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## Twin City awarded over \$300,000 in new grant funding

At the August meeting of the City Commission of Twin City, Mayor Matt Donaldson announced the city had been awarded \$313,279 in new grant awards.

The first grant is the FEMA Assistance for Firefighters Grant (AFG) of \$289,279.00 for the purchase of new fire department equipment and turnout gear for the volunteer firefighters. Last year, Twin City was awarded \$428,000.00 in grant funding for the purchase of a new fire truck. The City has ordered the new fire truck, and it should be delivered late this year or early next year. The grant



MAYOR DONALDSON funding for this year will equip that new fire truck when it arrives. Over the past 12 months, Twin City has been awarded over \$717,000 in grant funding to improve the Twin City Fire Department. Mayor Donaldson said, "With the new fire

truck and new equipment for the fire truck funded, we hope these investments in our fire services will provide benefits to the people of Twin City. We are actively working to improve our ISO (Insurance Services Office) fire rating. With a lower ISO rating, this should lower the property insurance premiums for our citizens".

In the second grant award, Donaldson announced the city awarded (Continued on page 2A)



BOARD MEMBER TANYA LANE, TCE JR. BETA AWARD RECIPIENTS, BOARD MEMBER JOHN ALLEN BAILEY, BETA SPONSOR JENNIFER BEST, AND PRINCIPAL JESSICA COLLINS

## BOE holds August meeting

The Emanuel County Board of Education \$24,000 from the USDA met on Tuesday, August SEARCH (Special Eval- 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at uation Assistance for Emanuel County Insti-Rural Communities and tute with the following Households) Grant. This members in attendance: Brandon Jones, Cherie Hooks, Del Brown, and John Allen Bailey and Tanya Lane. Board Chair Del Brown welcomed everyone calling the meeting to order. John Allen Bailey delivered the invocation followed by Cherie Hooks leading the Pledge of Allegiance. John Allen Bailey made a motion to approve the agenda.

Tanya Lane seconded the motion. Del Brown, Tanya Lane, Cherie Hooks, Brandon Jones, and John Allen Bailey voted "yes". CARRIED.

#### SUPERINTEN-**DENT'S COMMENTS**

1. Start of School Update-Dr. Denise Warnock 2. Student Recognition Twin City Elementary - Jr. Beta National Competition – Savannah - June 2024 - Sponsor/ Teacher: Jennifer Best; Student/Staff Name: Gauge Akridge, 4th Place Songfest; Hudson Anderson, 7th Place Living Literature, 4th

Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Chanice Archer, 4th Place Songfest; Chloe Best, 4th Place Songfest, 10th Place Musicology, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Harley Blackburn, 7th Place Living Literature, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Kallen Braddock, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Alyssa Bullard, 4th Place Songfest; Charla Fields, 9th Place Poetry, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place

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## Commissioners discuss personnel policy

The August meeting of the Emanuel County Board of Commissioners was held Monday, August 19, 2024, in the Emanuel County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Kawame Coleman, Hugh Foskey, Timmy Oliver, Jim Sherrod and Ricky Thompson. Administrator Guy Singletary, County Clerk Halei Lamb and County Attorney Richard Mc-Neely were also in attendance. Chairman Foskey opened the meeting and welcomed media representatives and visitors. Following the Invocation and pledge of Allegiance, the minutes of the previous meeting and workshop meeting were presented and approved. In the first order of business, Kimberly Christian addressed the commissioners on behalf of Coleman Lake Restaurant and the activities with the State possibility of authorizaof Georgia. He started tion of Sunday sales of his career in 2001 as a alcohol at that location. volunteer and served in Ms. Christian explained various roles and numer- that a growing number ous positions subsequent of patrons who regularto that time. Mims will ly dine there on Sunday report for his new posi- continue to express intertion in Swainsboro on est in the addition of al-September 11, 2024, and coholic beverage service follows retiring Chief at the restaurant. Asking Mike Strobridge. The for guidance from the Forest-Blade looks for- county on how to pursue ward to speaking with the issue, Ms. Christian Mr. Mims to provide said she was introduca more detailed story ing the subject at this on the new head of time mainly to explore

ers. County Attorney McNeely and Administrator Singletary agreed that more research on the legal specifics would be the first step in addressing the issue. The next agenda item for the evening concerned the county's policy on leave for long- and short-term illness and other circumstances requiring extended time away from Administrator Singletary reported that the county's established policy for its 185 fulltime employees would benefit from adjustments for more flexibility in administration and provision. The specific items of enhancement presented to the commissioners were accepted by motion and unanimous approval. The final agenda item for the meeting dealt with air conditioning and heat at the Emanuel County Courthouse. Administrator Singletary reportrequired to restore full service of the HVAC system. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to the replacement of the necessary parts not to exceed a total of \$70,000. This concluded the agenda items, but Administrator Singletary, in closing, informed the group that the county budget for the coming year had been completed and would be presented for comment and adoption on August 29. The new budget will reflect a half a mill rollback to offset any increases in valuation. Following this, the Board moved into Executive Session for discussion of a personnel issue. When returning to regular order, the Board discussed renewing its contract with Administrator Guy Singletary with the provision for future renewals. The Board voted unanimously to accept such motion. The meeting was adjourned.



## Sumner named 2024 District 7 Administrative Assistant of the Year

Zelda Sumner, Swainsboro Police Department Administrative Assistant, has been named the 2024 District 7 Administrative Assistant of the Year. The district awards will be presented at the Administrative Assistant's Seminar luncheon on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in Jekyll Island. During the luncheon on September 10, the overall 2024 GACP Administrative Assistant of the Year will be announced. Congratulations Zelda!

## New fire chief chosen for city

At an August 15 called meeting of the Swainsboro Mayor and City Council, a final selection was made for the position of Chief of the City of Swainsboro Fire Department. Alima Mims was chosen from an original "short list" of three candidates. In a heated and sometimes controversial process, the city council was unable to make a recommendation at its August 12 meeting and deferred to the later called-meeting scenario. At that time,



ed until councilmembers finally agreed to move ahead with a 5-0 vote. According to information from City Hall, Mr. Mims is currently employed in Chatham County as a coordinator

with Search and Rescue the Swainsboro Fire the possibility with the Department.

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## BOE holds August...

(From front page) Performing Arts Large Group; Lawson Frye, 2nd Place Speech; Brooks Hall, 6th Place Woodwork, 4th Place Songfest; Mila Hodges, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Ella Jo Hooks, 7th Place Living Literature, 4th Place Songfest; Juarez-Aragon, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Addison Johnson, 7th Place Living Literature, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Anthony Johnson, 7th Place Living Literature, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Nora Johnson, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Ezekiel Kearney, 4th Place Songfest; Violet Lai Tyam, 4th Place Songfest, 10th Place Musicology, 4th Place Performing Arts

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love. I've never seen love so if

you've got it let me see it!"

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"it?" We talk about love, sing

about love, preach about love but

the world is still trying to find out

what love looks like. Someone

once said they wanted to see "love

with skin on it." And that's what

God's love is all about. He did not

speak of an empty, greedy love -

but a love that passes all human

understanding.

has made His salvation known."

By God's faithfulness to protect

and provide for the well-being of

the Children of Israel "He made

His salvation known and revealed

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His faithfulness and the fulfillment

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in a manger, live a sinless life, die

on a cross and then be resurrected

from a borrowed tomb. Once again

He made "His salvation known."

This is His love that we can see: it

is "love with skin on it."

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we who are His disciples have

only ourselves to blame. All

around us are people waiting and

wanting to see "love with skin on

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The Psalmist said that "The Lord

Lopez Munoz, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Izzy May, 9th Place Mixed Media, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Kabreigh Mixon, 4th Place Songfest, 10th Place Musicology, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Ezekiel Pague, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Jorge Ramos-Avalos, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Addison Rich, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Koda Still Williams, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group, 4th Place Songfest; Audrey Tucker, 4th Place Songfest, 10th Place Musicology; Ava Underwood, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Hudson Ware, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group; Jayceon Williamson, 10th Place Musicology; Dilan Xochiale, 4th Place Songfest; Leyla Yepe, 4th Place Songfest, 4th Place Performing Arts Large Group 3. Personnel Num-

Large Group; Bridgette

- bers-Valorie Watkins
  - 4. Transportation Update-Rusty Kea
  - 5. Emanuel County Institute Parking Lot Addition-Dr. Denise War-
  - Communications/ Radio-Jansen Ware
  - 7. Strategic Waiver School System Contract for Emanuel County-Dr. Denise Warnock

#### **DISCUSSION** CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was presented and approved as follows:

- 1. Approval of Minutes of the July 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- 2. Approval of Financial Reports - Mollie Smith
- 3. Tentative Approval of FY24 Property Tax Digest & 5 Year History and Rollback Millage Rate-Mollie Smith 4. FY24-25 Fundraisers
- a. Fundraisers have been sent to the school Administrators with modifications and approvals. Staff will need to contact their School Administrator with any questions.
- 5. Approval of CSRA Shared RESA Services-Hearing & Vision FY25
- 6. Approval of Change Board Meeting Date-September 10 to September 17

**PUBLIC PARTICIPA-**TION -None

**EXECUTIVE SION** 

**EMPLOYMENTS:** 

The Board approved the Renewal, employment, retired, retirement resignations the following certified and classified employ-

#### RECOMMENDA-TIONS, CERTIFIED

Carlyle, Melissa Teacher 49% - CAS -9/3/2024 - NCIC Complete; Tiemann, David - Social Studies - Teacher - SHS - 7/29/2024 NCIC Incomplete; Wright, Ayana - Counselor - SMS - 8/5/2024 - NCIC Incomplete

#### RESIGNATIONS, **CERTIFIED**

Durden, Molly Jan - Teacher - SHS -8/9/2024; Oliver, Angel - Teacher - SES - 7/24/2024; Wallace, Cortney - Teacher - SHS -7/17/2024

#### RECOMMENDA-TIONS, CLASSIFIED

Cochran, Jessie - Food Service Worker - SES -8/12/2024 - NCIC Complete; Gilmore, Tonya - Food Service Worker, Sub Bus Driver - Transportation - 8/1/2024 - NCIC Complete; Jenkins, Shateria - Bus Driver - Transportation -8/1/2024 - NCIC Complete; Landing, Allison - Paraprofessional - TCE - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Complete; Lopez, Erica - Paraprofessional - SPS -8/2/2024 - NCIC Complete; Rountree, La'Tina - Paraprofessional -SHS - 7/25/2024 - NCIC Complete; Sigmon, Allie - SPED - Paraprofessional - SPS - 8/14/2024 NCIC Incomplete; Wilkes, Jessica - SPED Paraprofessional - SHS - 7/26/2024 - NCIC Incomplete; Williford, Diane - Sub Bus Monitor - Transportation -8/1/2024 - NCIC Complete

**CLASSIFIED** Brown, Katherine -Irainer - Iransportation - 8/11/2024; Griffin, Rachel - Caregiver - EHS - 7/22/2024; Lovette, Felicia - Bus Driver - Transportation - 7/31/2024; Pearson, Letrice - Paraprofessional - SPS - 7/23/2024

#### RETIREMENTS, **CLASSIFIED**

Donnie Simpson, Custodian - Pre-K -9/1/2024

#### TERMINATED,

**CLASSIFIED** Douglas, Monyette - Food Service Worker - SES - 7/26/2024; Douglas, Visa - Food Service Worker - TCE 7/26/2024; McRae, Evamarie - Food Service Worker - SHS - 8/2/2024

#### **2024-2025 Transfers**

Hadden, Kendall -ECI - SHS/ECI - Work

## Blundale Baptist Church to celebrate Homecoming

Blundale Baptist Church will have Homecoming Sunday, August 25, with Bro. Lamar Little bringing a message. Special guest, Kinds Cross, will be in charge of the song service. Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. and Worship Service at 11 a.m. with lunch to follow.



VETERAN AND CLUB MEMBER WATSON MOSLEY, VETERAN AND CLUB MEMBER JOHN DAVID BAILEY, VETERAN AND CLUB MEMBER, DR. BOBBY SASSER, VETERAN AND WAA COORDINATOR JOHNNY TAPLEY AND GARY MASON, PRESIDENT SWAINSBORO EXCHANGE CLUB

## Tapley speaks to Exchange

On Tuesday, August 13, 2024, Johnny Tapley, local Chief Coordinator for Emanuel County Wreaths Across America spoke to the Swainsboro Exchange Club. He reported that this year Wreaths Across America will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2024. Tapley also spoke about various projects that the Veterans of the Library have supported the past three years. A \$500 donation was presented to Tapley in support of Emanuel County WAA.



