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DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen wins multiple awards at company's reunion

DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen of East Georgia gratefully announces its recent achievements at the Company's Reunion held from June 17-21 in Fort Worth, Texas. The franchise received the prestigious Dream Awards for Enhancing Lives, Carpenter of the Year, Salesperson of the Year and the esteemed Cornerstone recognition. The Cornerstone recognition is awarded to franchisees demonstrating excellence in stewardship, requiring

benchmarks in sales volume, net profit, system implementation, and adherence to the Code of Values. This prestigious honor highlights DreamMaker of East Georgia's unwavering commitment to excellence.

Eric Anderson, Leesa Anderson, David Anderson and their dedicated team at DreamMaker of East Georgia were awarded the Enhancing Lives. Improving Homes award. This award exemplifies their exceptional communication skills,

problem-solving abilities and relationship-building expertise. The team is consistently recognized for exceeding customer expectations with top-notch craftsmanship and professionalism. One client shared, "It was expensive to have a bathroom remodel done, but it was definitely worth the money spent. The value of having DreamMaker take care of the remodel is that they handle all aspects of the job 'in house.' Their skilled, (Continued on page 2A)



ERIC, LEESA AND DAVID ANDERSON

Emanuel County Family Connection provides supplemental educational opportunities

Emanuel County Family Connection provides supplemental education opportunities to students in K-5th grades focusing on improving literacy and nutrition. One of the strongest programs that Family Connection offers is the Charlie Cart Project, which is a hands-on cooking and nutrition education program. According to the findings by the Charlie Cart Project, one in six kids in the U.S. will go hungry. One in three will develop Type 2 diabetes in their lifetime. Food security and healthy eating require two things: access to fresh, healthy food; and basic skills to prepare that food. It's simple. Food education is essential for lifelong health.

Kids need to understand how to make good choices in order to fuel their bodies so they can think clearly and feel their best. In addition, the Charlie Cart recipes are relevant in that they don't call for fancy, high-priced ingredients that aren't attainable in most households. Kids will learn that nutrition on a budget is possible and that they can play



TAMMY ALLEN, FAMILY CONNECTION COORDINATOR AND WADE JOHNSON, MILL CREEK FOUNDATION

an active role in nourishing their bodies/minds at home and later in life.

Tammy Allen, Family Connection Coordinator, and other Family Connection Volunteers come into the classrooms to teach these classes when the teachers find it matches their lesson plans. It can be a math, science, or social studies lesson. The most frequently scheduled classes have been in the STEAM classes at SES, SPS and TCE.

The Charlie Cart is a mobile kitchen

equipped with all the tools that a classroom of 30 students would need to prepare most dishes. Having this valuable resource in the elementary schools is such a great teaching tool.

What about the additional needed resources like food items, ingredients, and misc supplies? Thanks to the support of the Mill Creek Foundation, Family Connection received a grant to be able to offer Charlie Cart Classes again in the 2024-2025 school year!



SWAINSBORO CAMPUS

East Georgia State College chosen for Student Success Equity Intensive Program Cohort

The American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AACSC) has selected East Georgia State College (EGSC) as one of eight new member institutions to participate in the Student Success Equity Intensive (SSEI). This multiyear initiative is designed to help increase the academic success of Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and low-income students, as well as address the equity gaps these demographics experience. This is the fourth cohort to enter the program, and there are now 60 institutions participating.

Funded by the Bill

& Melinda Gates Foundation, SSEI is made up of institutions in rural, urban, and suburban campuses from around the country. The latest cohort includes one Hispanic-serving institution, one predominantly Black institution, and one historically Black college and university. The selected institutions serve 57,402 students with an average Pell eligibility of 37.50%. Participating SSEI schools are required to assemble a team of campus leaders that includes presidents, provosts, and student success and data experts. During this team-learning experi-

ence, EGSC will receive customized support to help make data-driven decisions that center the realities of Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and low-income students. Throughout the program, members become better equipped to tackle the barriers these students face, so they no longer stand in the way of academic achievement.

EGSC will participate in in-person and virtual learning with peers at other institutions and will have access to a variety of resources, such as webinars and online modules. Additionally, (Continued on page 2A)

Don't miss...
Dancing With the Stars
Sunshine House Edition
 • Saturday, August 10th
 See page 3A for details!

Emanuel County Humane Society to hold meeting

Emanuel County Humane Society would like to invite anyone interested in helping the animals in our community to a meeting on August 8, at 6 p.m. at Franklin Memorial Library Smith Room. The meeting is to find people interested in making a difference in animal welfare of fur babies. Please join

and share your ideas. For more information, contact Shari Watt at 478.237.7791.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND CLUB MEMBER JIM SHERROD, CLUB MEMBER DR. SASSER AND SINGLETARY

Singletary speaks at Exchange meeting

On Tuesday, July 30, 2024, Dr. Bobby Sasser had County Administrator Guy Singletary as the speaker for the meeting of the Swainsboro Exchange Club. Singletary gave an update on the general operations of the County including the road department, county facility projects, recreation department and the budget among other topics.

DreamMaker Bath

(From front page)

trained and meticulous personnel ensure all their work meets a high standard."

Bill Wilcox, honored as Lead Carpenter of the Year, is celebrated for his commitment to excellence and a superior client experience. Wilcox is known for going the extra mile, whether it's taking time to greet a family pet or finding innovative solutions to complex installations. A licensed electrician adept in plumbing, electrical work, cabinetry, and dry-wall, Wilcox exemplifies leadership by prioritizing the training of assistant carpenters, creating an environment for growth and improvement.

David Anderson, named Salesperson of the Year, is recognized for his attentive listening skills and helpful project suggestions. His

ability to build trust and rapport with clients has been instrumental, even successfully bringing a client over from another remodeler by understanding their needs. "David's positive attitude uplifts the entire team. His enthusiasm and joy are contagious," stated the franchise owner.

The annual DreamMaker event brings together franchisees from across the nation to focus on delivering excellent customer service, improving processes and efficiencies, and exploring new vendor opportunities.

"Our Code of Values is not just something that hangs on the wall; it's a living, breathing philosophy based on timeless principles. This means that we conduct our business completely above-board, honesty all the way," emphasized Doug Dwyer, President

and CSO of DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen.

As DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen celebrates its 25th anniversary, the company renews its dedication to integrity and excellence, aiming to enhance homes and communities. DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen is renowned for superior craftsmanship and ethical excellence, prioritizing customer-first designs and remodeling efforts.

About DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen

DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen is a full-service interior remodeling franchise known for superior craftsmanship and ethical excellence. With a commitment to customer-first designs and remodeling efforts, DreamMaker franchise owners and their teams create beautiful, functional spaces that enhance the quality of life for their clients.

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East Georgia State...

(From front page)

SSEI provides access to subject matter experts who can offer advice on equity, student success, analytics, advising, institutional transformation, and systems and strategic planning.

SSEI is one of AASCU's vital programs and services that help members boost student success. This end-to-end guided learning experience empowers institutions to reach their student success goals as they serve the unique needs of current and future students from underserved communities.

Other institutions selected through the rigorous application process include: Adams State University (CO), Missouri State University, North Carolina A&T State University, SUNY Cobleskill (NY), The State University of New York at Potsdam, Western Michigan University, and Winona State University (MN).

The American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) is a Washington, D.C.-based higher education association of 350 public colleges, universities, and systems whose members share a learning- and teaching-centered culture, a historic commitment to underserved student populations, and a dedication to research and creativity that advances their regions' economic progress and cultural development. These are institutions Delivering America's Promise. Visit us at www.aascu.org.

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Exchange donates to Bookbag Drive

On Tuesday July 23, 2024, The Swainsboro Exchange Club presented a \$500 donation to Ronnie Shuemaker to go towards his Future Generation Youth Book Bag Drive. This project reached it's 21st anniversary Saturday, July 27 and has provided book bags and school supplies to thousands of students in need during its existence.

A big thank you to Ronnie and all his helpers who make this possible.



