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ONE DOLLAR

Rep. Butch Parrish presents grant check for new Karrh Community Arts Center in Swainsboro

In a special called meeting of the Swainsboro City Council Monday, July 15, State Representative Butch Parrish, chairman of the House Rules Committee, (R-Swainsboro), presented a check to the City for the Karrh Center.

Representative Parrish announced that the Karrh Community Arts Center has been awarded a one-time grant of \$250,000 allocated under House Bill 915, the Amended Fiscal Year 2024 budget. These

Special Project funds are administered through the Georgia Council for the Arts, a division of the Georgia Department of Economic Development charged with empowering the arts industry in Georgia and artists around the state to cultivate healthy, vibrant communities that are rich in civic participation, cultural experiences and economic prosperity.

"I am thrilled to announce this significant grant for the Karrh Com-

munity Arts Center," said Rep. Butch Parrish. "The arts are a vital part of our community's identity and contribute immensely to our quality of life. This grant signifies a significant investment in the arts and cultural enrichment of Swainsboro and surrounding areas. I commend the dedicated team at the Karrh Community Arts Center for their invaluable contributions and look forward to the positive

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L-R ATTORNEY JERRY CADLE, COUNCILPERSON GREG QUARTERMAN, COUNCILPERSON JULIAN SCONYERS, COUNCILPERSON JOHNNY RAY STAFFORD, MAYOR GREG BENNETT, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MELISSA KIRBY, REPRESENTATIVE PARRISH, EMANUEL ARTS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JACQUIE BRASHER, COUNCILPERSON DJ DAVIS, COUNCILPERSON BOBBIE COLLINS AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR HERMAN MIDDLEBROOKS

The right job for the man: Chief Strobridge

They say the average worker in this country changes jobs over eight times in the course of his or her working lifetime. Mike Strobridge was too busy to change jobs. This year, he will leave his first and only job after a 53-year career as a firefighter in the Swainsboro Fire Department. In 1971, Strobridge started that journey as an entry-level fireman. At that time, there were six full-time firefighters and 22 volunteers. The fire station was located at the back of the old City Hall on the Boneyard. In those days, the old siren mounted high on the water tank that looks like a 1930's rock-



CHIEF STROBRIDGE

et ship would wait out the call for volunteers to drop everything and head to the fire. In 1974, a new fire station was built on the parking lot

at the rear of the new Courthouse. That building could house two fire engines and had sleeping accommodations for

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Don't miss Dancing With the Stars – Sunshine House Edition

The Sunshine House Children's Advocacy Center is hosting Dancing With the Stars August 10, 2024 at the Swainsboro/Emanuel County Auditorium located at 532 West Church

Street. Performances will be at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Ten couples will vie for the Championship Award, along with other awards determined by a panel of judges. There will be a Peoples' Choice

Award also. Every vote for the Peoples' Choice will be \$1. You can vote for your favorite couples online through the VENMO App (@Sunshine House CAC).

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8U CHAMPS WITH COACHES AND COMMISSIONERS



12U CHAMPS WITH COACHES AND COMMISSIONERS



14U CHAMPS WITH COACHES AND COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners meet the champs

In a crowded temporary venue, the Emanuel County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday night, July 15. The venue was the main Courtroom of the Emanuel County Courthouse, and the reason for the large crowd was not for protest or demonstration

but rather for celebration and recognition of local softball teams for their championship seasons. Following an invocation and pledge of allegiance, Chairman Hugh Foskey welcomed the victorious team members along with their family and friends. Commission Vice Chairman Jim Sherrod congratulated

the teams on their amazing accomplishments of winning three 2024 State Championships and praised the efforts of Emanuel County Recreation staff and the volunteer coaches of each team. Following this ceremony, Commissioners took up the evening's business (Continued on page 3A)

BOE holds monthly meeting

The Emanuel County Board of Education met on Tuesday, July 9, at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Office with the following members in attendance: Brandon Jones, Cherie Hooks, Del Brown, and John Allen Bailey. Tanya Lane was not in attendance. Board Chair Del Brown welcomed everyone calling the meeting to order. Superintendent Dr. Denise B. Warnock and Board Chair Del Brown facilitated the election of a new Board Vice-Chair to replace Johnny Parker. Mr. John Allen Bailey was elected as Board Vice-Chair for the remainder of the vacated term. Brandon Jones delivered the invocation followed by John Allen Bailey leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

John Allen Bailey made a motion to approve the agenda. Cherie Hooks seconded the motion. Del Brown, Cherie Hooks, Brandon Jones, and John Allen Bailey voted "yes". CARRIED.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

1. Facility Renovation: Addition & Update - Jansen Ware

2. Seamless Summer Update - Chandra Hooks

3. Local Literacy Update - Stefanie Mason

DISCUSSION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was presented and approved as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes of the June 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting (Continued on page 3A)

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Don't miss Dancing...

(From front page)
Dancers include Erin Stanford and Nick Robertson, Calissa Mason and Chad Canady, Halli Kate Johnson and GW Johnson, Angie Robinson and Todd Robinson, Elizabeth Colston and Bryce Chapman, Bridget Hill and Burt Dixon, Kylin Miller and Luther

Wardlaw, Tori Wren and Jamie Wheeler, Delanie O'Brien and Casey Yarbrough, Sydney Smith and Jason Grimes.
Tickets are \$25 for

adults and \$15 for students. You can stop by the Sunshine House CAC, located at 328 West Main Street, to get your tickets or purchase

your ticket at the door. Your contribution will go directly to programs and services for children and are tax deductible as provided by

law. For more information, contact Brooke McBride at 478.455.3034 or Carol V. Donaldson at 912.481.1702.

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Rep. Butch Parrish...

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impact this grant and the arts center will have on our local arts scene."

The Karrh Community Arts Center has a rich history dating back to 1934 when it was built by W.M. Karrh as a social hub for Swainsboro and Emanuel County. After a period of closure in the late 1960s, the space was repurposed for retail until 2014 when Karrh's grandsons generously donated it to the

City of Swainsboro for renovation.

Under the name Barbara & Tobe Karrh Community Arts Center, this venue is undergoing a transformation to become a vibrant cultural hub. Plans include a fully renovated theatre showcasing first-run movies and live performances, serving as a home for the Emanuel Arts Council, featuring an art gallery, a community meeting room, educational facility and other addi-

tions aimed at fostering the creative economy in Emanuel County.

"We commend the Georgia General Assembly for providing these one-time appropriations to support arts in rural communities," said Georgia Council for the Arts Executive Director Tina Lilly. "Arts events enhance downtowns, support small businesses, and provide jobs while creating excitement and unity."

The right job...

(From front page)
two firemen. 1984 saw the addition of the Jake Wilkerson Southside Fire Station. The staff at that time had increased to eight full-time employees. Strobridge was there through it all and remembers well, the most notorious fires of that era. "The earliest massive fire for me was the tobacco warehouse fire behind what is now the Waffle King. That fire burned down one of two side-by-side warehouses, and I still remember the incredible heat of that one. Then later, the Durden Hotel fire damaged a large section of the old Courthouse Square

area downtown. It took hours to control that blaze and Fire Departments from all around came to help out." commented Strobridge. In 2003, Mike Strobridge became "Chief Strobridge." From that point on, he left his mark on the department. In 2011, the Swainsboro Fire Department moved into its present downtown location which is the envy of every surrounding fire department in our area. Strobridge had a plan to reduce insurance rates for homes and businesses in the city and through training, better equipment acquisition and steady improvement through-

out the department, he succeeded in lowering the ISO (International Organization for Standardization) rating to its lowest rate ever and then he did it again. This meant significant savings to every property owner in Swainsboro on their insurance rates.

So, what's ahead for Chief Strobridge? No special plans, he says. He has agreed with City Hall to hang on until a new Chief is found, (at least for a little while), but after 53 years, it's time to change things up. When questioned about his feelings looking back on the job, his thoughts center around "people". "I think of the people who needed help, and we were able to be there for them, the people that I learned from who helped me and the idea of just being able to serve. That was the best part of the whole experience and that's what has kept me on the job", stated Strobridge. Sounds like he was the right man for the job, and the job was the right one for the man. Thanks for your 53 years of service Chief Strobridge!

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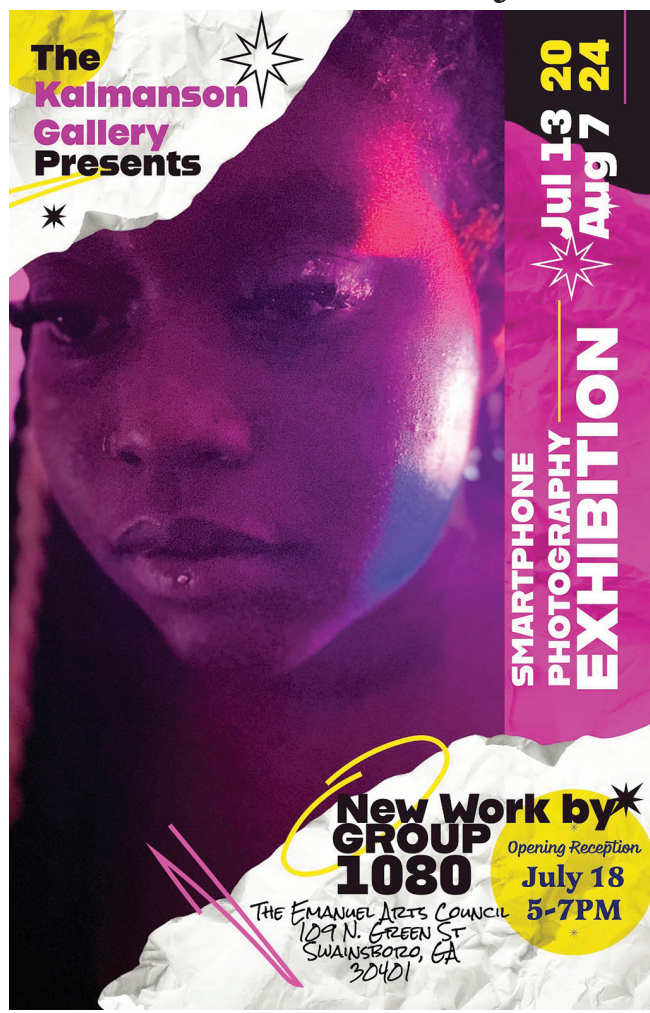
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Smartphone Photography exhibit opens at Kalmanson Gallery

The Kalmanson Gallery of Emanuel Arts Council will feature artwork by thirteen students in Group 1080 of East Georgia State College. This unique art show will feature Smartphone Photography. Opening reception for the show will be July 18th, from 5 to 7 p.m. and is free and open to the public. The exhibition is on display now through August.

Artists featured in this exhibition include Aisha Colbert, Alex McDonald, Alicia Harris, Azareyah Leeks, Brianna Johnsen, Carl Harris, Garrett Peebles, Gracy Chavis, Isay Gonzalez-Juarez, Jayse Yelder, Joel Jones, Keanu Walters, and Ty-Sean Morgan-Ford.

These students participated in a Smartphone Photography class at East Georgia State College. "I am impressed with the wide range of creative works produced by the students. Group 1080 has put a great deal of time and energy into seeing their creative vision through," said EGSC art professor Des-



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mal Purcell, who is also The Kalmanson Gallery director. "And it is impressive to know that they are using a tool that most of us carry around in our back pocket. I am really proud of what they have accomplished here."

The Kalmanson Gallery is open Tuesday through Friday, 12 noon to 3 p.m. or by appointment. For updates and more information on programming, find Emanuel Arts Council on Facebook and Instagram.