TAMRA ALLEN AND WADE JOHNSON

## Mill Creek Foundation donates to Ferst Readers

by TAMRA ALLEN Family Connection would like to thank the Mill Creek Foundation RESIGNATIONS, for their support of our work toward improving Early Childhood Paraprofessional - ECI Literacy by making a 7/15/2024; Crews, very generous donation Jamie - Bus Driver to the Emanuel County Ferst Readers program. Every dollar will go toward providing a book a month to the children enrolled in the program here in Emanuel County.

delivered to the child every month, along with a parent newsletter, until the child reaches their fifth birthday. This community funded program is provided at no cost to the family.

Family Connection will be sponsoring our Ferst Readers Book Character Contest again this year. We are looking for creative folks with a heart for children and who know the importance of reading to them.

The online fundraiser will be throughout the month of October and those who are interested should contact Tammy Allen for more details. Last year's contestants can be viewed on the **Emanuel County Family** Connection Facebook page for inspiration. So, pick your favorite book character and start getting that costume together. It is a lot of fun and

#### Twin City awarded...

(From front page) grant will fund an engineering study and plan for the city sewerage system. Donaldson said, "Our current system was installed in the 1980s, so we need to consider some upgrades. The new grant award will fund that study of those upgrades."

These quality books get

In other business, the City Commission approved adding Sandridge Road to the list of resurfacing projects. In the June 2024 meeting, the city approved to resurface Rountree

as well. These projects will be combined with the City's T-SPLOST resurfacing projects of: W. Broad Street, Old Swainsboro Road, Parrish Pond Road, 1st Avenue, Wilson Road, and Coursey Road. In total, these (9) roads will be resurfaced in late 2024 or early 2025. This is in addition to the (13) roads resurfaced in early 2024. Donaldson said, "We are aggressively working our resurfacing plans to get our roads in a better condition. In a span of about 18 months, the

a great way to make a lifelong impact. faced (22) roads in the

city limits or about 50%

of the total road miles in Twin City." In other business, the City Commission approved the contract with Turnipseed Engineers to complete the sewer engineering study, approved the invoice for the Church Street well and pump replacement, held a public hearing for a business license application, approved the 2023 audit report, and reviewed the first draft of the recodified code of

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## East Georgia State College welcomes new and returning students to Bobcat Villas

East Georgia State College (EGSC) is excited to announce the successful move-in of new and returning students to Bobcat Villas on August 9 and 10. The campus was abuzz with energy and enthusiasm as students and their families arrived, marking the beginning of a new academic year.

Bobcat Villas, the on-campus housing facility, welcomed hundreds of students who will call the dorms their home for the upcoming academic year. Students and their families were greeted with a warm welcome from members of the women's basketball team, who were there to lend a hand, answer questions about movein and the college, and escort students and their families to their assigned dorms. The move-in process was smooth and efficient, thanks to the dedicated efforts of EGSC faculty, staff, and student volunteers.

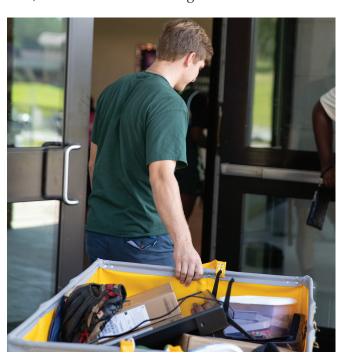
The move-in days were just the beginning of a series of events planned for the first few weeks of the semester, aimed at helping students build connections and make the most of their college experience. The move in weekend events included a volleyball game under the stars, an Ice Cream Social, a new student breakfast, and a five-on-five basketball tournament. A series of orientation programs were held to help new students acclimate to campus life, including meet-and-greet tours, events, and fun activi-

Gage Dowling, EGSC Director of Housing, expressed his excitement for the new academic year, stating, "We are thrilled to welcome our new and returning students to Bobcat Villas. Our goal is to make sure all students have a place where they can rest, be safe, and allow them to

thrive in the classroom."

Bobcat Villas offers a vibrant living experience with its modern amenities and community-focused environment. facility features four-bedroom, two-bath suites with a common living area and full kitchen. Each suite is fully furnished with modular furniture, cable, microwave, and refrigerator. Residents also enjoy access to the L.C. "Shot" and Jean Strange Clubhouse, which includes a game room, fitness center, and study spaces.

For more information about East Georgia State College and upcoming events, please visit www. ega.edu.







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East Georgia State College made history by winning the 2024 Region 17 GCAA Women's Basketball Championship in March.

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Rebecca

## Hope Ministries to hold Living Grace groups

Hope Ministries invites you to Living Grace starting Sunday, September, 1, 2024, at 2:30 p.m. at Jesus Saves Church, 138 Hwy 56 North, Swainsboro. Meetings will be every other Sunday and will last for approximately an hour and a half. There will be monthly door prizes at the end of each month. This program is evidence-based, "a discipleship small group experience for those that are experiencing a mental or emotional health challenge, even a diagnosis." There is proven research that shows Living Grace Groups help reduce symptoms and improve mental health recovery. "Come learn to thrive, not just survive."

For more information, contact Danny Coleman at 478.494.3467 or jesussavedme2k18@gmail.com.

## Summertown Food Pantry to hold August distribution

Summertown Food Pantry at Summertown Baptist Church will be open for food distribution on Saturday, August 24, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed.

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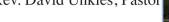


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#### Rebecca Hill, 85

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Terwilliger,

Dennis Hill, 85, Swainsboro, passed away August 15, 2024, after an extended illness. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 18, at 3 p.m. at First Methodist Church with Reverend Jim Harrell officiating, assisted by Reverend David Unkles. Family received friends one hour prior to service. Memorial service for Augusta friends and family was held Tuesday, August 20, at 11 a.m. at Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church, 2261 Walton Way.

Pallbearers

Shannon Mason, Tommy

Kirby, Brian Key, Owen

Bellamy, Jr., Dr. Randy

Brown, and David Berry.

Henry

Honorary pallbearers were Ralph Cowart and the staff at Southern Manor Inn of Statesboro. Becky was born February 3, 1939, in Hartsville, SC, to the late Edward Dennis and Elsie Miller Hill. She graduated from Richmond Academy in Augusta, then went on to study at the University of Georgia and graduated from Georgia Southern University with an Early Childhood Education degree. Becky taught at the primary school for many years. While teaching at the primary school, she and others began an annual Thanksgiving Pilgrimage that is still celebrated at the school today. Becky went on to further her education, obtaining a Counselor's degree. She spent many years advising and counseling students at Swainsboro High School. It was always said she raised more children than just her boys. Becky was active in many clubs and organizations such as DAR, Garden

Club, and Delta Kappa

Gamma. She has always

been very dedicated to

her Church. After retir-

ing, Becky moved back

to Augusta where she

was very active at Reid

Memorial Presbyterian

Church. Reid Memorial

has always held a very

special place in her heart,

and she was an Elder

#### Bobby Gene Amerson, 79

Tomlinson Funeral Home & Crematory announces the death of Mr. Bobby Gene Amerson, Sr., age 79, of Adrian, on Monday, July 29, 2024, at the Emanuel Medical Center Nursing Home. Funeral services were held Friday, August 2, 2024, at 11 a.m. in the Tomlinson Funeral Home Chapel with Corbin Wiggins officiating. Interment followed in the Kite City Cemetery. Family received friends one hour prior to the service at Tomlinson Funeral

Pallbearers were Rodney Amerson, Mark Snellgrove, Justin Riner, Alan Amerson, Graham Landon Lawson, Amerson, Shawn Riner and Joel Mimbs.

Home.

cooking

Brunswick stew

Mr. Amerson was born August 12, 1944, in Swainsboro, to the late Lavousia and Louise Chalker Amerson. He was a retired mechanic. Bobby Gene loved

hogs

and

and

ments.

# HILL and Deacon there. Becky

also served with Stephen

Ministries where she continued to provide counseling and guidance to all who needed it. She was able to spend a lot of time with her "Grow Up Group" while living in Augusta. Becky always loved

her life. Ms. Hill is pre- at Tuskegee College in ceded in death by her Tuskegee, Alabama, then parents; the father of her from Nursing School at children, Arthur Richard Swainsboro Technical. Daniels, Jr.; brother-in She was a Nurse in Law, Robert Elliott the Emanuel County area McElveen; and nephew, for over 30 years demon-Robert McElveen Walker. strating her God given talher three sons, Richard of many. Mattie accepted Marlow Daniels (Lisa Christ at an early age and Ricks), Daniels (Maria), and Edward Hill Daniels (Cathy); grandchildren, Rachael Daniels preceded in death by her Callaway (Kyle), Richard parents; surrogate moth-Blaine Daniels (Emily), er, Minnie Bell Shoemake-Jacob Vaughan Daniels Stephens-Tiller, siblings: (Jenna), Kaitlyn Suzanne, Samuel Parker, Jr., John and Jacob Westbrooks; Willie Parker, James great-grandchildren, Otis Parker, Lee Edward Daniels, Saige Alexandria and Arline Parker; son:

The family would like to thank Ralph Cowart and the staff at Southern Manor in Statesboro for their excellent care.

Ann Henry; twin sister,

Sarah Hill McElveen

(Sally) of Columbia,

Chapman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

especially loved sharing with friends and family. He was a master mechanic who could build or fix anything with an engine. In addition to his parents, Mr. Amerson is preceded in death by his brother, Doyle Amerson.

Mr. Amerson is survived by his daugh-Angela "Sister Boots" Young (Alan) of Swainsboro; sons, Bobby Gene "Petey" Amerson, Jr. (Paula) of Swainsboro and Stan "Stump" Amerson of Swainsboro; grandchildren, Amber Hodges (Chris), Mallory Carlyle Carolyn (Terrance), Screws (Dusty), Kaelyn Meadows (Austin), Danielle Herring (Chris), Trey Amerson (Shyann) and Skylar Tran; nine great-grand-

children; brother, Lavonn Amerson (Loree) of Wrightsville; and extended family. Tomlinson

#### Mattie Mae Parker, 87

87, of Swainsboro, passed away Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at Emanuel Medical Center following an extended illness. Funeral service was held Monday, August 19, at 11 a.m. at Greater St. James Baptist Church with Reverend Bennie Brinson officiating. Interment followed at the Swainsboro City Cemetery. Family received friends Sunday, August 18, from 3 to 7 p.m. at Chapman Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Ms.

Ms. Mattie Mae Parker,

Parker's grandsons and nephews. Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of The Greater St. James Church. Mattie was

gatherings with family November 27, 1936, in and friends. Becky, or Swainsboro, to the par-"Bec," as the grandchil- entage of Samuel Thomas dren fondly named her, Parker, Sr. and Mary always reminded us that Lou Shoemake-Parker. she loved God, her fam- She attended Emanuel ily, and helping people. County High School and These three things have graduated in 1956. Mattie been evident throughout furthered her education Ms. Hill is survived by ents to be a servant, leader Samuel Hill joined the Greater Saint James Missionary Baptist Church in Swainsboro. She was anointed in countless areas. Ms. Parker is Elizabeth Parker, Bobby Parker, Sr., Daniels, Richard Blaine John Eric "The Governor" Daniels, Jr. and Bethany



**PARKER** 

son-in-law, Willie Karlydena Harris, Jr.; sisters-in-law, Agnes Salter-Parker and Alma Worthen-Parker; niece, Tammy L. Parker; and nephew, Collis O. Parker.

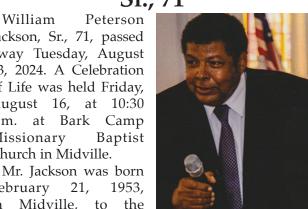
Ms. Parker leaves a legacy of "cherished and loving memories" to her daughter, Rosalind M. Harris of Fort Valley; sons, Michael E. Parker of Fairburn and Milton Graham (Debby Ann) of Wadley; brothers, Ralph Parker, Sr. (Lutricia) and Johnny Parker of Swainsboro; sister, Christine Parker of Swainsboro; sister-inlaw, Mary E.M. Parker of Swainsboro; grandchildren "(affectionately called-her Scamps)", Terrence Howard, Teresa (Charles) Trim, Tyler Howard, Moesha Williams, Teralyn Harris and Tyteunna Graham; seven great-grandchildren, Braylon Howard, Trent Howard, Tatiana Howard, Legacy Cobb, Aurora Trim, Kenyon Howard and Dior Cobb; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrange-

#### William Peterson Jackson, Sr., 71

Peterson William SC; brother, Edward Jackson, Sr., 71, passed Dennis Hill (Caroline) away Tuesday, August of Savannah; four loving 13, 2024. A Celebration nieces; and her fur baby, of Life was held Friday, August 16, at 10:30 a.m. at Bark Camp Missionary Baptist Church in Midville.

