, situate, and being in the 53rd G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, containing Four and Two Hundred Eleven One Thousandths (4.211) acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: North by Meadowlake Parkway; East by the lands of Mrs. Jerry Rich; South by lands of Emanuel County Development Authority; and West by Glenwood Road. Said property is more particularly described in plat made by J.C. McLeod, surveyor, dated December 21, 1972, which is recorded in the Office of the Clerk, Emanuel Superior Court, in Plat Book 7, Page 50, to which reference is made as a part of this description.

Tract two: All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the City of Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District of Emanuel County, Georgia, containing 0.950 acres and designated as Parcel No. Two on a plat prepared by George William Donaldson, Surveyor, dated May 25, 1989, and recorded in Plat Book 14, Page 206, of the records of the Clerk, Superior Court, Emanuel County, Georgia. Said Plat is hereby incorporated herein for a more full, complete, and accurate description hereof. Said property being bounded as shown on said plat as follows: On the North by Parcel No. One as described by said plat; East and Southeast by land of Rich, et. al.; on the Southwest by lands of the Emanuel County Forestry Unit; on the West and Northwest by lands of Ithaca Industries, Inc. Being the same property conveyed to 308 Glenwood Associates LLC from Emanuel County Development Authority by Limited Warranty Deed, dated March 28, 2016 and recorded on April 12, 2016 in Book 429, Page 18.

A.P.N. 096-033 The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note, Guaranty and Security Deed. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorneys' fees (notice of intent to collect attorneys' fees having been given). Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC is the present holder of the Note, Guaranty and Security Deed. Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC is the entity with full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 44-14-162.2, Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC may be contacted at: Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC, 1981 Marcus Avenue, Suite 130, Lake Success, NY 11042. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 44-14-162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **308 Glenwood Road, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401** is/are: 308 Glenwood Associates LLC or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC as Attorney in Fact for 308 Glenwood Associates LLC. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

ROBINSON FRANZMAN LLP, 191 Peachtree Street, N.E., Suite 2600, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 Telephone: (404) 255-2503.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF HERBERT MOORMAN, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0023
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: TONYA K. MOORMAN has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of HERBERT MOORMAN 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 APRIL 1, 2024.

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.
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
JAMIE TRYON
Plaintiff, Civil
Action File No. 24CV55 v.

NEWMAN TRYON
Defendant.
SUMMONS
To the above-named defendant: You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said Court and serve upon Jamie Tyron, the pro se plaintiff, whose address is 9866 Burkhalter Rd. Statesboro, Ga 30458 complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 30 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. This 1st day of March, 2024.
Clerk of Superior Court, Emanuel County

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIE LEE BELL, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0013
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: CLARISSA BELL CAMPBELL has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of WILLIE LEE BELL 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 APRIL 1, 2024.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF STEVEN NEIL MUNS, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0025
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: PATRICIA MUNS has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of STEVEN NEIL MUNS 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 APRIL 1, 2024.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: CHRISTOPHER FUTCH
Civil Action No. 24CV61
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
GEORGIA, Emanuel County
Notice is hereby given that **Christopher Futch**, the undersigned, files his petition to the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia on the 6th day of March, 2024, praying for a change in the name of petitioner from Christopher Issac Futch to Christopher Issac Johnson. 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. This 6th day of March, 2024.
Christopher Futch
Petitioner

Notice to Debtors and Creditors
All creditors of the Estate of **Jerry Edwin Williamson**, late of Emanuel County, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned. This 12th day of March, 2024.
Name: Jerry Mitchell Williamson
Title: Administrator
Address: 110 Hebron Road Garfield, Georgia 30425
Ayers Law Office, P.C. PO Box 720 Millen, GA 30442
(478) 401-0355

Notice hereby given that articles of incorporation that will incorporate Waymaker Community Group Inc. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Nonprofit Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 37 Meeks Rd., Adrian, Georgia 31002 and its initial registered agent at such address is Karen N. Breedlove.