COMMISSIONER JIM SHERROD GREETES THE LARGE CROWD

Commissioners meet the...

(From front page) ness with approval of the meeting minutes of the July 8, workshop meeting and the June 17 regular meeting. Public comments were then heard from Jason Littleton concerning problems with a road in the Oak Park area. Various corrective actions were discussed and consultation with other municipal authority may be necessary to resolve the problem. A public hearing was the next agenda item for the purpose of receiving comment on granting an alco-

hol license for the retail sale of beer and wine to Bhupendrakumar Patel. No objection was voiced, and the license application was deemed to meet all required measures. Motion was made and seconded and a unanimous vote approved the license award to Mr. Patel. Under old business, a second appointment was made to the newly organized Public Facilities Authority. Mr. Smith Edenfield will serve on that board along with Mr. Gary Mason and three mem-

bers from the Board of Commissioners. One item under new business dealt with revisions to the 2023-2024 county budget. As an adjustment required by normal cycles of business and day to day variations in budgeted operations, commissioners approved mid-year amendments necessary to the continued fiscal integrity and level of service provided to the citizens of Emanuel County. This concluded the evening's agenda, and the meeting was adjourned.

BOE holds monthly...

(From front page)
2. Approval of Financial Reports - Mollie Smith

3. Approval of FY25 CTAE Local Plan-Budget and Programs - Stefanie Mason

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Employments:
The Board approved the Renewal, employment, retired, retirement and resignations of the following certified and classified employees:

RECOMMENDATIONS, CERTIFIED

Barber, Jessica - Speech Language - Pathologist 49% - SPS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Complete; Blandford, Kristen - Engineering Tech. Teacher - SHS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Cheers, Veronica - Science Teacher - SHS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Daniels, Maria - Early Headstart Direc-

tor 49% - EHS - 8/1/2024 - NCIC Complete; Gray, Tammy - Public Relations Specialist 49% - C/O - 8/1/2024 - NCIC Complete; Nwakudu, Lena - Teacher - CAS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Complete; Parker, Kimberly - Science Teacher - SMS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Reynolds, Amanda - MG Social Studies Teacher - ECI - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete

RESIGNATIONS, CERTIFIED

Griswold, Shaylin - Teacher - SPS - 6/28/2024; Neesmith, Justin - Teacher - SMS - 7/2/2024; Scott, Raymond - Teacher - SPS - 6/14/2024

RECOMMENDATIONS, CLASSIFIED

Bell, Amanda - Food Service Worker - SPS - 7/31/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Chappell, Melinda - Food Service Worker - SMS - 7/31/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Clifton, Marcie - Food Service Work-

er - ECI - 7/31/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Ellison, Belinda - Food Service Worker - TCE - 7/31/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Hancock, Katelin - Paraprofessional - SMS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Haywood, Tracy - Paraprofessional - CAS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Heggs, Gail - Caregiver - EHS - 9/3/2024 - NCIC Incomplete

RESIGNATIONS, CLASSIFIED

Dixon, Eric - Paraprofessional - ECI - 7/9/2024; Rainey, Robin - SFS Worker - ECI - 7/8/2024

RETIREMENTS, CLASSIFIED

Akridge, Teresa - Caregiver - EHS - 9/27/2024; Cross, Verline - Caregiver - EHS - 8/31/2024

2024-2025 Transfers

Johnson, Jamie - SMS - Counselor - SHS - Counselor; Moore, Chloe - SMS-Health/PE - SPS - Health/PE

W.L. "Bill" Wilson, 82

Mr. W.L. "Bill" Wilson, 82, of Norristown, passed away Thursday, July 11, 2024, at home surrounded by family. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 13, at 2 p.m. at Anchor of Hope Worship Center in Soperton. Family received friends at 1 p.m. prior to the service. Interment followed at Mount Zion Primitive Baptist Church in Norristown.

Pallbearers were Logan Wilson, John Wilson, Trent Wilson, Tyler Wilson, Von Wilson and Lewis Wilson. Honorary pallbearers were Roger Wilson and Kevin Wilson.

Bill was born July 1, 1942, in Swainsboro, to the late Lewis Wilson and Fannie Scarboro Wilson. He was a retired Chief Warrant Officer IV for the United States Army where he served for 43 years and was awarded a Bronze Star and an American Air Medal. Bill served in the Vietnam War from 1963 to 1964, serving in the 611th Transportation Company. After his first tour, Bill attended and completed Chief Warrant Officer School and returned to Vietnam in 1967 to 1968, serving in the 7 Squadron of the 17th Air Cavalry. He earned his wings during service by piloting a wide



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range of rotary and fixed wing aircrafts. Bill also served as the President of the Mississippi Moose Association and as an International Moose Legion Ambassador. He received the Fellowship Degree of Honor and Pilgrim Degree of Merit during his time. Mr. Wilson is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Ruthie Gilmore Wilson; and son, Elmer Wilson.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his son, Robert (Kay) Wilson of Locust Grove; grandsons, Logan (Claire) Wilson, John (Kendal) Wilson, Trent Wilson and Tyler (Gabby Suell) Wilson; great-grandchildren, Millie Claire, Robert Moxley and Emersyn Kate; brother, Roger Wilson of Norristown; and nephew, Von Wilson of Norristown.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

Ronny David Sweat, 80

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mr. Ronny David Sweat, age 80, on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at the South Georgia Medical Center in Valdosta. Graveside services were conducted Sunday, July 14, at 4:30 p.m. at Eastbrook Cemetery and Mausoleum with Reverend Rusty Moore officiating. Visitation was from 2 to 4 p.m. at Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors, P e e b l e s - C u r r y Memorial Chapel.

Pallbearers were Terry Bell, Wendell Walden, Andy Dixon, William Riner, Albert Hall, Wayne Braswell, Danny Scarboro and Tim Coleman.

Ronny was born July 8, 1944, in Sandersville, to the late Willie Barney and Loree Hammock Sweat. He was a 1962 graduate of Johnson County High School. In 1963, Ronnie moved to Swainsboro with his wife, Patricia Everett Sweat. Ronny was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He was also a dedicated and hardworking businessman. Ronny worked for many years as a supervisor and department head at Swainsboro Print Works. In 1981, he opened his first of several businesses in Swainsboro. Sweat's North Main BP became a landmark and served the needs of Emanuel County under his leadership for many years. Ronny was kindhearted and tremendously generous to his community. He served as a sponsor for various Dixie Youth teams, along with many men's softball teams, one of which won a national championship. Ronny was a longtime member of the Swainsboro Jaycees and numerous hunting clubs. Not only did he enjoy hunting and fishing, he also had



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a passion for dirt track racing. Ronny's racing endeavors took him all over Georgia and was widely known on the dirt track circuit as the man to beat. After retiring from racing, he continued to sponsor many local drivers throughout their racing careers. In Ronny's later years, he enjoyed spending time with his family and carried a special pride for his grandchildren and the newest addition to the family, Whitley. Mr. Sweat is preceded in death by his son-in-law, Mark Smith; brothers, Willie Sweat and Herman Sweat; and sisters, Marie H. Hammock and Burma S. Pacetti.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Patricia Everett Sweat of Swainsboro; daughter, Shelli Sweat Smith of Kite; grandchildren, Jakob D. Smith, Alivia Smith, Graci-Rae Smith, Blair Whitfield (Travis) Heaton and Blake Whitfield; great-grandchild, Whitley Heaton; special niece, Linda Whitfield of Stillmore; brothers, Kenneth Sweat (Marilyn) and Wain Sweat, both of Wrightsville; sisters, Wilhelmina S. Walden (Billy), Claudette S. Brown (Cleon) and Shirley S. Underwood, all of Swainsboro; and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Home - Herrington Homestead.

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

Susie G. Handberry, 76

Susie G. Handberry, 76, passed away Wednesday, July 3, 2024. A Celebration of Life was held Wednesday, July 10, at 2 p.m. at Greater Young Zion Baptist Church in Augusta with Rev. William B. Blount, Sr. officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Zion Church Cemetery in Garfield.

Susie was born August 21, 1947, I Millen, to Linzie and Ollie Mae Golff. She graduated from Burgess Landrum High School in 1965 and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in nutrition from Swainsboro Tech. Susie married her high school sweetheart, the late Rev. E.L. "Leroy" Handberry on November 20, 1967, and God blessed them with two wonderful children. She had a fulfilling career as an educator for over three decades caring for those with special needs. Susie was known for her compas-



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sion, gentle touch and unwavering dedication to her students' well-being. Her career was not just a profession, but a calling, and she touched the lives of many with her kindness and caring nature.

Mrs. Handberry will be deeply missed by her children, Edsell (Beverly) Handberry, Jr. and Kimberly Handberry Barker; five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; siblings; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jermie C. Allen, Jr., 84

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mr. Jermie C. Allen, Jr., age 84, of Millen, on July 9, 2024, at his home. Memorial services will be conducted Friday July 19, at 2 p.m. at Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors, P e e b l e s - C u r r y Memorial Chapel with Pastor Butch Taylor officiating. Interment will follow in the Elam Baptist Church Cemetery in Millen.

Jermie was born November 2, 1939, in Millen, to Mr. Jermie C. and Merriam Williams Allen, Sr. After graduating Swainsboro High School, Jermie went on to further his education in a trade school in Americus. He was an aircraft mechanic for Northwest Airlines, which is now Delta, for many years. Jermie held both a multi-engine and a rotor craft pilots' license. He loved working with and on his tractor and also enjoyed gardening. Jermie was a member of CSA, (Confederate States of America), and always had an interest



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and love for history. He could read and retain a vast amount of information and was quite the historian. Jermie was a member of the Deep Creek Free Will Baptist Church. Mr. Allen is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Elizabeth Williams Allen; and brother, James Kenneth Allen.

Survivors include his son, John C. Allen of Millen; sister, Ann Allen Morgan of Peachtree City; brother, Benjamin Leary Allen (Sandra) of Millen; grandchildren, John Carlton Allen, Jr., Jeremy Carlton Allen, Justin Caleb Allen and Chris Rickerson; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors is in charge of the arrangements.

Sardis Primitive to hold revival

Sardis Primitive Baptist Church will hold its annual revival on Saturday, July 20 with guest minister Elder Lindy Webb, Jr. Music will be provided by Tee and Tripp Smith. A light supper will be provided at 6 p.m. with service following at 7 p.m.

Homecoming services will be held Sunday, July 21, at 11 a.m. with pastor Elder Sam Adkins providing the message. Lunch will be provided in the social hall follow-



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ing the service. Everyone is invited to attend, and please pray for these services.

St. Philip to hold food pantry distribution

Swainsboro St. Philip Center of Hope food pantry will be open for distribution on Thursday, July 18, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Joseph F. "Joe" Haile, III, 74

Mr. Joseph F. "Joe" Haile, III, age 74, of Adel, passed away Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at his home. A private graveside service was held Thursday, July 11, at 11 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery Annex in Adel where the eulogy was given by Mrs. Diane Haile.

Joe was born February 3, 1950, in Nashville, Georgia to the late Joseph Franklin Haile, Jr. and Marilee Hughes Haile. He lived most of his life in Cook County. Joe was a member of First Baptist Church of Adel. He was retired from the State of Georgia where he worked as a juvenile probation officer. Joe also served honorably in the United States Army, United States Army National Guard and retired from the United States Air Force Reserve. Cats and dogs held a special place in his heart.