> February 21, 1953, in Midville, to the late Jones and Susan McClendon Jackson. He attended Burke County School and matriculated at Swainsboro Technical School and East Georgia College. William received certificates in welding, roofing, wood production and agriculture. Growing vegetables was his passion. William owned Pete Jackson Farms and worked hard to keep his customers pleased. He showed and expressed love with a giving heart, going the extra mile to help anyone in need. Mr. Jackson is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ezekiel, Clarence, L.J., Ray, Milton and Seaborn; sisters, Lucille Johnson,



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Willie Mae McClendon and Dora Young.

Mr. Jackson leaves to cherish his memories with his loving and devoted wife of 50 years, Dr. Elvira Green Jackson; sons, William Jackson, Jr. (Andrea) and James Jones Jackson (Jessica); grandchildren, Andreana, Willow, Audrey, Jayden, Jaya and Winter; brothers, Walter, Leroy and Arthur; sisters, Agnes Williams and Dorothy Moore; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Jogresan

Mortuary, Inc. was in charge of arrangements.

## Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church to observe Senior Citizen's Day

Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Cross Green - Green Community, will observe Senior Citizen's Day on Sunday, August 25, at 9 a.m. Funeral Using the theme 'The Joy of Growing Old', a beau-Home & Crematory was tiful program has been planned in your honor. in charge of arrange- Pastor Michael Thomas will bring the message. The sweet word is "COME", you are invited.

## Editorials Columns. An unremarkable story

Dad Redding was a good sort of fellow to have around. He opened the store every morning before the streetlights were turned off, or the Atlanta newspapers were thrown onto the loading dock from the Seaboard Air Line train as it slowed down nearing the depot. People inside the lit-up dining cars were already having breakfast as the train coasted past the station then lurched forward with great impatience resuming its eastward race toward a spreading pink sky. It was like that every day before just before dawn. The sun would slowly peek around the corner of main street, and Dad Redding's fellow workers would

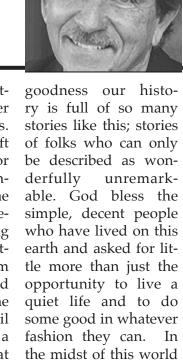
magically appear at the warehouse door just as he coaxed sausage, eggs and biscuits out of an old cast iron stove in the back of the building. Dad Redding never heard of "the human resources department", but he sure knew how to get people to work on time, especially in depression days. Nobody could pen it down, but most folks figured Dad was born in the late 1860's. He was wiry and lean and had that rare quality of being able and available whenever help was needed most. He grew up on farms and worked at almost every odd job imaginable during hard times. He was full of common sense, knowand wisdom

acquired from listening more than speaking. Dad Redding was as much a part of the town as the library and the courthouse, and he was also the jack-of-alltrades, and right-hand assistant for the owner of the town's furniture store. In addition to all of that, Dad was the trusted advisor and confidant of the eightyear-old son of the store's owner. Dad's main responsibility was managing a temperamental and distrustful old blue-gray mule who pulled the furniture delivery wagon. Oddly enough, the mule's name was Ulysses. Whether or not he was named after the Union General could not be determined, but it is interesting to note that the name Ulysses is said to mean "wrathful or full of anger". According to sources, Ulysses, the mule, lived up to this appellation. Apparently, his disposition played some part in his eventual retirement to plowing vegetable gardens. For many years, in good times and bad, Dad Redding was a loyal employee and a trusted part of the store owner's family. In those days, Saturday was by far the busiest day of the week, and stores would remain open until nearly midnight. After a day of selling ice cream or boiled peanuts or sugarcane on the sidewalk outside the store, the owner's young son would end up worn out and sound

## Charles Schwabe

asleep among the cotton bales stacked under the store's awnings. Dad Redding never left the store on Friday or Saturday nights without first retrieving the sleeping young entrepreneur from among the mounds of cotton and carrying him home on his back. Dad Redding worked at the furniture store until it closed. He lived a long time after that surrounded by a very large family.

It is comforting to remember people like Dad Redding. Thank



## In tribute to a special nurse who is going to make a difference

A point of personal privilege, please. Last week, the Georgia Board of Regents officially approved the Jane J. Yarbrough Nursing Fellowship at the Wellstar School of Nursing at Kennesaw State University. Jane Yarbrough. The beloved Woman Who Shared My Name. This is no small thing. When fully operational, the fellowship

along with a nursing scholarship in her name will fund tuition, books and fees for non-traditional students - meaning those seeking a second career – to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Nursing as well as provide the resources for faculty to advance nursing education and research at KSU.

Longtime readers of this space know her story because I've

shared it a number of times, but I share it with you one more time. She grew up in the dark ages when young women were encouraged to become secretaries, get married, have babies and leave the business world to the guys. This, despite being a straight-A student in high school, a member of the National Honor Society and possessed with a great love for medicine, particularly nursing. She dutifully stayed home and raised two kids while her husband began his climb up the corporate ladder at Southern Bell which eventually landed him a stint in Washington, D.C. I cannot point to an "aha!" moment at which this occurred but upon our return home it was decided that with our two children away at college, it was time for Momma to scratch that nursing itch and head off to college herself. To Kennesaw State. To nursing school. In her '40's. To say it wasn't easy would be an understatement. First, there was algebra. (If any of you nurses out there who are reading this use algebra in your daily duties, would you let me know how? And why?) Fortunately, her friend and neighbor, Jane Hoover, was a former math teacher and tutored her successfully through the years.

Also, there was one particular instructor who was convinced she was too old to undertake the pressures of the nursing profession and discouraged her at every turn. (I hope she is reading this.) It didn't work. She persevered and prevailed, thanks to her intelligence and tenacity and a lot of family support. Her dream came

# Dick Yarbrough

true. The former stayat-home Mom was now a nurse. A registered nurse. After earning her degree at KSU, she worked in the hospital as a registered nurse for a brief time, and then went on to a rewarding career as an occupational nurse for Delta Air Lines. In addition to her nursing duties, she was also the family bookkeeper, banker, shopper, chef and organizer as well as wife, mother and grandmother. She excelled at them all. She was exceedingly modest, kept a low profile and was more than willing to boost mine. At the risk of sounding trite, she was the wind beneath my wings. It was painful to see her slowly slip away, unable to remember names and places. I had always assumed that with my pedal-to-the-metal lifestyle, I would go first. Of course, things don't always work out the way we plan. One plan that did work was her family's decision to honor her journey from a young wife who put her dreams aside for her family to someone who had the courage to go to college, get her degree and then go on to a career at a time when many of her



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place.

What better to do that than to go back to the place that changed her life, Kennesaw State University and the Wellstar School of Nursing? And what better way to honor her than by providing assistance to those who seek a career change and a desire to join the nursing profession, where there is such a critical need? The Jane J. Yarbrough Nursing Scholarships will allow deserving students to do just that. More than that, the Jane J. Yarbrough Fellowship will allow a chosen faculty member to look at issues from improving teaching skills to enhancing relationships with local hospitals to researching how to attract more people to enter the profession and remain a part of it. The Beloved Woman Who Shared My Name would be slightly nonplused at all the attention she is getting. But it is deserved. She is going to make a positive difference for generations to come, just as she made a difference while we had her with us. Rest in peace, Jane Yarbrough, RN. You have earned it. You can reach Dick Yarbrough at dick@dickyarbrough.com or at P.O. Box 725373, Atlanta, Georgia 31139.

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## Another busy year for Beta Sigma Phi

by VANESSA DEV-ANE, TREASURER, XI DELTA PSI CHAPTER, BETA SIGMA PHI

Beta Sigma Phi is an international women's organization that was founded in1931 during the Great Depression by Walter W. Ross. Its mission then was to provide women with a sense of purpose through social, cultural, civic and service activities. Though times have changed for women, the mission and purpose are still basically the same. It is a noncollegiate sorority with over 200,000 members in chapters around the world, Beta Sigma Phi is dedicated to helping women build lasting develop friendships, their leadership skills, and make a positive impact in their communities. The organization operates on the principles of Life, Learning, and Friendship. Members are encouraged pursue personal growth and education through various cultural programs and social events. Service is also a key component of Beta Sigma Phi, with members participating in charitable activities and fundraising events to support causes that are important to them. More often than not the Xi Delta Psi chapter here in Emanuel County includes community service projects and fundraising as two of its primary activities. All monies donated are put before a vote by the club members. If a motion is made and passed, Beta Sigma Phi will make these donations. The Xi Delta Psi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was founded in Emanuel County in 1978 and currently has 30 members. The local chapter is quite fortunate to still have several members that were instrumental in the chartering of the Xi Delta Psi Chapter in its beginnings. In our community the chapter focuses on reaching out to and seeking local organizations and institutions that receive minimal financial assistance from local, state and even federal funding and rely heavily on local donations to keep themselves up and run-

sequently in this writeup. The chapter has several recurring projects each year and often find additional needs that come up during the year. The Xi Delta Psi Chapter spans 9 months of each year with a few projects that span the entire year. Like all years, the chapter stays quite busy and the 2023-2024 year has been no different. The following summary of activities will give an example of what a typical year is like. In September of 2023 made a donation of \$250 to the Sudie **Fulford** Community Learning Center, a part of East Georgia State College. This donation is multi-faceted. The Learning Center is generous enough to allow Beta Sigma Phi the use of the facility for one of its two monthly meetings. The Center offers an educational library and reading room and a large classroom type area that can accommodate 50+ participants among many other things. They often offer activities in the summer for children while they are out of school. This is just a small part of all the things that the Learning Center can and/or does provide.In October, 2023, the club made a donation of \$150 to His Fellowship Ministries. This was introduced to the Twin City area by Windy Durden. His Truth Fellowship Center is located Twin City. His Truth Fellowship Center aims to create a warm and welcoming space for all people, encouraging spiritual growth and genuine connections with God and each other. Mrs. Durden has also brought to the Twin City area a project called His House. His House has a very unique approach to aiding women with addiction issues. His House recognizes that every addiction and mental health struggle is unique. They offer personalized treatment, from intervention to sober living, to help individuals forge a path to health and recovery. Their approach combines spirituality, patient education, and individualized treatment. Qualified staff create

fects of addiction on the mind, body, and spirit. Together, they develop effective treatment plans tailored to each person's needs. His House focuses on the underlying struggles within the mind, body, and spirit that contribute to addiction. Their comprehensive proach aims to prevent relapse and provide lasting freedom from addiction. His House began with three residents and has grown to eighteen. These are both very worthy and much needed causes. Sigma Phi was pleased to be able to help in any way possible and applauds Windy Durden for her taking on these projects and bringing them to our community. November of 2023 led the club to Herrington Homestead, one of the Georgia Sheriffs Youth Homes that is located in Nunez. There are five Sherriff's Youth Homes in the state of Georgia. Most everyone knows that Herrington Homestead is a great asset to community. The mission of the youth homes is giving disadvantaged boys and girls an opportunity to free themselves from abuse, neglect or abandonment. The children range in age from quite young to high school age students. The residences are a sanctuary of structure, love and care. The Youth Homes provide a place children to call home, where they can feel comfortable and safe, a place where they have a chance to thrive. Without Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes, many of these children would still be living in turmoil and chaos. Since Christmas was nearing, the club made a \$300 donation to help Herrington provide Homestead Christmas gifts for their

of 2023 was a donation to The Sunshine House Children's Regional Advocacy Center. Beta Sigma Phi learned The Sunshine House had suffered severe cuts in funding and grants from both the state and federal levels. Without the help of donations, they were in jeopardy of possibly having to cut back on personnel and other important necessities. At that time the club made a \$300 donation to what all sisters felt was a very worthy cause. Most of the club's members are mothers and/or grandmothers, so the well-being of children is a very important to all of the Xi Delta Psi Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi sister-

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In January of 2024 a bit of an out of the ordinary project was discussed by club members. It came to the attention of the members that an individual in our area had some very special needs. Due to medical and privacy issues no name nor de-

tails will be discussed.