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF EMANUEL
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARTHA T. WILSON, DECEASED.
All creditors of the estate of **Martha T. Wilson**, deceased, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to **Richard M. McNeely**, attorney for **James Robert Wilson and Elizabeth E. Wilson**, Executors of the **Martha T. Wilson 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 6th day of March, 2024.
RICHARD M. MCNEELY, Attorney for **James Robert Wilson and Elizabeth E. Wilson**, Executors of the **Martha T. Wilson 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 TOM PARRISH, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0038
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: MARTHA S. PARRISH has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of TOM PARRISH 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 April 22, 2024.

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Hyundai Motor Group donates equipment for EV Workforce Development

Hyundai Motor Group Metaplant America (HMGMA) donated tools to four technical schools in the Greater Savannah area to assist in the development of future electric vehicle professionals. The kits, valued at around \$9,500 each, include automotive milli meters, multi meters, and other related tools. The tools were distributed to Coastal Pines Technical College, Ogeechee Technical College, Savannah Technical College and Southeastern Technical College. The presentation of tool donation for Southeastern Technical College was held on March 20, in the Automotive lab.

"These schools have been tremendous partners to us," said Brent

Stubbs, HMGMA Senior Manager of Learning and Development. "This is a small way for us to give back to the colleges and fill a need for valuable equipment for their automotive labs. We recognized similar needs at all four colleges, and we are excited to invest in them as they help us develop a pipeline of future talent."

All four technical colleges signed a Memorandum of Understanding with HMGMA in 2023 to offer the Electrical Vehicle Professional (EVP) Technical Certificate of Credit (TCC), which was designed to prepare students for entry-level employment in the electric vehicle production industry. The eight-credit hour train-

ing focuses on safe and effective automotive shop operations, automotive electrical principles and the operation and service of electric vehicles. Graduates of the program are preferred for employment at HMGMA. More information on the EVP TCC is available at southeastern-tech.edu.

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Deaf and blind Piglet visits STC’s Early Childhood Program



STC EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR KAY WILSON, PIGLETS MOTHER DR. SHAPIRO AND STC DEAN OF BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES AND HUMAN SERVICES GINA ROBISON

Southeastern Technical College had a celebrity on campus on March 11, 2024, in Swainsboro’s Boatwright Auditorium. The Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) program welcomed Piglet and several of Piglet’s Inclusion Pack to teach that day’s curriculum — defining diversity and inclusion in terms children can understand.

The Piglet Mindset lesson was about positivity and never giving up. Lesson plans and curriculum were structured around Piglet’s story.

Piglet, a chihuahua-dachshund mix, is a blind and deaf dog well-known nationwide. Piglet has been on NBC Evening News with Lester Holt, ABC’s Good Morning America, the Hallmark Channel, and other networks. Piglet’s story has also been in People Magazine, Psychology Today, Ink Publications, The Bark Magazine, and The Crossroads Magazine — to name a few.

Mrs. Kay Wilson, an Early Childhood Care and Education instructor at STC, connected with Piglet’s mother, Dr. Melissa Shapiro, DVM, and was informed that Piglet would be touring from Maryland through Florida. Rather than a web meeting request, Dr. Shapiro generously offered to make a stop at Southeastern Tech’s Swainsboro campus.

Dr. Shapiro and her husband, Warren, live in Connecticut and have eight rescued dogs and one rescued parakeet.

“I am very honored

to have had Piglet and his brothers and sisters visit STC,” said Mrs. Wilson. “Our ECCE students and child-care center have been learning about Piglet’s story through his book *“Piglet Comes Home,”* which teaches acceptance, inclusion, and empathy. Piglet’s mom is a veterinarian and is also a lifelong animal welfare advocate who visits classrooms and bookstores with Piglet and their other dogs to teach children about the Piglet Mindset program, which includes CASEL Competencies — The Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning.”