Mr. Haile is survived by his wife, Diane Walters Haile; son and daughter-in-law, Richard "Bubba" and Laura

Bailey; daughters, Kimberly Bailey and Charlotte "Mandy" Bailey, all of Adel; eleven grandchildren, Harlan "Seth" and Stephanie Bryan of Roswell, Catherine "Allyson" Broyles of New York City, New York, Kristen Broyles of Adel, Robyn Broyles of Pensacola, Florida, Eli Bryan of Adel, Shannon and Brett Joyal of Londonderry, New Hampshire, Isaac Kennedy, Grayson Kennedy, Titus Bryan, Brooklyn Bailey and Jacob Bailey, all of Adel; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family requests that donations in memory of Mr. Haile be made to any animal rescue organization, Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries (georgiachildren.org or P.O. Box 329, Palmetto, GA 30268) or to Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes (georgiasheriffsyouth.org or 1000 Sheriffs Way, Madison, GA 30650).

Boone Funeral Home, Inc., Adel, Georgia was in charge of arrangements.

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A dangerous road ahead

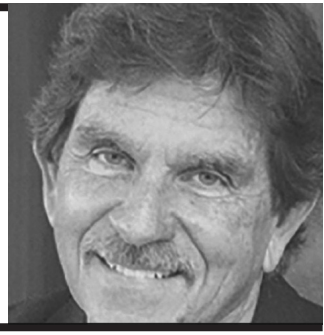
I was a little more stunned than surprised, Saturday afternoon when I heard the news from Butler, Pennsylvania. Donald Trump has made a lifelong mission out of courting attention. Good or bad, that's his style. You may love him, or you may hate him, but you can't really ignore him. When you draw that much attention, sooner or later things can take a bad turn. So even though most of us probably thought this country was beyond the point of having to deal with another attempt on the life of a national political figure, I always feared that sooner or later Trump might encounter some serious form of evil. That's what

came about this past Saturday afternoon in the guise of an unremarkable 20-year-old named Thomas Crooks who with a semi-automatic rifle climbed a building near a political rally and fired multiple shots at the Republican candidate for President, Donald Trump. So, surprise was not my immediate reaction. Disgust and dismay were. Thanks to the shooter's lack of skill or mostly the Good Lord above, the former President escaped serious injury by less than an inch. Sadly, others did not. There is great loss to deal with, and once again, there is repair and healing that must occur. The "national conversation" will now flow from the

Washington D.C. teleprompters in scripted pleas to "turn away from the vicious political rhetoric and the bitterness and division that tears this country apart." Once again, we will be told we must search for a way to bring unity back into our national soul. But where are the leaders who will rise above the hypocrisy, turn words into action, and lead that search, and where are the media CEOs who will stand up to curb the excesses of their own organizations and the inflammatory nature of their brand of journalism? The absence of a promise for meaningful action on the part of our government and the deafening silence from

the mass media lead us to believe that there is no acceptance or acknowledgement of this problem. Without that, there is no avoidance of a condition that grows worse and worse. Unity is not a state of being. It is not absolute. It will not magically cure all our ills. But it is perhaps the first step required in any worthwhile process. In this time and place, a foundational reset of what this country is all about may be required. A serious effort by serious leaders to improve this condition is desperately needed and must involve an honest examination of how well or how poorly we have adhered to the principles that framed this government 248 years ago and

Charles Schwabe



supported this country's growth from infancy to world preeminence. Only with inspired, determined leadership can this renewal take place. We all know the same platitudes and overworked political lip service of yesterday will not work. We will remain a divided, dysfunctional government until progressive as well as conservative political leaders can be found and bound to put aside the unworkable past and forge a future of shared

respect for the sake of this country. Our nation can be restored to the place where negotiation, civility and compromise in government were traits not only tolerated but celebrated. That is how this country once operated and flourished, and that is how it can work again. One thing is certain, we cannot continue down the road we are now on. This past Saturday is evidence of the danger and division ahead if we do.

Travelers Mecca

The first step in planning a trip today is finding an interstate highway. This direct route is easier and faster than driving a collection of several two-lane highways. Interstates enable you to avoid passing through cities or villages and also scenery of the countryside. I am thankful that I

once lived in the crossroads of the country. Swainsboro was noted as the only place where two trans-continental highways crossed. US One went from Maine to Miami, Florida. US 80 left the California coast and ended in Savannah. The crossing was our Main Streets with John C. Coleman Hotel on

the corner. This was reversed depending on whether you were going or returning. The delightful journey filled my hometown with tourists who chose Swainsboro as a stop-over. They were led to a real southern meal when several miles away in each direction signs appeared inviting

Follow the Keys-to-Keys Café. Way worn travelers filled the luxurious and upscale John C. Coleman Hotel. Among travelers, Swainsboro became a place regarded as a center for tourists, a popular destination. Parking spaces were filled with cars bearing tags from states far from Georgia. When inter-

Shirley Proctor Twiss



states came on the scene, I drove down home down I-16 and discovered Swainsboro could be completely bypassed.

Travelers could reach their destination quicker and more directly but look at the pleasure they missed on the drive.

What do Bulgarians know about the South?

The things one learns while doing the kind of deep-dive research required to provide you with cutting-edge material that you can toss out to your amazed friends at the next church social. According to QR Code

Generator - whatever that is - Georgia is the least sociable state in the union. If that be true, you may not be of a mind to share this information with anyone at the next church social because you may not be feeling

sociable and apparently neither will anyone else. They are just there for the cookies and lemonade. Alaska, which is the largest state in the United States - larger than the next three largest states (Texas, California and

Montana) combined - and which has a population less than Cobb County but a lot more moose and black flies, is considered the most sociable. I figure since there is roughly one Alaskan for every square mile of territory - not counting the moose and black flies - just waving at another human being far off in the distance probably counts as being sociable. QR Code Generator, which promises to provide a QR code that will help you "improve the impact of your marketing, enhance customer experience and increase engagement," doesn't mention why our sociability should be any of their concern. They are, after all, located in Bulgaria, which is right next door to Ukraine, which makes them very close to Russia, as well. I'm thinking that's what they ought to be worrying about rather than how much we say howdy and to whom. It is clear that QR Code Generator has too much time on its hands when not generating QR codes to impact your marketing, enhance customer experience and all that other stuff. They recently released a study on the most searched-for phobias on the internet in the U.S. and concluded the number one phobia is - are you ready? - tryphobia, an aversion to small holes clustered together in a pattern. That includes honeycombs, sunflowers and fruit containing small seeds, such as strawberries and kiwis.

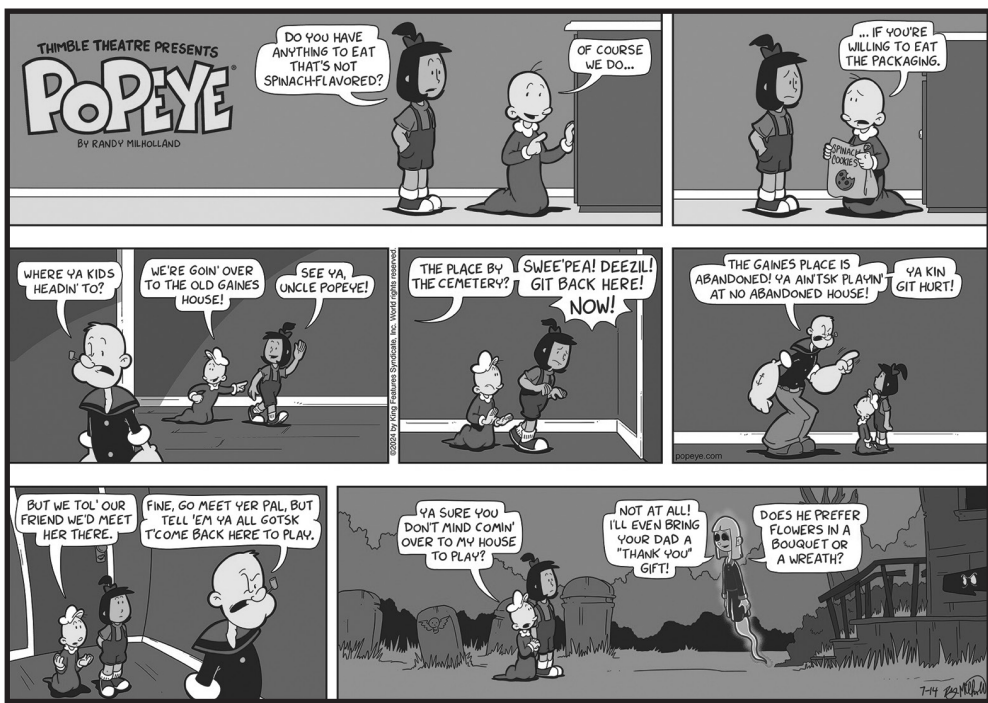
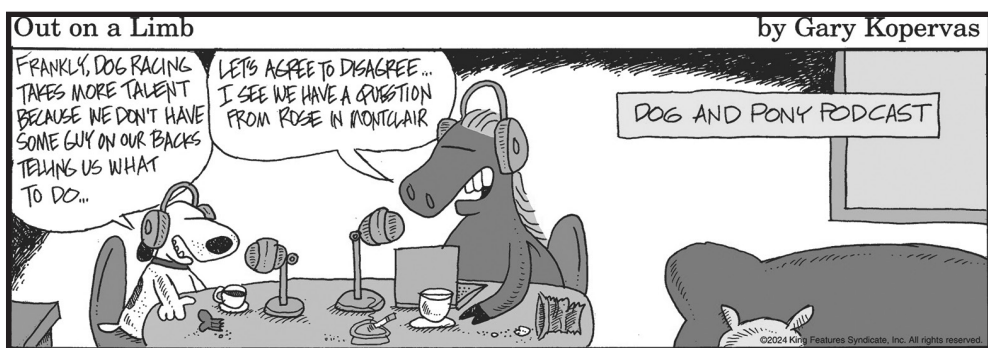
Dick Yarbrough



If you suddenly start feeling sociable, you might want to drop that nugget on the group at the next church social and watch them spew their lemonade in amazement. The things I do for you. It is interesting to note that 8 of the 10 least sociable states are in the South. The only two exceptions are New Jersey and Vermont. This left the Bulgarians scratching their glavas. "While many would expect Southern states, known for their warm hospitality, to rank top of the list," they opined. "It is interesting to see expectations flipped in the ranking." Well, kiss my grits and your flipping expectations. We aren't antisocial in the South. We are just a bit circumspect with outsiders. My daddy didn't know much about QR codes, but he knew a lot about being Southern. He used to say, "People from other parts of the country will tell you everything they know, whether you asked them or not. Southerners will tell you what they want you to know when they are ready for you to know it." No doubt that's the case here. A bunch of Bulgarians start asking us about going to bars or music venues or sporting events or how many minutes a day we spend

on telephone calls or emails and we'll sully up in a minute. That's our business and we don't see any reason to share with a bunch of strangers where we go line dancing on Saturday nights. On the other hand, Alaskans are happy to go into as much detail as you want just to have somebody to talk to and to get their minds off the swarms of black flies and rutting moose. QR Code Generator may know a lot about the digital age and URLs and the like, but they don't know much about the South. We aren't standoffish in the least. You want to talk a little football, not the kind they play in Bulgaria but real football and we'll talk all day. Tell us about Lili Ivanova, considered the greatest Bulgarian pop singer of all time, and we'll tell you about Ray Charles Robinson, of Albany, Georgia, the greatest singer of all time, period. Brag about your stuffed grape leaves and we extol the virtues of the Vidalia Onion. No contest. We are a proud people in the South. You just have to get to know us. Based on the QR Code Generator survey I just read, they don't have a clue, y'all. You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dick-yarbrough.com or at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139.

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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.