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The club can say that between personal donations from the sisters and a donation from the club a fairly sizeable monetary donation was made to this individual in an effort to help offset expenses associated with their condition. The chapter elected to call it a Love Offering Project. Situations like this do not occur often but all of the sisters were in favor in this particular case. In February 2024, the organization learned

about fascinating and

very informative and

educationimportant al project called, "Ag to Classroom". Ag to Classroom refers to Agriculture in the Classroom, an educational initiative that aims to increase agricultural literacy among K-12 students. Here are some key points about what this program does. The National Agriculture in the Classroom provides K-12 educators with engaging resources related to agriculture. This helps students understand the source and value of agriculture in people's daily lives. The program also offers materials, lesson plans, and activities for integrating agriculture into the classroom. Students at all levels had to opportunity to do things such as planting seeds and watching them grow into plants that provide food both for people and animals included in agricultural work. Many students got to see farm and agricultural animals such as cattle, pigs, chickens and the like. These are just a few instances of what Ag to Classroom does. Beta Sigma Phi made a donation of \$200 to David Emanuel Academy to assist them in keeping the program in place in their school. All schools in Emanuel County received donations from other local civic organizations. No school in the county was left behind. It is a very notable project in bringing awareness about the hard work involved and the importance of agriculture in so many different ways. Beta Sigma Phi was proud to be able to be a part of this program through this donation.

In March of each year, the Chapter does all that it can to help with the extreme needs of the Emanuel County Humane Society and the Animal Shelter. It is well known that there is overwhelming number of stray dogs in the community. The animal shelter is always full and, in many instances, beyond capacity. The shelter does all that it can to find homes for these strays. Often, they partner with various networks in other states in an attempt to find home for these animals. Fortunately, some of the animals have found homes as far away as New England and other areas around the country. Having large and loving hearts, the volunteers at the shelter work diligently to

avoid the necessity to euthanize any of the animals housed at the Unfortunately, euthanization is at times, the only alternative. Beta Sigma Phi was pleased to be able to make a \$100 donation. They also donated dog and puppy food "doggy toys ", gently used blankets, towels, and rugs for the animals at the shelter. The sisterhood of the chapter join the Humane Society in urging all pet owners to spay and neuter their pets, thus reducing the number of strays in the county. At times, local veterinarians provide these procedures at reduced costs. They are to be commended for their help in assisting The Humane Society The Animal Shelter as are those who do adopt pets for the shelter. April is the time that

The Xi Delta Psi Chapter dedicates it's time to celebrating the founding date of Beta Sigma Phi International. A formal gathering is organized by the club. This vear The Founder's Day celebration was held at The Sudie Fulford Community Learning Center. The celebration includes a catered sit-down dinner for all members, and a several others. It is a time of observing all Beta Sigma Phi directives and requirements as well as reflecting on the past years' activities and accomplishments. The local chapter covers the costs of securing the location for the gathering as well and all the fundamental necessities that accompany the occasion. This is also the time that the club usually announces its choice of a woman in our community who goes above and beyond the call of duty by way of her good deeds, her philanthropy and contributions to her community. Unfortunately, this year there was a conflict in timing and the announcement was made at a later date. This year's Lady of the Year is Mrs. Carolyn Durden. A celebration for her was held at a later date and details of that event will be coming soon. Former Ladies of the Year are also invited to attend Founder' Day. This year the sisters were grateful to be joined by, Ann Peebles (2000), Bobbie Daughtry (2009), Mary Ann Smith (2015) representing herself and

Missy Elder (2015), the

first and only to date

Co-Ladies of the Year,

Juanita Porter (2019),

Lisa Bertoch (2021) and

Teresa Smith (2023). It

was truly an honor to have these women with the Chapter's members to celebrate this special In May the Chapter makes a donation to The Franklin Memorial Library. This donation also honors sisters that have become grandmothers during year. This donation is made expressly for the purchase of children's books and is \$10 for each new grandchild. As time has passed the

number of grandchildren has become fewer. Several years ago, a motion was made that when the number of grandchildren born during the year is less than five that the club would make a continuous donation of \$50. motion passed unanimously. This year there was one new grandchild added to the Beta Sigma Phi family. Kim Hooks was blessed with a granddaughter, her first grandchild. The minimum \$50 donation was made to the library in honor of this wonderful event. The library is kind enough to put a bookplate inside the cover of the new book(s) purchased with the name of the honoree and her new grand-

Most club business is done during the nine active months of the Beta Sigma Phi year. However, the organization is please for the past five years to be involved in the hosting of the year-round meetings of Emanuel County members of The Veterans of Foreign Wars. Their meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at Franklin Memorial Library. The chapter divides into small groups of two to four sisters and provides an array of breakfast items as well as juices, paper products, utensils etc. The library provides coffee at each meeting. When we began participating in this project there were only about 10-12 members of the veterans group. The number now has grown to between 50-60 members. Beta Sigma Phi is very proud to be a part of this endeavor. It is a wonderful way to show our appreciation and to honor these men and women who bravely fought for all the freedoms that we here in Emanuel County and all Americans enjoy to

this day. As one can see, The Xi Delta Psi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi stays very active. Most things are done more behind the scenes but still, many projects are tackled and accomplished. Hopefully this will allow the public to have a better idea of what Beta Sigma Phi signifies and what these women do. The Xi Delta Psi Chapter members and are all proud of their accomplishments and truly enjoy being able to enjoy doing things that benefit our community.

Now the club is just weeks away from beginning its 46<sup>th</sup> year since the chapter was chartered. All members gather at the beginning of the new Beta Sigma Phi year for a social event to enjoy reminiscing about their summer and reuniting for another year. At this time, they also discuss the recurring projects and brainstorm about new projects they may add to the list for the coming year. All of the sisterhood look forward to another busy and upcoming rewarding 2024/2025 year.



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## Veterans donate to 'Shop with a Cop'

The Veterans the Library held their weekly meeting at the Franklin Memorial Library Monday, August 19, at 9 a.m. With Chair Johnny Tapley presiding, they had 61 in attendance. Beta Sigma Phi members, Darlene Canady and Lisa Parham, provided breakfast consisting of sausage biscuits with jelly, pigs in a blanket, pastries, cantaloupe, grapes, strawberries, pineapple, watermelon, along with orange juice, apple juice and coffee. After the prayer Veteran Emory Fennell and the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag, Chair Johnny asked Councilman Julian Sconyers to introduce retiring Chief Randy Ellison. Chair Johnny then presented a check from the Veterans at the Library for \$500 to be used for the Swainsboro Police Departments 'Shop with a Cop' program at Christmas. The donation came from the profits from the recent Veterans Cup Golf Tournament. Johnny also presented Chief Randy with a police car and Lamborghini car that was signed by all the veterans at this morning's breakfast. Two new veterans

attended this morning, Alisha Belle Sturgis and Rick Dell Bivens. Sturgis is a veteran of the Army serving from February 2015 to February 2023. She was stationed in Orlando, FL and was deployed Kuwait. Sturgis served in the 143rd ESC in HHC. The highest rank she obtained was E-5. Veteran Bivens served in the U.S. Air Force from April 8, 1980, to April 9, 1988. He was stationed in Lackland, TX, Sheppard A.F.B., TX, Scott A.F.B., IN, A.F.B. Spangdalem Germany and MacDill A.F.B., Tampa, FL. Library Director Windy Ward then presented to the Veterans

a donation continuous each week by All the Fixins donating a donut each week to a "Veteran at the Library" who has a birthday starting August 26. Chair Johnny then asked Terry Reynolds, director of the local Wounded Warriors Organization, to update about the upcoming 13th Annual Sportsman's Banquet and Auction that will be held at Beaver Creek Plantation, 3698 Hwy. 80 East, Twin City, Thursday night, October 10, 2024, at 5 p.m. Advance tickets are required and can be obtained by contacting Terry Reynolds at 478-494-3758, Richard Driggers at 912-290-1108, Nick Kraus at 912-687-



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6781 or Kurt Anderson at 678-614-0593. This event will include social time, prime rib meal, with silent and live

auction items. All the proceeds go directly to the local Wounded Warriors group which is a Georgia Non-profit

501 C3 organization that gives opportunity to Wounded Veterans and their family to enjoy the great outdoors.



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## Going strong

by BRITNEY CRABB

From a vision to a two-bedroom house, to Jesus Saves Church "forever home" A.K.A. the Church at the caution light, we are blessed to have recently celebrated five years as not just a congregation, but as a family. The amount of love and support we have received during the building of our forever home and moving forward, has greatly exceeded our expectations. We have been humbled and remain grateful to our community and all y'all's support since relocating to our forever home. Jesus Saves Church has grown in many ways, but the most important is our

growth in our relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In the past two years, as of August 1, some of our documented numbers include: Church membership at 115, 108 baptisms, and to God be the glory, 172 public confessions of faith. Outside of our normal 11 a.m. Sunday worship and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday

Bible study, we have many other groups and activities that our Church family, as well as our community, look forward to. Some of these include Sunday morning prayer breakfast, men's group starts at 8:30 a.m. and women start at 9 a.m. We have a weekly fellowship meal served at 5:45 p.m. every Wednesday before

Bible study. We have a monthly senior bingo night, women's "SWAG" gatherings, tribe and brotherhood. We also have a fast-growing children's church program and a great group of youth active in our youth program. We have recently started "The Man Church" - a men's discipleship group that meets every Sunday evening at 4 p.m. Starting September 1, we will have a biweekly discipleship gathering that is focused on mental and emotional awareness and learning the tools that can help grow our focus on Christ. We also have groups that volunteer in prayer drives, jail ministry and so much more.

None of our growth and accomplishments as a church would be possible without the love and support of you all, our community. Of course, all glory goes to Jesus, but when He laid on your heart to give, that's what you did. From all of us at Jesus Saves Church, we want to thank our community for all your past, present and future support. Whether you supported us financially, through prayer or simply sharing a post on Facebook, we could not have gotten this far without you.

If you have yet to visit us, we invite you to do so. Here at Jesus Saves Church, you are not just welcomed, you are wanted. We are looking forward to what God has in store for us in this next five years. Remember, Jesus loves you.

## East Georgia State College's Group 1080 presents: Smartphone Photography Exhibition at Kalmanson Gallery

East Georgia State Col-bringing together art lege's student-formed art group, Group 1080, was featured in an exhibition showcasing the work of 13 talented students from the summer term 2024 Smartphone Photography class led by Professor of Art and Art Club Advisor, Desmal Purcell. The works were on display at the Kalmanson Gallery of Emanuel Arts Council. The exhibition marked the students' first showing in an external gallery, following a successful event at the East Georgia State College (EGSC) Student Gallery in June.

Group 1080 members 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.

The opening reception for the exhibition was held on July 18 at the Kalmanson Gallery,

enthusiasts and the local community to celebrate the creative achievements of these budding photographers. The students were thrilled to share their work in a professional gallery environment, showcasing the power and versatility of smartphone photography.

"Group 1080 has created an exhibition that showcases the power of smartphone photography. The wide range of subject matter found in the potent compositions within the exhibition emphasizes the creative power of Group 1080," said Desmal Purcell

About East Georgia State College:

East Georgia State College is dedicated to providing a high-quality education to a diverse student body, fostering creativity and academic excellence in a supportive community. The college offers a variety of programs and extracurricular activities designed to en-





hance student learning and personal growth.

About Emanuel Arts

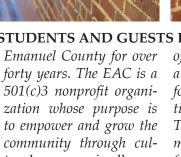
Council:

Emanuel Arts Council, Inc. (EAC) has been a cornerstone for the arts in



of the arts. The EAC offers a range of opportunities for everyone to become active in a vibrant art scene. *The EAC operates through* membership, donations, fundraisers, and grants,

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## Emanuel 4-H'ers attend 81st Annual State 4-H Congress

by JAKYN TYSON Georgia 4-H celebrated excellence during the 81st Annual 4-H State

Congress as top 4-H'ers from around the state gathered in Atlanta July 23 - 26. State Congress includes the state-level Project Achievement and Leadership in Action contests, as well as recognition of youth development professupporters, sionals, and public officials for their contributions to the success of 4-H in Georgia.

