

Outdoor Sets for Summertime

Check out our website: www.customfurnitureflooring.com

Est. 1962
CUSTOM
FURNITURE FLOOR COVERING CO.

DANIELS
19 CHEVROLET 26
BUICK GMC

**BEST AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIP
23 YEARS IN A ROW!**

www.danielschev.com
CHEVROLET.BUICK.GMC TRUCKS
U.S. HWY 80 East at SR #56, Swainsboro, GA
478-237-4111 • 1-800-424-8721

The Forest-Blade

Proudly serving the community for 163 years | EMANUELCOUNTYJVE.COM

VOLUME 165, NO.24 Swainsboro, Georgia • June 12, 2024 ONE DOLLAR

Councilperson Foster pleads guilty to drug charges

Late last week, Swainsboro City Councilperson Quantavious Foster announced publicly that he had received notice from the City Attorney of Swainsboro of his suspension from his position as a member of the Swainsboro City Council. As more details related to this story have become known, City Attorney Jon Levis provided the following statement: *The City of Swainsboro has been recently made aware of the felony guilty plea of Councilperson Quatavious Foster in the United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia. In compliance with O.C.G.A. 45-5-6.1, Councilperson Foster has been immediately and without further action suspended from office. The City of Swainsboro is currently working in accordance with O.C.G.A.45-5-6.1(b) for the appointment of a replacement officer until the resolution of matters affecting the suspension of Foster is concluded. The City of Swainsboro has no further comment at this*



FOSTER
time.

Foster's admission of guilt was made in U.S. District Court in Atlanta on April 30, 2024, to a charge of conspiracy to possess and intent to distribute a controlled substance involving at least 50 grams of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine. Foster entered the guilty plea before Judge Amy Totenberg and was ordered to appear in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia for sentencing on August 28, 2024. In charges by the U.S. Attorney, Foster's original involvement that led to the

guilty plea began on or about January 9, 2018, and continued through on or about April 14, 2019. Information taken from Federal Case #1:19 CR-308 states that Foster was arrested in Richmond County on August 30, 2018, based on information obtained by agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Following that arrest, documents state that Foster filed a motion for suppression of evidence, but the motion was denied.

Foster had previously been employed at Jenkins Correctional Facility. He was elected to a post of the Swainsboro City Council in November of 2023. Officials at City Hall are now in the process of determining the legal procedure called for in the City Charter. *The Forest-Blade* asked for comments from the Mayor and City Administrator but have not had replies as of press time.



FULTZ

Happy Father's Day

No matter the date, it's important to express appreciation and gratitude toward loved ones, but sometimes the calendar reminds us of an extra special day to honor certain people in our lives. This Sunday, June 16, is Father's Day, so show some extra love to your loved ones.

Pictured is Milo Fultz, 4-year-old son of Austin and Gabby Fultz of Norristown. Milo attends Laci's Family Childcare and drew a picture of his dad for Father's Day.

Parker and Swinney to vacate seats

After dedicating years to education, Johnny Parker and Sandra Swinney announced their plans to vacate their seats on the Emanuel County Board of Education

Emanuel County Schools pays tribute to Mr. Johnny Parker and Ms. Sandra Swinney, who have dedicated a combined total of 88 years to education. Each will vacate his or her seat as of July 9, 2024, citing health issues and recent family losses as reasons for their decisions.

Mr. Parker expressed his gratitude to the citizens for the opportunity to serve as a voice for District 5. Mr. Parker said, "I have served with a number of board members, and I continue to put this group of individuals among the best. We have always put children first in our decision-making and have honored the role of being a board member. I have loved and cherished making Emanuel County a stronger community by doing what's best for children. I am excited about the many great things that are happening in our schools across the district. Emanuel County's future looks very bright!"



PARKER

thanked the citizens of Emanuel County for entrusting her with the responsibility to represent them, stating, "Every decision made was in the best interest of our children, and doing what was necessary to ensure that they have the best opportunity for a successful future. I have complete confidence that the board is moving in the right direction, and I am committed to ensuring a smooth transition for my successor. Thank you for the trust you have placed in me. It has been a privilege to work alongside such dedicated individuals. I wish the entire Emanuel County Board of Education continued success."



SWINNEY

In response to the announcement, Superintendent Warnock stated, "We are saddened by the news but respect their decision. We appreciate their years of service to Emanuel County Schools. Both Johnny Parker and Sandra Swinney have been valuable members of our Board of Education, contributing to its cohesion and effectiveness."

A special election to determine the new members of the Board of Education will be held during the November 5, 2024 election. The qualifying date for candidates to run for these positions is Monday, August 19, through noon on Friday, August 23.



GARY MCCOY PRESENTS AWARD TO CLEARWATER SOLUTIONS EMPLOYEES CHRIS MORTON, WADE HOLCOMB, WILL HUTCHESON AND PERRY JOHNSON

Council questions Administrator and Attorney

Mayor and City Council of Swainsboro convened at 6 p.m. on June 10, 2024 at the Swainsboro Fire Department Headquarters. The invocation was brought by Rev. Brad McKenzie of Jesus Saves Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A proclamation recognizing the late former Councilperson John E. Parker was read as the first order of the meeting. Parker served from 2006 through 2023. Following this, the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 2024 were presented and approved. A representative of the Georgia Association of Water Professionals addressed council and presented Clearwater Solutions and the City water department with the GAWP Gold Award for exceptional service during the past year. Next on council's agenda was the unusual action of council's reconsidering twelve motions voted on and passed during the month of May. The

measure was characterized as a "revote" by Mayor Bennett but the reason for the action was not clearly explained. In later discussions by the council, it was apparent that the replication of the earlier vote was due to recent developments involving Councilperson Quantavious Foster. The replication vote was taken and motions approved. Council then moved to the next agenda item which dealt with the contract of City Administrator Herman Middlebrooks. Changes in the form of additions to the contract

involved issues related to IRS considerations, pension plan vestment of Middlebrooks after one year's employment, and refinement of the pension ordinance dealing with retirement. Councilperson Collins and Davis questioned some points of the contract including the vesting of the Administrator after only one year as opposed to 10-year employment required for pension vesting of other city hall positions. The motion was tabled by a 4-1 vote with Councilpersons Collins, Davis, Sconyers and Staf- (Continued on page 2A)

What's Inside...

- Obituaries.....4A
- Church Page.....8B
- Editorial Columns.....5A
- Crime Blotter.....6B
- Classified Listings.....5B
- Legal Notices.....5B

This spot could be yours.

Call Pam today

478.237.9971

72ND ANNUAL MEETING | www.pineland.net | 800.247.1266

JUNE 13TH

door prizes
cash prizes
\$10 bill credit
entertainment

excellence integrity innovation servant's heart



2024-25 STATE BAR OF GEORGIA PRESIDENT IVY CADLE, HIS WIFE LESLIE CADLE, CHIEF JUSTICE MICHAEL BOGGS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

Ivy Cadle installed as 62nd president of State Bar of Georgia

Ivy N. Cadle of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell, & Berkowitz, P.C. in Macon and Atlanta was installed June 8 as the 62nd president of the 55,000-member State Bar of Georgia during the organization's Annual Meeting at Amelia Island.

Cadle previously served as secretary, treasurer and, for the past year, as president-elect of the State Bar. He previously represented the Macon Judicial Circuit on the Board of Governors of the State Bar. He is a past chair of the Eminent Domain Section of the State Bar, past president of the Macon Bar Association and past president of the American Inn of Court, William Augustus Bootle Chapter.

Cadle is managing shareholder of Baker Donelson's Atlanta and

Macon offices and is a business litigator in the areas of real estate, eminent domain, land use, zoning, and conservation easements. He is also a certified public accountant. He earned his law degree from the Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law and was admitted to the State Bar of Georgia in 2007. Cadle is also a graduate of the University of Georgia, where he received a Bachelor of Science, Biology, cum laude, and a Master of Accountancy.

Cadle is a mediator and registered neutral with the Georgia Commission on Dispute Resolution. He also serves as an adjunct professor of law at Mercer University School of Law, where he teaches accounting for lawyers. He is also an aviation enthusiast

and holds a multi-engine commercial certificate with an instrument rating.

He is married to Leslie L. Cadle, an estate planning and probate lawyer and member of the State Bar of Georgia who practices at Smith Hawkins Hollingsworth & Reeves LLP in Macon.

The State Bar of Georgia, with offices in Atlanta, Savannah and Tifton, was established in 1964 by the Supreme Court of Georgia as the successor to the Georgia Bar Association, founded in 1884. All lawyers licensed to practice in Georgia belong to the State Bar. Its more than 55,000 members work together to strengthen the constitutional promise of justice for all, promote principles of duty and public service among Georgia's lawyers, and administer a strict code of legal ethics.

Council questions Administrator...

(From front page) ford in favor and Quarterman opposed. Under new business, another award was presented by Clearwater Solutions in the form of a one-thousand-dollar scholarship. Quinton Williams, a graduating Senior at Swainsboro High School was honored and will be attending Augusta College with the help of that competitive award. Council next, discussed the reapplication of some funds from the American Recue Plan grant program. The Covid relief program allocation expires at the end of this year. The hiring of a part-time counter clerk closed out the new business agenda with a 5-0 approval of hiring Zakia Archie. Next, council approved replacement of a wastewater pump at Lift Station 5 with a 5-0 vote. Also approved was the game room license for Atul Y Pandya DBA Jack's Food Mart at 227 West Main Street with a unanimous vote. In final action council agreed to hire Officer Gregory Dylan Low-



MORTON PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP TO QUINTUS WILLIAMS

ery as a full-time police officer. As a motion to adjourn was made, disagreement arose among councilmembers as to the classification of the meeting as a "special called" or a regular meeting. Apparently, confusion resulted when certain members expressed the desire to continue meeting to discuss items not on the agenda. A motion to alter the agenda was approved to allow for discussions concerning the suspension of Councilperson Quantavious Foster. Councilperson Collins asked for a statement on the situation. City Attorney Levis reported that he is waiting on a response from

the Governor's office as to the indicated appropriate action. For the next 18 minutes, Levis advised council on the different scenarios that could be encountered in the situation. Councilperson Collins questioned Levis as to why council members were not advised in a more timely fashion and indicated her dissatisfaction that council was not better informed and advised by the City Attorney. Councilperson Davis echoed Collin's concern and called for a better spirit of transparency among offices of city hall and the city council. Following this discussion, council was adjourned.

East Georgia State College faculty, staff graduate from USG Executive Leadership Institute

The University System of Georgia (USG) has graduated its 2023-24 Executive Leadership Institute (ELI) cohort, including 34 faculty and staff members from 23 USG institutions and the University System Office. East Georgia State College (EGSC) had a staff and faculty member complete the program. Natasha Goss, associate professor of accounting and business, and Jennifer Fields, director of admissions, completed the 14th cohort of the program that convened on August 29, 2023.

"This group includes some of the best among our faculty and staff across Georgia," USG Chancellor Sonny Perdue said. "As one of the top public university systems in the nation, we are invested in supporting and growing the people already working hard right here in the university system. With this professional development, USG wants to help them reach their full potential."

Since 2009, USG has hosted ELI for faculty and staff to develop new leaders within the university system and offer professional development opportunities to help them grow their



FIELDS careers in Georgia.

"ELI provided us the opportunity to gain knowledge during an intensive and dedicated time for professional and personal growth," stated Fields. "I gained different perspectives of the USG system, networked with fellow institution staff from various areas, and benefited from a unique shadowing experience. Being supported by East Georgia State College in this journey created such a rewarding experience. It is reassuring that the system and my home institution invest in their employees as well as encourages professional growth and development."

University presidents nominate academic and staff leaders to participate. From the nominees, individuals are



GOSS selected for the program

and participate in a leadership development curriculum that includes content, personal reflection, job shadowing and cross-mentoring.

"I have learned so much from my experience in this program," said Goss. "I am very grateful for the University System of Georgia and East Georgia State College for the opportunity to participate in the program. It's very important for faculty and staff to gain leadership experience so we can help better our institutions. This program has helped me grow my leadership skills and given me experience that I can bring back to EGSC to help give feedback on important decisions and make positive changes in the future."

VOTE JOHN MOORE

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT 3

VOTING DAY: JUNE 18, 2024

EARLY VOTING June 10th -14th

"MOORE FOR EMANUEL"

WE APPRECIATE OUR MILITARY AND ALL YOU DO FOR OUR COUNTRY!

Thank You!

The Forest-Blade

The Forest-Blade is published weekly by Emanuel County Newspapers Inc., 416 W. Moring Street, Swainsboro, GA. \$1.00 per copy, \$38 per year in-county and \$49 per year out-of-county. POSTMASTER: Send POD Form 3579 to Emanuel County Newspapers Inc., P.O. Box 938, Swainsboro, GA 30401. Telephone 478.237.9971. Periodical Postage paid at Swainsboro, GA 30401. (USPS 204-840)



HOWARD, HALL, ROBERTS, LONG AND MIDDLETON

Four students awarded prestigious Robby Roberts Scholarship

Four exemplary students from Swainsboro High School have been awarded the prestigious Robby Roberts Scholarship, each receiving \$2,500 to support their higher education pursuits. This scholarship, founded by Swainsboro High School alumnus Robby Roberts, aims to pass on the blessings of education he received to future generations.

The recipients of this year's scholarships are: McKayla Hall - plans to attend the University of Georgia and major in data science; Caleb Long - plans to attend Georgia Southern University and major in Civil engineering; Akyra Howard - plans to attend Georgia Southern

University and major in social work/child therapy; Kirah Middleton - plans to attend Georgia Southern University and major in nursing.

Robby Roberts, a proud graduate of both Swainsboro High School and the University of Georgia, established this scholarship to give back to his community and support the academic endeavors of local students.

The selection process for the scholarship is rigorous, focusing on academic excellence, leadership, and community involvement. The four recipients have demonstrated outstanding achievements in their studies, extracurricular activities,

and contributions to the Swainsboro community.