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I, being Jaycee Groover, had an experience at first I thought was awful, until Swainsboro's deputies were sent to help me! I ran out of gas near the courthouse, they blocked traffic and helped me push my truck to Raco; they were awesome! Courteous, thoughtful, caring, they treated me great, and I thought I'd let the county know we have a good bunch of guys, I know this is a small sample, but I'm more than impressed! Just thought I'd give them a shout out! It lets you know that everybody's not evil! There are a lot of good in Emanuel County. Just thought I'd let you know. P.S. I can't thank them enough!

Respectfully,
Jaycee Groover

EXECUTIVE ORDER THE CITY OF SWAINSBORO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-2 "DECLARATION OF TEMPORARY JUVENILE CURFEW"

WHEREAS, the City of Swainsboro ("City") enjoys all rights, privileges, and powers incident to the establish of the City as a municipal corporation and is authorized to act through the Swainsboro City Council ("Council") who shall have full power and authority to enact all ordinances, by-laws, rules, regulations necessary for the good government of the City and for securing the health of its citizens. Charter of the City of Swainsboro ("Charter"), 42(1); and

WHEREAS, the City has the right and authority to protect the personal property of the citizens and to establish the police force; Id. at 42(11); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 30 of the Swainsboro City Ordinances ("Ordinance"), the Council has established an emergency management system for the City ("Emergency Management System"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 62-9 of the Ordinances, the Council has granted the Mayor of the City of Swainsboro ("Mayor") the right and authority to institute a curfew and the hours thereof, when the Mayor "deems it necessary for the protection of the health and welfare of the citizens or public or private property or located in [the City]"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, after due consideration, deems a curfew for juveniles is necessary due into an increase in juvenile criminal activity during the evening and early morning which is a threat to the life and property of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, that the implementation of a temporary curfew as to minors during the evening and early morning will reduce the criminal activity and provide law enforcement assistance in addressing the increase in juvenile criminal activity; and

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY RESOLVED YEO by the City of Swainsboro that:

- Title. This Resolution shall be known as the **"EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-2 DECLARATION OF TEMPORARY JUVENILE CURFEW"**.
- Preamble. The foregoing recitals in the Preamble are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full herein.
- Declaration. The Mayor hereby declares a state of emergency within the geographical boundaries of the City due to the increase in criminal activity threatening the life and property of the citizenry of the City.
- Curfew. As of the Effective Date of this Resolution and through and including the Expiration Date, it shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of seventeen (17) to loiter, wander, stroll or play in or upon public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks, playgrounds, or other public grounds, public places, public buildings, places of amusement, eating places, vacant lots or any place unsupervised by an adult having the lawful authority to be at such place between the hours of 11:00 p.m. on any day and 6:00 a.m. on the following day; however on Fridays and Saturdays, the effective hours are between Midnight and 6:00 a.m. the following day; and provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the following instances:
 - When a minor is accompanied such minor's parent, guardian or other adult person having lawful care and custody of the minor;
 - When the minor is upon an emergency errand directed by such minor's parent or guardian or other adult person having the lawful care and custody of such minor;
 - When the minor is returning directly home from a school activity, entertainment, recreational activity, or dance;
 - When the minor is returning directly home from lawful employment that makes it necessary to be in the places referenced in this section during the proscribed period of time;
 - When the minor is attending or traveling directly to or from an activity involving the exercise of first amendment rights of free speech, freedom of assembly, or free exercise of religion; and
 - When the minor is in a motor vehicle with parental consent for normal travel or interstate travel through the City.
- Enforcement; Penalty. Pursuant to Section 62-9(c) any violation of the Curfew set by this Executive Order shall be punished as for disorderly conduct, as provided for in the penal ordinances of the City.
- Effective Date. **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-2 DECLARATION OF TEMPORARY JUVENILE CURFEW** shall be effective as of 12:01 a.m. on Monday July 22, 2024 ("Effective Date").
- Expiration. **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-2 DECLARATION OF TEMPORARY JUVENILE CURFEW** shall expire at midnight on August 21, 2024, ("Expiration Date"); provided however, the Mayor shall be authorized to extend the Expiration Date of this Executive Order for a period of thirty (30) days conditioned on (i) the extension occurring prior to the Expiration Date; and
 - the new Expiration Date being no more than thirty (30) days from the existing expiration date.
- Notice to Public. This Executive Order shall (i) be available for the public at City Hall; (ii) shall be posted at City Hall upon execution and for a period of not less than fourteen (14) days; and (iii) a public notice shall be placed in the Forest Blade prior to the Effective Date.

SO ORDERED this 15th day of July, 2024

CITY OF SWAINSBORO
GREG BENNETT, MAYOR

Letter to the Editor

Dear Animal Lovers,

The Emanuel County Humane Society would like to say THANK YOU to everyone that has supported us over the past 9 years. We greatly appreciate your donations and support. We feel like we have accomplished a lot over these years, but we still have many more challenges ahead of us to get done. Many of our board members are weary. We need your help. We are looking for people with new ideas on ways we can help our homeless population of dogs and cats in our community. We are looking for people who have a passion and love for animals, who don't mind speaking up for these animals that can't speak for themselves.

We are looking for help with the following:

- Writing grants to assist with spaying/neutering pets
- Fostering
- Posting lost and found pets on Facebook
- Posting shelter animals on Facebook
- Planning and helping with adoption events
- Helping transport animals to rescues
- Educating to improve animal welfare in our community
- Organizing and helping plan some fun events like Bark Fest
- Ideas on things we can do to improve the animal welfare in our community and animal shelter
- Coming to monthly meetings with ideas and support for our community animals
- Going before our city/county officials asking to form a Shelter Advisory Board and their support with other projects or needs we see
- Financial support

The ECHS is a 501 3c non-profit organization. We are completely separate from the Betty Gambrell Animal Shelter (formerly called The Swainsboro/Emanuel Co. Animal Shelter). However, all the money we raise goes to support our animal shelter. We spend eight to twelve-thousand dollars every year in part to purchase vaccines and worm medicines for the shelter to keep the shelter dogs healthy. The city/county is not required to budget this in the shelter budget. We have helped to save many dogs' lives by sponsoring the dogs at adoption events. We pay for their adoption fees, spaying/neutering and rabies shots, which cost us \$146.00 per animal. We were asked to and did write a policy and operations guide for our shelter, but it was never used. We succeeded in getting animal cruelty/neglect laws passed and enforced. Shelter

facility improvements have been made, thanks to the SPLOST funds.

Over 9 years ago, Emanuel County Humane Society re-organized with new officers and Board members. The night we met at Franklin Memorial Library was a great night! The room was packed with city and county officials, animal shelter staff, and a large number of community animal lovers! We all met to voice our feelings and concerns about the Betty Gambrell Animal Shelter. The shelter was not being run with the care and compassion it was noted for during the 25 years that Mrs. Betty Gambrell volunteered her time as Director. We wanted to see changes.

Over the course of these 9 years, the Emanuel County Humane Society members and with community support, have made a positive change on our animal shelter and animals in our community. We have met with city/county officials numerous times to discuss animal welfare, laws, shelter improvements, spaying/neutering, shelter staff training, shelter budget, budgeting worm medicines/vaccines for the shelter, requesting the county control the shelter budget and running of the shelter (Currently it is under the City of Swainsboro/Police Department.) We asked for a Shelter Advisory Board to be formed. Some of these projects have been successful, others we are still working on and need help. Along the way we have "hit many road blocks". Some we have been able to overcome. Presently, we feel like the road is blocked. This is why we are reaching out to you and asking for your help.

As a humane society, we work very closely with the Betty Gambrell Animal Shelter staff by assisting them when they need help, finding rescues, transporting, fostering, and advertising dogs for adoption. We have become the voice for those dogs at the shelter. We care about the welfare of the dogs in their care. We want them to be given a second chance to live a full and wonderful life. But for many of those dogs and puppies at our shelter that dream is not possible. There are many reasons: pet over-population from animals not being spayed/neutered, and our current economy. Lately, there has been a large intake of dogs and puppies coming into the shelter daily. Some are strays and others are owners surrendered. The shelter staff is so frustrated by so many coming in and not having enough

pens to house them all. Their state license only allows them to house up to 50 dogs. When they reach their max of intakes, they must make very difficult decisions. Dogs must be moved out to make room for the ones coming in daily. Adoptions are very slow right now. Rescues are pulling fewer dogs because they are full. The only choice the staff have is to euthanize. This is a heartbreaking task for them to do because they are animal lovers, too. They are just doing their job as animal control. A city/county shelter's purpose is to protect the public.

Before the pandemic hit, our shelter was almost a "No Kill Shelter". Adoptions were going well, rescues were pulling hundreds of dogs. After the pandemic it has been a much different story. In 2023, the shelter took in 1013 dogs. They sent 361 to rescues, 203 were adopted, 105 returned to owners and 298 were euthanized. The way things are going now we fear the numbers of intakes and euthanizations will be even higher this year. One of our greatest fears is our shelter is going to become a "pick up and put down shelter". We don't want to see this happen. This is one of the "road blocks" we are facing.

With all of this being said, the few Humane Society officers and board members who attend the monthly meetings are still fighting for our shelter dogs and companion pets. We are not giving up our fight, but we are weary and need help. We are looking for compassionate people who can help us continue the work in our community; to help animals to live better, healthier, and happier lives. We need ideas how we can increase spaying/neutering and decrease the number of unwanted animals being born. We want to find ways to improve our shelter so it will be a positive place to go. We would like to invite all of our animal lovers to join us on August 8, 2024 at 6 p.m. We will be meeting in the Smith Room at Franklin Memorial Library. If you can't make it to the meeting, but would like to get involved, you can contact Shari Watt at Franklin Memorial Library at 478-237-7791.

We need your ideas, talents, skills or people who love animals to come together and let's share our ideas on how we can be the voice for fur-babies.

Sincerely,
Emanuel County Humane Society Officers and Board Members

Community Action for Youth makes donation

Community Action for Youth, Inc. President Mrs. Betty Davis and Secretary Mrs. Mary Connor, present a \$200 dollar check to Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Shumake for their annual Bookbag Drive in honor of Mrs. Patrice Dukes. This event will highlight 21 years for Future Generation Youth's annual book bag drive held by Mr. and Mrs. Shumake.



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speech rehabilitation; and other services based on your treatment plan. Even if you were hospitalized elsewhere, you

can transfer to the Swing Bed Program at EMC, bringing you closer to your family.

For more information

contact: Rehab Manager: Chasity Gay, COTA/L; Email:cgay@emanuel-medical.org; Phone: 478-289-1175.

STC Emergency Services honoring one of their own: Laurie Holland

Laurie Holland, paramedic, served years as an adjunct instructor at STC, teaching EMS Education. Her students and colleagues standing beside her in battling a newly diagnosed medical condition reflect the strong bonds and respect she has earned in her accomplished roles. Lou Gehrig's disease, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), affects one's control of muscle movement.

The class echoed their love and sentiment for Laurie as they lovingly purchased shirts to support her. As Laurie's family has requested, the class is sending their group photo to Laurie through social media to encourage Laurie throughout this challenging time.

"EMS is a family, and Laurie exemplifies that," said Tony Villegas. "She has dedicated her entire life to this profession and taking care of others. She went so far as becoming an elected official in Montgomery County as a coroner. She does what she loves. She is compassionate about patient care and doing the right thing. That's why she also became

a teacher and decided she wanted to precept students. This is why she's so hard on us in school and when we're working with her on the truck," said Villegas.

Nik Stevens added that he worked a cardiac arrest call one evening with Holland. "She kept the scene the most relaxed as any call I've ever worked. She just has that nature about her," said Stevens. "Everything with her is done exactly how it's supposed to be done."