Three Emanuel County 4-H'ers competed at State Congress this year, including Sam Williams in the Festive Foods for Health project, Lauren Sapp in the General Recreation project, and Paxton Dixon in the Wildlife & Marine Sciences project. Williams and Sapp both placed third in their projects, while Dixon placed fourth.

Students who place first at state-level competitions in Georgia 4-H earn the title of "Master 4-H'er." During State Congress, more than 200 delegates competed in 50 Project Achievement areas and eight delegates com-

The Seedling Garden

Club proudly announces that the August 2024 Yard of the Month is the

home of Mellissa and

Jeffery Peebles locat-

ed on Paris Avenue in

Swainsboro. Mellissa and Jeffery enjoy working in their yard, and

especially in the summer, to help Emanuel County stay beautiful.

Nominations for Yard of the Month are wel-

comed for each month. The Seedling Garden

Club wants to honor

homeowners and orga-

nizations that person-

peted in the Leadership in Action contest; one individual from each project area and two Leadership in Action competitors received Master 4-H'er status. Special event Master 4-H'ers from the 2023-24 program year were also recognized at State Congress.

More than 48,000 youth participated in Project Achievement last year through 4-H programs at the county level. This essential Georgia 4-H program empowers element young people with leadership, creativity, public speaking, and record keeping skills that will last a lifetime. At the high school level, students choose a project of interest from a list of areas that include agriculture, human development, performing arts, communication, engineering, and workforce preparation. They subsequently research the topic, create a detailed presentation, and participate in related community service and civic engagement activities. State Congress competition also includes individu-

al interviews with qual-

ified professionals who engage with 4-H'ers about their project work.

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received the African American recognition, Kylee Farley received the Rural/Small Town recognition, TyKerria Phillips received the First Generation and Rural recognitions, and Vazquez-Kimberly Duque received the Generation, Hispanic, and Rural/ Small Town recogni-

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and recognize them for the great work they've been doing. We're proud of their strong academic performance in the classroom and College Board assessments," said Angela Hooks, College & Career Coach. "There's so much that makes our students unique, and this honor reinforces their individuality and

achievements as assets for their future."

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## Bulldogs return with a 13-7 win in overtime

WEATHERFORD NOT

The ECI Bulldog football team and fans traveled to Rochelle Friday, August 16, for the season opener against the Wilcox County Patriots. The two teams have played each other in the state playoffs with ECI taking both games, in 2007 for the state championship and again in 2012 in the semifinals. The Bulldogs made it three in a row, with a 13-7 overtime win Friday night.

"Playing the first game of the season in a hostile environment against a spread no-huddle team was tough enough, but the fact that they had a scoop and score on the second play of the game, had us reeling early," commented head football coach, Chris Kearson. "I will say our kids never panicked and found a way to get us back into the game in the first half and it was a defensive game until the end of regulation. We got plenty to work on as we wrap up our non-region schedule this Friday at

As a side note, this might not be the last time the Bulldogs and Patriots see each other this sea-

son. The top four teams in a Bulldog recovery to in region 3 and region 4 end their try for a score. Will face each other in the first round of the state playoffs in November. in a Bulldog recovery to end their try for a score. On the third play of the Bulldogs" try for score, they decided to go for a

The Bulldogs got the ball first in Friday's game and gifted the Patriots seven points with less than a minute into the game. A Bulldog fumble on the second play of the game resulted in a 34-yard defensive touchdown by Wilcox to put the Bulldogs down 7-0. The Bulldogs got on the scoreboard on their third possession of the game. On third and a yard, Ab Marsh broke through the middle of the defense and raced alone for a 40-yard touchdown. Oisin Matthews' kick split the uprights to tie the game at 7-7 in the first quarter. Between two stiff defenses, dropped passes, fumbles, and penalties that would be the last score for either team for the next three quarters, ending with a 7-7 tie at the end of regulation. The Patriots got the ball first in overtime. Their offense did the one thing that you can't do in overtime when each team starts the drive at the 15-yard line. Wilcox fumbled on the third play, resulting

end their try for a score. On the third play of the Bulldogs" try for score, they decided to go for a Matthews field goal. The Pats were offside for two consecutive plays trying for a block which put the ball on twoyard line. The Bulldogs put the offense back on the field and won the game on a Tyler Foreman run to win the game in OT 13-7. The Bulldog defense had another good game. Including the three-quarter scrimmage against Vidalia and this game against Wilcox, they have yet to yield a point the last seven quarters. The Bulldogs rushed for 179 yards during the game. Leading the ground game were Ab Marsh, seven carries for 90 yards and Tyler Foreman 62 yards on carries. Jackson Kennedy was 5-10 for 47 yards spreading the ball around to five different receivers.

The Bulldogs will host Swainsboro this Friday in the home opener at Rountree Stadium in the last non-region game. The next eight games will be region



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Sealed BIDS for the 2024 Local Road Assistance Resurfacing Project will be received by Emanuel County at the Emanuel County Commissioner's Office located at 101 North Main St., Swainsboro, GA until 10:00 AM, Local Time on September 12, 2024, and then at said office will be publicly opened and read aloud. The project includes the resurfacing of Kelly ST from Treutlen County to the City of Adrian for 1.67 miles, Racket Town RD resurfacing from Toombs County to Pendelton Springs Rd 3.31 miles, Whippoorwill Road resurfacing from GA SR 86 to Griffin Ferry Rd, and Kemp Rd resurfacing from GA SR 56 to US HWY 80 with Full Depth Reclamation being performed on 2.3 miles of roadway. The resurfacing work includes asphalt leveling with a double surface treatment with sand seal wearing course. The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

An optional pre-bid conference will be held at 3:00 PM on September 3, 2024, at the Emanuel County Commissioner's Office (101 North Main Street, Swainsboro, Georgia). Project scheduling, coordination requirements, and questions of interpretation will be addressed at this time.

101 North Main Street, Swainsboro, GA

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Base Bid. Performance Bond and Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount, will be required of the successful bidder. Bonds must be written by an acceptable Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of

Georgia and listed in the Department of the Treasury, Circular 570, latest edition. NOTE: Contractor and all subcontractors must obtain a business license in Georgia, be fully insured, and be a Licensed Contractor in the State of Georgia.

INSURANCE: Contractor shall maintain the following insurance (a) comprehensive general liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence; and (b) commercial automobile liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and

property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident (c) statutory worker's compensation insurance, including \$1,000,000 employer's liability insurance (d) employee dishonesty and/or crimes coverage with respect to personnel of Contractor having access to County buildings, with limits of no less than \$50,000 per occurrence. All insurance shall be provided by an insurer(s) acceptable to the County and shall provide for thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the County. Upon request, Contractor shall deliver to the County a certificate or policy of insurance evidencing Contractor's compliance with this paragraph. Contractor shall abide by all terms and conditions of the insurance and shall do nothing to impair or invalidate the coverage. The successful bidder shall secure and pay for all permits, assessments, charges or fees

required in connection with the proposed construction. Answers to all questions shall be provided a minimum of 72 hours prior to the time of the bid.

All work to be performed under this project must be completed within 180 consecutive calendar days following receipt of Notice to Proceed.

Emanuel County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, including without limitation, the right to reject any and all nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional bids and to reject the bid of any bidder whom the Owner believes would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that bidder whether because the bid is not responsive, the bidder is unqualified, or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

Qualified Bidders may obtain digital copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, Specifications, and upon a non-refundable payment of \$150.00 for each set at the Statesboro office of EMC Engineering Services, Inc. Please contact Stacy Turk at (912)764-7022, sta-

cy\_turk@emc-eng.com. **Hugh Foskey, Chairman Emanuel County Commissioners** 

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## Lady Dawgs start out region play 2-0

WEATHERFORD

The Lady Dawg softball team played their

first two region games last week, winning both games against Claxton and Metter. The Tigers got on the board first to lead 1-0 in the top for the first. Jayna Kearson got the ball rolling for ECI in the game against Claxton, blasting a two-run shot over the left field fence in the first inning for a 2-1 lead. Dot Russell, the homerun leader at three, drilled one over the fence in the third to put the Bulldogs up 3-1. ECI plated three more runs in the bottom of the third to take a 6-1 lead. Both teams put on a run on the board in the sixth to make the final score 7-2. Leading hitter for ECI was Jayna Kearson with three hits, three RBI, HR. Four other Bulldogs had one hit each including Russell's HR in the third. Mary Katherine Durden toed the rubber for the game, scattering nine hits while striking out 11 Tiger batters. The Lady Dawgs took the trip down 23 to take on new region foe Metter. ECI defeated the Tigers 4-2 to pick up their second region win of the season. The Bulldogs got some two-out magic in the third inning to score the first run. With Dot Russell on after a double, the hot hitting Jayna Kearson hit a triple to score Russell. The Tigers matched that run in the bottom of the third for a 1-1 tie. Kearson got her second RBI of the game in the fifth inning with a single scoring Durden for a 2-1 Bulldog lead. With the scored tied 2-2 in the top of the nineth inning, Jayna completed her four RBI day with a single, scoring Abbey Marsh and Durden to defeat the Tigers 4-2 in extra innings. Multiple hitters for the game were Kearson four hits, with Russell, Hillman, Marsh



**RUSSELL THROWS A STRIKE** TO THOMPSON FOR AN OUT



#### **KEARSON BELTS A 2-RUN HR** IN THE FIRST INNING

and Durden ending the game with two hits each. Durden pitched all nine innings for ECI, allowing seven hits while striking out six with no walks.

Friday and Saturday found the Bulldogs in Cordele playing in the annual Crisp County Tournament. The Lady Dawgs played three of the largest schools in the state in, facing 6A Lowndes, Camden, and Tift Co. The Bulldogs started out the tournament Friday defeating Camden County 6-3. Later on Friday, they lost a squeaker 5-4 to Lowndes Co. and ended the tournament with a 7-1 loss on Saturday to Tift Co. The Lady Dawg pitchers, Mary Katherine Durden and Charley Mitchell were around the plate for the tournament, allowing just one walk between them. Durden

pitched 11 innings, allowing 17 hits, striking out 14 batters during the two days. Mitchell stood in the circle for six innings, giving up five hits with three strikeouts. Leading hitters during the tournament were Jayna Kearson six hits, Kinley Grimes three hits, with Dot Russell, Senaria Hillman, Lola Walden, and Kayanna Thompson ending the weekend with two hits each.

The Bulldogs have two region games this week. Tuesday, they host McIntosh Co. and Thursday will travel to Sylvania to take on the Gamecocks.

They will be in another tournament on Saturday when they play at Georgia Southern in the Coastal Georgia Classic.