The Robby Roberts Scholarship is more than just a financial aid program; it is a testament to the enduring spirit of giving back and fostering educational opportunities for future leaders. With this scholarship, Roberts hopes to inspire more students to pursue their dreams and make a positive impact on the world.

Congratulations to the four recipients of the Robby Roberts Scholarship. Their hard work and dedication have earned them this well-deserved recognition, and the community looks forward to their continued success.



MCNEELY, BAILEY, PROCTOR, LANE, JOHNSON AND HENDLEY

Swainsboro Rotary Club installs new officers

The Swainsboro Rotary club held the end of the year meeting and officer installation at McKinney's Pond on Sunday, June 2, 2024, and members enjoyed a delicious meal prior to the meeting. Tanya Lane was the outgoing President, and she welcomed the members to the meeting. The club

had taken on several new projects under her leadership, and she did an outstanding job during her term. Zack Proctor was installed as the new President by Richard McNeely. The slate of officers for this new year includes Zack Proctor, President; Tanya Lane, Past President; Richard

McNeely, Sergeant at Arms; John Allen Bailey, Secretary; and Wade Johnson, Treasurer. Patti Hendley is the Public Relations Chair. Other directors not present are Cason Devane, District Conference Chair; Carmen Tanner, Family of Rotary; and Dori Johnson, Service Projects Chair.



Mark Your Calenders Vacation Bible School "The Great Journey"

June 10th - 14th 6-8 PM

5 Nights of adventure at Blundale Baptist Church
Come and join us for Worship, Fun & Games,
and food through this journey. Classes from nursery
to adults. Need Transportation Call
Angel 478-299-7375 • Shannon 478-494-8538

EVERYONE WELCOME!

BLUNDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

2675 Hwy 1 North • Swainsboro, GA





YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE

East Georgia State College has
awesome associate degree programs
that can help you kickstart an amazing future!

OUR ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Business Administration**
Associate of Science
- Criminal Justice**
Bachelor of Science
- Elementary Education**
Associate of Arts
- Financial Technology**
Associate of Science
- Liberal Arts**
Associate of Arts
- Natural Sciences**
Associate of Science
- Organizational Leadership**
Bachelor of Science
- Social Sciences**
Associate of Arts



Scan QR code to learn more
or visit us at www.ega.edu

East Georgia

STATE COLLEGE®

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE



Call Us Today!



HEATING & AIR SPECIALIST
323 SCOTT AVE
SWAINSBORO, GA 30401
478.237.9850

SINCE 1983



turn to the experts

LET US HELP YOU GET FINANCING!

How Bad Do You Want It?

by BISHOP BERTHA JONES

Have you ever had a longing for something? No one knew how bad you wanted it but there was a yearning inside. Just think about some things you wanted really bad?

You then begin to ponder and think within yourself how you can achieve it or how you can make it happen. Yes, you begin to search and ask questions. You have to find a way to achieve your goal.

Well, this is what happened to Zacchaeus. He had heard about Jesus and he wanted to see him for himself. As Jesus entered Jericho, Zacchaeus did not want to miss his opportunity to see Jesus. Because he was short and the crowd was thick and too much for him, he had to figure out a way to see Jesus.

Zacchaeus could run and he could climb although he was short. So he ran ahead of the crowd and climbed up in a sycamore tree to be able to see Jesus. That made him higher than everyone else. Jesus saw him and went home and ate with him. (Lk.19:1-10)

Now what's keeping you from receiving Jesus in your home and in your life? What is it you need to change or correct? Maybe the question is how bad do you want him?

The way to look for Jesus is in his Word. For John 1:1 says, "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God." So today if you are searching for Jesus, get in his Word. Made yourself available to God's Word.

John Eric Parker, 55

On Saturday, June 1, 2024, at 12:46 p.m., PDDGM John Eric Parker completed his earthly mission following an extended illness at the St. Joseph/Candler hospital in Savannah. Final arrangements for our brother, PDDGM Deacon John Eric Parker "The Governor", were held Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 2 p.m. at the Swainsboro Auditorium. Reburial was held at the 4-H Clubhouse. Interment followed at the Swainsboro City Cemetery. The family received friends Friday, June 7, from 12 to 7 p.m. at Chapman Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were members of St. Phillips Lodge #96 and New Hope Lodge #115. Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of Greater St. James Baptist Church.

PDDGM Deacon John Eric "The Governor" Parker was born on September 7, 1968, in Swainsboro, to Otis Williams, Jr. and Mattie Mae Parker. John accepted Christ at an early age and joined the Greater Saint James Missionary Baptist Church in Swainsboro, GA where he was an ordained Deacon August 1999. John was anointed in countless areas.

*Secretary, Saint Philip Lodge #96. P.H.A. (Dec. 2003- June 1, 2024)

*Grand Assistant Treasurer, Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Jurisdiction of Georgia, F & AM, PHA (Sept. 2014-June 1, 2024)

*Grand Inspectors General, Thirty-Third Degree Scottish Rite Masonry (Oct.2012-June 1, 2024)

*Grand Treasurer, GA Council of Deliberation (March 2016-June 1, 2024)

*Member, the Emanuel County NAACP (Sept. 2017 -June 1, 2024)

*Treasurer, the Louisville Masonic District No. 22 (March 2023-June 1, 2024)

*Member of the Georgia Mathematics Teachers Association (Aug. 2017- July 2019)

*Chairman, Emanuel County Black Elected Officials (Mar 2012-Jan 2014)

*Area Coordinator, Swainsboro Consistory #317, Scottish Rite Masonry (March 2012-Dec. 2022)

*Emanuel County Parks and Recreation Commissioner, City of Swainsboro (Jan. 2016-Dec.2019)

*Mayor Pro-Tem, City of Swainsboro (Jan. 2010-Dec. 2010)

*Mayor Pro-Tem, City of Swainsboro (Jan. 2016-Dec. 2016)

*Public Works and Recycling Commissioner, City of Swainsboro (Jan. 2011-Dec. 2015)

*Evans County Family Connections, Executive Board Member, Evans, GA (Jan. 2012-Oct. 2014)

*Fire Commission-



PARKER

er, Swainsboro Fire Department (Jan. 2005-Dec. 2010)

Lastly, John served the City of Swainsboro and the State of Georgia as:

*City Councilman, Swainsboro City Council (Nov. 2005-June 1, 2024)

*Member, the Professional Association Administration (Jan 2022-June 1, 2024)

*Committee Member, City of Swainsboro Administration (Jan.2022-June 1, 2024)

*Member, CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority, Inc. (Nov. 2023- June 1, 2024)

John followed his passion for Math that he gained from his high school teacher in Swainsboro, Mrs. Millie Moore, and obtained his Bachelor of Science in Mathematics graduating from Georgia Southern University in May 1994. And thus, John taught Math for over 20 years to a plethora of students. Mr. Parker is preceded in death by his father, Otis Williams; surrogate grandmother, Minnie Bell Shoemake-Stephens-Tiller; grandparents, Sam and Mary Lou Parker, Otis Lee Williams, Sr. and Mrs. Twillie Walker; loving aunts, uncles, cousins, siblings, and brothers-in-law.

John leaves a legacy of cherished and loving memories to his mother, Mattie Mae Parker of Swainsboro; brothers, Michael E. Parker of Fairburn, Milton T. Graham (Debby) of Wadley, Charlie Clark and Herbert Artis, both of Swainsboro, Herman (Martha) Murphy of Augusta, Andre Jackson of Canoochee, and Charles Riddles of Jacksonville, Florida; sisters, Rosalind M. Harris of Fort Valley; surrogate sister, Zenobia F. Andrews of Swainsboro and Cherry Ann Murphy-Sweet of Augusta; very special cousin, Bettye Doyle of Twin City; uncles, Dea. Ralph (Lutricia) Parker, Sr., Dea. Johnny Lee Parke, and Fletcher (Sadie) Nobles, all of Swainsboro; aunts; Mary M. Parker and Christine Parker, both of Swainsboro; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, surrogate nieces, nephews, other relatives and sorrowing friends.

"When I've gone the last mile of the way" Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

Sue Henry, 77

Mrs. Sue Henry, 77, of Swainsboro, passed away Friday, June 7, 2024, at Fairview Park Hospital following a brief illness. Funeral services were held Monday, June 10, at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Chapman Funeral Home. The family received friends from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, June 10, at Chapman Funeral Home.



HENRY

Mrs. Henry was born May 16, 1947, in Swainsboro, to the late Leon Edenfield and Rebecca Smith Edenfield. She enjoyed cooking for her family and friends and loved spending time with her grandchildren. Sue was an avid reader and enjoyed solving word search puzzles. She retired from Maryland's Fried Chicken as their manager and also worked at Argo Mills/Creston. Sue loved Bingo, Butter Bean Auction and Friday Night Socials. She was very loved by everyone at Swainsboro Presbyterian

Apartments. Sue was the President of Resident Council at Swainsboro Presbyterian Apartments for twelve years. Mrs. Henry is preceded in death by her parents, and husband, Charlie Henry.

Mrs. Henry is survived by her son, Destry Henry (Kim); grandchildren, Charlie Henry, Briana Henry and Jarett Henry; great-grandchildren, Rovie and Ripken; several nieces, nephews and many friends.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

Rosland Handberry Pickens, 82

Rosland, Handberry Pickens, age 82, passed away Tuesday, June 4, 2024. A Celebration of Life was held Saturday, June 8, at 11 a.m. at Mt. Zion Church in Garfield with Pastor Johnnie Branch presiding. Interment followed in Swan Cemetery.



PICKENS

Rosland was born March 13, 1942, in Brooklyn, NY, to the late Alex and Fannie Handberry. She graduated from Central Commercial High School in June 1959. Rosland worked for the United States Postal Service and retired in 1985. She then married her late husband, Willis C. Pickens, Jr., in July 1992, and they moved to Garfield to enjoy their retirement. Mrs. Pickens is preceded in death by her parents; husband; siblings, Genitha Pickens, Alex Handberry, Jr.,

Jeanette Ivey and Willie Handberry.

Mrs. Handberry is survived by her son, Darryl Handberry; grandson, Darryl J. Handberry; granddaughter, Jemella C. Raymore; great-grandson, Devon Oliver Handberry; sisters and brother, Dora Hubert, Fannie Sherman and Virgil Handberry; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

George R. Scott, 84

Mr. George R. Scott 84, of the Ollifftown, passed away peacefully June 6, 2024, at his residence, with his loving family at his bedside. Funeral service was held, Sunday June 9, at 2:30 p.m. at Old Canoochee Primitive Baptist Church with Elders Sam Bowen, Craig Lanier and Tommy Rountree officiating. The family received friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 8, at Wood Funeral Home in Metter.



SCOTT

Pallbearers were Randy Olliff, Jonathan Olliff, Jacob Scott, Jordy Scott, Justin Bell, Alex McGowan and Bret McGowan.

George was born October 23, 1939, in Twin City, to the late Mr. Luther Green and Mrs. Bessie Juanita Davis Scott. He attended Old Canoochee Primitive Baptist Church with his parents as a child and was a faithful member of Rosemary Primitive Baptist Church until his health began to fail. George's love for his Lord and Savior was evident in all of

his endeavors. He was a self-employed truck driver for over thirty years. George dearly loved his family and his church family. Mr. Scott is preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Donna Scott Olliff; four sisters; and two brothers.

Mr. Scott is survived by his loving wife of forty years, Carole Edwards Scott; four sons, Joey (Libby) Scott, Ashley (Robin) Scott, Paul (Lindsey) Scott and David (Alexandra) Sapp; daughter, Trixie (Randy) McGowan; 12 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

Wood Funeral Home of Metter was in charge of arrangements.

Send a card to someone experiencing the loss of a loved one

Perfected Love Holiness Church
www.perfectedlove.com
Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted.

Sunday School	9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship	10:45 am
Sunday Night	6:00 pm
Wednesday	7:00 pm

(478) 237-4598 1127 Hwy 80 East Swainsboro, GA 30401
Pastor Dean Martin II

REPENT OF YOUR SINS & BE CONVERTED

You're Invited To Attend
First Methodist of Swainsboro
319 W. Main St.
237-7535
Rev. Davis Unkles, Pastor

Sunday Morning Services Are Broadcast By WXRS 100.5 FM at 11:00 A.M.

Sunday
9:00 AM - Contemporary Service
10:00 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Traditional Worship
5:00 PM - Jr. & Sr. MYF
6:00 PM - Evening Worship

Wednesday Night
5:30 PM - Bible Study
6:30 PM - Family Dinner
7:00 PM - Chancel Choir

PLEASE JOIN US!

Some Goodbyes Are More Difficult Than Others

Saying goodbye for the last time is difficult. That's why we pride ourselves with a knowledgeable staff and comfortable surroundings that help make the passing of your loved one more memorable.

Chapman Funeral Home
AND CREMATORY SERVICE
"Committed To Serve Our Family And Friends"
427 N. Main St. • Swainsboro 478-237-3800

Correction

In last week's article "Mayor asks city council to pass affordable housing plan", The starting salary of first year certified teachers in Emanuel County was incorrect. The correct starting salary is \$41,000 annually.

Editorials Columns

The "Summer Experience"

One of the staple events of the summer season in this country used to be the experience of the "summer camp". Kids in, let's call it, "more affluent circumstances" might go to fancy private summer camps with wonderful-sounding Indian names and take French lessons and ballroom dancing, but for most of us around here, it was seven to ten days at a church camp with no air conditioning and World War II army bunks or maybe a couple of

weeks camping with the Boy Scouts. Looking back on it, we probably now understand that summer camps were good for us in building self-reliance and forming rugged character. This is a widely accepted notion, but summer camps also provided a well-deserved benefit for another large group of society. That group would be our parents. Did you ever notice how supportive and encouraging your parents were when you asked them if you

could go, and then if they would pay the registration fee for summer camp? "Well, of course dear, we can manage that, and you might need some new sneakers and blue jeans too." It was almost scary how easy that was! "Let's go talk to your father, right now". It was like the bus was already out in the street with the motor running, but it was okay, your parents needed a break too. Now they had a whole week to themselves to actually talk to each other again and

watch TV without you and your brothers or sisters fighting over the channels. When you got back home, they always acted like you had been off on some grand adventure, and so what if you had to move all the Tommy Dorsey and Glenn Miller albums out of Hi-Fi cabinet and bring your Beatles and Elvis 45s back in. That was the least you could do to promote family unity. For most of us, I think the camp experience usually stands out in our memory because,

Charles Schwabe



in the final analysis, it was an important marker in our growing-up years. We learned things and met new people and most importantly, we found out more about ourselves. In a gentle but effective way, it was a test, and I think it's too bad that all the kids coming along now days are not offered that

"summer camp" test before the impersonal world we now know sweeps them up and hurries them along to the future. Whether it's a week or two weeks or maybe just one day, a little part of a "summer camp" experience can make a big change and create some lasting memories in any life.