"By far, one of the best paramedics that Toombs EMS has ever had," said Morgan Dyal.

"She puts up with no drama around the station. She would address any issue and confront the situation head-on to find resolve," said Alyssa Mosley. "She is the most honest person I've ever known."



HOLLAND

Laurie was a student at STC herself. She graduated with a Paramedic Technology Diploma and an EMT Certificate of Credit.

STC Director of Emergency Services Education Mike Young said,

"She started off my EMS career as an instructor, giving me the skillset and knowledge needed as a provider. She's been a huge resource and mentor for me to follow in her footsteps in EMS education."



NICK LASSITER, DESTINY ELTON, ALYSSA MOSLEY, TONY VILLEGAS, STC DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES EDUCATION MIKE YOUNG, NIK STEVENS, MORGAN DYAL, AND ASHLEY AKRIDGE (NOT PICTURED: KARINA SALAZER)

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EAC Art Camp to be held at Vann Community House

The Emanuel Arts Council's 2024 Summer Art Camp will be held at Vann Community House in Swainsboro July 22-24, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The camp is sponsored by Mill Creek Foundation and is for 20 students in rising third through fifth grades.

"Our art instructor will be Terrie Daniel, and she will be assisted by Mark Lillquist and Tmyra Peterson," said Jacquie Brasher, EAC executive director. "Tmyra is joining us for the first time this year, but both Terrie and Mark have been a part of our art camp family for several years. We are very fortunate to have all of them with us." Brasher added that there has been a noticeable rise in sign-ups for art camp this year. "All 20 spots filled two

months ago, and we now have a growing waiting list. I'm very encouraged by the interest shown for our camp this summer."

TERRIE DANIEL, Art Instructor

Terrie is a graduate of Georgia Southern University where she has been fine-tuning her skills in Etching and Painting. After graduating with her associate's degree in art (Spring 2019) from East Georgia State College, she furthered her education with a bachelor's degree in Studio Arts from Georgia Southern University. She will be returning to the Master's in Fine Arts program at GSU in the fall of 2025. Terrie was a featured artist at The Kalmanson Gallery of EAC during January-February of 2023.

MARK LILLQUIST, Art Assistant

Mark is no stranger to the EAC art camps. He has been the instructor of each camp from 2017 to 2021. He has been employed as art teacher at Emanuel County Institute in Twin City since 2005. He is not only an artist, but a musician and writer as well; he likes to record music and write songs. He has given away pastel art works in Japan, Africa, California, and just about everywhere he has "been more than a minute." Mark enjoys creating and recording music in the studio he built in his home.

TMYRA PETERSON, Art Assistant

Tmyra is a 2022 graduate of Emanuel County Institute where she was on the Star Honor Roll with a 3.7 GPA. She is also a 2024 graduate of East Georgia State College, was on the Dean's Honor List, and an active member of the EGSC Art Club. She is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in graphic design.

The Emanuel Arts Council, Inc. (EAC) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose purpose is to empower and grow the community through cultural programs in all areas of the arts. The



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Kalmanson Gallery of EAC is located at 109 North Green Street in Swainsboro.

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WEEK 7 PARTICIPANT

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Scavenger Hunt. Family Connection encourages all of the families to give their best try in getting the final book during the Week 8 Hunt. "Even if a family has missed a few weeks, getting books for leisure reading is the goal. Encouraging and strengthening reading is a big part of our strategy work in Emanuel County", states Tammy Allen, Family Connection Coordinator.

They also want to give a big shout out to the business that was the secret business for Week 7 - East Georgia Healthcare, another strong supporter of improving childhood literacy in the county. Don't forget there will be an end-of-hunt party on July 27, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the library, where books that were missed will be available, refreshments and t-shirts for those hunters who were successful in at least two hunts.

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SWAINSBORO EXCHANGE CLUB PRESIDENT GARY MASON, LAWSON FRYE AND LAWSON'S FATHER PEYTON FRYE

Lawson Frye presents speech to Exchange

On Tuesday, July 9, 2024 Lawson Frye presented his speech titled "A Voyage of Adventure" to the Swainsboro Exchange Club. He recently won the State Jr. Beta Club contest with this speech and took 2nd in the nation out of 50 contestants at the National Jr. Beta Club Convention which was held in Savannah on June 10. Lawson is a rising 9th grader at Emanuel County Institute. He is the son of Peyton and Brooke Frye of Swainsboro. He is the grandson of Butch and Melanie Frye and Mike and Vicki Youmans.



VETS AT THE HALL'S CLUBHOUSE

Veterans at the Library meet at Hall Clubhouse

The Veterans at the Library held their weekly meeting at the Clubhouse of Jerry and Paula Hall's clubhouse Monday morning, July 15, at 9 a.m. With Chair Johnny Tapley presiding, they had 32 in attendance. Jerry, Paula, members of the Vets and Shari Watt fed them breakfast-which included breakfast casserole, sausage,

sausage and gravy, biscuits, sweet rolls, watermelon, blueberries, pineapple, cantaloupe, grapes, orange juice, grape juice, cranberry juice and coffee. Chair John discussed several items including a few U.S. Flags being flown incorrectly in Emanuel County. Please, if you have a flag that is faded, torn, ripped, or just looks

bad, replace it with a new flag. If you have a flagpole that does not have a U.S. Flag on it, please purchase one and fly the U.S. Flag proudly. Every day is "Flag Day" in America. Thank you, Jerry and Paula, for opening up your clubhouse to have the weekly meeting and showing great hospitality.



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PruittHealth Hospice Partner Spotlight

Meet our Administrator: Dale Hutcheson Webb

Dale has been an RN since 1987 when she graduated with her Bachelors Degree in Nursing from the University of South Carolina. She grew up in the Meeks Community and was a 1982 graduate of Adrian High School. Over her nursing career Dale has worked in Med Surg, ICU, Dialysis, Home health and Hospice.

Dale began her Hospice career in 2002 with PruittHealth Hospice as a case manager. She later became the DON and a corporate nurse consultant before taking the job of Administrator in 2008. She has great compassion for the patients they serve and claims to have "the best hospice staff around".

Outside of work, Dale enjoys reading, family research and traveling with family and friends. She is an avid Disney fan and loves to visit Walt Disney World. She is a member of the John Laurens Chapter DAR and the Thomas McCall Chapter US Daughters of 1812. She is also a member of Corinth Church where she teaches the childrens' Sunday School class and assists with Childrens church. Dale has 2 sons, Wes and Derek, and 4 grandchildren that are the lights of her life.



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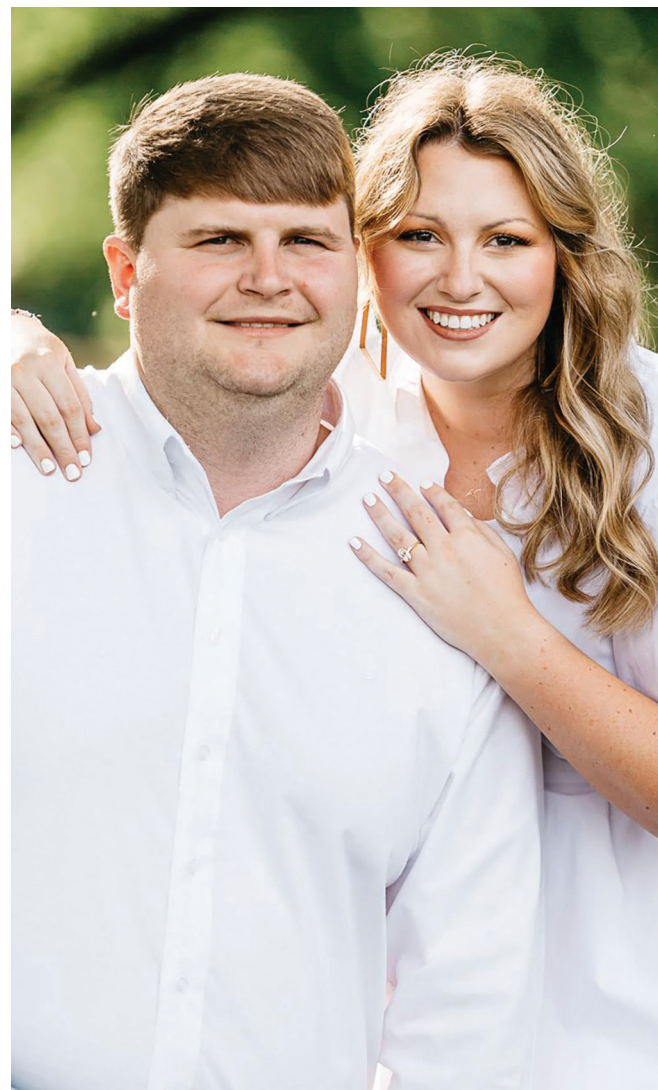
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Miss Brown, Mr. Burkhalter announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hendry Brown of Garfield is the granddaughter of Conner & Lynette Berry of Twin City, the late Sewell A. Townsend of Statesboro, and the late Dolan & Mary Ann Brown of Twin City. The future groom graduated from Pinewood Christian Academy and holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia. Mr. Burkhalter is currently employed by Crider Foods in Stillmore. He is the grandson of the late Arlian Brannen and Winona Brannen O'Neal of Glennville, and the late Herbert & Johnnie Burkhalter of Glennville. A family wedding is planned for August 31, 2024 in Twin City, Georgia.



MR. UNDERWOOD AND MISS SCOTT Scott, Underwood to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Scott of Portal proudly announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jency Alaina Scott, to John Bernard Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Underwood of Statesboro. The bride-elect is a 2018 honor graduate of David Emanuel Academy and a 2022 graduate of Georgia Southern University. Alaina is an Operating Room Circulating Nurse at East Georgia Regional Medical Center in Statesboro. Miss Scott is the granddaughter of Jency Bishop, Judy Scott and the late Kenny Scott, all of Twin City, and Bo and Susan Bishop of Metter. The future groom is a 2014 honor graduate of Statesboro High School and a 2018 graduate of Georgia Southern University. John is a Real Estate Appraiser with Hulsey-Johnston Appraisals. Mr. Underwood is the grandson of Sally Deal and the late Guy Deal of Statesboro, and Harold and Gail Underwood of Portal. The wedding is planned for March 1, 2025, with a reception to follow. Formal invitations will be sent at a later date.



MR. BURKHALTER AND MISS BROWN

BOGAN AND CANADY Canady and Bogan to exchange vows

The family of Lauren Reece Canady is happy to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of Miss Canady and Cameron Edward Bogan. The bride-elect is the daughter of Chad Canady of Swainsboro and Jill Canady of Garfield. She is the granddaughter of the late Billy and Hazel Bagwell of Calhoun, Georgia and Carol Canady and the late Bill Canady of Swainsboro. The groom-elect is the son of Chris and Shelly Bogan of Estero, Florida. He is the grandson of Rex and Ramona Laws-Nelms and the late Charles Laws of Riverdale, Georgia and Gloria Bogan and the late Charles Bogan of East Point, Georgia. Lauren is a 2022 graduate of the University of Georgia with a BS in Biology and a minor in Spanish. She is employed by Salveo Integrative Health in Atlanta as the Coordinator of Clinical Research and Specialized Services. Cameron is a 2022 graduate of the University of Georgia with a BA in Public Relations and a minor in English. He is employed by Technology Association of Georgia in Atlanta. The two met while attending The University of Georgia in 2021. They now live in Atlanta and share their beloved dog, Milo. A wedding will be held October 26, 2024 in North Georgia.