## DEA Middle School Eagles roll past Thomas Jefferson Academy

**MEDIA** 

David Emanuel Academy Middle School Eagles won big over Thomas Jefferson Academy 17-2 on Tuesday, August 13. The Eagles jumped out to the lead in the top of the first inning after Kaley Flowers hit an inside the park home run, scoring three runs, Evie Moore singled, scoring one run, and a steal of home scored one run. The Eagles scored seven runs on four hits in the top of the second inning. Rayleigh Faircloth

by GAMECHANGER tripled, scoring one run, an error scored one run, Marlee Johnson singled, scoring one run, Mary Bess Fields doubled, scoring one run, an error scored one run, and Lara McNure tripled, scoring two runs. The Eagles scored five runs on three hits in the top of the third inning. Rayleigh tripled, scoring one run, Loralee Scarboro grounded out, scoring one run, Carrie Johnson singled, scoring one run, and a dropped third strike scored two runs. Rayleigh earned

7.95%

the win for the Eagles. The hurler gave up one hit and zero runs over two innings, striking out five and walking one. #10 took the loss for Thomas Jefferson Academy The starter went two innings, giving up 12 runs (five earned) on eight hits, striking out two and walking two. Kaley appeared in relief for David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles. David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles collected 11 hits in the game. Kaley provided pop in the middle of the lineup, and led David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles with three runs batted in. The right-handed hitter went 1-for-2 on the day. Marlee and Rayleigh each collected two hits for DEA. Milly Farmer led the

**NOTICE** 

The Emanuel County Board of Education does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at Emanuel County Board of Education Central Office, 201 North Main Street, Swainsboro, GA 30401 on August 29th at 8:00am and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the

following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

#### CURRENT 2024 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

							Eagles with two walks.	
BOARD OF EDUCATION		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Overall, the team had a
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	Motor Vehicles	12,878,870	6,088,295	9,324,110	8,753,130	8,944,240	8,485,870	tallying five walks for the
	Mobile Homes	5,451,239	5,822,382	5,926,198	6,201,398	6,522,569	7,144,552	game. Layla Clark stole two bases. David Eman-
	Timber - 100%	20,771,854	13,787,812	13,359,448	20,441,545	24,349,477	13,095,603	uel Academy MS Eagles
	Heavy Duty Equipment	58,855	0	20,148	0	39,545	424	were sure-handed in the
	Gross Digest	589,121,232	575,254,233	642,334,573	681,442,079	755,885,370	795,081,249	field and didn't commit a
	Less Exemptions	125,499,214	110,524,221	106,937,618	110,059,215	117,825,768	118,590,871	single error. Evie had the
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## Rayleigh Faircloth's big day propels Middle School Eagles past EBA

Rayleigh Faircloth collected three hits in three at bats, as David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles defeated Edmund Burke Academy 10-2 on Wednesday, August 14. Rayleigh tripled in the first inning, singled in the third inning, and singled in the fourth inning. EBA opened the scoring in the top of the first, thanks to two singles. Edmund Burke Academy first got on the board when #2 singled, scoring one run. Rayleigh tripled, which helped the

two in the bottom of the first. A double by Layla Clark gave DEA the lead, 3-2, in the bottom of the second. The Eagles added to their early lead in the bottom of the third inning after Kaley Flowers tripled, Marlee Johnson singled, Mary Bess Fields hit a sacrifice fly, Evie Moore singled, and Lara McNure singled, each scoring one run. Rayleigh earned the win for David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles. The hurler allowed five hits and two runs over five innings, striking out

by GAMECHANGER Eagles tie the game at nine and walking none. #15 took the loss for Edmund Burke Academy. The hurler went three innings, surrendering eight runs (seven earned) on nine hits, striking out two and walking three. The Eagles piled up 12 hits in the game. Marlee, Kaley, Rayleigh, Layla, Bailey Duckworth, Mary Bess, and Lara each drove in one run for David Emanuel Academy MS Eagles. Evie collected two hits in two at bats. David Emanuel Copyright © 2024 GameChanger Media, Inc. All rights reserved.



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TIGER QB BRYSON TARVER CHARGES FORWARD, EVADING DUBLIN'S DEFENSE DURING A HEATED PLAY IN THEIR SEASON OPENER

## Swainsboro drops season opener to Dublin

ROOSEVELT by YOUNG

After back-to-back seasons with State Finals appearances, the Swainsboro Tigers entered the 2024 season with high expectations. However, they faced a formidable challenge in their season opener against their longtime rivals, the Dublin Fighting Irish. The game, held this past Friday at Tiger Field, featured two Top 10 Class A Division 1 teams. The Tigers ranked number 3 and the Irish at

The game began with the Tigers receiving the opening kickoff, starting their drive deep in their own territory. Senior quarterback #2 Bryson Tarver quickly made an impact, breaking loose for a 20-yard gain. On a critical 3rd and 7, Tarver delivered again. Securing a first down and pushing the Tigers into Dublin territory. Tarver's mobility was on full display, Senior running back #11 Quin Brown also made his presence felt with some key runs. Tigers predominantly relied on their ground game until junior quarterback #14 Kason Edenfield entered and connected on two quick passes, one to sophomore #3 Shannon Benjamín and another to junior #4 L.J. Morgan. These completions advanced the ball to Dublin's 24-yard line. Brown then showcased his speed, taking the ball down to the one-yard line before being forced out of bounds by a Dublin defender.

a touchdown by Tarver, followed by a successful extra point from junior #5 Peyton Mason. The Tigers' defense then took the field to face Dublin's Wing-T offense, known for its physical

running game. On the Irish's first play, they

The Tigers capped off the 12-play drive with

handed the ball to their fullback, but senior safety #7 Jylerris Williams made the season's first tackle, supported by a swarm of Tigers defenders. A penalty on Dublin set them back, but the Irish responded with a quarterback run. Although the Tigers initially had him wrapped up. The Dublin quarterback evaded tackles, setting up a manageable 3rd and 7, which the Irish converted with a pass into Tiger territory. The very next play, Dublin's fullback found a gap in the Tigers' defense, breaking free for a 47-yard touchdown. Tying the game at 7. The rest of the first quarter saw both teams' offenses and defenses begin to settle in.

In the second quarter, the Tigers' defense struggled, allowing the Irish to score two more touchdowns, increasing their lead to 22-7. Despite the difficulties, there were some standout moments on defense, including hard hits from junior defensive lineman #50 Aiden Foskey and

sophomore linebacker #9 Jobias Smith. Offensively, however, the Tigers couldn't find their rhythm, resulting in several stalled drives and punts.

The second half saw Dublin control the game by dominating time of possession and adding three more touchdowns to their tally. The Tigers managed to score twice more before the end. One touchdown run by Brown and another by Tarver. The game concluded with Dublin securing a 41-21 victory.

Although the Tigers didn't get the result they wanted, they displayed potential, especially with many young players gaining valuable experience. This early exposure could be crucial as the season continues.

TOTALS

This Friday, the Tigers will travel just 13 miles to take on in-county rival, the Emanuel Coun-Institute Bulldogs, Rountree Stadium. Kickoff is set for 7:30 PM. Let's pack the house and show our support, Swainsboro!



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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

administrative budgets for FY 2024-2025 have been submitted to the Commissioners and are available at the Commissioner's Office for public review. These include the General Fund and all Special Revenue Funds.

A public hearing will be held Thursday, August 29th, 2024 at 5:30 PM at the Courthouse, 125 S. Main Street, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401 to receive public comment on the Budget O.C.GA §36-81-5(e)

Notice is also given that all FY 2024-2025 Budgets will be adopted on September 16, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Courthouse 125 S. Main Street Swainsboro, Georgia 30401. O.C.G.A. §36-81-6(a) and 31-81-5(e)

#### **General Fund 100**

Revenue Category	Total
General Property Taxes	\$10,645,000.00
General Sales and Use Tax	\$1,950,000.00
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Business Taxes	\$1,072,500.00
Penalties and Interest on Del. Taxes	\$135,000.00
Licenses and Permits	\$37,500.00
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Charges for Services	\$2,157,000.00
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Investment Income	\$475,000.00
Contributions and Donations	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$135,000.00
Telephone Commissions	\$0.00
Reimbursement for Damaged Prop.	\$0.00
Other	\$60,000.00
Other Financing Sources	\$0.00

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#### **Special Revenue Fund**

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Fund	Revenue	Expenditures	Total
Juvenile Service Fund 202	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Jail Fund 206	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00
Drug Fund 212	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
Opiod Fund 213	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
E-911 Fund 215	\$911,850.00	\$911,850.00	\$0.00
Multiple Grants Fund 250	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fire Fund 270	\$310,000.00	\$310,000.00	\$0.00
Development Authority Fund 271	\$650,000.00	\$650,000.00	\$0.00
EIP Fund 275	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
LMIG Fund 301	\$1,308,000.00	\$1,308,000.00	\$0.00
SPLOST 6 Fund 321	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SPLOST 7 Fund 322	\$3,800,000.00	\$3,917,000.00	-\$117,000.00
TSPLOST Fund 335	\$890,000.00	\$890,000.00	\$0.00
Major Grants Fund 341	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Local Resources Fund 350	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ariport Authority	\$432,200.00	\$432,200.00	\$0.00

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#### CURRENT 2024 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

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			Real & Personal	549,960,414	549,555,744	613,704,669	646,046,006	716,029,539	766,354,800	
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Į.		TAX	Net Tax \$ Increase		\$12,335	\$483,808	\$271,410	\$1,368,686	\$118,783	
•			Net Tax % Increase		0.22%	8.77%	4.52%	21.82%	1.55%	

## Sheriff's Reports

According toEmanuel County Sheriff's Office...

August 10

Complainant called the office and stated that someone had damaged his fence and gate and let all of his goats out. He stated that all of the goats had returned except for two.

August 12

Deputies responded to a dispute between a male and a female over a cell phone. C/p stated that a man took her phone and would not give it back. Offender showed proof of ownership of the phone and c/p deleted her information from the phone. C/p also stated that the offender had

the beaten her and it was on camera. Footage showed offender pulling her by the hair, but she did not want to press charges.

> Report was made in reference to a subject who was broke down on HWY 1 North at the Jefferson County line. Subject was further reported to have fired off two rounds while on the side of the road. He stated that he fired off the rounds because he was angry about being broke

Deputies responded to Parrish Pond Rd in reference to a single vehicle roll over. Victim stated that something ran out in front of him, and he lost control of the vehicle and rolled over.

August 13

Vehicle was recovered from Pendleton Springs Rd and was determined to be stolen out of Montgomery County. Vehicle was unoccupied with the engine running. It appeared that the driver lost control and was unable to remove the vehicle from the ditch.

August 15

Deputies responded to Sycamore Lane in reference to a custody dispute between a mother and father. The father advised that the two did not have a court ordered time that each parent has the child but for the last 6 months, they had a verbal agreement.

August 16

Vehicle was reported and found abandoned with no valid insurance on Canoochee Rd.

August 17

Deputy responded to Ward St in reference to aggressive dogs in c/p's yard. C/p stated that she walked out to her vehicle to make sure her windows were up and stated that her brother's large dogs were loose and were barking and growling at her. She stated that one of the dogs had history of attacking her sister.

August 18

Deputies were dispatched to the county jail due to a report. Contact was made with c/p

about a possible scam happening to her. She explained that her mother received multiple messages on her Facebook about the c/p stealing a phone in Dallas, Texas. Many of the messages were about c/p asking people for money as well as her stealing money.

Deputy was dispatched to East Broad St due to a civil dispute. Upon arrival, both parties were separated and resolved the issue themselves. Later in the evening, deputies were called back to the same location due to the offender banging on c/p's door. Offender was visibly irate and screaming. When c/p came out of the house, he was

asked what had changed since the first time deputies arrived. He stated that he had no contact with other c/p after his first dealings with him, but the offender tried to take matters into his own hands. Both parties were calmed down and were separated.

Report was made in reference to a verbal dispute turned physical between both stated parties. Alleged suspect was determined to be the primary aggressor. C/p stated that the suspect butted her face and had also thrown a pet dog on her in the course of the altercation. C/p had signs of injury to the face. Offender was arrested

## One sentenced in Superior Court

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

Gerrie Jarod Brown negotiated a guilty-alford plea on one count

months probation; one count obstruction of an officer with 12 months probation; one count DUI (reduced) reckless driving with 12 months probation; one count reckless stunt driving with 12 months probation; one count operating unregistered vehicle with 12 months probation; one count operating vehicle without insurance with 12 months probation; one count failure to wear seatbelt with \$15 fine. Defendant is sentenced for a total of 8 years to be served on probation. The above sentence may be served on probation provided the defendant shall comply with the Conditions of Probation imposed by the Court as part of this sentence.

possession of schedule I controlled substance. He was fined \$250 with 8 years probation, enter and complete DRC; one count possession of marijuana with 12

## Howard speaks to Four Rivers

Four Rivers Patriots Chapter Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held their monthly meeting Thursday night, August 15, at 6:30 p.m. at Chatters Restaurant in Lyons. With President Steve DeWeil presiding, they had 18 in attendance. President Steve called on Chaplain Emory Fennell to lead the Pledge to the U.S. Flag, the Pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution and the invocation. President Steve then asked EFLR Vice President Dess Smith III for the evening, Veteran Laura Howard. Laura is from Screven County and her husband, Wayne Howard, is President of the Brier Creek Chapter SAR and a veteran of the U.S. Army and the



**HOWARD** 

to introduce the speaker Georgia Army National women 118th Field Artillery in Savannah. Laura's presentation was on 'Women's Contribution the Military Country'. and about talked

who Guard serving in the from the American Revolutionary through the present-day War's. President Steve then asked Chaplain Emory to lead the SAR Processional and the closing prayer.