Attention all fathers: Your day is coming

I have been called a lot of things in my long life and not all of them flattering. A few years back, I was referred to as an "Obama bed-wetting liberal" and a "racist redneck." Both in the same week. Go figure. What I like being called most of all, however, is Dad, as well as Pa. The former is how I am known to my kids and the latter by the grandkids and the great-grands who have come along in the interim. I bring this up to remind us all that Sunday, June 16, is Father's Day. This is our day, dads. A time to have a well-deserved fuss made over us. We don't get quite the attention as Mother's Day, but every little bit helps. Besides, if it wasn't for fathers, where would all the mothers come from? Unfortunately, you may have noticed how fathers are depicted in television commercials. We

always look like a bunch of dodos that have to be rescued from our miscues by a patient and understanding wife and their two bemused kids, all shaking their heads at us and our foibles while we babble nonsense. It makes me wonder if Dad is so stupid, why did Mom marry him in the first place? And why are we always made to look like airheads? My theory is that the twits who create those denigrating commercials collectively hate their fathers for having made them eat everything on their plate before being excused from the dinner table and are now getting even. My daddy made me eat everything on my plate but I sure don't hate him. As a matter of fact, I have spent my adult life trying to measure up to him. I'm not there yet and

don't ever expect to be. Earl Yarbrough worked for the Railway Express Agency for 49 years and four months, mostly outside and mostly at night right up to his retirement day. In that time, which I calculate to be 2,596 weeks, he missed exactly three of those weeks and not one day more due to being hospitalized for an emergency appendectomy. Today, that would probably be an outpatient procedure and he would likely leave the doctor's office and head straight to work. While my dad had only a seventh-grade education and a hard-scrabble upbringing, he lived long enough to see both of his boys graduate from college and go on to have successful careers in their respective fields. To my brother and me, our father was never our buddy. He was our father.

We didn't go fishing with him or play pitch in the backyard or take family camping trips. Instead, we watched how hard he worked and observed his integrity, his honesty and his ability to discern right from wrong. He was remarkably consistent. Right was right and wrong was wrong and rationalization was not a part of his makeup. I'm not sure what he would make of the changing world in which you and I live today but I know he wouldn't change. Not a whit. Right would still be right and wrong would still be wrong. Today, far too many children don't have a role model like my brother and I had. In fact, they have no father at all. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, some 20 million children under the age of 18 — that's 1 in 4 — live without

Dick Yarbrough



a biological father, step-father or adoptive father in the home. 67% of Black children in the United States under the age of 18 live in a fatherless home. A group called the National Fatherhood Initiative says children in father-absent homes are more likely to live in poverty, experience teen pregnancies, have behavioral problems, drug issues, to drop out of school and to end up in prison. Where have all the fathers gone? I am not likely a candidate for the Fathers Hall of Fame — if there were such a thing — but I somehow survived the experience. For my perseverance, I

have two great kids and some very special grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Hard work but clearly worth the effort. To all you dads out there, mark June 16 on the calendar and sit back and enjoy the day. Tell your corny and time-worn jokes — a Dad specialty — and let your family make a big to-do over you. You've earned it. And remember this: The older your kids get, the smarter you are going to look. That's the best Father's Day gift of all. You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dickyarbrough.com or at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139.

Tent meetings, goat man and gypsies

Growing up in my house, attending the church was not optional. It was a given. No matter how much I fussed, cried, or feigned sickness or injury, I was going to Sunday School and church right up until I got

way bigger than my little Momma. Then, I had a little leverage, but not much. Daddy didn't go much to morning services but occasionally he went to the evening services. He was a good man; he just didn't go

with us to church, so he and Uncle Aubrey went off to fish. And he didn't tolerate me not going with Momma. I still don't understand that, but I sure never asked. From time to time, Big Momma would see in the

Forest Blade about a tent meeting coming up, and she and Momma hauled me off with them to get a little extra religion. I don't remember the denomination of any we ever attended, but what I do remember is, the weather would always be hot and sticky. I don't sit still very well as an adult, so you can just imagine how miserable this little girl was sitting on the folding chair, under a steaming tent, with only a funeral home fan to swat the gnats and mosquitoes. How Big Momma could sit there and get any religion in her corset and voile dress, stockings and white shoes is beyond me. The meetings would last for hours, with singing, prayers and preaching and more singing and prayers and Jesus calling the sinner's home. I remember one of these meetings on the south of town where the tent sat in a cleared grassy area, and the cars parked all around the tent. I never hear of tent meetings anymore... I guess we don't need extra religion now.

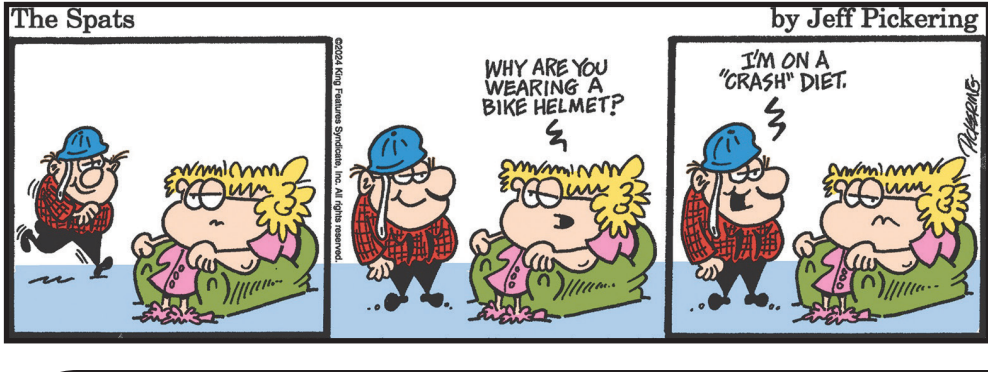
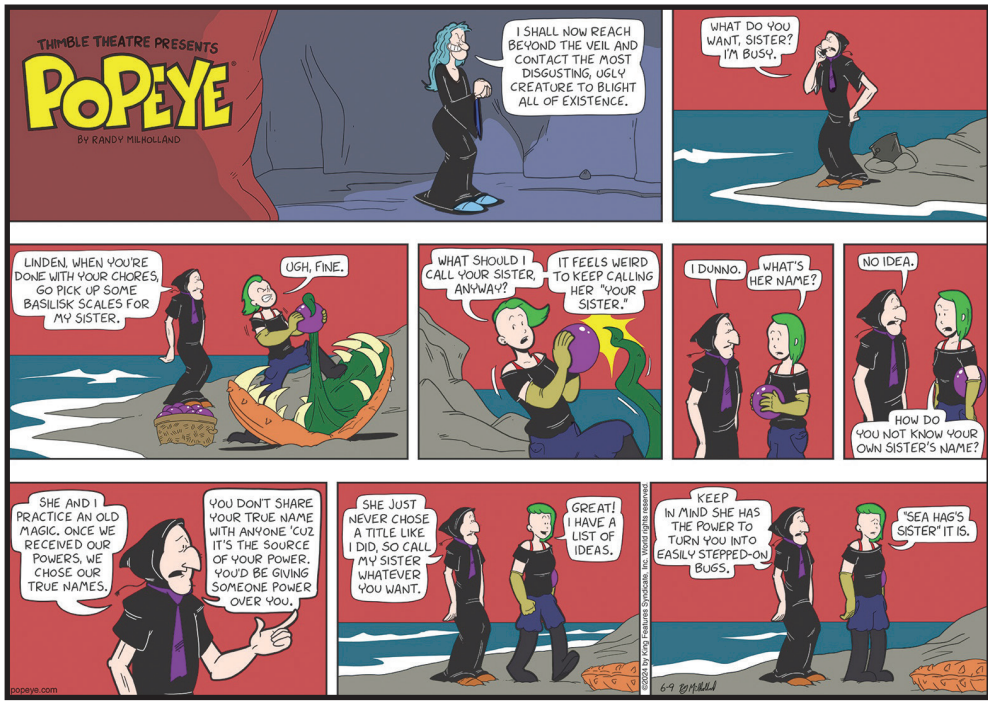
La'Rose Tapley



word from one to the other, and folks would get in their cars to take a ride just outside town where the old man would be camped. He never seemed to mind the attention, and neither did the goats. You could smell the sight long before you could see him. He traveled all over the eastern seaboard, but made his home place in Jeffersonville, Ga. Sometimes, there would be a band of gypsies camping outside town. They didn't like for you to get too close to their camps where they played music, banged tambourines, and danced, but I always wanted to talk to them to see where they were going, and why. Momma didn't let me go see them, but I usually heard about them being in town. Sometimes, I would catch sight of some of the women with brightly colored skirts and lots of dangling bracelets and big loop earrings. Their hair would be dark and long, streaming down their backs and sometimes they would have kerchiefs

on them to tie back the long hair. I thought they were beautiful when I did see them. I often wondered why their children didn't have to go to school. They camped for a day or two and moved on. Some people said they were thieves. I've often wondered why they said that. I'm sure there must have been honest gypsies. Sometimes, the local paper would advertise that there was going to be a "sing" at a local country church. They were very popular, always with a crowd of hardy music loving Christians, who would listen to the quartets, soloists, and duets from popular gospel singing groups that came from all over the state. Gospel music was a staple for the old timers. Sometimes, these "sings" could go on all night, or at least till the wee hours of the morning. I don't remember ever going to many and when I did, they fell into the same category for me as the tent meetings. Sitting still wasn't then, and still isn't, my forte.

Editorial Cartoons



The Forest-Blade

© 2024 All rights reserved.

Emanuel County Newspaper, Inc.
416 W. Moring St., P.O. Box 938 • Swainsboro, GA, 30401
Telephone: 478-237-9971 • Facsimile: 478-237-9451
Internet: www.EmanuelCountyLive.com
news@emanuelcountylive.com • advertising@emanuelcountylive.com

Gail Williamson,
Editor/Publisher

We welcome Letters to the Editor from our readers. However, due to increasing production costs, we must request that letters be kept to approximately 350 words. All letters must be signed by at least one person. Address and telephone number of the writer should also be given.

The Blade reserves the right to edit letters and limit the number of letters on any one subject from any one person.

Frye speaks to Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro held its weekly meeting Tuesday night, May 21, at 7 p.m. at the Rustic Grille. With President Cheryl Goodman presiding, they had 25 in attendance, including seven guests, Calder Ward, Erin Ward,

Melonie Ward, Zane Scarboro, Judy Wells, Lawson Frye and Peyton Frye. The apple pie, pecan pie, and sweet potato pie, donated by the Club in honor of Jim Daughtry, were won by Judy Wells, Tracy Mason, and Wanda Ellis and David Gribbin

won the Domino's pizza.

On May 7, some members of the Kiwanis Club participated in a planting of a "Moon Tree" at the Fulford Center on the EGSC campus. The "Moon Tree" is a loblolly pine which began as a seed on the Artemis I spaceship which orbited the moon in 1971. The first "Moon Trees" were planted in the 1970's from seeds that were carried on Apollo 14 as it circled the moon in 1971. The first "Moon Tree" in Georgia was planted in Waycross in the early-to-mid 70's. Tim Goodman presented the nominations for next year's officers for the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club. The results of the election were President - Paul Cerpovicz, President-Elect - Dianna Wedincamp, Vice President - Dwight Watt, Immediate Past President - Cheryl Goodman, Secretary - Tim Goodman, Treasurer - David Gribbin, 1-Year Directors - Bobbie Daughtry, Cayla Scarboro, Dess Smith and Mary Ellen Smith, and 2-Year Directors - Jeff



PRESIDENT GOODMAN, P. FRYE, L. FRYE AND TAMMY ALLEN



MOON TREE AND PARTICIPANTS

Brewer, Petite Garrett, Jeff Palmer and Windy Ward. The program was hosted by Tammy Allen who introduced Lawson Frye, an 8th Grader at Emanuel County Institute. A member of the Junior Beta Club, the Student Advisory

Council, and the baseball and football teams, Lawson recently placed first in the State Jr. Beta Club speech contest and presented his speech at the meeting. The requirements of the speech are that it be more than one min-

ute and less than two minutes in length on the topic "A Voyage of Adventure." Lawson will be presenting his speech at the June 10, National Jr. Beta Convention in Savannah. Lawson's parents are Peyton and Brooke Frye.

We Will Be Closed in Observance of Juneteenth



Wednesday, June 19th

CITIZENS BANK OF SWAINSBORO

121 North Main Street • Swainsboro • 478.237.7001
1210 Hillcrest Parkway • Dublin • 478.272.7775
101 West Jackson Street, Suite B • Dublin • 478.272.7775
1101 Brampton Avenue • Statesboro • 912.623.2500
www.cbs-lc.com • #BankLocally

Member FDIC

Emanuel Wound Care Center (Located on 2nd floor of the hospital)



Nick Luecke, NP-C | Anthony Davis, MD

**Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

EMANUEL MEDICAL CENTER 117 Kite Road • Swainsboro
478.289.1126
www.emanuelmedical.org

Innovative treatment offers hope for ringing in the ears

A groundbreaking treatment has emerged as a beacon of hope for those troubled by the persistent ringing in their ears, known as tinnitus. Dr. Gabriel Pitt, a local audiologist based in Swainsboro, Georgia, is excited about this new development. Specializing in the assessment and treatment of tinnitus, hearing loss, and certain balance problems, Dr. Pitt brings expertise and optimism to the table.