EXCHANGE CLUB PRESIDENT GARY MASON AND SHUEMAKER

Warnock speaks to Veterans

The Veterans at the Library held their weekly meeting at the Franklin Memorial Library Monday, August 5, at 9 a.m. With Chair Johnny Tapley presiding, they had 43 in attendance. Joyce Fennell provided breakfast consisting of pancakes with syrup, sausage, grits, pastries, cantaloupe, blueberries, grapes and strawberries and Shari Watt provided orange juice, grape juice, cranberry juice and coffee. Library representative Shari Watt informed them that with the veteran's aid, they passed out over 100 bookbags of school supplies at the boneyard Saturday, August 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the \$600 that was donated by the Veterans for the Library youth project that came from the recent Veterans Cup Golf Tournament. Chair Johnny then introduced



WARNOCK

Ken Warnock with the Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce and the Emanuel County Development Authority. Warnock presented an outstanding presentation on what these two groups were accomplishing in Emanuel County in the past, present and future. He covered the different corporations that have settled here, what their needs were, what the county has done for them, and what their needs are for the

future. Warnock also talked about our local airport, being one of the 13 longest runways in Georgia and how much tax revenue we receive for the planes that use our airport as their base location. We are lucky to have Ken and his team working for Emanuel County and look forward to another great presentation from him in the future. Ken, the Veterans salute you in what you do for the Citizens of Emanuel County.

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Michael "Mike" Derrick McKinney, 63

Michael Derrick McKinney, age 63, departed this life Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at Carl Vinson Veterans Medical Center in Dublin following an extended illness. A Celebration of Life was held Sunday, August 4, at 2:30 p.m. at Rountree Island Church in Midville with Rev. Richard Lawrence presiding.

Mike was born March 10, 1961, to the late Carrie Webb McKinney. He was a graduate of Swainsboro High School and served seven years in the United States Army. Mike went to work and later retired from Battle Lumber in Wadley. He had many hobbies but his love for fishing was most prevalent. Mr. McKinney is preceded in death by his mother; sisters, Vickie Mosley, Patricia Jones, and Mary Sue Kendrick, and brother, Charlie McKinney, Jr.

Mr. McKinney leaves to cherish his loving memories with his



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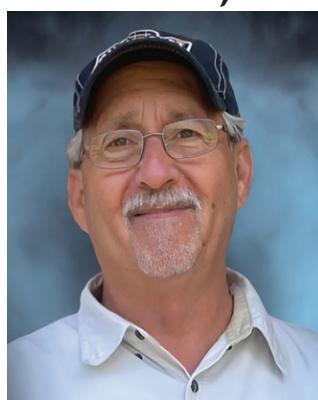
daughters, Chiquita Smith of Statesboro, Dominique (Elijah) Akingoroye of Atlanta and Corinthia Smith of Swainsboro; sons, Michael (Lisa) Smith of Swainsboro and Derrick Smith of Summertown; stepson, Travis Smith of Louisville; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sisters, Jeanette Sherrod of Summertown and Loretta Brown of Swainsboro; brothers, Carl McKinney and Dwayne McKinney, both of Summertown; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Clarence Delane Waters, 77

Mr. Clarence Delane Waters, 77, of Wadley, passed away suddenly on Monday, July 29, 2024, at his home. Graveside service was held Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m. at the Wadley City Cemetery with Reverend Mark Hardin officiating.

Delane lived all his life in Wadley. He worked as a self-employed contractor for more than 40 years, serving many members of his local community. In addition to being a hardworking man, Delane had many outside interests. He was an avid fan of racing and enjoyed dirt track racing and Nascar. Delane enjoyed gardening, especially growing and canning tomatoes. He loved history and was a collector of antique bottles and stone jugs. Throughout the course of his life, Delane amassed a vast collection of "treasures" including antique bottles and stone jugs, found while diving and snorkeling in the local creeks and rivers. He was a great storyteller and loved sharing stories of his adventures with his family. Delane was a people person and never met a stranger. He would strike up conversations with anyone he met. Delane's friendly nature and good humor earned him quite a few nicknames over the years including De, Uncle De and even Tater Pie. He was married in 1976 to Marie Black and their marriage spanned 48 years of love and laughter. De and Marie spent many years fishing and enjoying races together in addition to raising their daughter Laurie. Delane was good at teaching life lessons. He taught his wife how to fish and drive a car and taught his daughter many things, like snake identification and how to hold sala-



WATERS

manders, but mostly, they shared a bond and friendship that surpasses words. Delane loved his family dearly and was thrilled to add his son-in-law and granddaughter to his family. He then received the affectionate nickname of Pops. Pops taught Travis about antiques, bottle collecting and treasure hunting, and they spent hours talking and bonding over their mutual hobby. Delane taught his granddaughter many life lessons over the years with the most important being to "always have some toting money" and "always carry a survival cake." He was a light to everyone he knew, and his love and laughter will forever be missed. Mr. Waters is preceded in death by his parents, Clarence Waters and Essie Mae Waters; and brothers, Wayne Waters and Houston Waters.

Mr. Waters is survived by his wife; daughter, Laurie Hutchins (Travis); granddaughter, Bailey Hutchins; nieces, Megan Waters and Meredith Waters; sister-in-law, Vicki Waters; niece, Jennifer Waters; sister-in-law, Sandra Waters; great-nieces, Ava Cliatt and Chelsea Waters; and many friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

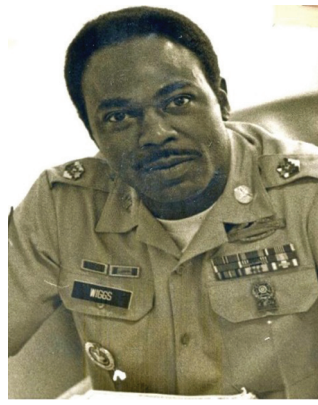
Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Henry W. Wiggs, 87

Henry Wallace Wiggs, distinguished veteran and cherished family man, passed away peacefully on July 26, 2024, after a productive life spanning 87 wonderful years. Viewing will be held Thursday, August 8, from 2 to 6 p.m. at Leevy's Funeral Home in South Carolina. Funeral service will be Friday, August 9, at 12 p.m. at Gill Creek Baptist Church in South Carolina. Interment will follow at Fort Jackson National Cemetery in South Carolina at 2 p.m.

Born January 8, 1937, in Emanuel County, Henry was the fifth of 14 children of the late Wallace and Mary Stephens Wiggs. While growing up in the Cross and Green community of Emanuel County, he joined the church at an early age and attended services regularly. Henry graduated from Swainsboro High and Industrial in 1955 and attended Morris Brown College. On February 11, 1959, he was inducted into the United States Army and began a long, honorable career that would last 30 years. During his career, Henry rose to the rank of Command Sergeant Major, which is the highest enlisted rank in the Army. He served as Command Sergeant Major for Moncrief Army Hospital (Fort Jackson, SC) until retirement from military duty. In dedication to his country, Henry served in multiple tours of duty around the world, including in both the Vietnam and Korean wars. During his successful army career, he received numerous awards. Injured in service during the Vietnam War, Henry earned a Purple Heart Award. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic service, as well as the Meritorious Service Medal (2nd AWD), Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (10th AWD), National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 4 bronze stars, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (5th AWD), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (3rd AWD), Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm Unit Citation, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device 60, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Overseas Service Bar (2nd AWD), and Legion of Merit.

A lifelong learner, in addition to his military training, Henry received a B.S. degree in biology from Benedict College in Columbia, SC, and a Master of Education from Boston University. After retiring from the military, he became a Civilian Contractor at Fort Jackson as the



CSM WIGGS

Transition Assistance Coordinator of ACAP Center. In this role, Henry was responsible for aiding and preparing soldiers leaving the military for transition to civilian life. He retired from this position after 20 years of service. Henry co-founded with his wife and children, Wiggs Unlimited LLC, where he served as President of the organization. He continued working by traveling on weekends from Columbia, SC, to Summertown, as co-owner of the Lawrence Village Restaurant. Henry was not just a co-owner; he also actively took part in general restaurant operations such as cooking and serving.