Piglet Mindset® Educational Program is a collection of lesson plans and educational materials to teach children to:

- Face challenges with a positive attitude
- Build on current skills with determination, resilience, and perseverance
- Accept individuals for who they are and include them despite their differences
- Show empathy and compassion towards others
- Be kind and considerate to all people and animals

Piglet was rescued from a hoarding situation in Georgia, along with his mother and three littermates, in 2017. When Piglet, at only 1.5 pounds, didn’t respond to visual or auditory cues, the rescue quickly realized that Piglet was deaf and blind.

The Shapiros planned to foster Piglet until he found a forever home, but they turned into

his forever home. Piglet was officially adopted in May 2017.

After months of screaming and severe separation anxiety, Piglet got into a routine of snuggling, playing with his dog siblings, taking walks down the street, traveling to house calls with his mom, and visiting his best human friends at the animal hospital.

In attendance were the Early Childhood Care and Education classes, the three-year-old class from STC’s Childcare Center, local Head Start, where some of the ECCE students work, and STC faculty and staff. As part of Piglet’s Positive in Pink Tour 2024, the children wore pink shirts and pink headbands to resemble piglet ears.

Piglet demonstrated punk and showed the audience what it means to face fears. He uses the three senses he has to live a happy, meaningful life despite his disabilities.

Dr. Shapiro pointed out how Piglet’s noise twitches, unlike most dogs, to best use his sense of smell. Piglet’s nose also points up because “that’s what blind dogs do,” she says. She explained that tracking smells is a way Piglet learned to navigate their backyard and spoke of the importance of not adding items to the backyard now that Piglet understands his surroundings. With experience and trust, Piglet can now run and play without crashing into things. He can even find the stairs to their home by feeling the bottom slate with his paws. Once he feels the mat at

the top of the stairs, he’s using his sense of touch to know the door is there. Dr. Shapiro says Piglet wasn’t perfect at this for a while and needed help, but he learned to climb the stairs and get back inside.

Piglet’s Inclusion Pack includes Annie, Evie, Zoey, Dean, Susie, Gina, and Lucy, and all were adopted with unique personalities. Georgie is the newest member of the pack and is another deaf and blind rescue.

Once Piglet had an understanding of how kind his new family was, he knew he would be safe. Dr. Shapiro showed the children video clips of how the other dogs have come to accept Piglet being a little unusual. For example, Zoey taps Piglet to let him know when she wants to play.

Piglet’s book taught the children that tapping was a way to communicate with Piglet, but they also witnessed how blowing into Piglet’s face was a form of communication.

Dr. Shapiro said, “We are having an amazing

Southeast Piglet tour. The enthusiasm for our Piglet Mindset program and the warm welcome we have received everywhere we’ve been is truly humbling. The love for little Piglet and our other dogs is heartwarming. The children we’ve met love him because he’s adorable and because he teaches them to be positive and kind. Many Piggy friends traveled for hours to meet us. They tell us how our little pink man brightens their day, helps them through illness, and inspires them to move forward from major life obstacles. Piggy is completely energized by all the action. It’s beautiful to see him doing his thing!”

Dr. Shapiro made a promise that Piglet would have a meaningful and productive life — and he certainly has! Through Piglet’s two books, he was introduced to the world and into classrooms. The Piglet Mindset® Educational Program is a free downloadable curriculum

that teaches a growth mindset. The organization also raises awareness and funding for special needs dog rescue groups and other animal welfare causes.

Piglet’s visit to Southeastern Tech was funded by Piglet International, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation.

“We have very generous supporters who donate to facilitate Piglet Mindset visits in schools. It’s important to give credit and thank those who have contributed to our organization to make this possible,” said Dr. Shapiro. “We donate books to classrooms and aim to donate \$1,000 each week to rescue organizations.”

Piglet has attracted over 700,000 followers across social media platforms. Please visit www.pigletmindset.org for more information on the Piglet Mindset.

For more information on programs offered at STC, visit www.southeast-erntech.edu or call (912) 538-3100 for the Vidalia campus or (478) 289-2200 for the Swainsboro campus.