The treatment in question, Lenire®, has shown remarkable promise in clinical trials. Developed by a team of researchers, Lenire® employs a unique approach to tinnitus management. Rather than masking the sound, it aims to address the root cause of the condition, offering lasting relief to sufferers.

One of the key features of Lenire® is its non-invasive nature. This means that individuals can undergo treatment without the need for



DR. PITT

surgery or invasive procedures, minimizing discomfort and downtime. Importantly, clinical trials have demonstrated the effectiveness of Lenire® in reducing the severity of tinnitus symptoms, bringing relief to those who have long grappled with the condition.

Dr. Pitt emphasizes the significance of this breakthrough for individuals in Swainsboro and beyond. As the third generation in his family to serve the community with hearing healthcare, Dr. Pitt understands the profound impact that

tinnitus can have on individuals' quality of life. "As an audiologist and tinnitus specialist, I am hopeful that this promising new product will provide relief for those suffering with tinnitus," says Dr. Pitt.

While there are existing treatments for tinnitus available on the market, Lenire® stands out for its potential to help those who have not found relief with conventional options. Its innovative approach and promising results offer new possibilities for individuals seeking respite from the persistent ringing in their ears.

With the introduction of Lenire®, individuals in Swainsboro and surrounding areas have reason to be optimistic about managing their tinnitus symptoms. Dr. Pitt remains dedicated to providing comprehensive care and exploring innovative solutions to improve the lives of his patients.

PruittHealth Hospice Partner Spotlight



Betty Brown Robinson ~ CNA

My name is Betty Brown Robinson and I have been a CNA for 21 years. I am blessed to have been with Pruitt Health Hospice for 18 years and I love providing care to my patients. The best part of my job is spending time with my patients and their families. I enjoy going to church and spending time with my family. I live in Twin City and have been a resident there all my life. Working for Pruitt Health Hospice has been a blessing to me and I hope to be able to provide care to patients for many more years.

Subscribe to *The Forest-Blade* and receive the eEdition FREE!

Call Denise today!

478.237.9971

PruittHealth
HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Call Today For More Information 478-237-7798

667 South Main Street • Swainsboro • www.pruithhealth.com
Services provided regardless of patient's ability to pay

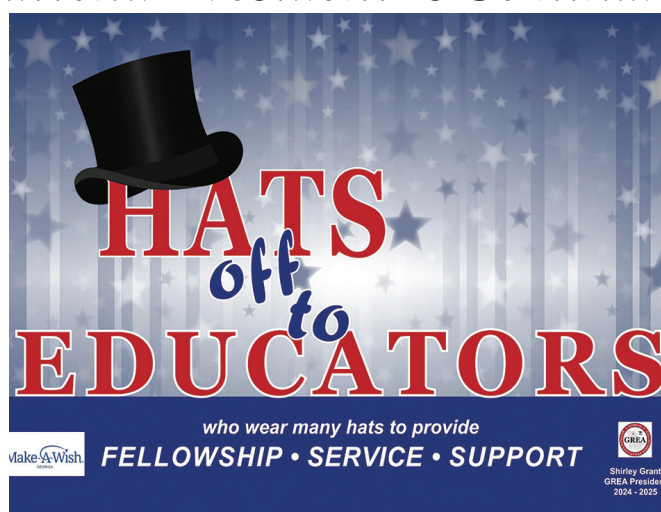
United In Making A Difference! Georgia License # 53-109-H

Here at PruittHealth Hospice we feel that it's important for you to get to know our partners and see our Commitment to Caring for our patients, our partners, and our community!

Emanuel Retired Educators attend President 's Seminar

On Wednesday June 5, 2024, President Verdell Brinson and Past-President Huddie Culbreth attended a President 's Seminar for Area 6 of The Georgia Retired Educators Association (GREA). The meeting was held at The Pittman Park United Methodist Church in Swainsboro, and was led by Dr. Gwendolyn Yarborough, Area 6 Director. During this meeting, Presidents and President-

Elects around the area discussed projects and plans for the upcoming year. Each chapter received a GREA Chapter Guide, which Dr. Yarborough discussed in depth as to its use in making chapters run smoothly and providing guidance for the State Projects and other requirements that each chapter should complete during the year. A delicious lunch was provided and enjoyed by all.



FLYER

For all your pest control needs!
Termite • Pest Control

PARRISH
PEST MANAGEMENT
INC.

478-668-3351
Troy Parrish Cell: 478-279-3978

Brinson speaks to the Veterans

The Veterans at the Library held their weekly meeting at the Franklin Memorial Library Monday, June 10, at 9:15 a.m. With Chair John Tapley presiding, they had 48 in attendance. Breakfast was served by Sheri Watt to include grits, breakfast casserole, watermelon, birthday cupcakes (Veteran Pete Boatright, 93), cranberry juice, grape juice, orange juice and coffee. Two new veterans attended the meeting, Katrina Nicole Stevens and Rob Dale Heard. Katrina served in the U.S. Army from March 2007 to October 2017, in the 1st, 41st Field Artillery. She served overseas during OLF and OEF and was also stationed at Fort Lee, VA and Fort Stewart, GA. Stevens obtained the rank of SGT. Rob served



BRINSON

in the U.S. Navy from May 31, 1987, to June 01, 2007, in the Gulf/IRAQ. He served PT Morgan, CA, Whidbey, WA, Camp Pendleton, CA, NAS Pensacola, FL and NAS Jacksonville, FL. Heard obtained the rank of E-6. Watt introduced the speaker, Lynn Brinson from the Emanuel Medical Center, who talked about the "Georgia Heart Program". Brinson discussed how they



HEARD AND STEVENS

could sign up to send their Georgia Income Tax money directly to the Emanuel Medical Center instead of to the State of Georgia. This is a great way to support the local hospital with your Georgia personal income tax. For more information about this, please call Lynn at 478-299-0088. Chair Johnny talked about June 14, U.S. Flag Day. All veterans will meet at the City Square Friday, June 14, at 9:30 a.m. for a short ceremony to honor the U.S. Flag. Also, don't forget that we should all celebrate "Women Veterans Recognition Day" on Wednesday, June 12, to observe the Anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act. This Act was an effort to honor the work of women in the United States Armed Forces and recognize the unique challenges that they have faced.

Turner chosen as June's "Volunteer of the Month" for Special Olympics Georgia

This month's edition of *Georgia's Champion*, a monthly e-newsletter of Special Olympics Georgia (SOGA), includes an article featuring Elise Turner as the "Volunteer of the Month" for June. Ansley Bonner, Volunteer and Event Manager for SOGA, states that she would not be able to get through the Summer Games without Ms. Turner's help because "... she always is so willing to jump into wherever I need her to. I look forward to seeing her each year."

Elise Turner, a life-long resident of Emanuel County and a retired Special Education teacher, is a member of the SOGA's State Summer Games Organizing Committee and has been a dedicated volunteer for over 10 years at the games hosted by Emory University every May. Over 2,000 athletes, coaches, and unified partners spend the three-day weekend "working hard and playing hard." This year, the athletes competed in athletics, cheerleading, flag foot-

ball, gymnastics, soccer, soccer skills, swimming, table tennis, tennis, and volleyball. As always, they had an "amazing" weekend! Those who know Ms. Turner can confirm the writer's description of her is no exaggeration: "... greeting everyone with her million-dollar smile and has a wonderful personality." Another local retired Special Education teacher remarked, "That describes Elise. She certainly deserves this recognition." Ms. Turner says she



TURNER

will probably continue to volunteer at the games as long as she has good health and can drive in the Atlanta traffic.

Mercer University Spring President's and Dean's Lists

Mercer University recently announced the President's List and Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester. Inclusion on these lists requires students to meet rigorous GPA standards specific to the college or school within the University. Founded in 1833, Mercer University is a dynamic and comprehensive center of undergraduate, graduate and professional education. The University enrolls more than 9,100 students in 12 schools and colleges - liberal arts and sciences, law, pharmacy, medicine, business, engineering, education, theology, music, nursing, health professions, and professional advancement - on major campuses in Macon and Atlanta, medical school sites in Macon, Savannah and Columbus, and at regional academic centers in Henry and

Douglas counties. Malina McKinzie of Adrian, junior, College

of Nursing, President's List and Britney Nguyen of Swainsboro, junior,

School of Business, President's List earned a place on the lists.

PHARMACY

Shop Rite PHARMACY & Gifts

Mon-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm
Saturday 8:30am-12:00pm

Full Service Pharmacy

- Drive-thru Service • Free In-Town Delivery
- Accepts All Insurance • Friendly Knowledgeable Staff
- Free Health Screens

Mon - Fri 8:00- 5 • Sat 8:30 - 12 • Closed Sun
605 W Main St • Swainsboro 478.237.7032

Outdoor Sets for Summertime

Est. 1962
CUSTOM
FURNITURE • FLOOR COVERING CO.

104 W. Pine St., Swainsboro, GA
478-237-6483

Find us on Facebook
Check out our website: www.customfurnitureflooring.com

PUMP PRICES GOT YOU LIKE WHOA?

fuel your future. not your tank.
campus dorms available.

- CAMPUS HOUSING**
- NO APPLICATION FEES**
- SAVE ON TUITION**
- SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**
- ONLINE AND IN PERSON**

East Georgia STATE COLLEGE

Scan QR code to apply today or visit us at www.ega.edu

TRUCKS

2024 COLORADO

FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS
1.9% APR + NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR **90 DAYS**
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL[†]



2024 SILVERADO 1500 CREW CAB LT 5.3L

\$5,750 TOTAL VALUE WHEN YOU TRADE IN AN ELIGIBLE VEHICLE[†]
\$4,750 TOTAL CASH ALLOWANCE + \$1,000 TRADE ASSISTANCE
THAT'S **10% BELOW MSRP**



1.9% APR FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS + **90 DAYS** NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL ON SELECT 2023/2024 CHEVY MODELS[†]

SUVs



2024 BLAZER

FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS
1.9% APR + NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR **90 DAYS**
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL[†] OR **\$2,500** TOTAL CASH ALLOWANCE[†]

SUVs



2024 EQUINOX

FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS
1.9% APR + NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR **90 DAYS**
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL[†] OR **\$1,000** TOTAL CASH ALLOWANCE[†]

2024 TRAILBLAZER

FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS
1.9% APR + NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR **90 DAYS**
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL[†] OR **\$500** CASH ALLOWANCE[†]



SUVs

2024 MALIBU LT

FOR WELL-QUALIFIED BUYERS
1.9% APR + NO MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR **90 DAYS**
WHEN YOU FINANCE WITH GM FINANCIAL[†] OR **\$2,250** CASH ALLOWANCE[†]



CARS

2024 BLAZER EV LT eAWD

ULTRA-LOW MILEAGE LEASE EXAMPLE FOR QUALIFIED NON-GM LESSEES WITH A CURRENT ELIGIBLE LEASE
\$369 PER MONTH[†] 24 MONTHS
\$1,679 DUE AT SIGNING AFTER ALL OFFERS \$0 ACQUISITION FEES (\$695 VALUE)
TAX, TITLE AND LICENSE FEES EXTRA. NO SECURITY DEPOSIT REQUIRED. MILEAGE CHARGE OF \$0.25/MILE OVER 20,000 MILES.



ELECTRIC

2024 EQUINOX EV

THE FIRST-EVER ALL-ELECTRIC EQUINOX EV
EQUINOX EV MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO **\$7,500** CLEAN VEHICLE FEDERAL TAX CREDIT[†] PLUS **\$1,000** CASH ALLOWANCE[†] FOR CURRENT COMPETITIVE EV AND PHEV OWNERS AND LESSEES



BEST AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIP 24 YEARS IN A ROW!
www.danielschev.com | CHEVROLET . BUICK . GMC TRUCKS

BUY LOCALLY! WE WERE HERE YESTERDAY. WE ARE HERE TODAY & WE WILL BE HERE TOMORROW!



FIND NEW ROADS WITH DANIELS CHEVROLET. WHERE EVERYONE IS A WINNER!

CHEVROLET, GMC & BUICKS NOW OFFER 2 YEARS / 24,000 MILES OR SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE*
Bumper-to-Bumper Limited Warranty (including tires): Coverage is for the first 3 years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first.
Powertrain Limited Warranty: Coverage is for the first 5 years or 60,000 miles, whichever comes first.



US Hwy 80 East at SR #56, 365 East Main Street, Swainsboro, GA 30401 | 478-237-4111 | 800-424-8721



The *Forest* Blade

Swainsboro, GA • June 12, 2024 • www.EmanuelCountyLive.com

Social
Sports
Legals/Classifieds **B**

Miss Dickerson, Mr. Gay to exchange vows



MISS DICKERSON AND MR. GAY
Gay is the grandson of the Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Rowland of Twin City and Mrs. Mary Gay and the late J.C. Gay of Garfield. The wedding is set for June 29, 2024, in Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Moore of Winder and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Dickerson of Braselton are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Sydney Dickerson of Braselton, to Rhett Clifford Gay of Twin City. Mr. Gay is the son of Cliff and Judy Gay of Twin City.

The bride-elect is 2015 graduate of George Walton Academy and a 2019 graduate of University of Georgia with a Finance degree. She is an ABM Field Marketing Specialist at Demandbase. Miss Dickerson is the granddaughter of Doris Holmes and the late George Holmes of Winder and Pat Dickerson and the late Doyle Dickerson of Atlanta.

The future groom is a 2017 graduate of Emanuel County Institute and a 2022 graduate of Georgia Southern University with a Master of Accounting. He is an accountant at Coastal Meats in Stillmore. Mr.

Week 1 Scavenger Hunt for Books Fun

by TAMRA ALLEN
Family Connection was thrilled with the participation of the first week of their Scavenger Hunt for Books. There were 63 sleuths hot on the trail that led them to the Swainsboro Fire Department to receive their free book and participant punch card along with friendly greetings from the staff. Some even got a tour of the fire house. This was a great turn out for week #1 and we are hopeful that more families will join the fun.