Henry remained active even at the age of 87 years old. He loved working in the fruit garden he planted in his backyard. Once an avid runner, Henry enjoyed walking and often walked several miles daily. He was also active at Gill Creek Baptist Church, participating in the Jubilee Choir, Men's Choir, Mass Choir and Veterans Ministry. Additionally, Henry served as past President and was the current Treasurer of the United States Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC). CSM Wiggs is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Arthur, Solomon, and Robert; and sisters, Sarah Cook, Susan Green and Katie Mae Hughes.

CSM Wiggs leaves to cherish his memories with his devoted wife of 65 years, Callie Mae Lawrence Wiggs; two daughters, Dr. Wylecia (Reese) and Loraine (Richard); four sons, Harold (Tracey), Michael (Mimi), Andrew (Chandra) and Alexander (Dr. LaShana); 15 grandchildren, Christopher, Kristian, Taira, Angel, Yolanda, Mareenez, Lora, Talitha, Richard, Nia, Asha, Jaiden, Alexander, Sean, and Alexis; two great-grandchildren, Alivia and McKenna; two sisters, Mary and Geneva; five brothers, Isaiah (Mona), Walter, Roy (Shirley), Nathaniel and Joseph; brothers-in-law, Eddie, Richard (Edna), Roosevelt (Princess), Robert (Tyce) and Ulysses Grant; sisters-in-law, Martha, Sarah and Juanita; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and church family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Stroke Association <http://www.stroke.org/?form=FUNY-HQJGWUM>.

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Pamela Brantley, 70

Mrs. Pamela "Pam" Brantley, age 70, of Swainsboro, passed away Thursday, August 1, 2024, at Oxley Park Health and Rehab in Lyons. Memorial service was held Saturday, August 3, at 4 p.m. in the Chapel of Chapman Funeral Home with Reverend Morris Brantley officiating. Interment followed at Forrest Lawn Cemetery. The family received friends one hour prior to the service.

Pam was born April 28, 1954, to the late Aron Lamar Brantley and Mary Kathryn Morris Brantley.

She attended Swainsboro High School. Pam worked in childcare and worked in the cafeteria in Emanuel County Hospital. She was a member of Holton Chapel Advent Christian Church. Pam loved family time, cooking and the holidays. The Lord was first in her life, and it showed by the love she had toward others. Pam never met a stranger and was friendly to everyone she met. She always held a special place in her heart for children of



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all ages. Pam's family was everything to her, along with her church family. She will truly be missed, but we will see her again one day in glory. Mrs. Brantley is preceded in death by her parents.

Mrs. Brantley is survived by her sons, Wesley Mann (Holly) and Christopher Mann (Haley); granddaughters, Abby Mann, Avery Mann and Bethany Mann; brothers, Larry Brantley (Charlotte), David Brantley (Jan) and Reverend Morris Brantley (Mary Ann); sister, Sharon Aldridge (Reverend Joe Aldridge); several nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

Robert Wayne Gullede, 70

Durden Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mr. Robert Wayne Gullede, age 70, of Swainsboro, on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at Augusta University Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, August 2, at 2 p.m. in the Peebles-Curry Memorial Chapel with Reverend David Oliver officiating. Burial followed in the Bithynia Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation was held Thursday, August 1, 6 to 8 p.m. at Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors.

Pallbearers were Josh Robertson, Tim Harrell, Tyler Dawkins, Will Rogers, Joe Farmer and Robert McKenzie. Honorary pallbearers were the employees of Fulghum Industries.

Born September 26, 1953, in Alabama, to William R. and Margueritte Childs Gullede, Wayne was



GULLEDGE

a lifelong resident of Swainsboro. He attended Swainsboro High School and was an inventory Control Supervisor at Fulghum Industries. Wayne loved to work, but he also enjoyed hunting and fishing. He loved his job and his family. Mr. Gullede is preceded in death by his parents; and wife, Mary Ruth McKenzie Gullede.

Survives include his daughter: Melissa Gullede (Jeff) of Swainsboro; and granddaughter, Jenna Farmer.

Durden Hudson Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

Napolean Ridgell, Jr., 73

Napolean Ridgell, Jr., age 73, passed away Sunday, July 28, 2024. Funeral service was held Saturday, August 3, at 1 p.m. at St. Philip Missionary Baptist Church with Pastor Malachi Lockett presiding.

Mr. Ridgell was born April 20, 1951, in Monticello, AK, to the late Napolean, Sr. and Christine Handley Ridgell. He was a graduate of Monticello High School and later moved to Milwaukee, WI and began his first job as a Yello Cab driver. Napolean was later employed by Redrock Plastic Company. He was a hard worker and learned a trade and began operating heavy machinery equipment and worked for American Van Lines moving company. After moving to Swainsboro, Napolean worked at WalMart as a Merchandising Associate. He joined Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



RIDGELL

preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Lloyd Hutson, Willie Ridgell and Larry Ridgell; and sister, Margaret Simmons.

Mr. Ridgell leaves to cherish his memories with his wife of 46 years, Madie Wynn Ridgell; son, David Ridgell, Sr.; brother, James (Mary) Ridgell; sisters, Thelma Ridgell and Delois Ridgell; grandchildren, Davisha Ridgell, Ja'Kailey Ridgell and David Ridgell, Jr.; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Mosley's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jason Edenfield, 41

Our hearts are heavy as we commemorate the life of our beloved baby brother, Jason Edenfield, who unexpectedly passed away on Monday, July 29, 2024, at the age of 41. In celebration of his life, family and friends were invited to join in honoring Jason's memory on Saturday, August 3, at 3 p.m. at Wood Funeral Home in Metter. The remembrance offered an opportunity to share cherished memories and find solace in each other's company as respects were paid to a man whose impact on lives will endure for a lifetime. Jason was cherished by all who knew him, and his endearing nickname "baby bubba" reflects the deeply treasured place he held within his siblings' hearts.



EDENFIELD

warmth and laughter so freely shared.

Jason was a man of subtle humor, always finding a way to bring a smile to the faces of those around him with his dry wit and playful banter. However, his most enduring legacy will be the simple, heartfelt phrase "I loves you" that he so genuinely expressed and that continues to echo in the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to receive it from him. Though Jason did not have his own children, his love enriched the lives of his many nieces and nephews, leaving an indelible legacy of love, laughter, and kindness.

We will forever hold dear the memories of our baby bubba, whose presence graced our lives with love, laughter, and enduring affection.

Wood Funeral Home of Metter was in charge of arrangements.

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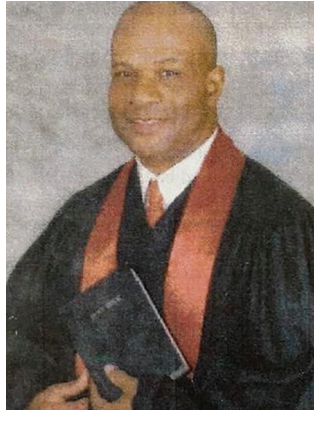
The Lazarus Project will be distributing essential food items to those in need within our community on Saturday, August 10, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Participants should be prepared for a drive-through distribution. The Lazarus Project is located at 664 South Main Street, Swainsboro. Volunteers are always welcome! If you would like to contribute or volunteer to be part of their mission, call 478.299.1784 for details.

Lester Grove to hold revival

Lester Grove Missionary Baptist Church will have their annual revival Monday, August 19 and Tuesday, August 20, at 7 p.m. each night. Guest churches and speakers will be Canaan of Galilee Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Stokes on Monday night and New Fleming Baptist Church with Dr. C.L. Mason on Tuesday night. Everyone is invited to attend.

Piney Grove to hold Pastor Appreciation

Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Cross - Green Community, will express love and appreciation to their Pastor, the Reverend Michael Thomas, for 17 years of service on Sunday, August 11. The celebration will begin at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.



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COMMANDER BUSH AND DISTRICT COMMANDER EDDIE PATTERSON

Bush attends first district meeting

Commander Willie Bush attended the first district meeting at Post 184 in Thunderbolt, GA. The meeting covers membership and claims topics.