News from Under the Gold Dome: Week 11

by REPRESENTATIVE BUTCH PARRISH

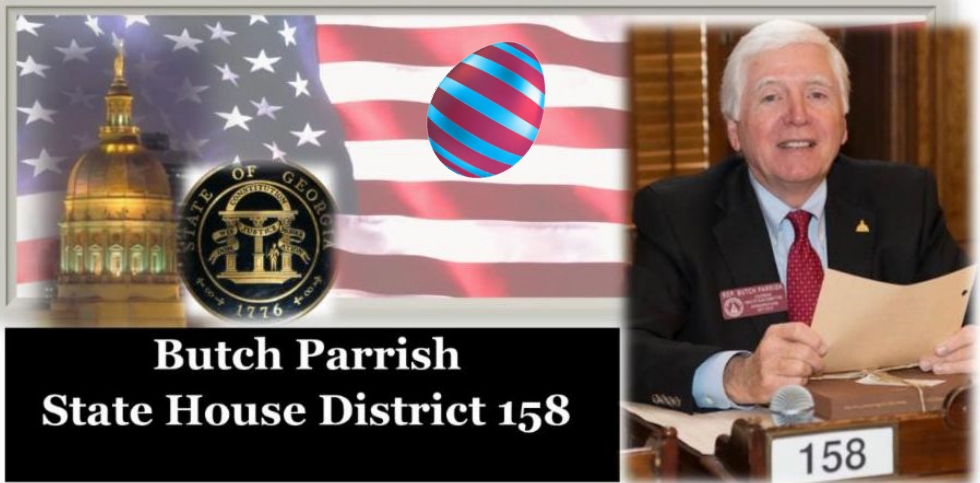
I returned to the Gold Dome on Monday, March 18, 2024, to begin the eleventh week of the 2024 Legislative Session. Last week, we convened in the House Chamber for three legislative days and continued to give passage to a number of Senate bills. There are now only two legislative days remaining in the session until we reach Sine Die on Thursday, March 28, 2024. These final legislative days are among the busiest days of the entire session as we finalize our legislative business for the year before the Sine Die deadline.

HB 1339, a bill I carried, is a culmination of issues I have been working on for the past several years. It will aid rural hospitals-allowing for more to be built and some that are closed to reopen. It increases the number of beds in our mental health system. It will further aid in the creation of birthing centers for better access to maternal healthcare. Lastly, it increases the Georgia HEART rural hospital tax credit allowing our rural hospitals to have access to more capital that will

aid them in caring for patients. I am pleased that this bill passed the House and I am hopeful it will make its way to the Governor’s desk.

The House took legislative action to combat the growing fentanyl crisis in our state. My colleagues and I unanimously passed this important, life saving measure, Senate Bill 465, would create the crime of aggravated involuntary manslaughter when someone intentionally manufactures or sells a controlled substance that contains fentanyl and fentanyl is determined as the sole cause or a contributing factor in a victim’s death. SB 465 is known as “Austin’s Law,” named after a young man who died tragically after unknowingly taking a substance laced with fentanyl. His parents joined us in the House Chamber while we honored his life with the passage of the bill. Later in the day, our counterparts in the Senate voted to give this legislation final passage, sending this important bill to Governor Kemp’s desk to be signed into law.

The House has focused its efforts on improving and expanding mental health ser-



**Butch Parrish
State House District 158**

vices across our state in recent years, and last week, we continued those efforts by giving final passage to Senate Bill 480. This legislation would provide student loan repayment assistance to mental health and substance use providers who offer services to underserved youth or practice in geographic areas of the state that lack adequate services.

My colleagues and I also took action to continue our efforts to support victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. Senate Bill 324 would create a victim-centered address confidentiality program within the Office of the Secretary of State. This program would allow certified participants to utilize an address confidentiality card instead of disclosing their per-

REPRESENTATIVE PARRISH

sonal address to governmental entities in order to prevent their confidential address from being published. This bipartisan measure is a crucial step toward providing more protection and support to these victims in our state, allowing them the opportunity to safely rebuild their lives without fear.