Thanks to the Swainsboro Fire Department for being so willing to help and so supportive in our lit-



LITTLE SLEUTHS WITH THEIR BOOKS

eracy work in Emanuel County. A special thanks to the Mill Creek Foundation that funded the Scavenger Hunt for Books again this year.

Families may join at any time during the 8-week Scavenger Hunt

this summer. Look for the clues that are posted daily on the Emanuel County Family Connection or Franklin Memorial Library Facebook pages to find the secret location to receive a new book every Thursday.



LITTLE SLEUTHS WITH THEIR BOOKS

The American Legion Post 103 Presents



Showcasing local talent playing classic hits!

The Showcase Band
Dawn Phillips Phil Wilson Billy Cooler
Lige Moore Donnie McNeely



Master of Ceremonies
Ron Bivins

FEATURED GUESTS

- Rhonda & The Relics
- The May Belles
- Mark Graham
- Darren Barwick
- Ohoopie Angels
- The Four Plys
- Kendall Hadden & Co.

\$5 Admission
(12 and under FREE)

We support our Veterans!!

Saturday, June 29, 2024 - 7 PM

Swainsboro Auditorium

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Swainsboro Moose Lodge 1930 HOSTS



KARAOKE NIGHT

JUNE 15 th 5-9 PM

PRESENTED BY BIG WOLF
ENTERTAINMENT

Swainsboro Boneyard Pavilion

GPS Address: 215 Roger Shaw Street

Free For All / Bring Your Lawn Chairs & The Family

Like Father Like Child

My dad is



In 20 words or less tell us about your dad.
One child will receive \$50.00 to spoil dad.

NAME _____

FATHERS NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

FOR AGES 16 AND UNDER
DEADLINE FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024 @ NOON
DROP YOUR ENTRY OFF AT 416 W MORING ST.
SWAINSBORO, GA 30401

CENTRAL FENCE CO., INC.

C F C
 Since 1964
 455 E. Main St. • Swainsboro • 478-237-4061 • www.centralfenceco.com

YEOMANS & ASSOCIATES AGENCY, INC.
Auto-Owners
INSURANCE
 LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS
 P.O. Box 690 • 109 S.Circle Drive • Swainsboro, GA
 478-237-3109 • Fax: 478-237-7777
 &
 606 Mulberry St. • Louisville, GA • 478-625-8000 • Fax: 478-625-9421
 yeoassoc@bellsouth.net
 Hours: Monday - Friday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

C&G CAR CARE
 PPG CERTIFIED • WRECKER SERVICE AVAILABLE IN BUSINESS IN EMANUEL COUNTY SINCE 1980
 223 HIGHWAY 56 N • SWAINSBORO, GA 30401
 DAY: (478) 237-8762 • FAX: (478) 237-8761
 NIGHT: 478-349-9236
 FRIENDLY HOMEOWNERS SERVICE • Specializing in Insurance Claims Owners & Operators: Graham Lawson & Corbin Wiggins
 The Choice Is Yours!
 LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED

CBS Insurance Services INC.
 Located At Citizens Bank of Swainsboro
Auto-Owners INSURANCE
 LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS
 121 North Main St.
 P.O. Box 220 Swainsboro, Ga 30401
 478-289-9008 Fax 478-289-9338

DANIELS
 19 CHEVROLET 26 BUICK GMC
 BEST AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIP 22 YEARS IN A ROW!
 www.danielschev.com | CHEVROLET • BUICK • GMC TRUCKS
 U.S. hwy 80 East at SR #56, Swainsboro, GA
 478•237•4111 • 1•800•424•8721

TERWILLIGER TIRE & AG
 538 E Main St/Hwy 80 • Swainsboro
 478-419-1090

BURGER KING
 413 S Main St Swainsboro
 478-237-7766

STOP BY & VISIT OUR GIFT SHOP
Shop Rite PHARMACY & GIFTS
 605 W Main St • Swainsboro • 478.237.7032
 Ashley Parker, Pharmacist

Daniels-Bishop Chevrolet
 Hwy. 121 South, Metter, GA 30439
 (912)685-2191
 Toll-Free 1-800-282-8518
 GM Certified USED VEHICLES FIND NEW ROADS EMANUEL COUNTY | www.com

Embroidery • Sewing • Screen Printing
Stitch N Print
 478-763-2115 - 1-800-642-0616
 P.O. Box 1009 • 602 Railroad Ave • Twin City, Ga 30471

Chris' TRUCK REPAIR
 478-237-7444
 912-632-5838
 Chris Akridge, Locally Owned & Operated for 25 Years

www.emanuelcountylive.com
The Forest-Blade
 EMANUEL COUNTY | www.com
 416 W Moring Street • Swainsboro
 478-237-9971

Family Connection presents the latest chef graduates

by TAMRA ALLEN
Emanuel Chopped Junior completed its sixth beginner session last week. This project is the brainchild of Tammy Allen, the Emanuel County Family Connection Coordinator. Emanuel County Family Connection is a collaborative of community partners who work together for the betterment of our youngsters with a concentration on childhood nutrition and literacy. Millcreek Foundation generously funded this cooking adventure and deserves our gratitude. Emanuel Chopped Junior was a jammed-packed five days of cooking, baking, using a variety of kitchen appliances, and learning safety skills. As Miss Tammy told the participants, "Don't work in the kitchen without permission," and these children were continually supervised by Family Connection Partners Pam Carr, Candy Powers, and Petite Garrett and community volunteers Jen Meadows and Devion Davis. Other adults who visited our chefs in training were our judges: Matt Jarrell, Susan Stephenson, Cayla Scarboro, and Olivia Golden, all who are part of the Family Connection Collaborative Partnership.



EMANUEL CHOPPED JUNIOR GRADUATES

These chefs began the week preparing smoothies and creating pancake art, which was judged on appearance and oral presentation. The second day included a visit from three members of the Leanna's Coffee Shop staff, who gave a "hands-on" lesson in making pizzicotta from rolling out the dough and spinning the crust in the air to adding sauce and cheese. The Chopped Junior chefs then created their own personal-sized pizzas adding special ingredients of their choosing. The next project involved a discussion of different types of apples followed by the chefs rolling out crusts, filling their miniature pie pans with apples, and topping their pies with a traditional crust and a decorative opening and crimped crust or with

lattice work to complete their fruit masterpieces. Day three the chefs used their learned health skills to crack eggs and cook scrambled eggs in the microwave and sausage links in the air fryer. The last cooking activity of the day was the preparation, seasoning, and roasting of fresh vegetables. Thursday, chefs began the morning with a most unusual, but delicious dish, waffle corn dogs, using a waffle iron. Following this breakfast dish, students were each given a piping bag filled with frosting to practice making decorations for the cakes they were to bake the next day. The class ended in each group's making a crescent roll entrée, which was judged on its appearance, taste, and student presentation.

The last day of this fun week of Emanuel Chopped Junior ended with chefs baking and using their previously learned piping skills to decorate mini cakes. Then they displayed their creativity with fruit sculptures, which were judged on appearance and oral descriptions of their works of art. Students ended Emanuel Chopped Junior by putting on aprons, personalized by Family Connection Partner Ann Rogers, and chef hats. Each chef was presented with their own smoothie maker and a gift bag containing measuring cups and spoons, mini baking pans, and a recipe book containing all the recipes they had followed during their five days of Emanuel Chopped Junior.

Moose Lodge to host Karaoke Night

Swainsboro Moose Lodge 1930 will host Karaoke Night on Saturday night, June 15, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Swainsboro Boneyard Pavilion. The event is presented by Big Wolf Entertainment and is free for everyone. Take your lawn chairs and your family and enjoy the fun.

RED'S QUICK & Tire Service Lube
478-419-1575
302 N. Main St Swainsboro
Dustin Lewis, Owner
16 yrs Experience

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER
We will be here for those small to large summer projects...
Come see us!
Swainsboro Supply
360 East Main St., Swainsboro
Mon - Fri 7:30am - 5:00pm Sat 8am - 12pm
(478) 237-8876
"The Proven Leader In Paint & Building Supplies Since 1945"

Daughtry speaks to the Wiregrass Chapter

The Wiregrass Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting Thursday night, May 9, at McKinney Pond at 6:30 p.m. With President Steve Burke presiding, they had 25 in attendance. President Burke talked about several of the events that the Chapter has participated in the past month and what events were com-

ing up in May. President Steve then asked Registrar Dess Smith III to introduce our speaker for the evening. Registrar Dess introduced SAR member Hu Daughtry. Hu is a member of the Mill Creek Chapter in Statesboro and he and his wife Susan live in Metter. Hu's presentation was on «Irish American Patriots, in his Family Tree».



DAUGHTRY

Meet-and-greet held for SHS graduates

On May 22, a "Congrats Grads" meet-and-greet was held at SHS to celebrate our local graduates. Each year, seniors participate in graduation practice to prepare them for their commencement ceremonies. This year after practice, Nordson Corporation provided Chick-fil-A boxed lunches and Atlantic South Bank provided congratulatory cakes for the graduating seniors, giving them an opportunity to have one last gathering as classmates. Also present to support the graduating class was James L. Buckley and Associates representative Will Martin

and Emanuel County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Nick Robertson to speak with students about their futures and the opportunities to be had in Emanuel County.

Thank you to Ms. Renata Jackson of Nordson and Ms. Stephanie Fagler of Atlantic South Bank for providing the meal to celebrate the success of the SHS Class of 2024!

Available at ALL Georgia Equipment Locations!
SCAG POWER EQUIPMENT
Authorized Dealer
ECHO Outdoor Power Equipment
Certified Service Technicians
Financing Available
We have lawn mower blades in any size!
GEORGIA EQUIPMENT CO
SALES & RENTAL
SWAINSBORO, GA • 478.237.5848
STATESBORO, GA • 912.754.5444
DUBLIN, GA • 478.275.0050
Stop by today to learn more!
478-237-5848 • 1-888-237-9060 • Fax 478-237-8093
LIC# 3169 • Distributors of Quality Farm Equipment & Implements
www.gaequipment.com

NOW OPEN

Georgia Auto RV & Powersports Auction where we bring the buyer & seller together with friendly service and professional excellence.



Come join us every Tuesday for our Auto Dealer Auction, every first Thursday for our Rv & Powersports Dealer Auction and every third Saturday of the month for our public auction.

GEORGIA
AUTO-RV-POWERSPORTS
AUCTION
912-805-2236 • 101 Old Dairy Rd Ailey Ga 30410 • GAAutoRvAuction.com



Subscribe to The Forest-Blade and receive the eEdition FREE!
Call Denise today!
478.237.9971

Honoring OUR Flag Flag Day June 14, 2024

Domino's
478•289•7070

CBS Ins.
478•289•9008

**Sunbelt
Heating & Air**
478•289•8040

C&G Car Care
478•237•8762

**Central Fence
Co.**
478•237•4061

**Daniels Bishop
Chevrolet**
912•685•2191

**Daniels
Chevrolet**
478•237•4111

Burger King
478•237•7766

Levis Law
478•237•7029

**Yeoumans &
Associates**
478•237•3109

**Georgia
Sports Arena**
478•455•0999

Stitch-n-Print
478•763•2115

**Terwilliger
Tire & Ag**
478•419•1090

**Crider
Foods**

**Chris' Truck
Repair**
478•237•7444

People across the United States celebrate Flag Day on June 14 each year to honor the United States flag and to commemorate the flag's adoption.

Many people in the United States honor this day by displaying the American flag at homes and public buildings. Other popular ways of observing this holiday include: flag-raising ceremonies, and Flag Day services.

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 (ECSSO); 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).

Tahir Ahmad Alice, 28, arrested 6/7/24; Theft by shoplifting; SPD

James Bell, 39, arrested 6/7/24; Suspended tag/Failure to maintain lane/DUI-less safe; GSP

Damien Isaiah Brodus, 22, arrested 6/7/24; Theft by receiving property stolen in another state/ Financial transaction card fraud; SPD

Zachary William Burdick, 18, arrested 6/10/24; Statutory Rape - felony; ECSSO

Tysheana Quanshae Carswell, 32, arrested 6/5/24; Bench warrant state court; ECSSO

Jessica Michelle Claxton, 38, arrested 6/4/24; Theft by deception; TCPD

Sarah Jo Derrington, 34, arrested 6/9/24; Housed for Houston Co.; ECSSO

Zachery Robert Edenfield, 19, arrested 6/4/24; Probation violation; SPD

Melvin Frazier, 60, arrested 6/3/24; Disorderly conduct/Public drunk/Terroristic threats and acts; SPD

Anthony Paul Gunn, 48, arrested 6/9/24; Investigation hold/No insurance/Driving while license suspended/revoked; ECSSO

Jamal Brashad Hawkins, 22, arrested 6/3/24; Obstruction of law enforcement officers/Loitering or prowling/Probation violation - felony/Possession of firearm by convicted felon or first offender/

Wearing mask, hood, or device which conceals identity of wearer/Possession of firearm by convicted felon or first offender/Wearing mask, hood, or divide which conceals identity of wearer; SPD

Cassandra Dawn Hobson, 38, arrested 6/7/24; Probation warrant; SPD

Thomas Benjamin Joiner, 28, arrested 6/5/24; Bench warrant; ECSSO

Micheal Charlie Jones, 18, arrested 6/5/24; Disorderly conduct/Failure to comply/Simple assault-family violence/Disorderly conduct/Criminal trespass; SPD

William Harwick Kilgore, 48, arrested 6/9/24; Battery/Cruelty

to children - 3rd degree/battery/family violence (x2); Obstruction of law enforcement officers-misdemeanor; SPD

Zachary Robert Mataya, 22, arrested 6/4/24; Reckless driving/Open container of alcohol in motor vehicle; Oak Park PD

JayJay Cody Pace, 28, arrested 6/3/24; Court production order; ECSSO

Hetal A. Patel, 50, arrested 6/7/24; Bench warrant - felony; Bibb Co. SO

Jose Ramirez, 52, arrested 6/9/24; DUI/Open container of alcohol in motor vehicle/Failure to maintain lane/Driving while unlicensed; GSP

Rey Cruz Robelerto Ramirez, 42, arrested 6/8/24; Speeding/

Driving while unlicensed/Seatbelt violation (x3); GSP

Christopher Keshawn Smith, 22, arrested 6/6/24; Disorderly conduct/Simple assault; ECSSO

Michael Kendra Smith, 49, arrested 6/5/24; Driving while unlicensed/New resident - 30 days to obtain license/No insurance/Operating an unregistered vehicle/Expired registration; SPD

William Eugene Thompson, 47, arrested 6/6/24; Disorderly conduct; ECSSO

Luciano Cosme Vazquez, 46, arrested 6/9/24; DUI/Open container of alcohol in motor vehicle/Failure to maintain lane/Driving while unlicensed; GSP

Swainsboro Police Reports

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

May 30

Officers were dispatched to West Morning Street in reference to a neighbor hearing a female yelling for help. Upon arrival, officers met with the offender and the victim outside. The victim appeared intoxicated and told officers that he and his girlfriend got into an argument that was not physical. The offender reported the same thing. The victim was bleeding, but he stated that he fell on the pavement.