NOTICE

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-132(1)(3) and O.C.G.A. 21-2-131(a)(1)(A) notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held November 5th, 2024 for the City of Adrian. Qualifying fees and available offices are as follows:

Office	Fee
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City Council Post 5	\$54

Such fees shall be paid to the City of Adrian by any candidate seeking nomination in the November 5th, 2024 election. Qualifying for said offices shall be held Monday, August 19, 2024 through Tuesday, August 20, 2024 between the hours of 9am and 4:30pm and on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 from 9am to 1pm. Qualifying shall take place at the Adrian City Hall located at 304 West Main Street, Adrain Georgia 31002.

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Editorials Columns

A race to the bottom

After much soul-searching, thought and deliberation, I have decided to change careers, again. In today's fast-moving business and political world, the most sought-after professionals and most overpaid people per capita (rounded off, curved up and correlated to the I.Q. of the average 2nd graders on their California Achievement Test) are political pollsters. Yes sir, for precisely 1.2% of my productive time, lately (not including unscheduled naps), I have been conducting what I call the *governmental, obviously meaningless, erratic, and random* field surveys otherwise known as the GOMER Poll. My unscientific, unproven, unscored and otherwise unreported suc-

cess is thanks to a list of cleverly phrased, probing questions sprung on unsuspecting people in unprepared settings and impromptu situations such as gas stations, banks, backed-up grocery store check-out lines and crowded waiting areas at Emergency Rooms where resuscitations are taking place on people who have just passed out after hearing what they owed at the gas stations, banks and grocery stores. There is good money in reporting what people say about what's going on in the world. Misery, depression and rage, are the top three subjects followed by neighbors and any elected official.

Now, out of respect for my loyal readers, (thank you both), I will

quickly confess that this was just a little test, and I of course will continue my regular, weekly column. The truth is, I don't know any more about polling than I do about parallel parking the space shuttle, but I do know that right now this country is in a spot never seen before. The Aardvarks are running the ant farm. In case you need reminding, there is a national election for PRESIDENT coming down the tracks. Now, consider this picture: in just the last month, a sitting U.S. President who was running for re-election has been ordered to stop running, and get packed up to leave by the end of the year by the big wheels in his own party, a former President who is also running for his old job has been shot in

the ear by a would-be assassin, the National Democratic party has named Kamala Harris as its candidate for the presidential contest without even holding one primary election in Kansas or Iowa or Vermont or anywhere. Before Biden dropped out, the only person with a lower approval rating than him, was Kamala. Not one single primary vote has been cast for her, and in less than 100 days the voters in this land will choose a President from two contenders that most of the people in the U.S.A. said they do not want to see in the White House. This stuff is harder to believe than polling numbers. You can't make it up, and if this was a movie, no one would ever believe it, yet here we are. Sadly,

Charles Schwabe



at this point, this campaign season can only be described as a race to the bottom. One candidate's campaign might still be redeemable, but the other is beyond correction. I will leave it to all of y'all to decide what the ending to this dismal drama will be, but if your question is, how did we ever get here, the best answer might come from that wise little possum in the old comic strip. Pogo said, "We have met the enemy, and he is us." No political party, self-appointed elite, or organized power in this country should ever be allowed to supersede a

fair-minded, informed and involved electorate. The answer is still one citizen/one vote. In every election, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, the power and the privilege of choosing our leaders rests with us, but so does the responsibility and the obligation. There may not be much that can be done to straighten things out for today, but a good place to start for tomorrow would be to have a conversation with that familiar voter in the mirror. A better system will ensure better candidates and in the long run, a better country.

Nothing artificial about Southern intelligence

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"Ah, yes. You are the robot thing that called

me some time back and told me that Artie Fishel Intelligence was ready to replace me in the paper because you know where to put commas, could easily explain Euclidean geometry and that you speak 7,000 languages. For your information, my readers don't care about where I put commas as long as they see one every once in

a while. And they are more interested in trigonometric functions as a solution to differential equations than Euclidean geometry. I hear that all the time. As for speaking 7,000 languages ..."
"Uh, that is what I would to talk to you about, sir. I need your assistance with a language problem I am having."

"Artie Fishel Intelligence is having a language problem? You've got to be kidding! As we say in Bhojpuri, 'Kana usa ka hoot.'"
"Actually, that's Cebuano, not Bhojpuri. But, yes, I am having a great deal of trouble understanding your Southern language. Nothing in my binary codes and mathematical algorithms seems to work. For example, when I hear the word 'mater,' my response is that is Latin for 'mother,' which is acceptable all over the world, but not in Rentz or Cadwell. They say a 'mater' is an edible berry of the plant *Solanum lycopersicum* and best served sliced on white bread with lots of mayonnaise. That makes no sense."

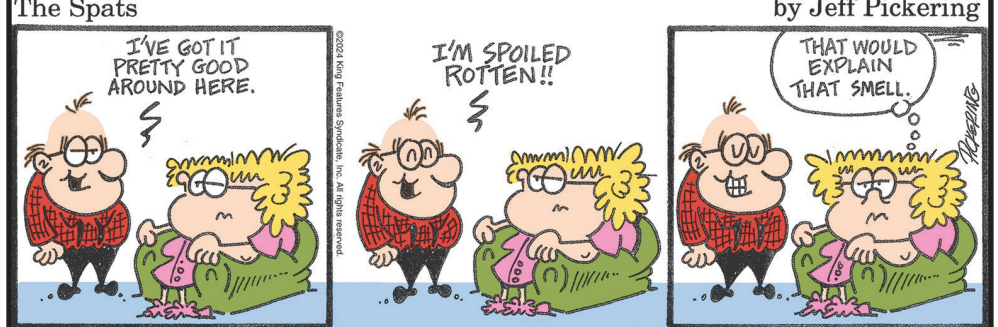
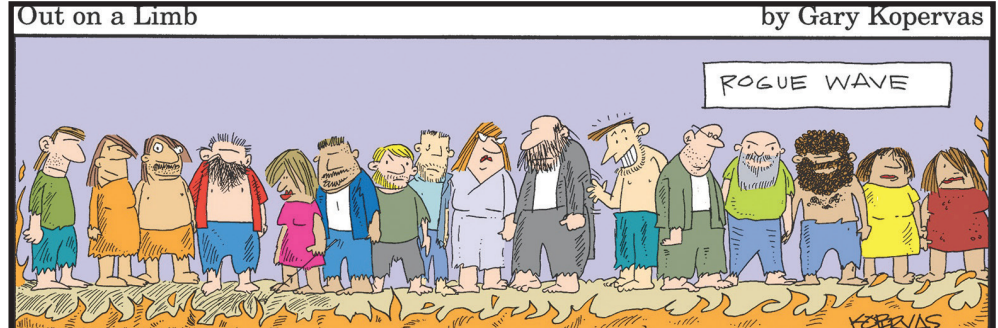
Dick Yarbrough



thank you.' He said, 'Yawl didn't answer my question, Mr. Artie Fishel Intelligence,' and hung up on me. What should I have said?"
"Next time just say, 'We're all fine. How's momma 'n them?'"
"And you Southerners and your obsession with repairing things. I had a caller in Social Circle ask for my advice about fixing supper. I did not know how to respond. Nothing in my variational encoder has prepared me for repairing a meal which, by the way, in most of the civilized world is called dinner. I can fix a thermonuclear reactor or a lawnmower – but supper? What is there to fix? Just throw it out and start over. That's what I say."
"You've got a lot to learn about the South, Artie."
"Yes, I will have to agree. When a Tsongan in Southern Mozambique says 'Avuxeni,' I always respond by saying 'vana na siku lerinene.' But it has taken me a long time to figure out that in the South 'Hi

U' is not a fruit punch but is your way of saying, 'hello.' And when you carry grandma to the grocery store, you haven't hefted the poor thing on your shoulders. You have likely driven her there. And that a ranch is not a spread where the buffalo roam and the skies are not cloudy all day, but rather a tool one uses to replace the sparkplugs in one's '69 Ford pickup truck."
"Artie you may be smarter than I have give you credit for. You see, we are pretty smart in the South and there is nothing artificial about it. We may talk slow but we don't think slow. Now, if you will excuse me, I am fixing me a sliced mater on white bread with lots of mayonnaise. You ought to try it. I promise it is plum good."
"Hmm. I thought a plum was a fruit with origins in China. I have so much to learn about the South but I'm fixing to do just that, Bubba!"
You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dick-yarbrough.com or at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139.