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Swainsboro Police Department Scavenger Hunt

The Police Department Scavenger Hunt began June 3, at 4:30 p.m. In addition to the winners that ran in the paper on June 18 and 25, Josie Radford found rock #18 at McRae Vet Clinic, Tinsley Sherrod found

rock #16 at Southeastern Tech and Briar Jones found rock #17 at the old Coke Plant, Everleigh Lovehall found rock #20 at Red's Quick Lube & Tire, Ellie Rountree found rock #19 at the Animal Shelter, Jackson

Drew found rock #21 at Luck Gambrell Park and Charlie McNeely found rock #22 at Church Street Manor. The last two rocks, #23 and 24, have been hidden but not found as of press time.



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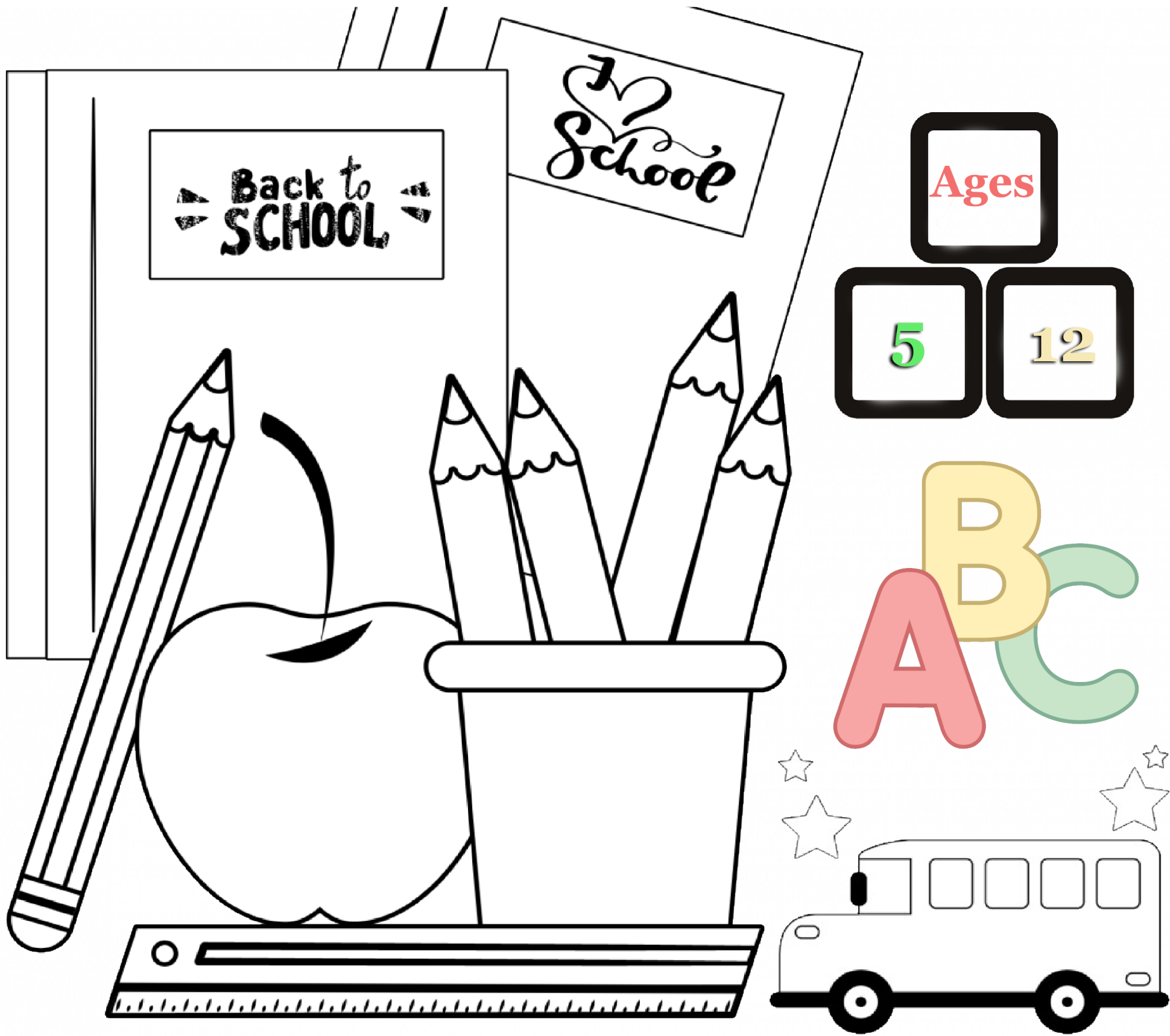
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
All creditors of the estate of Rosland Handberry Pickens, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
This 18th day of June, 2024.
Darryl Handberry, Executor of the Estate of

Rosland Handberry Pickens, decedent
Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.
P.O. Box 68
Swainsboro, GA 30401

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
All creditors of the estate of James Dixon Reeves, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
This 18th day of June, 2024.
Ralph E. Dixon, Jr., Administrator of the Estate of

James Dixon Reeves, decedent
Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.
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Swainsboro, GA 30401

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
All creditors of the estate of George H. Boyd, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
This 20th day of June, 2024.
Tristen Boyd, Administrator of the Estate of

George H. Boyd, decedent
Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSIE LEE NOBLES, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0081

NOTICE
IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will (and Codicil(s)) in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed.
TO: KAWANNA WILLIAMS
This is to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before **JULY 29, 2024**.
BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF BETTY W. MOORE, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0026

NOTICE
IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed.
TO: CHRISTOPHER LANCE MOORE
This is to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before **JULY 29, 2024**.
BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF TOMMIE KAY M. JOHNSON a/k/a KAY M. JOHNSON, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0083
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:
HOPE FAGLER has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of TOMMIE KAY M. JOHNSON a/k/a KAY M. JOHNSON deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before **JULY 29, 2024**.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be held on scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
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STATE OF GEORGIA EMANUEL COUNTY
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Re: Estate of Frances M. Stroud
All debtors and creditors of the Estate of Frances M. Stroud, deceased, late of Swainsboro, Emanuel County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands and payments to Linda Sue Stroud, Executor of the estate, 200 Dellwood Rd Swainsboro, Ga 30401 according to law and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
This 24th day of June, 2024.
Executor:
Linda Sue Stroud
200 Dellwood Rd
Swainsboro, Ga 30401

Notice of Sale Under Power. State of Georgia, County of EMANUEL. Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure

Debt given by ROBBIE T ROBERTS JR to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR GUARANTEED RATE, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, dated 11/30/2021, and Recorded on 12/06/2021 as Book No. 527 and Page No. 356-371, EMANUEL County, Georgia records, as last assigned to PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$139,860.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the EMANUEL County Courthouse within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in August, 2024, the following described property: TRACT ONE: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH IMPROVEMENTS, SITUATE, LYING, AND BEING IN THE 53RD G. M. DISTRICT OF EMANUEL COUNTY, CITY OF SWAINSBORO, GEORGIA, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT #5, BLOCK F, OF THE CASTLEWOOD SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON A PLAT PREPARED BY J. D. MCLEOD, SURVEYOR, ON AUGUST 2, 1971, WHICH IS HEREBY INCORPORATED HEREIN FOR A MORE FULL, COMPLETE, AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF SAID PROPERTY. SAID PROPERTY FRONTING ON KATHLEEN ROAD A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET AND RUNNING BACK ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE 253.74 FEET AND ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE 273.1 FEET AND BEING 141.5 FEET IN THE REAR. SAID PROPERTY BEING BOUNDED, NOW OR FORMERLY, AS FOLLOWS: NORTHWEST BY KATHLEEN ROAD; NORTHEAST BY LANDS OF MARY THIGPEN, ET AL; SOUTHEAST BY PROPERTY OF RALPH FOSKEY AND PROPERTY OF SEAN WILLIAMSON; AND ON THE SOUTHWEST BY PROPERTY OF WADE BEDDINGFIELD, ET AL.

TRACT TWO: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING, SITUATE, AND BEING IN THE CITY OF SWAINSBORO, 53RD G. M. DISTRICT OF EMANUEL COUNTY, GEORGIA,

AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTHEASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF KATHLEEN ROAD A DISTANCE OF 126.20 FEET SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM THE INTERSECTIONS OF CHARLES STREET AND KATHLEEN ROAD IN THE CITY OF SWAINSBORO, SAID POINT BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE RUNNING SOUTH 46 DEGREES 06 MINUTES EAST A DISTANCE OF 245.19 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; THENCE RUNNING SOUTH 42 DEGREES 07 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE OF 75 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT; THENCE RUNNING NORTH 40 DEGREES 4 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE OF 253.74 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT; THENCE RUNNING NORTH 49 DEGREES 36 MINUTES EAST A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT IS DESIGNATED AS THE SOUTHWESTERN PORTION OF LOT 6, BLOCK F OF THE CASTLEWOOD SUBDIVISION BY PLAT BY J. D. MCLEOD, REGISTERED SURVEYOR, DATED MAY 20, 1975, AND RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF EMANUEL

COUNTY, GEORGIA, IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 296. SAID PLAT BY REFERENCE HERETO IS INCORPORATED HEREIN FOR A MORE FULL, COMPLETE, AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF SAID PROPERTY. BOTH TRACTS TOGETHER ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE EMANUEL COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE AS MAP S38, PARCEL 023 AND HAS THE ADDRESS OF 111 KATHLEEN ROAD, SWAINSBORO, GEORGIA The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC may be contacted at: PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, 3043 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 200, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, 866-549-3583. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as 111 KATHLEEN RD, SWAINSBORO, GEORGIA 30401 is/are: ROBBIE T ROBERTS JR or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC as Attorney in Fact for ROBBIE T ROBERTS JR. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 00000010169597 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341-5398.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF

EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF STEVE EDWARD RINER, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0059
PETITION FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR WAIVER OF BOND AND/OR GRANT CERTAIN POWERS NOTICE
JESSE LYN RINER has petitioned for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or for the grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261 in regard to the above estate. All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before **AUGUST 12, 2024**.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
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By: Jeanie Hooks
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY
All creditors of the estate of George Randall Holder, decedent, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render in their demands to Jerry N. Cadle, P.C., P.O. Box 68, Swainsboro, GA 30401 according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
This 9th day of July, 2024.
Chasity H. Newsome, Executrix of the Estate of

George Randall Holder, decedent
Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.
P.O. Box 68
Swainsboro, GA 30401

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: Eli Mark Vaudreuil Plaintiff,

Korey Vaudreuil Civil
Action File No. 24CV156
Defendant,

NOTICE OF SUMMONS-SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
TO: Kory Vaudreuil, Defendant
Named Above: You are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking name change of Eli Mark Vaudreuil [state the relief sought] was filed against you in said court on July 10, 2024, and that by reason of an order for service of summons by publication entered by the court on July 10, 2024 you are hereby commanded and required to file with the clerk of said court and serve upon Kelli Sweet plaintiff, whose address is P.O. Box 627 Swainsboro, Ga 30401 and answer to the complaint within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for service by publication. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Witness the Honorable Robert Reeves, Judge of said court. This the 10th day of July, 2024
Kristin C Hall
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Sheriff's Reports

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

July 9
Complainant stated he was traveling on I16 and an unknown tractor trailer hit a piece of tire and slung into the front of his vehicle causing moderate damage.

July 12
Deputy took a report of a stolen motorcycle tag. Complainant stated someone

entered his yard and took the late off of his bike and suspects a known male subject to have taken it.

Complainant stated her medication was just filled that contained 60 pills and found the bottle only has 14 pills in it. C/p believes while she was moving, the medication was stolen from her vehicle that was left in her console. C/p stated she had taken appx. eight of the pills before she noticed them missing.