May 31

Officer was called to SPD for a walk in report. Complainant stated that the hard copy of his vehicle tag had been misplaced.

Officer responded to Stewart Road in reference to a report of someone breaking into a vehicle and stealing some items. C/p stated that it was her vehicle, but the items taken were her granddaughters. They claimed that they did not see anyone around the house.

Officer was at Enmarket and was advised that a pack of candy had not been paid for and just fell out of the pant leg of the offender. The offender was arrested.

Officer was dis-

patched to Walmart in reference to a female that had recently been trespassed. Loss prevention stated that the woman was on the grocery side but was not allowed to enter for 2 years. The offender was detained and issued a citation.

Officer received a call in reference to a male hitting a female and then walking into the vape shop by Walmart. There was apparent swelling on the victim's eye and the offender was arrested for battery.

Officers observed a couple exchanging a substance back and forth. This was later identified as marijuana and the offenders were arrested. Crack cocaine was also found.

June 1

C/p came into SPD to make a report. He stated that his vehicle had been struck by a rock from the vehicle in front of him, cracking the windshield.

Officers responded to South Main Street in reference to juveniles' spray painting the floor of the store. The offender was arrested and trespassed from the store.

June 2

Officers were dispatched to South Green Street in reference to a prowler report that had already occurred. C/p stated that she heard someone knock on her window and she trig-

gered the alarm on her car to scare them off. She observed this person and followed them in her vehicle, he then told her that there was gun stolen from his residence and that he was just warning her. Officers reported to the offender's residence who stated that he wanted to make a report on the stolen gun.

Officer was dispatched to East Pine Street in reference to two men wearing ski masks and carrying guns. The offenders were located and arrested.

Officer was at Walmart in reference to a shoplifter. C/p stated that the offender attempted to shoplift. Offender was arrested.

Officer was dispatched to South Main Street in reference to a bomb threat. When the number was traced, it went to a texting app. Hotel management stated that a group of men checked out earlier that day and that the rooms had already been cleaned and nothing suspicious was found.

Officer was approached by a woman who stated that there was a man wearing a military uniform bothering a female and she seemed uncomfortable. Offender appeared to be intoxicated and was arrested for public intoxication.

Officer responded to

Stevens Drive in reference to a report of a prowler. C/p stated that on two occasions he observed an unknown subject walking around his residence with a light.

Officer responded to North Racetrack Street in reference to an unwanted person. C/p stated that the offender keeps coming into her home while she is not home to see her 16-year-old daughter.

June 3

Officer was dispatched to North Main Street in reference to a call about a domestic. 911 advised that the female was in the store and the male was outside the. The male subject would not listen to police orders and had a smell of alcoholic beverage coming from him. He was arrested for disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Officer could smell an odor of marijuana in front of a residence on Sepia Street.

C/p came into SPD to make a report. He stated that he lost his wallet and posted it to social media. The offender stated that she found the wallet but would not respond about giving it back to him.

June 4

Officer was dispatched to North Main Street in reference to a damage to vehicle report. C/p stated that she ran into a

tree at her residence.

Officer was dispatched to Walmart in reference to damage to a vehicle by a shopping cart.

Officer responded to Howarth Drive in reference to a report. C/p advised that her vehicle had what appeared to be honey, barbecue sauce, and sugar poured on the hood and top of the vehicle.

Officers responded to a North Main Street in reference to two men trying to break into the flea market. The offenders were located.

Officer was dispatched to SPD in reference to a walk in report. C/p stated that while in the area of Gumlog Road, that there was a group of boys that started shooting her vehicle with a splat gun and shot at her nephews.

June 5

Officer responded to Longview Road in reference to a report of a theft. C/p stated that she believed that her grandson stole \$20 out of her purse while she was sleeping.

Officer responded to North Coleman Street in reference to an unwanted person. C/p stated that she wanted the offender gone from her house, and then the offender began to run. The offender later cussed at the officer and was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

C/p came to SPD to file a report. C/p stated that he is disabled and was in the Walmart parking lot on a motorized scooter when he was slowly hit by a vehicle. He was not injured and there was no damage to the scooter.

June 6

Officer was dispatched to Koiya in reference to a former spouse showing up to the restaurant to make a scene. C/p stated that the offender showed up to the restaurant and stated that he placed an iPad in the back of her car to track her. She had already filed an aggravated stalking report on him.

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with no brake lights. After pulling the vehicle over, officer deployed K9 and the K9 detected a controlled substance. This tested positive as methamphetamine.

Officer was at SPD for a report. C/p stated that he dropped his vehicle off for a repair in February but when he goes to check on it, no one is ever there, and they do not answer the phone.

Officer was at SPD for a walk in report. C/p stated that her tag had fallen off her vehicle at some point.

Officer met with c/p who reported shots fired in the area of Jerome Street.

Sheriff's Reports

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

June 3

Deputy responded a report of harassing communications. C/p stated that her stepdaughter left her mother's house and advised to her stepmother that she does not want to return. C/p's husband began receiving threatening texts from his oldest son.

Deputy responded to an animal complaint. C/p advised that she suspected that her neighbor had been shooting at her stray cats with a BB gun, and that she and her neighbor do not get along.

The victim stated that the suspect keeps harassing her. The suspect is dating the victim's ex-boyfriend.

Deputies responded to Hwy 56 North in reference to a report of

trespassers. Contact was made with complainant who stated three offenders had previously been convicted from the property a d trespassed by the landlord and were back on the property. Offenders were gone upon arrival.

June 4

Deputy received a report from complainant at ECSSO in reference to threats. C/p advised she and offender know each other and offender has been harassing her for about eight months, following her around town and riding by her residence. C/p stated that during a house party, offender was there and kept following her around and when c/p went to her vehicle, offender walked across the street and propped on c/p's vehicle as she approached, then got into a truck and

left. C/p advised she felt threatened and is concerned for her safety and wants offender to stop bothering her.

Deputy was dispatched to 5th Street in Twin City due to the caller stating offender keeps dumping tires in his back yard.

June 5

Deputy was dispatched to Gambrell Photography in reference to a theft. Complainant stated she found that two photography props had been taken from behind the building. The props were a grey metal bench valued at \$400, and a decoration bicycle plant holder valued at \$300. C/p stated that appx. two months ago, a suspicious vehicle was seen coming from behind the building.

June 8

Deputies responded to Hwy 57 West in reference

to a possible domestic. Complainant stated there was not domestic but she did get punched in the face twice by offender who she is friends with.

June 9

Deputy took a report regarding an incident that previously occurred on Hwy 80. Complainant stated that she and two other people were eating at Rustic Grill when offender became irate because the other person was unable to pay for her for the meal. C/p stated offender was using profanity towards her and the other person and stormed out of the restaurant. C/p stated when they tried to get in the vehicle, offender kept locking the doors and would not allow them in, but finally did and started driving erratically towards town.

Start Your Mornings With US! Breakfast Is GOOOD...

Fresh Coffee

KWIK SHOP OF SWAINSBORO

Sixteen sentenced in Superior Court

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

Rafael Cooper, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by shoplifting. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation, outpatient treatment. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years, to be served on probation.

Cameron Robinson, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of meth. He received 3 years to serve; one count fleeing and eluding with 12 months to serve; one count driving without license with 12 months to serve; one count poss. of drug related objects with 12 months to serve; one count no insurance with 12 months to serve; one count failure to wear protective gear with \$50 fine. The Defendant is sentenced for a total of 3 years. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody as determined by the custodian. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Stanley Jenkins, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count entering auto. He was fined \$50 with 5 years, 3 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count entering auto with 5 years, 3 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count entering auto with 5 years probation; one count entering auto with 5 years probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 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).

Tiana Robbins, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by shoplifting. She was fined \$50 with 10 years 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. The Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Mark Edwards, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of meth. He was fined \$1,000 with 3 years probation, outpatient rehab; one count possession of marijuana less than oz. with 12 months probation; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation; one count

operating vehicle without tag with \$150 fine. 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 Court sentences the defendant as a recidivist under O.C.G.A. § 17-10-7(c).

Jody Gay, repeat offender, negotiated a guilty plea on one count aggravated sodomy (reduced) sodomy. He was fined \$50 with 20 years probation; one count child molestation with 20 years probation; one count child molestation with 20 years, 15 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count child molestation with 20 years, 15 years to serve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 40 years, with the first 15 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. Upon service of 15 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).

Justin Johnson negotiated a guilty plea on one count cruelty to children in the 2nd degree. He was fined \$1,000 with 10 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count discharge firearm on/near highway with 12 months to serve; one count discharge firearm under the influence with 12 months to serve; one count driving without license with 12 months to serve; one count possession of firearm by first offender with 10 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob.; nol pros for fleeing and eluding; nol pros for DUI. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years, with the first 2 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 2 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.

Mark Aaron Moore negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by taking. He was fined \$500 with 5 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count theft by taking with 12 months to serve; one count criminal trespass with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 5 years, with the first 2 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. Upon service of 2 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.

Bobby Bostic negotiated a guilty plea on one count poss/mfg/sell marijuana. He was fined \$500 with 10 years, 5 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count possession of cocaine with 3 years to serve; one count obstruction with 12 months to serve; one count possession of firearm during the commission of crime with 5 years probation; one count possession of firearm by convicted felon with 10 years, 5 years to serve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 15 years, with the first 5 years to be served in confine 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 5 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.

Caleb Akridge negotiated a guilty plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$250 with 8 years prob., court approved inpatient; one count possession of drug related objects with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 8 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for

time served in custody as determined by the custodian.

Mikayla Mitchell negotiated a guilty plea on one count burglary in the 1st degree. She was fined \$50 with 20 years probation, enter and complete RSAT. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 20 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 3/21/24-5/30/24. 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. The above sentence includes a behavior incentive date of 5/30/2027 in accordance with O.C.G.A. 17.10.1.

Mikayla Mitchell negotiated a guilty plea on one count theft by taking. She was fined \$50 with 10 years, serve 2 years probation, enter and complete RSAT. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 3/21/24-5/30/24. The above sentence includes a behavior incentive date of 5/30/2027 in accordance with O.C.G.A. 17.10.1.

Fredrick Coleman negotiated a guilty plea on one count entering auto. He was fined \$50 with 5 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 5 years, with the first 2 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 2 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.

Jamil Jenkins negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count aggravated assault. He was fined \$50 with 20 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count aggravated battery with 20 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 20 years, with the first 2 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 2 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.

Jamil Jenkins negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of cocaine. He was fined \$50 with 15 years, 2 years to serve, bal. prob.; one count obstruction with 12 months to serve. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 15 years, with the first 2 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 2 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.

Christopher Richardson negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of meth. He was fined \$50 with 3 years probation, complete NBIC. 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.

Ashley Hood negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of schedule II controlled substance. He was fined \$50 with 3 years probation, enter and complete RSAT; one count possession of schedule II controlled substance with 3 years probation; one count driving while license suspended with 12 months probation. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 20 years, with the first 2 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 2 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.

Treante Davis negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of cocaine with intent to distribute. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation, 170-180 days in PDC followed by RSAT; one count possession of marijuana

with intent to distribute with 10 years probation; 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. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 9/11/23-5/30/24. 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.

Treante Davis negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of marijuana with intent to distribute. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation, 170-180 days in PDC followed by RSAT; 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. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 9/11/23-5/30/24. 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.

Treante Davis negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count possession of marijuana with intent to distribute. He was fined \$50 with 10 years probation, 170-180 days in PDC followed by RSAT. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 10 years to be served on probation. Defendant is to receive credit for time served in custody from 9/11/23-5/30/24. 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.



Sunday church bulletins quite often reveal more than the words printed on them. Other than the date on the front of the bulletin the order of service changes very little. There seems to be three important words that appear in every order of service: Invocation, Offering and Benediction. And in between those words the hymns, Scripture and special music will be "recycled" from week to week. But there is little new or different. Even contemporary worship services seem to follow the same format and formula week after week. Sounds boring, doesn't it? Perhaps that's why Psalm 96:1 explodes with a challenge: "Sing to the Lord a NEW SONG!" - which literally means "NEW THINGS!" If God is alive and well in our lives and in our churches we will surely be seeing new things and singing new songs because we will see Him at work in our lives and in the life of our churches. Prayers will be answered and lives changed, sinners will be saved and His disciples will be called to serve Him in new and different ways showing His love and care to those around us. We will have to rearrange the order of service to make time for public praise to share what He is doing and sing new songs because He is doing new things! And then in verse two we read, "Proclaim His salvation day after day!" When the proclamation of His salvation is the centerpiece of our work and worship, we will be overcome with His joy and "sing new songs!"