Finally, the House passed Senate Bill 464 to improve literacy rates among our students and provide financial relief to educators to purchase classroom supplies. SB 464 would help to ensure that we are supporting our students and improving literacy outcomes for Georgia’s young learners. Furthermore, this bill would also lessen the financial burden that many teachers face when supplying their

classrooms with necessary learning materials and supplies.

With Sine Die now days away, the pace under the Gold Dome continues to intensify as we near the finish line of the 2024 Legislative Session. The House will return to session on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, for Legislative Day 39. With the session ending soon, I encourage you to contact me to discuss legislative matters that are significant to you and your family.

I remain dedicated to serving your interests as your state representative, and I hope that you will contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the legislative session or with any proposals or recommendations for future legislation.

You can also stay in touch by visiting our website at www.house.ga.gov to watch a live stream of the House in action, as well as archived committee meetings, and review legislation that we are considering.

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Masters of the air – and Warriors for Freedom

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by ERIC HOGAN

In the tradition of the highly praised World War II mini series, “Band Of Brothers”, the newly released mini series by Apple TV, “Masters Of The Air”, tells the story of the Americans who won the air war against Germany during World War II. Viewers of the series will learn what life was like for the American airmen who flew the terrifying bombing missions over Germany that slowly but surely crippled the German war machine and enabled the essential Allied victory.

Without question, one of the most powerful instruments employed by the United States and her Allies to achieve total victory in World War II was the U. S. Eighth Air Force. It was formed in Savannah, GA in January 1942, shortly after the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor forced the U. S. to enter the war.

Within months of its formation, the Eighth had spread nationwide for the needed task of training thousands of pilots, navigators, bombardiers, and gunners to man the thousands of planes that the American “arsenal of democracy” was soon to produce and deploy for battle. It started as a trickle that eventually turned into a stampede. By August of 1942, the first small, cautious mission was flown by Eighth Air Force bombers led by Paul Tibbets. Three years later Tibbets would fly the B-29 bomber that dropped the atomic bomb over Hiroshima.

The Eighth Air Force was blessed with some famous personalities that history fondly recalls. Jimmy Doolittle, the distinguished Medal Of Honor winner from the daring 1942 Doolittle raid over Tokyo, was the commanding officer from January, 1944 to the 1945 German surrender. The academy award winning actor, Jimmy Stewart, and the legendary Dallas Cowboy football coach, Tom Landry, were squadron leaders on numerous perilous missions. Even the great actor from “Gone With The Wind”, Clark Gable, flew some missions as a gunner and photographer.

In 1970 British historian, Roger Freeman, christened the term “Mighty Eighth” Air Force. From its humble beginning in 1942, it grew to represent air power on a scale never before imagined, and never to be equaled. With good weather conditions, by the spring of 1944 the Eighth Air Force could put 2,000 bombers and 1,000 fighters into the sky for missions over Germany. This was a serious air traffic control problem and mid-air collisions were considered an acceptable hazard. A new theater of war had now been introduced to thousands of men that would never occur again after 1945-- desperate combat at 25,000 feet where temperatures are below zero and there is virtually no oxygen.

Of necessity, the U.S. established 71 air bases in the area to the North and East of London known as East Anglia. The terrain was flat and close to the English Channel, making it ideal as a home for the heavy bombers-- the four engine B-17 Flying

Fortresses and B-24 Liberators. Almost 350,000 Americans served in the Eighth Air Force in what was called the “friendly invasion” by the Brits.

To this day East Anglia remains the most Americanized part of Britain, still reflecting the cultural shock of suddenly being overrun by thousands of young Americans. By 1944, the diaries of numerous East Anglia civilians changed from a gloomy tone to one of confidence in final victory as they witnessed these massive American air armadas assemble and then head out over the Channel for deadly serious business against the Nazis.

Advancing technology was key to their efforts. The invention of the state of the art “Norden Bomb-sight”, that era’s equivalent of today’s smart bomb, had led President Roosevelt and American war planners to embrace a totally new use for air power. The concept of “strategic bombing” was developed. This was the strategy that air power would not just be used to attack enemy military positions (tactical bombing), but would be used on an unprecedented scale to degrade the enemies’ means of production, transportation, and energy. In other words, destroy the ability of an enemy to effectively wage war.