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).

Tanya Brittany Adams, 23, arrested 7/11/24; Disorderly conduct; SPD

Demarcus Lee Badie, 43, arrested 7/8/24; Hold for Candler Co.; CCSO

Emanuel Xavier Bell, 36, arrested 7/10/24; Theft by deception/ Probation violation; TCPD

Theron Bell, 72, arrested 7/10/24; Deposit account fraud (bad checks)-felony; ECSSO

Dean Junior Black, 47, arrested 7/9/24; Sentenced to State; ECSSO

Alianna Mae Sheree Bottoms, 47, arrested 7/13/24; Speeding/ Hold for Chatham Co.; ECSSO

Laura Jean Cummings, 61, arrested 7/12/24; Disorderly conduct; SPD

Scottie Lee Durrence, 41, arrested 7/13/24; Public intoxication; SPD

Clarence Fann, 42, arrested 7/13/24; City probation; SPD

Dakota Edward Farrow, 30, arrested 7/9/24; Tag light requirements/ DUI-marijuana or controlled substance; GSP

Jamar Xavier Finklea, 26, arrested 7/8/24; DUI less safe/Seatbelt violation/Speeding; GSP

Paul Gilmore, 45, arrested 7/12/24; Bench warrant; ECSSO

Hugh Avery Glisson, 28, arrested 7/9/24; Probation violation-felony; ECSSO

Mariano Hernandez

Gonzalez, 31, arrested 7/14/24; Operation unauth vehicle w/ blue lights/Failure to maintain lane/Driving while unlicensed/DUI less safe; GSP

Ashia Lashondra Gordon, 27, arrested 7/11/24; Identity theft fraud-felony (x2)/ Parole violation; SPD

Clarence Duran Harvey, 40, arrested 7/9/24; Driving while license suspended/ revoked/Seatbelt violation; GSP

Anthony Ridge Holloway, 24, arrested 7/8/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked/DUI less safe/Suspended tag/ Probation violation; GSP

Robert Carl Hooker, 50, arrested 7/8/24; Bench warrant; ECSSO

Jyrael Keyshon Jackson, 25, arrested 7/9/24; Seatbelt violation/DUI less safe; GSP

Vincent Aaron Johnson, 35, arrested 7/9/24; Seatbelt violation/Driving while license suspended/ revoked/Possession of meth/Possession and use of drug related objects; SPD

Shnara Nicole Lockett, 39, arrested

7/12/24; City court jail time; ECSSO

Jacobi Oryan Mays, 36, arrested 7/9/24; Driving while. License suspended/revoked/ Speeding; ECSSO

Blakely Isis McKeever, 22, arrested 7/14/24; Impeding flow of traffic/Driving while license suspended/ revoked/ Hold for Henry Co.; ECSSO

Shermane Devone Mills, 47, arrested 7/11/24; Probation violation-felony; ECSSO

Cory Michael Moore, 30, arrested 7/10/24;

Use of license plate w/intent to conceal/ Expired registration/ Driving whole license suspended/ revoked; OPPD

Kevin Steelie Moore, 50, DUI less safe; GSP

Mack George Odom, 41, arrested 7/9/24; Failure to comply; SPD

Jimmy Lee Smith, 68, arrested 7/13/24; DUI less safe/Failure to maintain lane; GSP

Michael Keondre Smith, 49, arrested 7/13/24; Parole violation; SPD

William Jeffery Tant,

36, arrested 7/12/24; DUI less safe/Open container/Improper stopping/parking in roadway; GSP

Mark Robert Taylor, 65, arrested 7/8/24; Hold for Troup Co. SPD

Kerry Waylon Walker, 46, arrested 7/12/24; ECSSO

Eurasia Shareka Williams, 33, arrested 7/10/24; Probation violation; ECSSO

Jasmine Latricia Williams, 31, arrested 7/13/24; DUI less safe; GSP

CITY OF GARFIELD BUDGET FOR July 2024 thru June 2025

Income by Class		
Property taxes		\$26,310.00
Vehicle tax		\$5,085.53
Sales tax		\$33,939.40
Beer revenue		\$7,670.75
Utility Franchise tax		\$14,730.44
Insurance Premium tax		\$15,163.60
Total Income From taxes		\$102,899.72
Fire Dept(fire Hydrants)	\$2,600.00	
Water revenues	\$58,754.68	
Tank Maintenance	\$18,000.00	
Garbage Revenue	\$19,800.00	
Fines And Forfeitures	\$5,000.00	
Business License	\$1,500.00	
Business License Insurance	\$1,942.50	
Gov Ser Fees	\$10,000.00	
Interest Income	\$500.00	
Total Income from other sources		\$118,097.18
Total Income For City Operations		\$220,996.90
Expenditures by Department		
Administration		
Clerk	\$23,036	
Council and Mayor	\$5,750	
Utilities	\$15,000.00	
Supplies	\$2,000.00	
Insurance	\$14,300.00	
Legal(auditor)	\$9,100.00	
Advertisements	\$1,100.00	
Payroll Taxes	\$12,000.00	
Street Lights	\$11,900.00	
School/Training	\$1,650.00	
Election	\$1,000.00	
Total For Administration		\$96,836.00
Sanitation and streets		
Salary	\$4,000.00	
Trash Pick-up	\$19,200.00	
Repairs and Supplies	\$2,450.00	
Total for Sanitation		\$25,650
Police Department		
Salaries	\$33,000.00	
Supplies	\$800.00	
Gas	\$3,000.00	
Uniforms	\$800.00	
Utilities (police phone &fax)	\$1,500.00	
Auto Expense	\$3,000.00	
Judge	\$700.00	
Prisoners	\$500.00	
Annuities	\$2,800.00	
Defense Attorney	\$600.00	
Clerk of Court	\$1,200.00	
Total for Police Department		\$47,900.00
Fire Department		
Truck Expense	\$4,400.00	
Supplies	\$981.56	
Salary	\$1,000.00	
Fuel	\$1,500.00	
Total for Fire Department		\$7,881.56
Water Department		
Salaries	\$15,000.00	
Supplies	\$8,748.74	
Fees	\$1,500.00	
Contracted Labor	\$7,700.00	
Tank Maintenance	\$9,780.60	
Total for Water		\$42,729.34
Total For All Departments (Expenditures)		\$220,996.90
net		
Budget Balance		0
SPLOST BUDGET (capitol outlay)		
Income from Splost	\$22,250.00	
Splost Expenditures	\$22,250.00	
NET		\$22,250.00

News from under the Gold Dome

State Representative Butch Parrish (R-Swainsboro), chairman of the House Rules Committee, was recently appointed by Speaker Jon Burns (R-Newington) to serve on the House Study Committee on Alternatives to Opioids for Pain Management.

"I am grateful to Speaker Burns for appointing me to this study committee on a matter that deserves much attention and investigation during the interim," said Chairman Parrish. "We heard from many hurting families affected by the opioid crisis during the 2024 legislative session and made positive legislative change to help curb this epidemic. We will work hard this interim toward effective education regarding alternatives to addictive pain management medications to give peace to families and prevent more loss. I am eager to present legislation during the 2025 session based on our findings and continue the House's efforts to pass public policy to protect Georgians."

The House Study Committee on Alternatives to Opioids for Pain Management was established following the adoption of House Resolution 1360 during the 2024 legislative session. The study committee will explore methods to increase awareness of non-opioid alternatives, including non-opioid pharmacologic treatments, through educational programs for healthcare providers. The committee aims to foster collaboration and integrated care



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among all healthcare providers involved in pain management. Additionally, the committee may propose legislative recommendations before the 2025 legislative session.

Speaker Burns also appointed the following study committee members: State Representatives Katie Dempsey (R-Rome), Michelle Au (D-Johns Creek), Sharon Cooper (R-Marietta), Lee Hawkins (R-Gainesville), Lynn Gladney (D-Augusta) and Mark Newton (R-Augusta). Mr. Jeff Breedlove, Mr. Michael Persley, Dr. Armin Oskoei, Mr. Jesse Weathington and Mr. Adam Kaye will serve as the non-legislative members.

I remain dedicated to serving your interests as your state representative, and I hope that you will contact me with any questions or concerns

you may have regarding the legislative session or with any proposals or recommendations for future legislation.

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

Follow me on facebook for updates throughout the year. Thank you for allowing me to be your representative.

Sincerely,
Representative Butch Parrish

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NOTICE

The City of Swainsboro has narrowed down the applicants for the Fire Chief position to three finalists. The three finalists are James Ward, Alima Mims, and Mark Waters. Council may decide on one of the finalists at the regular August 5, 2024 City Council meeting at the Swainsboro Fire Department.

Swainsboro Police Reports

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

July 4

911 dispatched officers to Oliphant Street for a male who was involved in an altercation refusing to leave. Upon arrival, contact was made with the offender's mother who stated that her son was completely out of it and was refusing to get in the car so she could take him home. She stated that the offender had an altercation with his girlfriend's father and had a shotgun placed in his mouth. The offender was located and was showing signs of public drunkenness. Offender was arrested.

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle pulling into the Waffle King. Another officer arrived and observed the driver leaned on the tailgate and could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his person. Offender was arrested for DUI.

Officer responded to Project Street in reference to a call. Upon arrival,

contact was made with complainant who stated that her son let a man stay at their place for a few weeks. The man was asked to leave and the owner of the residence was contacted.

Officer responded to East Pine Street in reference to a call. The caller's daughter has her vehicle key and refuses to give it back. C/p stated that she picked the vehicle up from an investigator at someone's residence during a search warrant and showed proof of ownership. The daughter does not have any legal ownership of the vehicle and was advised to return the keys to her mother.

Officer was dispatched to SPD in reference to a report of vehicle damage. C/p explained that earlier in the day, he took his vehicle to get a tire replaced and when he picked it up, the tire fell off and caused damage to the vehicle. This caused the driver door not to open like it should.

Officer responded to a call on West Pine Street. C/p stated that he recently moved to the residence and asked the landlord for receipts after paying rent. The landlord told him that he did not give any receipts that he only kept personal records of rent payments.

Officers were dispatched to West Moring Street in reference to a theft. Upon arrival, contact was made with c/p who showed officer video footage of a man pick up a plant, walk a few feet, and when something was said to him, he put the plant down and walked away. Later, a man with the same description was spotted by officers at the trash dumpster behind NAPA Auto Parts. His speech was slurred, and he had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his person. Offender was arrested.

Officer was in the area of West Street for a domestic in progress when he observed a man standing at the rear of a vehicle shooting a handgun into the air. When the officer approached him, he fled the scene.

Officers were dispatched to West Street in reference to a damage to vehicle report. While officers were en route,

911 stated that a verbal dispute was going on at this location. As officers arrived on scene, two men were arguing. Officers tried to separate them, but one of them continued to cause a disturbance. After the offender was transported to EmCo Jail, cocaine and some burned glass pipes were found.

C/p came into SPD to make a report. She stated that when she was arrested at her home, her purse was left on scene. She stated that along with her purse, her medications were left behind as well. When she was released and went home to prepare to attend a family reunion, she noticed her purse was missing and gave information on what the purse contained.

July 5

Officer was dispatched to McLeod Bridge Road in reference to a call about a resident finding a bullet hole in their home. Upon arrival to the residence, c/p stated that she found a projectile bullet piece within the cracks of her front porch.

Officer was called to SPD to make a report in reference to an individual taking card information and sending money from that card to their card. C/p stated that the offender had taken \$220 from her account and sent it to his cashapp. She stated that he has been top her residence several times and she has to threaten to call the cops on him for him to leave.