Visit us at: SowerMinistries.org

PS 248

Swainsboro

and the Redding Family

122 Kite Road

Swainsboro

478.237-7811

www.swainsborofordincoln.com



OAK CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Oak Chapel Rd., Kite

Bro. Tommy Henry, Pastor

478-494-1488

CENTRAL FENCE CO. INC.
Since 1964

Teresa Dixon | tdixon@centralfenceco.com
www.centralfenceco.com
455 E. Main St., Swainsboro
(478) 237-4061 • Fax: (478) 237-9846
Toll Free: 1(800) 221-6425
Sandersville - (478) 552-3005
Vidalia - (912) 537-1200
Statesboro - (912) 764-4444

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
529 S. Main St., 478-237-7535

BAPTIST
ADRIAN BAPTIST
210 N. Nora St., Adrian
David Oliver, Min., 478-668-3589

ANTIOCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
827 Antioch Church Rd., Twin City
Elder Jim Bowen, 912-763-3726

BAPTIST REST
Twin City
Elder Mike Gray

BETHEL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
231 Harmon Rd., 478-237-5387

BITHYNIA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
2270 Hwy. 1 North

BLUNDALE BAPTIST
2675 Hwy. 1 North, 478-494-8538
Shannon Boula, Min.

CANOOCHEE BAPTIST
Twin City, 912-687-3449
Mark Wiggins, Min.

COMMUNITY BAPTIST
342 Market St., 478-237-6585
Lenard Richards, Min.

DELLWOOD BAPTIST
Hwy. 1 North
Joe Bedgood, Min.

EL BETHEL BAPTIST
1726 Fannie Brewer Rd., Twin City
Larry Jennings, Min., 478-763-2001

EMANUEL COMMUNITY BAPTIST
Adrian

EMANUEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST
228 W Moring St., Swainsboro
Billy Brinson, Min.

FIRST BAPTIST
240 West Main St., 478-237-7564
Casey Shaw, Min.

FRIENDSHIP FREE WILL BAPTIST
Twin City

GARFIELD BAPTIST
Hwy. 23, North, Garfield
Thomas Simmons, Min.

GETHSAMANE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
195 Nunez Lexsy Rd., 912-562-3825
Mario D. Webb, Min.

GREATER ST. JAMES MISSIONARY BAPTIST
423 Hopkins St., 478-237-5873
Melvin Adams, Jr., Min.

HARVESTER BAPTIST MISSION
939 W. Main St., 478-237-6461

HAWHAMMOCK BAPTIST
27 Hawhammock Church Rd., 478-237-3429
Cail Pressey, Min.

HEBRON BAPTIST
Old McLeod Bridge Rd., 478-237-6107
Ervin Stapleton, Min.

HEBRON PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Hebron Road, Garfield
Will Martin, Pastor

HILLCREST BAPTIST
990 Hwy. 1 North, 478-237-6477
Josh Black, Pastor

HINES BAPTIST
Old Savannah Rd., Midville

KITE FIRST BAPTIST
Hwy. 57, Kite, 478-469-5241
Burton Dixon, Min.

First Methodist Church of Swainsboro
319 W. Main Street
237-7535
Davis Unkles, Pastor

PLEASE JOIN US!

LESTER GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
213 Carver St., 478-237-7828
Charles Holloway, Min.

MIDVILLE FIRST BAPTIST
145 Kilpatrick St., Midville
478-589-7260

MORNINGSIDE BAPTIST
Rt. 1, Soperton
Victor W. Fordham, Jr, Min.

MOUNT GILEAD MBC OF CANOOCHEE
192 Little Canoochee Creek Rd., Twin City
Jerry Armstrong, Min., 478-237-2951

MOUNT OLIVET BAPTIST
1593 Mt. Olivet Church Rd., Garfield
J. Randy Graham, Min., 478-763-2411

MOUNT SHADY BAPTIST
Hwy 57 E., Mount Shady Rd., 912-682-1787
Rusty Moore, Min.

MOUNT ZION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
106 Mt. Zion Church Rd.,
Elder Steve McNure, Min.

NEW HOPE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
Lexsy

NORRISTOWN BAPTIST
731 Hwy. 221 South, Norristown
Adam Butler, Min.

NUNEZ BAPTIST
Hwy. 297, Nunez
Jim Harrell, Min., 912-562-3249

OAK CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Oak Chapel Rd., Kite
Bro. Tommy Henry, Pastor
478-494-1488

OAK GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
629 Oak Grove Church Rd.,
Alfred Cason, Min.

OHOOPPE GROVE BAPTIST
Hwy. 297, Nunez
Allan Moss, Sr., Min., 912-562-3943

OLNEY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
202 Thomson St., Oak Park
W.H. (Bill) Durrence, Min.

PENDLETON SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST
649 Pendleton Springs Rd., Vidalia
Mark Sweat, Min., 912-578-5606

PINEY GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
Cross-Green, 478-589-7658
Michael Thomas, Min.

ROUNTREE CHAPEL
722 North Railroad Ave., Twin City
W.E. Johnson, Min., 478-763-3284

ROUNTREE ISLAND MISSIONARY BAPTIST
2859 Hwy. 56 N., Summertown
Richard Lawrence, Jr., Min., 478-589-7953

SAINT GALILEE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
Saint Galilee Church Rd., Summertown
Michael Thomas, Min.

SAINT PHILIP BAPTIST
231 South Racetrack St., 478-237-9562
James E. Love, Min.

Southern Gents
EST. 2022

Locally Owned & Operated
333 South Green Street
Swainsboro
(478) 494-9310
SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES

SARDIS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
1473 Wes Lawson Rd., Kite
Elder Sam Adkins, Min., 478-469-3084

SCARBORO BAPTIST
Scarboro Church Rd., Twin City
Larry Compton, Min.
478-763-2202

SMITH GROVE BAPTIST
50 Mixon Rd., 478-237-9920
Wilbert J. Kennedy Sr., Min.

SOUTHSIDE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST
336 Lambs Bridge Rd., 478-237-6057
Chad Kennison, Min.

SPRING HILL INDEPENDENT BAPTIST
901 Lambs Bridge Rd., 478-237-5269
Bert Flanders, Min.

SPRINGFIELD MISSIONARY BAPTIST
Hwy. 86, Oak Park
Willie Jackson, Jr. Min.

STILLMORE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
203 E. 3rd Ave., Stillmore
George E. Archer, Jr. Min., 912-562-3344

SUMMERTOWN BAPTIST
Church St., Summertown
John Durden, Min.

TRINITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST
311 McLendon St., 478-237-2038
Dr. Charles Wiggins, Jr., Min.

TWIN CITY FIRST BAPTIST
22 Railroad St., 478-763-2654
Stewart Moody, Min.

UNION CHAPEL BAPTIST
Garfield, 478-763-3755

UNITED FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST
114 NE Railroad Ave, Oak Park
Larry Perkins, Min.

UNITED PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
242 W. Main St., 229-424-6486
Elder Paul Thomas, Min.

WILLOW SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST
1950 Hwy. 80 East., 478-237-5004

CATHOLIC
HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC
928 West Main St., 478-237-6783
Fr. Christopher Orlega

CHRISTIAN
EMANUEL CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES
1338 Lambs Bridge Rd., 478-763-3014
Bo Fordham, Min.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SWAINSBORO CHURCH OF CHRIST
653 Turner Dr., 941-960-4747
Darnell Brown, Min.

CHURCH OF GOD
BEACON OF HOPE CHURCH OF GOD
560 East Pine St., 478-237-8509
John Hancock, III, Min.

BLACKVILLE CHURCH OF GOD
12106 Hwy. 15 S., Adrian, 912-529-4959
Kip Boswell, Min.

EASTWOOD CHURCH OF GOD
512 Thigpen Dr., 478-237-5522
Andrew Flowers, Min.

OAK PARK CHURCH OF GOD
180 GA Hwy. 86 E., Lyons
912-578-5901

OUR TOWN HEALTHCARE
WELLNESS • HYDRATION

ARLIE STEVENS, FNP-BC
NURSE PRACTITIONER
(478) 307-0880
355 S. COLEMAN ST.
SWAINSBORO, GA
OURTOWNHEALTH.COM

Our Town Healthcare
our_town_healthcare

JOE'S AUTO & MUFFLER

327 South Main Street
Swainsboro, Georgia 30401
478-237-2265

NAPA AUTO PARTS

Brogdon Auto Parts
204 S Coleman St. Swainsboro, GA
(478) 237-7531
brogdonautoparts@gmail.com

GEORGIA EQUIPMENT CO.

SWAINSBORO, GA - 478-237-8848
STATESBORO, GA - 815-784-5444
DUBLIN, GA - 478-878-0050

389 W. Meadowlake Parkway, Swainsboro
1-888-237-9060
www.gaequipment.com
www.lanebrothersauction.com
adam@gaequipment.com

Monday - Friday 7:30 - 5:00 • Saturday 7:30 - 12:00

YEOMANS & ASSOCIATES AGENCY, INC.

Auto-Owners INSURANCE

LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS

P.O. Box 690 • 109 S. Circle Drive • Swainsboro, GA
478-237-3109 • Fax: 478-237-7777

&

606 Mulberry St. • Louisville, GA • 478-625-8000 • Fax: 478-625-9421
yeoassoc@bellsouth.net

Hours: Monday - Friday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

BUDDY'S REDIMIX & TRUCK REPAIR

402 ELECTRIC ROAD • SWAINSBORO
494-8027 or 289-6618

Phone (478) 237-3351 Fax (478) 289-8363

Sandra S. Wright
Emanuel County Tax Commissioner
P.O. Box 763 Swainsboro, Georgia 30401

People You Know and Trust.

CBS Insurance Services

Located At Citizens Bank of Swainsboro

478-289-9008
121 North Main Street
Swainsboro

Auto-Owners INSURANCE
LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS



Retirement Inn
404 West Main St.
478-237-8567
Community Care Provider

Come retire with us!



NEW HOLLAND COLLEY TRACTOR COMPANY
AGRICULTURE

820 E. Broad Street • Metter, GA 30439
912.685.5104
colleytractor@yahoo.com



BETTER BUILT BUILDINGS

P.O. Box 220
8450 Pinetucky Road
Kite, Georgia 31049

Office: 478-469-3346
478-469-3612
Fax: 478-469-3137



TERWILLIGER'S

538 East Main Street, Hwy. 80E
Swainsboro
478-419-1090

Five Experienced Mechanics on Duty!

EPISCOPAL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
621 West Main St., 478-237-7122
Steve Larson, Min.

GOSPEL
DIVINE FULL GOSPEL TEACHING MINISTRY
10 Maple Rd., Twin City
Mable Clark, Min., 478-289-8260

HOLINESS
COLEMAN TEMPLE HOLINESS
62 Overstreet Rd.
Robert Coleman, Sr., Min.

MARANATHA PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
E. Main St., 912-237-3516

PERFECTED LOVE HOLINESS
1127 Hwy. 80 E., 478-237-4598
Dean Martin, II, Min.

WILLIAMS CHAPEL HOLINESS
415 Felix St., 478-289-6060
Apostle Clyde Fowler, Sr., Min.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
1064 Old Wadley Rd., 478-237-4525

METHODIST
ADRIAN METHODIST
207 Poplar St., Adrian, 478-668-3559
Mark Hardin, Min.

CALVARY METHODIST CHURCH
421 South Main St., 478-237-2191
Tom Tidwell, Min.

COLEMAN CHAPEL AME
14 Kemp Rd.,
Samuel A. Cooper, Jr., Min.

EVERGREEN EBENEZER METHODIST
Kemp Rd. & Ebenezer Church Rd.
Dwight Watt., Min.

FIRST METHODIST OF SWAINSBORO
319 West Main St., 478-237-7535
David Unkles, Min.

FRANKLIN GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Swainsboro

GARFIELD UNITED METHODIST
105 Monroe St., Garfield
Brantley Horton

KEA'S METHODIST
Adrian, 478-668-3559
Mark Hardin, Min.

LAMB'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
61 Lamb's Chapel Road, Midville
Bob Norwood, Min.

MIDVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Midville • 589-7251 • 589-7837
Pastor Randy Carnley

NEW BEULAH UNITED METHODIST
New Beulah Rd. near Twin City

OAK PARK UNITED METHODIST
Williamson St & Oak Park Ave
Jimmy Cason, Min.

POPLAR SPRINGS METHODIST
Adrian, 478-668-3559
Mark Hardin, Min.

STILLMORE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
219 East 3rd Ave, Stillmore
Kevin Palmore, Pastor

Joshua 1

The Lord instructed Joshua to prepare the people of Israel to cross the Jordan River into the land He was about to give them. He said, "I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates all the Hittite country to the Great Sea on the west. No one will be able to stand up against you all the days of your

life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.

"Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their forefathers to give them. Be strong and very courageous.

Be careful to obey all the law my servant Mo-

ses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."



GA 896P CN21363

TL Baker Mechanical

HEATING
COOLING

HVAC RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL

NEW BUILDS • TROUBLESHOOTING
REPAIRS • REPLACEMENT

ASK US ABOUT OUR LIFETIME UNIT REPLACEMENT WARRANTY!

478-455-3806

TWIN CITY METHODIST
212 S. College St., Twin City
Randall Smith, Min., 478-763-2527

UNION GROVE METHODIST
1168 Herndon Rd., Midville
Randy Carnley, Min., 478-589-7251

MORMON
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
463 West Meadowlake Pkwy., 478-237-2645

PENTECOSTAL
ADA GROVE PENTECOSTAL
1234 McGarrh Mill Pond Rd., 478-589-7122
Bishop T.V. Outen

PENTECOSTAL LIGHTHOUSE
Hwy. 1 North, 478-237-0923
Ronnie Young, Min.

OTHER
BROWN'S CHAPEL CENTER OF DELIVERANCE
515 N. Green St., 478-289-0075
Frankie O'Neal, Min.

CHURCH OF JESUS APOSTOLIC FAITH
511 Miller Dr., 478-237-5566
Elder Willie Freeman

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
304 W. Main St., Adrian
478-668-3624

CONSUMING FIRE MINISTRIES
710 Sycamore St., 478-299-4826

CORINTH
1989 Meeks Rd., Kite
Wes Webb, Min., 478-688-3372

DUNAMOUS ALLIANCE MISSION OUTREACH
(Angel Food Ministry)
Missionary Leon Griffin
237-7775

EMMANUEL WORSHIP CENTER
915 Old Nunez Rd., 912-551-2197
Kenneth Edge, Min.