Editorial Cartoons




"It does to the folks in Rentz and Cadwell."
"And many of your Southern colleagues seem to have an abiding interest in sailing. I keep getting asked about yawl which as you know is a two-masted sailing vessel with the mizzen mast positioned abaft – or behind – the rudder stock. A caller in Cherry Log asked me, 'How yawl doing?' I said, 'To my knowledge, most yawls currently seem to be in shipshape condition,

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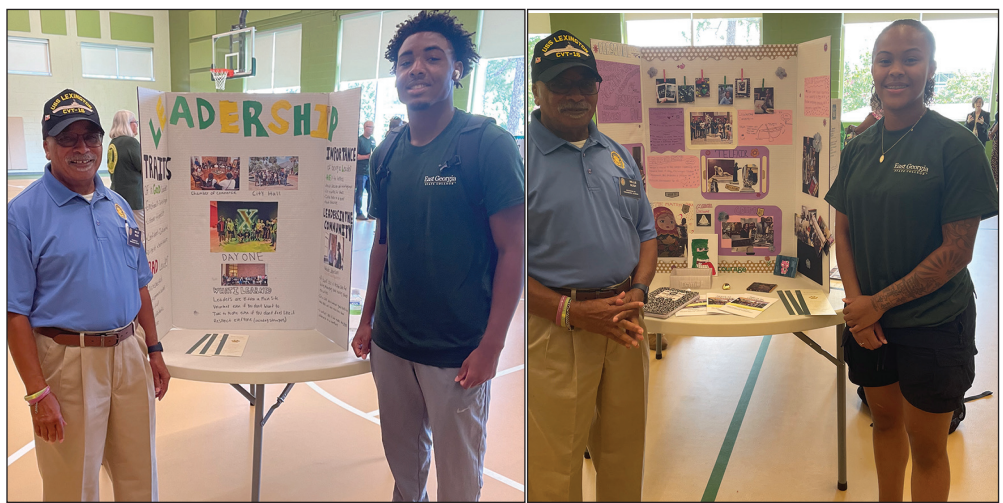
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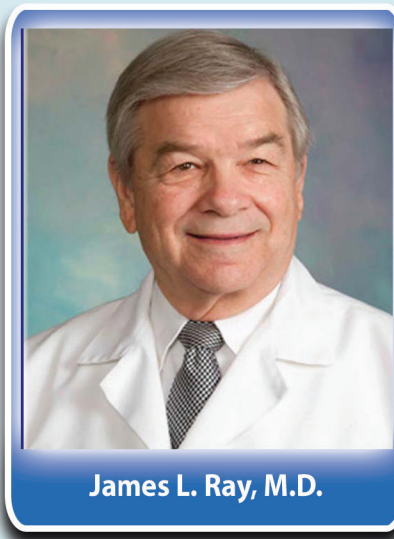
Bush attends Bobcat Summer Leadership luncheon

On Friday, August 2, Commander Willie Bush of Squadron #103 American Legion Swainsboro attended the Bobcat Summer Leadership luncheon at East Georgia College. The topics were the roots of leadership.



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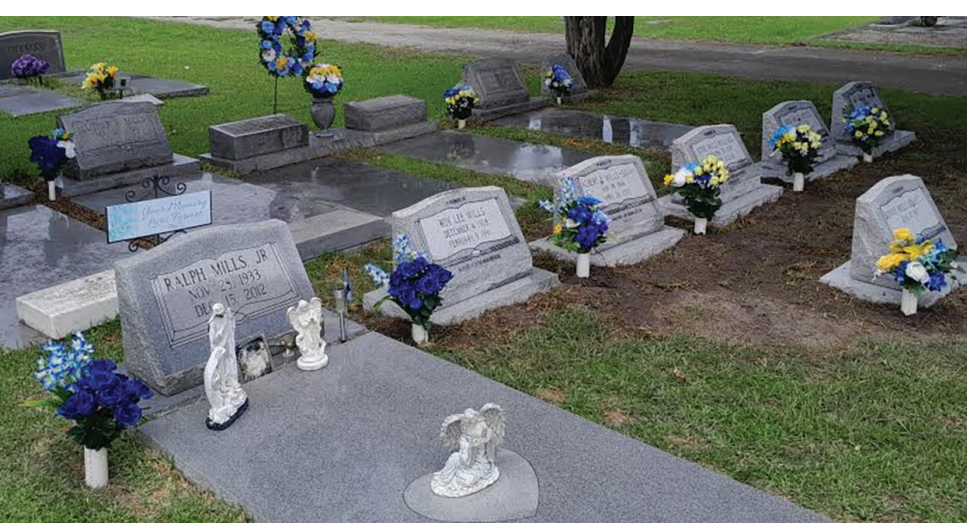


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FAMILY HEADSTONES

Swainsboro City Cemetery remembrance

by BONNIE SPEARMAN

My name is Bonnie Mills Spearman. I am 87 years old, and I was raised in Swainsboro. I had four sisters and six brothers, that means eleven children. My parents were Ralph and Kate Mills.

When I was little, we lived on a farm. We had chickens, rabbits, hogs, cows, dogs and cats. We had most every kind of vegetable there was. I never went hungry or without. I remember riding in the back of the wagon dragging my bare feet in the dirt, making candy at syrup cooking's, grinding cane, peanut boils and hog killings and barbecues where the whole county would come. I remember family reunions where all family, aunts, uncles and cousins would not dare miss. I remember going to school and trading my big old biscuit with country ham from the smoke house for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. I remember being taught to make up after fights with my brothers and sisters "even

if it was with teeth gritting" saying I love you. I was taught right from wrong, or it was a peach tree switch. We were considered poor people back then. I never considered myself anything but blessed. I still do. I had a great family, and I felt loved. I remember my mom sitting by the fireplace reading the Bible to us. I believe in God. I remember being baptized at the First Baptist Church in Swainsboro.

My little brother, Otis, died in 1942, and was buried somewhere else. I was very young. I left Swainsboro at a young age, married and had five children of my own. I helped raise my husband's two brothers and sister and adopted two, so mom upped me by one, I only raised ten.

We always went to the cemetery on visits home. One day Mom said 'Bonnie, I need you to make me a promise. I was never able to move Otis here with us, so will you do that for me?' I did that many years ago. The grave could not be found but a memorial

reading "In memory of" and where he was buried was put there.

Families of today have split and don't have time or take it. What will be their "Good ole days" I am so thankful for mine.

Ms mom will be 124 years old in heaven. She was born in 1900. So, I decided what better gift than a memorial for all her children. All my family that is buried there have slabs, all others have "In memory of" and tell where they are buried.

My family will all be remembered in the City of Swainsboro Cemetery, section A, Mills Plots. A place that is kept beautiful thanks to the people responsible. Our plot is full so to All family members, grands and greats and for years to come, please visit. There is no fence, gate or permission needed, and this was done with no ugly feelings, only love for my family.

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Miss Hendley, Mr. Rogers to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hendley are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lauren Elizabeth Hendley, to James Walea Rogers, Jr. Mr. Rogers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rogers, Sr. of Claxton.

The bride-elect graduated from West Laurens High School in Dublin and continued her education at Georgia Southern University and South University to obtain a doctorate in Pharmacy. Lauren is employed by Forest Heights Pharmacy in Statesboro. Miss Hendley is the grand-

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ray Mercer of Twin City and the late Dr. and Mrs. John Ell Hendley of Millen.

The future groom graduated from Pinewood Christian Academy in Bellville and continued his education at Georgia Southern University with a degree in Construction Management. James is employed with Evans General Contractors in Savannah as Assistant Project Manager. Mr. Rogers is the grandson of Mrs. Socorro DeLoach and the late Dr. Lionel DeLoach of Glenville and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rogers of Bellville.