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MISC NOTICES

CHIEF ELLISON DISPLAYS SIGNED CARS

Chief Ellison recognized

by Veterans at the Library

Veterans at the Library Chair Johnny Tapley presented Chief Ellison with a

police car and Lamborghini car signed by all the veterans at the weekly meeting

"I would like to take this moment to thank all of my friends from Emanuel

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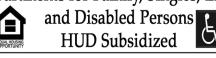
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## Jail Report

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

Child Support Recovery Unit (CSRU); Intensive Probation Service (IPS); Probation Office (PROB); or East Georgia State College (EGSC). Jasen Daniel Bigger,

48, arrested 8/18/24; Disorderly conduct; ECSO Joshua Lashon Butler, 49, arrested 8/16/24; Hold for Tattnall; ECSO

Charles Cureton, 28, arrested 8/13/24; Probation violation-felony; ECSO

Carlton Lee Daniels, 55, arrested 8/13/24; Probation violation-felony/Public drunkenness;

Montavious Deandre Hudson, 30, arrested 8/15/24; DUI-less safe-alcohol; SPD Stanley Ma-Shawn

related objects; ECSO

20,

possess less than 1 oz/

Possession and use of

drug related objects; EGSC

42, arrested 8/14/24;

Possession and use of drug

Mae

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Marijuana-

arrested

Frye,

arrested

Collin

8/17/24;

Rachel

Jenkins,

Emeni,

Walter Lee Kelly, 54, arrested 8/12/24; Bench warrant-misdemeanor/ Cocaine-sale of; SPD

30,

8/13/24; Court; ECSO

Charlie Lambry, arrested 8/18/24; City probation violation; SPD Erica La'Enya Leslie,

18, arrested 8/19/24; Criminal trespass/ Terroristic threatens and acts/Simple battery; EGSC Antonio Perez Lopez, 43, arrested 8/16/24; Leaving the scene of an accident/Driving while

Joshua Ryan Moon, 32, arrested 8/14/24; Bench warrant-misdemeanor;

unlicensed; SPD

Henry Dwight Morris, 46, arrested 8/13/24; DUI-less safe-alcohol/ Distracted driving; GSP

Phillips, arrest-8/16/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked/Fleeing or attempting to elude/ Affixing materials that reduce or increase light transmission/reflectance of windows/windshields;

Thomas Benjamin Self,

Grant

Christopher

38, arrested 8/16/24; Driving while license suspended/revoked/ Failure to stop at stop sign/Methamphetaminepossession of/Possession and use of drug related objects/Hold for Johnson

Co.; ECSO

Marvin Jupree Smith, 24, arrested 8/15/24; City probation violation; SPD Dameon Ja

Thomas, 20, arrested 8/15/24; Housing for Lauren's Co.; ECSO Tishaun Shaquez Williams, 30, arrested 8/14/24; Bond revocation;

Kelly Ann Wilson, 43, arrested 8/16/24; Methamphetamine. possession of/Possession and use of drug related objects; ECSO

Thomas Hoyet Woods, 55, arrested 8/14/24; City probation violation; SPD

## Swainsboro Police Reports.

Officers with theSwainsboro Police Department (SPD) report-

#### Officer was patrolling

in the area of South Main Street and noticed a car with a busted windshield and a ratchet strap holding the hood down. A traffic stop was initiated and upon approaching the vehicle, the officer could smell a strong odor of marijuana. The driver denied and illegal substance in the vehicle, but after a search marijuana was located. Driver was placed under arrest.

911 dispatched officers to McLeod Bridge Road to meet with a complainant wanting to make a report about an ex-boyfriend harassing c/p. C/p stated that she broke up with offender a few days before and over the past few days they had been exchanging property. She stated that the day before the report was made, they had an argument over text message about some property and he threatened her during the argument. She stated that he had been abusive in the past.

Officer was dispatched the Swainsboro Apartments in reference to a male subject wanting to see his kids. C/p stated that around a year ago, he and the mother of his three children had an argument and she has not allowed him to see his children since. There are no court documents stating his legal rights or any type of restraining orders keeping him from seeing the kids. He stated that he knocked on the apartment door to see the kids and the mother would not come to the door.

Officer observed a vehicle failing to maintain its own lane of traffic. A traffic stop was conducted, and the officer could smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The driver admitted to having marijuana inside of the vehicle and he was issued citation to appear

in court. 911 dispatched officers to Prosperity Drive for two juveniles. C/p stated that the offender showed up at her home with her two children and went to bed, leaving the children running through the house. The offender stated that she was kicked out of her home and slept in the yard with the two children. DEFACS was contacted and left them at their home when they finished. She stated that they could not stay at home. The mother and her children were transported to Em Co Jail. Help was contacted and a room was paid for at a hotel for the three. They were

get back to Iowa to their Officer responded to a call at South Green Street in reference to a caller

needing to report a sto-

also given a bus ticket to

len weed eater. C/p stated that earlier in the day she noticed her weed eater was missing from under her carport.

SPD dispatched officers to South Main Street in reference to a fraudulent check. C/p showed officer the fraudulent check.

#### August 10

Officer responded to a call at West Main Street in reference to a caller needing to make a report over her ex-boyfriend harassing her. C/p stated that her and her boyfriend had broken up recently and he had been harassing her via social media since then. She also found a hidden camera in her bedroom that she believes he placed in there. She stated that he had come to her house twice since the breakup and has called her multiple times. He had also been threatening self-

#### August 11

Officer observed a vehicle speeding and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was not compliant with officers and refused to get out of the vehicle, and when she finally did, she would not listen to orders. A field sobriety test was conducted and failed along with the driver having a probation warrant. Offender was arrested.

Officer observed a vehicle failing to maintain lane and conducted a traffic stop. The vehicle also had suspended registration and no insurance. observed Officer

vehicle that was driving too fast for conditions of being in a neighborhood and conducted a traffic stop. The driver also had a suspended license for child support and failure to appear. Marijuana was found in the vehicle as well. Offender was released on citations.

Officer responded to a call on Gumlog Road in reference to a call stating that "there were too many people at the caller's cousin's house, and they are not supposed to be there because she is in jail." Caller also notified that many were teens. A vehicle was observed upon arrival with a few occupants inside. There was a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle, and a search was conducted. All parents of the juveniles were contacted.

911 dispatched officers to South Main Street in reference to an irate customer. C/p stated that the offender ordered her food online and was complaining that her order was incorrect. She was demanding a refund but was informed that an online order cannot be refunded. A criminal trespass warrant was issued at the manager's request.

911 dispatched officers to South Main Street for an unwanted person. The offender was advised that he was not wanted on the store premises because he is bothering customers and making them feel uncomfortable. He was issued a criminal trespass warning. Officer was dispatched

to Allen Street in reference to a dispute. Contact was made with c/p and offender, who were cousins. C/p stated that her daughter was staying with the offender when they began arguing so the daughter and two kids left and went to stay with c/p. She stated that when she entered the home and began gathering belongings, the offender told her that she couldn't and began pulling her hair. She stated that when she broke loose the offender threw things. He denied ever throwing anything, but he was under the

#### August 12

influence of alcohol.

Officer took a walkin report where victim stated he took his car to offender in April to have some work done on it and offender still has the car and has not fixed it. C/p stated he paid offender \$800 when he dropped it off four months ago. C/p advised he no longer wants offender to have possession of his vehicle and wants his money

Officer took a report from complainant who stated multiple transactions from his bank account totaling \$3,193 had been withdrawn fraudulently.

Officer was dispatched to Grady St. in reference to a burglary. Complainant advised her bedroom window had been removed and her dresser was slightly moved.

#### August 13

Officer was dispatched to Budget Inn in reference to a dispute. Victim stated he saw offender cutting grass behind the motel and approached him to ask for work and offender became irate and went towards him with a weed eater. C/p stated he then backed away from offender and offender continued to threaten him, stating he would shoot him.

Officer responded to D&I Food Mart in reference to an irate, intoxicated male who had fallen out on the ground. Officer arrived and was familiar with offender and asked him if he could stand up. Offender was extremely unsteady on his feet but was finally able to stand up. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail. Officer was on a traf-

fic stop on Kite Rd. and advised officers that she heard appx. three shots fired from the area towards N. Racetrack St. Officers patrolled the area with numerous individuals advising they didn't hear anything. Another individual from another location who wished to remain anonymous pointed officers towards Lucky St. and stated, "it's that

way". Officers patrolled

the area and didn't see

anyone out and no vehicles moving. Another individual was walking towards Jerome St. and stated he heard gun shots and stated it was time to get home.

#### August 14

Officer responded to Kilpatrick St. in reference to a caller needing to make a damage to vehicle report on his golf cart. C/p stated he was riding it around his yard when something on the steering malfunctioned and he hit the ditch causing damages. C/p stated the golf cart is insured and was instructed to file a report.

Officers took a walkin report in reference to complainant stating her employer received an envelope through the mail containing a SPD report made by offender/complainant's ex claiming c/p as offender. C/p stated she suspects offender to be the sender. C/p also informed officer that offender is the one harassing her through constant calls and text messages and calls her employer attempting to cause c/p to lose her job.

Officer took a walk-in report in reference to complainant stating her uncle had been living with her for almost a year and after an argument, he left the residence walking. C/p stated she called his phone to inform him that he left some of his property at her house and his daughter/offender answered his phone and was very irate and threatened to fight c/p. C/p stated that later, offender also made a post on Facebook threatening to fight c/p.

Officers were dispatched to Church St. in reference to a theft. Complainant stated she had been in the hospital for a month and when she returned home, she noticed a box containing ID documents were miss-

#### August 15

Complainant approached officer and stated he works night shift at WalMart and contacted an employee about going to work because she was missing too many days and he heard termination was almost a last resort, so he wanted her to be aware before she lost her job. C/p stated that after sending the text, a male subject went to WalMart and began looking at name tags for about 45 minutes until he found c/p, then left the store. C/p stated he then started receiving threatening text messages and social media messages from the male subject who is the employee's boyfriend. Officer took a walk-in

report where complainant stated his vehicle was involved in an accident and he took it to offender in March to have it fixed and gave offender a check for \$7,000 from the insurance company for repairs. C/p stated a three-way

call took place between

him, offender and the insurance company on July 8 due to how long the repairs are taking to be completed. Officers were dis-

patched to New St. in reference to complainant stating he has been staying with his sister for three days and his stereo and speakers and PS5 have went missing. C/p advised he believes offender climbed through a window and took his belongings. Officer initiated a traffic stop and asked the driver

for his license and noticed the driver's speech was mumbled. Driver attempted to avoid eye contact with officer as officer observed them to be very watery and bloodshot. Officer smelled a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from the driver's breath and asked him to exit the vehicle. Offender consented to the PBT and tested positive for alcohol. Offender was transported to EmCo Jail. Complainant went to

SPD to file a report about receiving a \$4,700 check and was advised it was a scam. Officer took a walk-in report where complainant

stated she observed her

vehicle door opened, and her handbag was missing. Officer responded to Murphy USA in reference to a driver damaging property.

Officer responded to Williams St. in reference to damage to vehicle. Complainant stated offender fell down the side of her vehicle causing two small dents in the rear driver door. Officer attempted to speak with offender but was unable to because he was highly intoxicated.

Officer was dispatched to S. Green St. in reference to a 911 hangup call. The male subject was sitting in a chair on the front porch

minor argument, and it was nothing serious. The female was standing on the porch and seemed agitated, pacing back and forth, raising her voice as she spoke. The female stated she called 911 due to the male subject being irate and making threats to hit her and both children talked over her and told her to stop lying. She then asked officer to make the male subject leave and was reminded that when officers responded earlier in the week, she was advised that the male subject had legal residency to the home, and they could not make him leave but did inform her of civil options to have him evicted. Officer them asked the female is she made efforts to begin the process, and she stated no. Disorderly House Ordinance citations were issued to both

the female and male sub-Officer was dispatched to T-Mobile in reference to a report. Complainant stated she was texting offender asking for help transportation for their children back and forth to school and he threatened her and showed up at her job and went inside and made a scene in front of employees and customers, so she told him to step outside. C/p stated they walked outside and exchanged words and offender got in his vehicle and began yelling. C/p stated she walked over to his vehicle and offender reached down beside his seat and showed her the top portion of a black handgun and told her if she made another step towards him, he was going to use it on her because he's been wanting to use it on her. C/p stated it scared her and she went back inside and began trying to help employees close the store, then called 911 after the store closed.

very calm and relaxed and stated they had a thekwikshop.comthekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.com thekwikshop.comthekwikshop.com

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## Legals.