The explicit strategy of the Eighth Air Force was the precision strategic bombing of German military and industrial targets. In order to effectively implement this strategy, the American high command decided they must fly daylight bombing missions. The reason for this was to make the bombing accurate enough to hit most of the intended military and industrial targets. The British considered daylight missions too dangerous and the number of lost planes and crew too high to be acceptable. Thus, the British strategy became night “area” bombing.

Let no one misunderstand this fact: American bombers flew the more hazardous daylight missions over Germany, exposing their gallant crews to greater danger from German fighter planes and anti-aircraft guns. They did this for the specific purpose of making their bombing of military and industrial targets more accurate and to minimize the inevitable civilian casualties.

To this end, by 1943, the Eighth Air Force was flying frequent missions deep into the heart of Germany, going after all the components of the German war machine. However, as these dangerous missions attacked further into Germany, the casualty rate reached unsustainable levels. The infamous August 17, 1943 raid against the ball bearing and Messerschmitt plants in Schweinfurt and Regensburg graphically exposed how bad the losses could be when sending unprotected bombers on a long range mission against a heavily defended target. The attacking force of over 300 bombers lost 60 planes, each with a ten-man crew, and another 100 bombers suffered extensive battle damage.

As these casualty figures indicate, the lack of fighter protection against

very effective German Luftwaffe fighters and their experienced pilots was a serious obstacle. American fighter planes stopped protecting their bombers far short of Germany because the fighters would run low on fuel and be forced to return to their bases in Britain. In late 1943, the Mighty Eighth suspended long-range missions temporarily, pending a solution to this problem.

Fortunately, by early 1944 that solution began to show up in force. The next generation American fighter plane, the magnificent P-51 Mustang, had come to the rescue. The P-51, which became the most effective fighter plane of the war, was equipped with long range fuel tanks, and could escort the B-17’s and B-24’s all the way to the target and back.

By the spring of 1944, the Eighth Air Force turned its attention to the destruction of the Luftwaffe. With the D-Day invasion of France planned for June, it was imperative that the Luftwaffe be neutralized such that any Allied soldier on the beaches in Normandy who looked up into the skies would see only friendly aircraft. And the success of this Mighty Eighth strategy was realized on D-Day (June 6, 1944) when a mere two Luftwaffe planes managed to get near the beaches and do no damage.

The precision “strategic bombing” campaign never eliminated German war production. But, by early 1944, production had stopped increasing. By that summer it began a downward spiral. By 1945 war production was virtually nonexistent. Continuous bombing raids in 1944 against Nazi synthetic fuel facilities and oil refineries made the strict rationing of fuel mandatory. This seriously limited the training of new pilots and tank crews, and eventually front-line pilots and all military crews were forced to curtail operations because of fuel shortages.

Besides destroying military and industrial targets, the Eighth Air Force “strategic bombing” campaign had three additional major effects on the outcome of the war.

First, the German “88” was recognized as the best artillery, anti-tank, and anti-aircraft gun of WWII. In 1943, the Germans began to strip their armies of their “88’s” at an accelerating pace in order to defend their cities with thousands of anti-aircraft guns. This caused incalculable damage to the fighting abilities of their armies, especially on the Russian front with its huge tank battles.

Second, by late 1943, 70% of German fighters were deployed to defend the homeland against “strategic” bombers, rather than supporting armies in the field. This put the German armies at a substantial disadvantage to their thoroughly air supported foes-- the American, British, and Russian armies.

And third, 1.5 million German personnel were assigned to air defense duty against Allied bombing. Every other theater of the war would have been tougher if many of these personnel had been available for other combat

duty.

Despite this, in recent years, a few historical revisionists have questioned the morality of the devastating bombing campaign of the Eighth Air Force. Because most German cities were severely damaged and there were hundreds of thousands of German civilian casualties as collateral damage, it has even been called a war crime.