MISS HENDLEY AND MR. ROGERS

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Mulliken...90 and going strong

Harold Mulliken celebrated his 90th birthday August 2 at Swainsboro Country Club with his golf buddies, following a game of golf. Mulliken turned 90 on July 30.

He was born in Dania, Fla. He served in the

US Army as a military police, protecting three Generals in Hidelberg, Germany from 1954-57.

Mulliken came to Emanuel County for many years to hunt. His love of hunting helped him make the decision

to move to this area. "All deer is for the table," said Mulliken. He and his wife, Phyllis moved to Adrian in 1997.

He has been playing golf with the 'Old Farts' since the late 90's. Every

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A professor of philosophy stood before his class and said, "The whole world is desperately searching for joy and happiness. But no one has been able to find its source. Psychologists cannot find it, physicians cannot find it, comedians cannot find it. It has eluded everyone. Some feel that they have been close to its source only to discover that they were on the wrong path. It is so very illusive and all were left disillusioned and disappointed."

Even the word happiness is deceptive. It gives its self away. The root of the word is "hap" which means "chance." Human happiness is dependent on the chances and changes in life. It is something which life may give and then suddenly take away.

A diagnosis of cancer, a crash in the stock market, a new management team at work - even a change in the weather can take away the passing sensation of joy and happiness.

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The Lazarus Project was started in November of 2023, and quickly began extending assistance to children, families, and individuals who were experiencing hardships and difficulties providing food, shelter and the normal necessities of life. The need is real and continues to grow.

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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 EMANULE 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
 Clerk of Superior Court
 Emanuel, County

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF EMANUEL

IN RE: ESTATE OF LINDA LEE ROBERTS, DECEASED.

All creditors of the estate of Linda Lee Roberts, deceased, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to Richard M. McNeely, attorney for Glenn Carroll Roberts, Executor of the Linda Lee Roberts Estate, at P.O. Box 767, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401, according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment of any indebtedness due the estate.

This 25th day of July, 2024.
 RICHARD M. MCNEELY,
 Attorney for Glenn Carroll Roberts
 Executor of the Linda Lee Roberts Estate
 Richard M. McNeely, P.C.
 P. O. Box 767
 Swainsboro, Georgia 30401
 (478) 237-4225

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOHN S. ALLMOND, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0092

PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
 TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:
 JANETTE ELIZABETH ALLMOND has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of JOHN S. ALLMOND 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 August 26, 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 PEGGY C. LANDAVERDE, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0091

PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
 TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:
 SANTANA MINCEY has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of PEGGY C. LANDAVERDE 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 August 26, 2024.

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

All creditors of the estate of LUCIUS WILLIAMS, 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 24th day of July, 2024.
 ROSA L. WILLIAMS, a/k/a ROSE L. WILLIAMS,
 Administratrix of the Estate of Lucius Williams, 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: Melissa Mimbs
Civil Action File No. 24CV173
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

GEORGIA, Emanuel County Notice is hereby given that Melissa Mimbs, the undersigned, filed his petition to the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia on the 25th day of July, 2024, praying for a change in the name of petitioner from Melissa Roberson Mimbs to Melissa Clark Roberson. Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition.

This 25th day of July, 2024.
 Melissa Roberson Mimbs
 Petitioner

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF HIRAM SILAS PRICE, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 24E0099

PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
 TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:-
 BECKY WILSON has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of HIRAM SILAS PRICE 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 SEPTEMBER 3, 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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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS GEORGIA, EMANUEL COUNTY

All creditors of the estate of

Roberta Cecile Vautier, 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 31st day of July, 2024.
 Frederic Robert Alain Vautier, Executor of the Estate of Roberta Cecile Vautier, decedent
 Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.
 P.O. Box 68
 Swainsboro, GA 30401

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: ESTATE OF MAE LIZZIE THOMAS, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 19E0047
NOTICE

[For discharge from office and all liability]

IN RE: Petition for Discharge of Personal Representative [Strike any paragraph if not applicable]
 TO: KELVIN WASHINGTON, BRAD WASHINGTON, CHARLES WASHINGTON, CRAIG WASHINGTON
 List here all interested parties having unknown addresses to be served by publication] and (all and singular the heirs of said decedent,)(the beneficiaries under the will,) and to whom it may concern:

This is to notify you to file an objection, if there is any, to the above-referenced petition, in this Court on or before SEPTEMBER 3, 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 ZINNIA -ESTHER NEVAEH DELEON, MINOR
ESTATE NO. 24E0103
NOTICE

Date of second publication, if any August 14, 2024
 TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
 You are hereby notified that JESSICA WADLEY has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed temporary guardian of the above-named Minor. All objections to the Petition to the appointment of a temporary guardian or the appointment of the Petitioner as temporary guardian, must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and be filed with this Court no later than fourteen (14) days after

this notice is mailed, or ten (10) days after this notice is personally served upon you, or ten (10) days after the second publication of this notice if you are served by publication. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or Georgia 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.

NOTE: If a natural guardian files a timely objection to the creation of the temporary guardianship, the Petition will be dismissed. If a natural guardian files an objection to the appointment of the Petitioner as guardian, or if a parent who is not a natural guardian files an objection to the Petition a hearing on the matter shall be scheduled at a later date. If no objection is 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 A'ZAYLA JA'NAE JOHNSON, MINOR
ESTATE NO. 24E0098
NOTICE

Date of second publication, if any August 14, 2024
 TO: JAVARIS DAMON JOHNSON and to WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
 You are hereby notified that BRITTANY NICOLE JONES has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed temporary guardian of the above-named Minor. All objections to the Petition to the appointment of a temporary guardian or the appointment of the Petitioner as temporary guardian, must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and be filed with this Court no later than fourteen (14) days after this notice is mailed, or ten (10) days after this notice is personally served upon you, or ten (10) days after the second publication of this notice if you are served by publication. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or Georgia 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.

NOTE: If a natural guardian files a timely objection to the creation of the temporary guardianship, the Petition will be dismissed. If a natural guardian files an objection to the appointment of the Petitioner as guardian, or if a parent who is not a natural guardian files an objection to the Petition, a hearing on the matter shall be scheduled at a later date. If no objection is filed, the Petition may be granted without a hearing.

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Sheriff's Reports

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

July 29
Deputies responded to Wildcat Rd. in reference to a physical altercation. Complainant and witness advised that the witness went to drop off his and offender's 10-year-old daughter after having her for the weekend. Witness advised that the daughter was punished for being disrespectful and her phone was taken away and had sent a video to offender. C/p and witness stated as soon as they pulled up, offender went to the truck upset and snatched c/p out of the truck and the two started fighting. Witness advised he had to pull them apart, then left and called 911. C/p had marks and

bruising on her arms and face from the altercation. C/p advised the incident occurred in the presence of her 4-year-old daughter and offender's 10-year-old daughter. Deputies then made contact with offender who stated c/p has been harassing her via text then her daughter sent a video showing c/p being disrespectful to her. Offender then advised that c/p had gotten out of the truck and the two exchanged words then started fighting. Offender's father was also on scene and stated he heard the two parties arguing then they started fighting. Offender advised she has asked witness to not bring c/p on her property when doing child custody exchanges. Deputy observed

marks on both parties.
July 30
Deputy observed a vehicle on Hwy 1 North traveling 80 MPH in a 65 MPH zone, at which time he initiated a traffic stop. Deputy approached the vehicle and asked the driver for his license and the driver asked what he was being stopped for and that he was not speeding and did not have to identify himself. Deputy advised offender what he was being stopped for and he still refused to identify himself. Deputy then asked offender to step out of the vehicle and called for another unit. Offender still refused to identify himself and was placed under arrest and transported to EmCo Jail. As offender was being transported, he