Officers responded to a call at Latitude 105 in reference to the manager needing a report on damage done to an apartment. Officer came in contact with the manager who stated that the offender had been living in the apartment until July 4. The damage observed was a clogged kitchen sink, cabinet covers torn off the drawers, the refrigerator being torn and missing a bottom drawer, the bathroom having what looked to be a shirt in the toilet that clogged, and brown marks all over the wall. Upon removal of the sink, the offender had put plastic knives down in the drain line and the insides of the toilet tank had been ripped out.

911 dispatched officers to South Racetrack Street in reference to EMS needing an officer on scene. Officer spoke to one of the EMTs that stated they had received a call to a male subject who had fallen. When they arrived on scene, the man was holding his private area and had scratched on his neck and face. He stated that

he had been attacked. EMTs employees stated once they made sure he was okay, they were walking back to the ambulance when they heard the offender yell at the victim. Offender was placed under arrest for battery.

911 dispatched officers to West Pine Street in reference to a fight between two males. C/p/victim was sitting on the concrete upon arrival. He stated that the offender was trying to evict him from the residence and pushed and grabbed him by the arms and neck. He then pushed him down the steps. The offender stated that the victim was no longer welcome at the residence because he would not comply to house rules. He stated that he went to his room and told him he had to leave. He stated that the victim jumped the stairs, and this caused him to fall.

Officer was called to SPD in reference to a report of clothes that had been stolen. C/p stated that her kid's clothes were missing from the turn of her car and listed the items that were missing.

Officers were dispatched to Gumlog Road in reference to c/p stating that a female took his cell phone. 911 stated that the male was hollering on the phone with them and was cursing and making racial comments to them. Officers could not get an answer at the door of the residence. C/p called 911 again and stated that he was in a different place on Lewis Street. C/p stated that offender took his phone, and he appeared very intoxicated. He was arrested for disorderly conduct for the manor that he spoke to dispatchers.

Officer was dispatched to a call in reference to a motor that had been stolen while the owner was in the process of moving houses. C/p stated that she bought a motor with her income tax money to put into her vehicle. When the motor arrived, it was placed next to the car and when she came back, the motor was missing.

Officer was dispatched to Walmart in reference to a woman wanting to make a report for damage to vehicle. She stated that she left from work and came to Walmart. Upon leaving, she noticed that her driver's side door handle was broken. Footage was observed and no tampering with the vehicle was seen.

Officer was dispatched to Days Inn in reference to a wallet that was stolen. C/p stated that he dropped his wallet when he entered the hotel and an unknown person picked up his wallet. He stated that the wallet was turned into the hotel and was given back to him, but the money in it was missing.

July 6

Officer was at Walmart parking lot when they ran the tag on a vehicle and the owners information came back with a suspended license. Officer intimidated a traffic stop and offender was released on a cita-

tion. Officer responded to a call at Abundance Street to make a report about a gun that was stolen. C/p stated that he needed to make a report about his gun being stolen, that he was at the Starblazer club the night before and the gun was in the vehicle when he went inside, but it was gone upon his return.

Officer was dispatched to South Green Street in reference to people fighting. Both parties were identified upon arrival. C/p stated that they were celebrating c/p and offender's daughter's birthday when an argument began over who got to hold the child.

Officer responded to A to Z Power Equipment in reference to an alarm of front glass break. The main door appeared to have been shot with a BB gun.

July 7

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that was failing to maintain lane. Driver was arrested for DUI-alcohol.

Officers were on Kite Road for a road check when a vehicle pulled up. The driver had a suspended license, and the driver was arrested.

Officers were on Kite Road for a road check when a vehicle pulled up with the smell of marijuana coming from it. The vehicle was searched, and the offender stated that he had just smoked before he left his house, .4 grams of marijuana was located in the vehicle. Offender was issued a citation and was told that he needed a ride to come get him. Officer gave offender a ride to a gas station to wait for someone to come pick him up.

July 8

Officer responded to a call at East Pine Street in reference to a dispute. C/p stated that she just wanted SPD there when she moved her vehicle, since she and her daughter were having an altercation. After police left the scene, they were called back and c/p stated that her daughter threatened to hit her and this escalated the altercation again.

Officer ran the tag of the vehicle in front of him and it came back with the driver having a suspended license. An official notice of the license suspension was issued.

Officer responded to a call at the rear parking lot of the tag office in reference to a report. C/p advised that while making a right-hand turn, his log truck struck a crosswalk signal sign and knocked it down.

911 dispatched officer to respond to Kite Road in reference to a gunshot victim. Officers responded and learned that the victim received a gunshot wound to the arm and another in the abdomen. The witness stated that they were playing basketball behind KT's and the witness left the court by himself and the victim continued playing. He stated that later he was driving and saw his friend walking, slumped over, and holding his stomach.

911 dispatched officers to Gumlog Road in reference to money being stolen from c/p. C/p stated that earlier in the day she was with the offender running errands and during the time she withdrew money from the ATM. When she returned home, she realized that she was missing part of that money. The alleged offender said that she did not take any of the money.

Officers responded to a call at Taco Bell in reference to a manager having a dispute with a customer. The caller advised that the manager called him an "old fart" then told him to leave the location. The caller was found to be wanted out of Troop County and was arrested.

July 9

Officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in which the driver had no seatbelt on. The offender did not have a driver's license and drugs were found as well. Offender was arrested.

Officers were dispatched to West Moring Street in reference to an unwanted person. Officers arrived and noticed offender on the front porch, he stated that he did not live at the residence, so he was told to leave the location by officers. He stated that he was not going to leave, so he was arrested.

Officer observed a vehicle with a busted headlight and conducted a traffic stop on it. The tag also came back with no valid insurance and suspended registration. The driver stated that the vehicle was not hers and the passenger was able to get insurance on the vehicle. Vehicle and driver were related on a citation.

911 dispatched officers to East Pine Street in reference to a fight in progress. Upon arrival, contact was made with the offender who stated that she and the other woman had issues for the last year over a man. She stated that the woman texted her and told her to pull up, so she did. The offender was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct.

July 11

911 dispatched officers to North Anderson Drive in reference to a fight. Upon arrival, officer heard a female voice yelling profanity and saw other residents standing in the hallway. The offender made it inside a room and was still yelling. C/p stated that the offender and another female got into an argument. She stated that the offender had been evicted from this location previously and is not supposed to be on the site. The offender later threw her phone on the ground and was arrested for disorderly conduct.

July 12

Officer ran the tag of a vehicle and information came back with having suspended registration and no insurance. A traffic stop was initiated, and the vehicle was towed along with citations being issued.

"You know how much I love you, Josie - more than anyone or anything in the world!" began his text message. "Can't wait until I see you this evening. Will be there if I don't go to the ball game with Rob. Love, Steve."

It didn't take Josie long to erase the message and text her friend Ruth asking if they could get together for dinner. She had trouble understanding that kind of love. And so does God. We say one thing to Him and then live a life that is entirely inconsistent with His understanding of love and what He expects us to do if we love Him. "You who love the Lord," said the Psalmist, "hate evil!" That is a very straight forward, simple statement. It is one of Scriptures If/Then challenges that God puts in our pathway. Put another way we might ask, "If we don't hate evil can we truly love God? And, if we hate evil, how will our lives show those around us that we do?"

Loving God means that we will do whatever is necessary to align ourselves with His plan and purpose for His world. We will work with Him to reach out to those around us with a heart full of His love to show them His grace and mercy. We will be uncomfortable if we know of someone, somewhere who needs something that we have that we can share with them that will bring hope and healing to their lives. People who lie abandoned in convalescent homes and children who are abused through no fault of their own and individuals who crave a smile and a hug need to know that "we love the Lord." They will if we reach out.

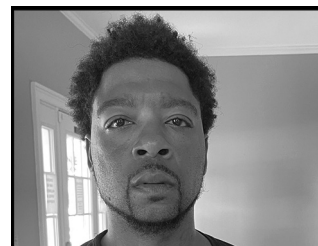
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Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 40-6-391 notice is hereby given that Jeruann M. Hunter, 2358 Spann Rd. Wadley, Ga 30477 was convicted of the offense of DUI 2nd, on the 23rd day of May, 2024, in Swainsboro Municipal Court.

Rustin retires after 25 years at Southeastern Technical College

Director for Economic Development and Continuing Education Susan Rustin retired after twenty-five years of dedicated service to Southeastern Technical College (STC).

While a student at Southeastern Technical College, receiving a Business Office Technology Diploma, Rustin began working for Southeastern Tech as a continuing education business and industry specialist. She assisted in coordinating classes, conferencing, and catering, served work-ready programs, coordinated leadership programs, hired instructors, and administrated proctored exams for industry certifications.

Rustin worked in business-related fields for most of her career, having once owned three businesses of her own. Her experience brought valuable insights to her role at Southeastern Technical College. She earned an Associate of Applied Science from East Georgia College and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Troy University.

Rustin was promoted to Director for Economic Development and Continuing Education for Southeastern Tech in 2020, where she was responsible for personalized training for businesses and industries and collaborating with economic development authorities.



CALHOUN AND RUSTIN

President Larry Calhoun said, "We thank Susan for her 25 years of dedicated service to Southeastern Technical College and our businesses and industries. Many of the folks she has worked with and trained along the way have become her friends. They are not numbers, they

aren't statistics, they are not classes – they are people. It takes a rare person to do all that Susan has done. Her duties resulted in many lives of local citizens being positively impacted. We wish her all the best in retirement."

"Thank you for the trust you've had in me," remarked Rustin as she reflected on her tenure. "Together, we have worked to improve the economic well-being of our citizens. I've enjoyed working with everyone and all of our industries. I have enjoyed all my years at Southeastern Tech. When you work at the same place for so many years, coworkers become family. I'm going to miss everyone."

Among other courses, the STC Economic Development and Continuing Education Center provides American Heart Association First Aid and CPR training, ServSafe Manager's training, Joshua's Law Driver's Education and defensive driving instruction, and OSHA-approved forklift safety certification. Ed2go courses for online continuing education are also available.

The Economic Development Center served 78 companies in 2023. For more information regarding the Economic Development and Continuing Education Department, visit www.southeasterntech.edu or call (912) 538-3258.

Howard speaks to the Wiregrass

The Wiregrass Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, held its monthly meeting on Thursday night, July 11, at McKinney Pond's Restaurant in Midville. With President Steve Burke presiding, they had 26 in attendance. President Steve called on Chaplain Emory Fennell to give the invocation, led the Pledge to the U.S. Flag and the Pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution. President Steve discussed what the Chapter had been involved in the past 30 days and also the upcoming events. President Steve then called on



HOWARD

Registrar Dess Smith III to introduce the speaker for the evening. Dess introduced Veteran Laura Howard who presented her program on "Women's Contribution

to the Military and Country". President Steve then called on Chaplain Emory to say the benediction and led the Sons of the American Revolution Recessional.

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Pursuant to Article 13 section 13-7 of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Swainsboro dated May 5, 1997, notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the conference room inside the rear entrance of the City Hall of the City of Swainsboro, GA at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 24, 2024.
 The purpose of this hearing is to consider a petition by Michelle Moore for a variance to operate a boarding house located at 307 South Main Street, which is zoned C-8 and could allow this use with a variance.
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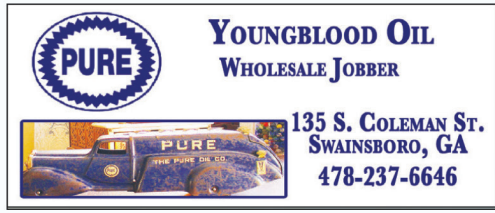
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