Such arguments overlook key facts. During WWII American troops were dying on average at a rate of over 9,000 per month, and the execution of Jews and others in concentration camps averaged 80,000 per month. Fair, objective historians agree that the first responsibility of Allied leaders was taking whatever action was at their disposal to end the war and stop the loss of Allied lives and innocent Jewish prisoners as soon as they could (though the full, horrific extent of the Holocaust was not known until the end of the war). Using the heavy bombers of the Eighth Air Force to degrade the ability of the Germans to wage war and break the will of the Nazis to resist their inevitable defeat, was a morally justifiable use of a powerful tool to end the war more quickly.

Virtually the entire German high command that survived the war agreed in post war interviews that Allied bombing and air supremacy was the single greatest cause of German defeat. The most conclusive evidence comes from Albert Speer, who oversaw German military and industrial production from 1942 until the end of the war. He asserted that “the strategic bomber is the cause of all of our setbacks” and referred to strategic bombing as “the greatest lost battle on the German side”.

The price for this victory was high. The Eighth Air Force had the most fatalities of any American military unit in WWII-- 26,000, with another 28,000 taken prisoner. The war was the worst in human history. But the ultimate Allied victory determined that the second half of the twentieth century would be dominated by freedom and democracy, not dictatorship and enslavement. The world was not perfect, but two long-time militaristic, authoritarian countries, Germany and Japan, were transformed into peaceful, prosperous democracies. And Western Europe was rebuilt under the Marshall Plan.

A visit to the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force in Savannah, GA is a trip to hallowed ground. It is a profoundly moving to reflect on the somber plaques placed by Eighth Air Force veterans in the memorial grounds to forever immortalize their crews; to honor the original headstone from Arlington National Cemetery of their Commander, General Jimmy Doolittle; to inspect a restored B-17; or to personally experience what it was like to fly a harrowing WWII mission over Germany in the “Mission Experience” virtual reality exhibit.

The U.S. 8th Air Force was but one of many vital components of the “greatest generation” that



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won the essential victory in WWII. However, the brave and resolute crewmen of the Mighty Eighth earned the honor of being remembered as the unstoppable force that delivered the decisive blow against the Nazis.

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tute of Technology and Mercer University Law School, and a retired real estate developer on Tybee Island, GA. His father and two uncles served in the Eighth Air Force during WWII and sparked his lifelong interest in the history of the war.

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THE LAST SUPPER

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And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you. I will drink no more fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God. - Mark 14:22-25



We wish everyone a very blessed Easter!

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, - Peter 1:3



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Regular service will begin at 10AM.

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And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast. And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him. - Matthew 26:47-49

And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. ...And the governor said, Why what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. - Matthew 27:2, 23-26



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then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand; and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying Hail King of the Jews! And they spit on him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him and led him away to crucify him. - Matthew 27:27-31

And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed him a great company of people and women, which also bewailed and lamented him. - Luke 23:26-27



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THE CRUCIFIXION

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father forgive them; for they know not what they do. - Luke 23:33-34

And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the vail of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, he said, Father into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. - Luke 23:44-47

Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. - Romans 8:34 34

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And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you. - Mark 16:2-7

*But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the people where the Lord lay."
Matthew 28:5-6*

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.
-John 11:25-26*

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And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen. - Luke 24:51-53

WHY CHRISTIANS CELEBRATE

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world: but that the world through him might be saved. - John 3:16-17



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1 Corinthians 15:20-21



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No the sacrifice was not just another killing, it was a bloody mess. His body was torn worse than any man.

And if all that was not enough, they spit in his face until the spit was like a mask. Now this is what love looks like.

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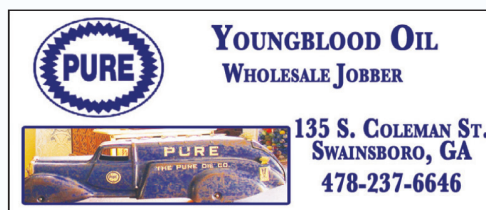
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