#### 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

This 25th day of July 2024 RICHARD M. MCNEELY, Attorney for Glenn Carroll Roberts

the estate

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

(The petitioner has also county. 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 objec-

tions to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. DON E. WILKES

Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70 / 125 S. Main Street Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address (478) 237-7091 Telephone Number

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF **GEORGIA** IN RE: ESTATE OF

LANDAVERDE. PEGGY C. **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 C. LANDAVERDE PEGGY

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 objec-

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Judge of the Probate Court

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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. 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

GEORGIA, Emanuel County

**CHANGE NAME** 

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.

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

Melissa Roberson Mimbs

**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 objec-

tions to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court

By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70 Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address (478) 237-7091

Telephone Number 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

THOMAS, LIZZIE **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]

KELVIN WASHINGTON, BRAD WASHINGTON, CHARLES WASHINGTON,

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:

tion, 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 DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court

Telephone Number NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS** GEORGIA. **EMANUEL COUNTY** All creditors of the estate of Mae Jean Chalker, 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 7th day of August 2024.

MAE JEAN CHALKER, decedent Jerry N. Cadle, P.C. Swainsboro, GA 30401

Connie Chalker, Executrix of the

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND GEORGIA, CREDITORS **EMANUEL COUNTY** All creditors of the estate of Betty W. Moore, 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 7th day of August 2024. Betty Michelle Willis, Executrix of the Estate of Betty W. Moore, decedent

P.O. Box 68 Swainsboro, GA 30401 IN THE PROBATE COURT OF **EMANUEL COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA

Jerry N. Cadle, P.C.

IN RE: ESTATE OF

EVELYN STORY, DECEASED **ESTATE NO. 24E0052** PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: SARAH LOUISE STORY BARFIELD has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of EVELYN STORY deceased, of said

(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 9, 2024. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objec-

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writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted

without a hearing. DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70

Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address (478) 237-7091 Telephone Number

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF **EMANUEL COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE LESTER JONES. DECEASED

ESTATE NO. 24E0106
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

and to whom it may concern: JERRY JAMES JONES has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of GEORGE

LESTER JONES 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 9, 2024

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of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks

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Address

Clerk of the Probate Court

Swainsboro, Ga. 30401

**EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF** In Re: Samuel David Sapp Civil Action File No. 24CV188 Minor child(ren) PETITION TO NOTICE OF CHANGE NAME GEORGIA. Emanuel County Notice is hereby given that David & Dana Wright the undersigned, filed this petition to the Superior Court of Emanuel County, Georgia on the 8th day of August 2024, praying for a change in the name of minor child(ren) from Samuel David Sapp to Samuel David Wright, and from

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 7th day of June 2024. Dana Wright Petitioner

EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF **GEORGIA** Juwaun Coke

NOTICE OF SUMMONS SERVICE BY PUBLICATION TO: Wai Sum Venus Ng, Defendant

Divorce [state the relief sought] was filed against you in said court on August 8, 2024, and that by reason of an order for service of summons by publication entered by the court on August 8, 2024 you are hereby commanded and required to file with the clerk of said court and serve upon Juwaun Coke, plaintiff, whose address is 621 Freedom St. Swainsboro, GA 30401 and answer to the complaint within sixty (60) days of the order for service by publication. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken

**GEORGIA** IN RE: ESTATE OF **JAMES** WILLIAMS

August 21, 2024 TO: OCTAVION BROWN

JANE ROBBINS 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 objec-

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.

By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70 Address Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 (478) 237-7091 Telephone Number

NOTICE

tion, if there is any, to the above-referenced petition, in this Court on or before September 3, 2024 BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Telephone Number **EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF** 

GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF) ISABELLE RIGGINS, DECEASED **ESTATE NO.** 24E0012 NOTICE IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed. [For use if an heir is required to be served by publication] TO: Ollie R. Thomas, Gloria December Thomas, Unknown Heirs of Freddie Unknown Heirs of Carl Thomas, Unknown Heirs of Anna Jane

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

Action No. 24CV89 Wai Sum Venus Ng

Named Above: Youa are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking

against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Witness the Honorable Tommy J.

Emanuel, County IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF

ROBBINS-BROWN, MINOR **ESTATE NO.** 24E0097 NOTICE Date of second publication, if any

You are hereby notified that ETTA

tions, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate

DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF **EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA** IN RE: ESTATE OF **BRETT** ARTHUR

WATERS, DECEASED **ESTATE NO.** 22E0139 [For discharge from office and all IN RE: Petition for Discharge of

This is to notify you to file an objec-

without a hearing. DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70

Smith, Judge of Said Court. This the 8th day of August 2024. Clerk of Superior Court

liability] Personal Representative ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may con-

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Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address (478) 237-7091

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF

filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing DON E. WILKES Judge of the Probate Court By: Jeanie Hooks Clerk of the Probate Court P. O. Box 70 Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address (478) 237-7091 Telephone Number

> FMANUFI IN RE: ESTATE OF DONNIE RAY TANNER DECEASED

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF

Unknown Heirs of

Turner, and Unknown Heirs of

This is to notify you to file objection,

if there is any, to the petition to

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20**24. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER**: All

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**Beulah Waite** 

Thomas,

All creditors of the estate of Donnie Ray Tanner, deceased, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to Richard M. McNeely, attorney for Donald Tanner, Executor of the Donnie Ray Tanner 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.

Attorney for Donald Tanner, Executor of the Donnie Ray **Tanner Estate** Richard M. McNeely, P.C.

Swainsboro, Georgia 30401

P. O. Box 767

(478) 237-4225

This 13th day of August 2024.

RICHARD M. MCNEELY,

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF **EMANUEL** 

IN RE: ESTATE OF TOMMIE KAY M. JOHNSON, DECEASED. All creditors of the estate of Tommie Kay M. Johnson, deceased, late of Emanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to Richard M. McNeely, attorney for Hope Fagler, Administrator of the Tommie Kav M. Johnson 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 This 13th day of August 2024.

RICHARD M MCNEFLY Attorney for Hope Fagler, Administrator of the Tommie Kay M. Johnson Estate Richard M. McNeely, P.C. P. O. Box 767

Swainsboro, Georgia 30401 (478) 237-4225 STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF

**EMANUEL** IN RE: ESTATE OF DORSEY PEEBLES, DECEASED. All creditors of the estate of Dorsey

Peebles deceased late of Fmanuel County, are hereby notified to render their demands to Richard M. McNeely, attorney for Linda Renfroe Hutcheson, Executor of the Dorsey Peebles Estate, at P. O. Box 767, Georgia 30401, Swainsboro, according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment of any indebtedness due the estate. This 13th day of August 2024. RICHARD M. MCNEELY, Attorney for Linda Renfroe

**Executor of the Dorsey Peebles** Richard M. McNeely, P.C. P. O. Box 767 Swainsboro, Georgia 30401

Hutcheson

(478) 237-4225

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF **EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF** GEORGIA IN THE INTEREST OF: K.B. SEX: F DOB: 04/23/2020

C.S. SEX: M DOB: 03/29/2023 Minor Children Under the Age NOTICE OF SUMMONS

TO: LAMYRA CARLYLE, DEMAIN SMITH, KIERRIAN BRINSON and Any Unknown biological/ legal/putative father of the above-named children born to

Mother, LAMYRA CARLYLE, at AU Medical Center in Augusta, Richmond County, Georgia for C.S. and at East Georgia Regional

Medical Center in Statesboro, Bulloch County, Georgia for K.B. You are hereby notified that the above-styled action has been brought by the Emanuel County Department of Family and Children Services, and the Georgia Department of Human Services, seeking to terminate your parental

rights with regard to the above referenced child; that said action has been filed in the Juvenile Court of Emanuel County, Georgia; and that by reason of an Order for Service of Summons by Publication dated AUGUST 14, 2024, you are here-

required to appear before this cour on the 24TH day of OCTOBER 2024 at the EMANUEL County Courthouse in SWAINSBORO Georgia at 10:00 a.m., for a FINAL HEARING and show cause, if any you have, why the relief requested in the petition should not be granted. You are hereby commanded and required to appear before this Court at said final hearing or the findings of the Court will be made the permanent order of this Court in the above case. You must attend the final hearing in order to preserve your rights. At the final hear ing you will be given an opportunity to show cause, if any you have why the relief requested in the peti-

the Clerk of said Court and serve

upon Marnique Oliver, Petitioner's

Attorney, whose mailing address

is P.O. Box 308, 115 S. Racetrack

Street, Swainsboro, Georgia

30401, an answer to the petition at

any time prior to the Final Hearing

You are hereby commanded and

the Juvenile Courtroom at the **EMANUEL** County Courthouse, SWAINSBORO, Georgia. The parties notified hereby are entitled to legal counsel in the proceed ings, and the Court will appoint legal counsel if any party should be unable, without undue hardship, to employ counsel. You are further notified that you will

tion should not be granted. Prior

to the Final Hearing a Provisional

Hearing on the petition will be held

before the Court on OCTOBER

at 10:00 a.m. in

lose all rights to the child and will not be entitled to object to the termination of your rights to the child unless, within thirty days of receipt of this notice, you file: (a) A petition to legitimate the child pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-7-22;

(b) Notice of the filing of the petition to legitimate with the Emanue County Juvenile Court. The Findings of Fact and Order of

Disposition made at the Provisional

Hearing will become final at the Final Hearing unless the party served by publication appears at the Final Hearing. If the party served by publication fails to appear at the Final Hearing on the petition, the Findings of Fact and Interlocutory Orders made will become final with out further evidence and will be governed by the Juvenile Court Code as if made at the Final Hearing If the party served by publication appears at the Final Hearing, the Interlocutory findings and Orders shall be vacated and disregarded and the hearing shall proceed upon the allegations of the motion. The parties notified hereby are enti-

ings, and the Court will appoint legal counsel if any party should be unable, without undue hardship, to employ counsel. A copy of this petition may be obtained at no charge from the Office of the Clerk of Court between

tled to legal counsel in the proceed-

the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. WITNESS, the Honorable Sherri McDonald, Judge of said Juvenile Court. This dav

2024. Clerk, Emanuel County Juvenile Court

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND **DEBTORS** All creditors of the estate of GRADY

RANDALL RAY, decedent late of Emanuel County, State of Georgia, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to me. This the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024 Donald M. Ray, executor/executrix of the estate of

1076 Hawhammock Church Road Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 Address of Executor/Executrix (912)278-4917 Telephone

Grady Randall Ray, decedent.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF **EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA** IN RE: ESTATE OF

KAMARI CANADY, MINOR **ESTATE NO. 24E0109** NOTICE Date of mailing, if any\_

Date of second publication, if any 08/28/2024 TO: LEMANS ANDREW CARTER You are hereby notified that MARY

DAVIS CANADY has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed tempo rary guardian(s) of the abovenamed Minor. All objections to the Petition to the appointment of the Petitioner(s) as temporary guard ian(s), must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and be filed with this Court no later than fourteen (14) days afte 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 publica tion. All objections should be sworr to before a notary public or Georgia probate court clerk and filing fees must be tendered with your objec tions, 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(s) as guardian(s), or if a parent who is not a natural guardian files an objection to the Petition, (scheduled at a later date). If no objection is filed, the Petition may be granted without a hearing. Don E. Wilkes

Judge of the Probate Court By: ALYSON ABELL Clerk of the Probate Court 125 S. MAIN STREET Address SWAINSBORO GEORGIA 30401 (478)237-7091

by notified that you may obtain a Telephone Number

copy of the petition from the Clerk

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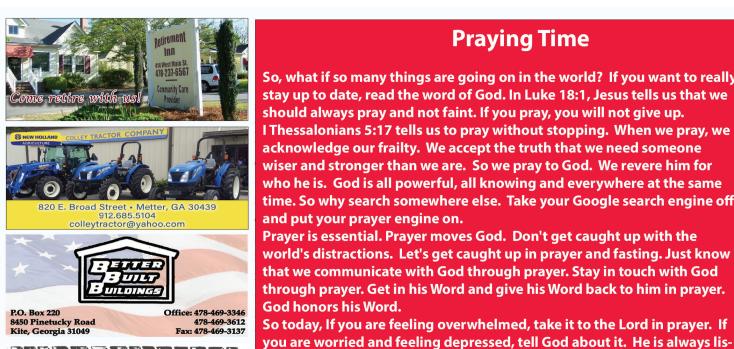


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