stated to deputy to wait until he gets out and he will see him at his house and will take care of him then. Deputy was informed by Inv. that he was performing an inventory of the vehicle and found offender's ID and when ran through GCIC, it was determined that offender has multiple warrants. Inv. also found marijuana in the vehicle. Offender was charged with possession of marijuana less than oz, obstruction of law enforcement, driving with suspended license, speeding and terroristic threats.
Complainant went to ECSO to report a lost/stolen tag.
Deputies were dispatched to Arthur Hutchison Road in reference to a stolen side by side. Contact was

made with the caller upon arrival who stated that she had been moving things out of her house since she received an eviction notice and that several things have turned up missing. She stated that she has made a previous report about someone taking things out of the house when it was locked. She then stated that someone had taken her side by side out of her shed that had a lock on it. The lock appeared to have been removed by force. She also stated that there were many power tools missing.
August 1
Deputy met with c/p in reference to a report for someone taking her vehicle. She stated that the vehicle was stored in Stillmore at a family members house and

that she was informed that her cousin took the vehicle to a scrap yard in Metter. The vehicle was located and found to have extensive damage that was not there before.
August 3
Deputy observed a vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was found to be wanted in Jenkins County. The vehicle was released to a licensed driver.
Deputies responded to Waldon Way in reference to some harassing phone calls that were made. C/p stated that the calls were made in reference to a truck that he was driving while the offender was in jail.
Deputies responded to a vehicle fire at HWY 57 East. They were unable to obtain a tag number or VIN number.



SCENES FROM THE EVENT

Sons of American Legion Squadron #103 holds back-to-school cookout

Sons of American Legion Squadron #103 held a back-to-school cookout on Thursday, July 25, at Hickory Trace. Sons of American Legion #103 wants to thank the workers and volunteers for helping with the event.

Sons of the American Revolution Post #103 installs markers and paver

On Monday, July 29, Sons of the American Legion Post #103 installed five Veteran markers and one paver at the First Responder Park. Markers installed represent Mark L. Davis, MSGT Henry Thompson, Dr. Wilder Smith, Sgt. Earl Payne and Sgt. Ray Aromatorio. The paver installed represents Scotty Nasworthy.

A special thank you to SAL members, Malachai Lockett, Vice Commander James Mason, SPD Chief Ellison, Richard Claxton and Squadron Commander Willie Bush.



COMMANDER STEVE BURKE, DESS SMITH III, BERNARD MARTIN, DON BAZEMORE, EMORY FENNEL, ALTON MCCLOUD, BENJAMIN MARTIN AND BERNARD MARTIN II



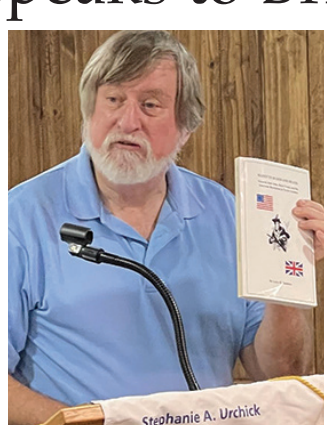
FIVE CANNONS LINED UP FOR A 3-ROUND VOLLEY OF THE BRIER CREEK ARTILLERY

Brier Creek Artillery attends SCV event

The Brier Creek Artillery traveled to Higgston on Saturday, August 3, to attend the SCV Memorial Ribbon Cutting event at 10 a.m. All Compatriots had an awesome day celebrating freedom and firing cannons in a three-round volley. Thank you to the SCV for the invitation to show off one of the Brier Creek Artillery batteries, the "Skunk Brigade Battery". HUZAZH!!!

Derden speaks to Brier Creek

The Brier Creek Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, held its monthly meeting Thursday night, August 1, at Walls Diner in Sylvania at 6:30 p.m. With President Wayne Howard presiding, they had 17 in attendance. Vice President Lee Herron and dual member Dess Smith III mentioned to the Chapter that the Atlantic District Vice President General Scott Collins brought before the Georgia Society's 2nd Quarter Board of Management meeting on July 27, 2024, for the approval to request at the fall National Society Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY to make the Brier Creek Anniversary Celebration on March 8, 2025, a "National Event". It was unanimously approved by the Georgia Society. The Brier Creek event has been celebrated since 2016, became a Georgia Society event in 2019 and became an Atlantic District event in July 2024. President Wayne then introduced the speaker for the evening, Compatriot John Derden. John is a mem-



DERDEN

ber of the Wiregrass Chapter in Swainsboro and a board member of the Brier Creek Revolutionary War Battlefield Association Inc. His presentation was on "General John Ashe". General Ashe was the American Commander at the Battle of Brier Creek, held on March 3,

1779. Compatriot John's presentation consisted of a power point and lecture that covered General Ashe's life and the events that led to the battle. After John's presentation, President Wayne and VP Lee presented several of the Brier Creek members their SAR Rosette pins that were never given to them when they joined the chapter. The next chapter meeting will be at Walls Diner on Thursday night, September 5. Contact Compatriot Randy Jones at 912-687-2384 for tickets to the semi-annual BCRWBA Banquet to be held on Friday night, September 6, at the Statesboro Country Club.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Emanuel County Board of Commissioners and Pope Construction Company, Inc. will receive bids for Emanuel County Commissioners Office Renovation Phase 1 Demolition on August 29, 2024 at 2:00PM EST. A prebid meeting will be held at the project site, 101 North Main Street, Swainsboro, GA 30401 on August 14, 2024 at 11:00AM EST. Due to the age of the facility, attendance at this meeting is highly recommended. Plans, specifications and addenda will be available at no cost at www.popeconstructionco.com; subcontractor registration is required prior to accessing plans. Plans, Specifications and Addenda will also be available in the iSqFt plan room. It is the proposer's responsibility to check for and acknowledge all addenda prior to submission of bids. Questions shall be directed to Bill Vickery, Project Manager & Estimator via fax or email only, 912-764-9408, bvickery@popeconstructionco.com

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Jail Report

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

or East Georgia State College (EGSC).

Brent Chase Allen, 25, arrested 8/3/24; Hold for Jenkins Co.; ECSCO
 Victoria Katherine Jolie Averill, 21, arrested 8/1/24; Marijuana-pose-
 sion less than 1 oz./ Possession and use of drug related objects; SPD
 Jamel Vershund Brantley, 29, arrested 7/30/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked; SPD
 Melvin Bernard Clark, 56, arrested 7/29/24; Probation violation-felony; ECSCO
 James Henry Davis, 66, arrested 8/5/24; Failure to maintain lane/Expired driver's license/DUI-less safe; GSP
 January Adriana Davis, 24, arrested

8/4/24; DUI-less safe/ No license on person; SPD
 Charles Christopher Doleman, 56, arrested 8/3/24; Theft by shoplifting; SPD
 Peter Lee Kirk Fehr, 53, arrested 8/4/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked; ECSCO
 Chad Vincent Hackney, 31, arrested 7/30/24; VGSCA less than 1 oz./Obstruction of law enforcement officers/Driving while license suspended/revoked/Speeding/Terroristic threats and acts; ECSCO
 Cassandra Noel Hood, 36, arrested 8/2/24; Probation violation; ECSCO
 David Edward Jackson, 64, arrested 8/4/24; Methamphetamine-possession of/

Possession and use of drug related objects; GSP
 Walter Clifford Lee, 62, arrested 7/30/24; Public drunkenness; TCPD
 Renaldo Perez Lott, 39, arrested 8/2/24; DUI-less safe/Headlight requirements/Tire requirements; GSP
 Joseph Scott Marney, 50, arrested 7/30/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked; Oak Park PD
 Ashley Heather Marsh, 40, arrested 8/2/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked/No insurance; SPD
 Skylar Martin, 32, arrested 7/31/24; Probation violation-felony; ECSCO
 Christina Marie McLemore, 47, arrested 7/31/24; Probation violation-felony/Hold for Toombs Co. SO; ECSCO