FAITH MIRACLE REVIVAL FELLOWSHIP
426 William Rountree Rd., 478-237-5968

FAITH OUTREACH DELIVERANCE
216 S. Green St., 478-237-7545
Randy Thornton, Min.

GATEWAY WORSHIP CENTER
223 Shepard Rd., 478-455-2033
Jan Brantley, Min.

GOD'S HOLY TABERNACLE FOR ALL
398 Parrish Pond Rd., Twin City • 478-763-4475
Amos Handsom, Jr, Min.

GOD'S TABERNACLE
506 Railroad St., Twin City
Richard Herndon, Min., 478-763-3160

HOME OF THE APOSTLE OUTREACH MINISTRY
106 North Green St., 478-237-9873
Gary Hackett, Min.

JESUS SAVES
138 Hwy. 56 N Swainsboro, 478-455-4367
Brad McKenzie, Min.

LIVING WAY MINISTRIES
213 Oak Grove Church Rd., 478-299-2819
Elizabeth Cleo Howard, Min.

LOVE IN ACTION WORSHIP CENTER
661 S. Main St., 478-237-5263



WEBB BROTHERS SERVICES, LLC

Semi Trailers For Rent
Dry Van • Reefer • Storage • Flats
P.O. Box 310, 3728 Hwy 80 East, Twin City, GA 30471
478.763.2118

Stacie W. Avery, Certified Public Accountant

478.237.7366

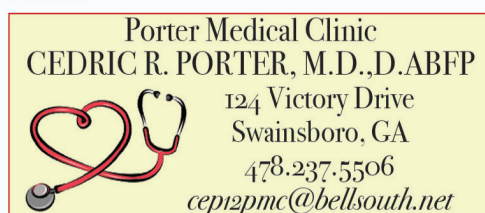
Stacie W. Avery, CPA

241 West Main Street
P.O. Box 189
Swainsboro, GA 30401



Franklin Financial
Branch Manager II MLO
wkp0344A1ffc.com

Randi Hall
478-237-3400 • Fax 888-370-3215
414 S. Main Street, Suite A-1 • Swainsboro, GA
RANDI HALL • NMLS# 150472



Porter Medical Clinic
CEDRIC R. PORTER, M.D., D.ABFP

124 Victory Drive
Swainsboro, GA
478.237.5506
cepr12pmc@bellsouth.net

MT. ZION
1719 Mt. Olivet Church Rd., Garfield
Johnny Branch, Min.

NEW BEGINNINGS IN CHRIST
116 Augusta Rd., Twin City
478-763-2649

NEW BEGINNINGS WORSHIP CENTER
915 W. Main St., 478-279-2111
Tim Price, Min.

NEW BETHEL BELIEVERS IN CHRIST
328 Jerome St., 478-237-4082

NEW HOPE WORLD OUTREACH
211 Lee St., 478-237-0003
Jeanette H. Hardin, Min.

NEW TESTAMENT MISSIONARY OUTREACH
1033 Durden Road, Twin City
Cheryl Brantley, Min.
478-763-3937

OPEN ARMS OUTREACH MINISTRY & PRAISE
503 5th Ave., Twin City
George E. Coleman, Min., 478-763-3189

OPEN DOOR FELLOWSHIP
224 B West Morning St., 478-268-2308
Pastor Dolly

PAGES OF LIFE CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CENTER
109 Jackson St., 478-419-5021
Marcella R. Hannah, Sr., Min.

POWERHOUSE OF DELIVERANCE ASSEMBLIES
547 Lewis St., 478-625-7028
Apostle Antonio T. Pringle, Sr., Min.

ROCK WORSHIP CENTER
302 S. 2nd St., Stillmore
912-562-3164
Ronnie J. Collins, Min.

SHEKANAH GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
859 Hwy. 1, 478-237-7686
Alice Stafford, Min.

ST. PAUL NOAH'S ARK AME
33 Humpback St. • Midville
478-237-9302
Minnie Pitts, Min.

TEMPLE OF GRACE
51 Overstreet Rd., Swainsboro
478-289-7273

THE CROSSROADS
529 South Main St., 912-237-3498
Levi Carpenter, Min.

THE MESSAGE WORSHIP CENTER
609 New Street, Twin City
Paul Bowen, Min., 478-763-2720

THE SEED OF LIFE IS JESUS MINISTRIES
120 South Green St.
Jessie Mae Scott, Min.

VICTORY TEMPLE
318 Lucky St., 478-289-9844

WILLIAMS GROVE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD
302 W. Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd., 478-237-6917

WINGS OF PRAYER MINISTRIES
509 5th Ave., Twin City
James Davis, Min., 478-763-2410



WARE'S BAR-B-Q

Everything you'd expect from a little ole barbeque hut. We offer take out and catering, with tried and true homemade recipes since 1958.

303 N Main St, Swainsboro, GA
478.237.6942



JAB-O
Metal Fabricating Company, Inc.

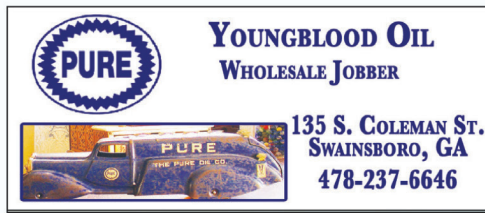
268 Broad Hollow Road Swainsboro, GA 30401

912-562-3767
912-562-3785 (Fax)
jabometals@yahoo.com



RAY-ROB CONCRETE

478-697-0525



YOUNGBLOOD OIL
WHOLESALE JOBBER

135 S. COLEMAN ST. SWAINSBORO, GA
478-237-6646



AMERICA KNITS

772 Empire Expressway • Swainsboro
(478)419-1241



Tomlinson Funeral Home & Crematory

LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS
Ken Tomlinson
Carter Leo Meadows, III
Anson Walden
Donna Smith Lamb

718 South Main Street
PO BOX 268
Swainsboro • 478.237.3391

Proudly Serving Emanuel, Jefferson & Surrounding Areas For Over 85 Years!

Providing Cremation Services for Southeast GA



XOS TREE SERVICE
TRIMMING & REMOVAL
478-455-0317

• Tree Trimming & Removal
• Stump Grinding
• Debris Removal
• Fully Insured
• Free Estimates

Brent Freeman • 478-455-0317



PARRISH PEST MANAGEMENT INC.

For all your pest control needs!

478-668-3351
Troy Parrish

Cell: 478-279-3978

4-H Project SAFE Modified Trap season comes to and end

by JAKYN TYSON

The 2024 Emanuel County 4-H Project S.A.F.E. Modified Trap team wrapped up their season during the State 4-H Modified Trap Match on Saturday, May 11. Emanuel County 4-H'ers participated in three levels of competition: the local Randy Fagler Memorial County Match, Southeast District 4-H qualifiers and the State 4-H Modified Trap match in Eatonton. The program is open to 6th through 12th grade students in Emanuel County who are enrolled in the 4-H Program.

4-H'ers in the modified trap contest are given 25 clay targets they must hit from a single thrower. All 4-H'ers are coached by volunteer leaders from the 4-H program who are certified instructors. The Modified Trap program is coordinated by 4-H volunteers Ed and Brandi Akridge. Emanuel County 4-H had 44 total 6th through 12th grade 4-H'ers par-

ticipating in the Project SAFE Modified Trap program for the 2024 year.

Sixth through 8th grade 4-H'ers on the Modified Trap Team were: Bentley Brinson, Addi Rae Robertson, Julianne Way, Noah Brantley, Sam Lawrence, Jake Marsh, Amelia Clements, Nathaniel Harry, Ethan Mason, Tate Torpy, Eli Way, Brett Way and Abigail Wilks. Ninth through 12th grade 4-H Modified Trap members were: Hagan Brown, Aaden Cumbee, Paxton Dixon, Randon Durden, Gage Johnson, Gunner Johnson, Jackson Smith, Sam Williams, Bryan Beasley, Brody Fagler, Lillian Hammond, Jake Palmer, Maddox Robertson, Lauren Sapp, Olivia Boatright, Natalee Brown, Spencer Lawrence, Peyton Lee, Sean Wilkerson, Ben Bennett, Jacob Fagler, Luke Lariscey and FaithAnn Rogers.

The Southeast District qualifier was held on



Saturday, April 13, at Bay Gall Sporting Clays. At the district match, 18 of the youth shooters qualified for state competition and two teams placed in the contest. The junior team made up of Eli Way, Nathaniel Harry, Sam Lawrence, Brett Way and Amelia Clements placed second in the junior division. The senior team made up of Maddox Robertson, Luke Lariscey, Spencer Lawrence, Ben Bennett and Jacob Fagler placed first in the competition. The Randy Fagler

TEAM MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS

Memorial County Match was held on Sunday, April 30. The following 4-H'ers were recognized as top shooters for their grade level: 6th Grade Julianne Way, 7th grade Jake Marsh; 8th grade Eli Way; 9th grade Gunner Johnson; 10th Maddox Robertson; 11th grade Peyton Lee; 12th grade Luke Lariscey. Overall top shooter awards went to Senior Female Olivia Boatright; Senior Overall Peyton Lee; Junior Female Julianne Way; and Junior Overall Eli Way. Lee, Lariscey

and Robertson all shot perfect scores of 25. After a third round of doubles to break the tie, Lee shot a perfect 55/55 for the day. The state competition was held on Saturday, May 11, in Eatonton and Emanuel County was represented by 18 4-H'ers.

Emanuel County 4-H would like to thank its volunteers who have donated hundreds of hours of service to coach this year's team. Without Brandi and Ed Akridge, Becky Amerson, Joey Amerson, Cade Bennett,

Chesley Dixon, Senac Lawrence, Mitchell Fagler and Brad and T'Neil Williams, a program of this quality would not be possible.

4-H provides fun, exciting, and educational events year-round for youth in 4th-12th grade. For more information about Emanuel County 4-H and how you can get involved as a member, volunteer, or sponsor, contact Jakyn Tyson at the Emanuel County Extension Office at (478) 237-1226.

Burke speaks to Four Rivers

The Four Rivers Patriots Chapter Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held their monthly meeting, Thursday night, May 16, at 6:30 p.m. at Chatters Restaurant in Lyons. With President Steve DeWeil presiding, they had 14 in attendance. President Steve called on the East Fall Line Region Vice President Dess Smith III to present the Chapter with three Chapter Flag Streamers. They were the Frederica, Patriots Day Naval Battle Anniversary Streamer for the Chapter presenting a wreath at the event. Second was the Georgia Society Distinguished Chapter Award Streamer for 2023. Third was the Georgia Society Membership Award Streamer for a above 90% renewal for 2024. President Steve then introduced the speaker for the evening, Wiregrass Chapter of Swainsboro President Steve Burke. Burke's presentation was on the Revolutionary War Battle of Trenton.



BURKE



BROWN, PRESIDENT DEWEIL AND SMITH

The Forest-Blade

Proudly serving the community for 161 years | EMANUELCOUNTYLIVE.COM

READERS' CHOICE Awards

2024

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO

Win \$250

Voting Ends July 5th

Vote for your favorite businesses and people online
 Visit emanuelcountylive.com and click on the VOTE button.
 If your favorite isn't listed, write it in. One lucky person will win \$250 in a drawing from contest entries.

A minimum of 25 categories must be voted on for your vote to count.

<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">FLAME GRILLED GOOD!</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">478-237-7766 • 413 S. Main St. Swainsboro</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">PROUDLY SERVING THE CITIZENS OF EMANUEL COUNTY!</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Auto-Owners INSURANCE</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">CBS Insurance Services INC.</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">478-289-9008 • 1121 N Main St, Swainsboro</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">VOTED BEST AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIP 23 YEARS IN A ROW. LET'S MAKE IT 24</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">BEST AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIP 23 YEARS IN A ROW! www.danielschevrolet.com CHEVROLET, BUICK, GMC TRUCKS U.S. Hwy 90 East at SR 456, Swainsboro, GA 4782374111 148004248721</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: x-small;">Remember to Vote for</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">ENHANCING LIVES. IMPROVING HOMES.</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">We'll make your bathroom and kitchen DREAMS a reality!</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">125 East Main Street Swainsboro, GA 30401 478-419-3800 www.DreamMakerEastGA.com</p>
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Don't forget to VOTE for us!</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Heating & Air Service and Installation</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Mechanical & General Contracting Services 478.289.8040 206 Overstreet Rd. • Swainsboro, GA CN209839 GCC000064</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">Proudly Serving 17 years in Emanuel County</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Vote for us!</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">SOUTHLAND Insurance Group</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">• Auto • Home • Life • Traveling • Motorcycles • Commercial • Health • Annuities • Beasts • Medicare Supplements</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">478.237.7500 • 212 Maple Ave • Swainsboro Mitch Proctor Owner</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">VOTING IS NOW OPEN.</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">GO VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">YEOMANS & ASSOCIATES AGENCY, INC.</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Auto-Owners INSURANCE</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">LIFE • HOME • CAR • BUSINESS</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Swainsboro 109 South Circle Drive 478.237.3109 or 478.237.7777 Louisville 606 Mulberry Street 1478.625.8000 or 478.625.9421</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">yeoassoc@bellsouth.net Monday - Friday 9AM - 5PM</p>

Visit emanuelcountylive.com to vote for your favorites

Emanuel County's Official Up-To-The-Minute News Source!
 "POWERED BY The Forest-Blade"

ADRIAN • CANOCHEE • GARFIELD • KITE • NORRISTOWN • NUNEZ • OAK PARK • STILLMORE • SUMMERTOWN • SWAINSBORO • TWIN CITY

excellence integrity innovation servant's heart

[f](#) [X](#) [@](#) [in](#) [et](#)

72ND ANNUAL MEETING

Pineland Telephone Cooperative

\$10 bill credit cash prizes door prizes entertainment

Metter Pre-K thru 8
 Educational Complex Cafetorium
 33661 GA Highway 129 South, Metter

Registration: 12:30 pm
 Business meeting: 2:00 pm

JUNE 13TH

www.pineland.net | 800.247.1266