Brian Vernon Mosley, 38, arrested 8/2/24; Entering automobile or other motor vehicle with intent to commit the or felony/Probation violation-felony; SPD
 Emily Jeannie Nelson, 19, arrested 8/3/24; DUI-less safe/Taillights/lens required; GSP
 Katherine Ann Neville, 50, arrested 8/2/24; Disorderly conduct; SPD
 Carol Lynn Peebles, 52, arrested 8/4/24; Methamphetamine-possession of/DUI-less safe/Possession and use of drug related objects/Marijuana-pose-
 sion less than 1 oz; GSP
 Efrain Fernandez Santos, 42, arrested 8/3/24; Speeding/Driving while unlicensed/DUI-less safe; GSP
 Marlisa Ann Stavely,

27, arrested 8/1/24; Theft by shoplifting/ Hold for Tattnall Co. SO; ECSCO
 Danielle Antionette Stokes, 34, arrested 7/30/24; Disorderly conduct/ Hold for Jenkins Co./Probation violation; TCPD
 Brandon Lee Strange, 28, arrested 8/1/24; Possession of firearm by convicted felon/Marijuana-pose-
 sion less than 1 oz/Possession and use of drug related objects/Possession of firearm or knife during commission of or attempt to commit certain felonies/Methamphetamine-possession of; SPD
 Ashton Waters, 23, arrested 8/4/24; DUI-less safe/Tag lights required; GSP

Swainsboro Police Reports

Officers with the Swainsboro Police Department (SPD) report-
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Officer was watching a 4 way stop and saw a vehicle run a stop sign. The vehicle's information came back with no insurance and canceled registration. The vehicle was towed.

911 dispatched officers to Emanuel Medical Center in reference to a security officer wanting to file a report of criminal trespass. C/p stated that the offender came to the hospital cafeteria begging for free food. He stated that the offender has been told multiple times that staff did not want him there.

C/p came into SPD to make a report. She stated that her and the offender were in civil court in reference to a civil quit when the offender threatened her.

Officer was dispatched to East Pine Street in reference to a call. C/p stated that her upstairs neighbor was talking about her, and she thought she overheard a threatening comment.

Officer was dispatched to Walmart in reference to two shoplifters. 911 updated that the two offenders had left the premises and were walking towards Taco Bell. Both offenders were arrested.

Officer was dispatched to Gumlog Road in reference to a call where a female was hitting on someone else's vehicle. C/p stated that the offender would not move from in front of her vehicle so she could

leave. Upon officer arrival, the offender was still irate, and the officer attempted to detain her. She resisted but was detained after backup arrived.

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that was speeding. The driver also did not have a driver's license. The offender was placed under arrest.

Officer responded to Youngblood Street in reference to a dog nuisance. The victim stated that earlier in the morning a large dog killed a small fawn on his driveway. C/p is concerned for the safety of the children in the area.

Officers were dispatched to South Main Street in reference to a report. C/p stated that a year ago the offender found out that his wife was having an affair with c/p. C/p stated that the disagreement was settled then but recently the offender has been threatening him.

911 dispatched officers to Pratt Avenue in reference to c/p wanting to file a report about a dispute between his ex-girlfriend and himself. C/p stated that his daughter was at his house for visitation when her mother came over to pick her up. As they were saying their goodbyes, c/p stated that he did not like the people who have been around his daughter. Offender became angry and started hitting him.

911 dispatched officers to Walmart in reference to a male subject losing his wallet. C/p stated that he dropped his wallet in the store and could not find it.

Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with suspended registration and no insurance. Drugs were also located in the vehicle. Offender

was arrested.

Officer responded to Walmart in reference to a lost wallet. Upon arrival, officer noticed an offender known to have a failure to appear warrant. Offender attempted to flee but was arrested.

911 dispatched officers to the recreation department in reference to people drag racing. The tag numbers on both vehicles came back stolen. Offenders were arrested.

Officer responded to a walk in report. C/p stated that earlier in the day two of his friends came by his house and asked if they could come inside to do drugs. He told them that he was going to walk to the store to buy an alcoholic beverage and when he returned his pellet rifle was missing.

Officer responded to a call on Brown Street in reference to the caller wanting police to be present when getting his washing machine. C/p stated that he purchased a washing machine, and it was at his ex-girlfriend's house.

Officer made contact with offender and issued a citation for disorderly house for a house party.

Patrol units responded to Brown Street in reference to an unknown disturbance at the location from a female juvenile. Upon arrival, contact was made with offender who is the uncle of c/p. He advised that his niece locked herself in a bedroom in a residence because he threatened her for stealing his belongings.

911 dispatched officers to Walmart in reference to a domestic occurring. Officer advised that he observed a man and woman loading groceries into their vehicle when the offender became irate and began yelling in his wife's face.

The couple's child was in the vehicle at the time. Offender was found to be during with a suspended license. The tag on the vehicle also did not belong on it either. Offender was arrested.

Officer responded to file a report of a stolen tablet on Lewis Street. C/p stated that she was able to track the location of it but needed an officer. Tablet was not located.

911 dispatched shots fired in the area of Project Street. They advised a male in a white tee shirt with a gun running through yards. 911 came back and stated there was a gunshot victim at the ER. Footage of the offender was found.

Officer responded to a call on South Main Street in reference to the business wanting to criminally trespass an individual. Earlier in the day an officer went to Lambs Bridge Road and met with the individual who stated that she wanted officers to go with her to Sonic to get a separation notice. She stated that the manager would probably want to get a criminal trespass filed. Later, she stayed that she just wanted to get pay stubs and the separation not and she would leave. The manager stated that he could not give her this because they were not hers, that her husband was a shift manager, and he walked out and quit. The offender was criminally trespassed.

Officer responded to Grady Street for the purpose of investigating a theft. Upon arrival, contact was made with c/p who stated that she believes her brother took her sons XBOX and controllers out of her house.

Officer was called to SPD in reference to a walk in report. Officer made contact with the victim who stated that he has been letting his friend stay with him and she stole some of his personal belongings, so he asked her to leave.

Officer responded to a call on Lucky Street near Hopkins Street in reference to an individual saying that dogs were chasing her and keeping her from being able to walk down the street. Officer observed a

vehicle failing to maintain lane. The driver had a suspended license and was arrested.

Officer was dispatched to Liberty Street in reference to a report. C/p stated that she got home from work and pulled into her yard and some fluids came from her vehicle and as she went around the house the vehicle would not stop so she hit a tree. The officer asked her if she had any medication or anything to drink and she stated, "only Jesus".

Officer responded to a call at Brown Street in reference to a report of domestic violence. C/p stated that he and his ex-girlfriend had an argument the night prior. He stated that his girlfriend smashed his phone, and he tried to walk away, and she hit his head on a corner of a doorframe inside of the residence.

Officer responded to SPD in reference to a walk-in report. C/p stated that she was out of town and her neighbor called 911 to report a burglary and was told the homeowner had to report the crime. She stated that when she got back home two-bedroom windows were broken and a 5-gallon bucket was placed underneath the window. The only thing missing was a TV.

C/p stated that she was the Emanuel Discount Store when her car was backed into.

Officers responded to South Main Street in reference to a stolen iPhone. C/p stated that the manager is accusing her son of stealing her phone.

Officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle and could smell an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. A citation was issued.

Officer responded to a call at Zaxby's in reference to a caller needing to make a report. C/p stated that a customer came in the restaurant and ordered food and asked her to come sit with him as he ate. She stated that the offender made her very uncomfortable by asking her personal questions. He returned later but left before he could be confronted.

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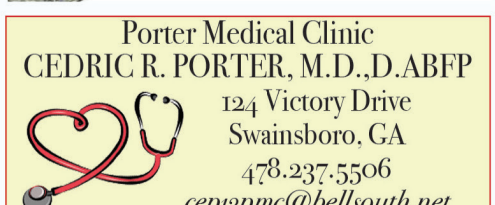
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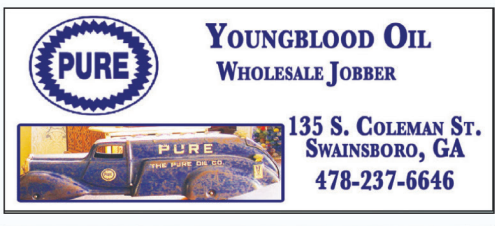
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