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## Parrish promoted within Office of the Governor, now Director of Administration

by HALEI LAMB  
An Emanuel County native is now the Director of Administration for the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budgeting (OPB) in Atlanta.

Effective July 16, Bakia Y. Parrish will be responsible for the fiscal and human resources function of OPB, the Office of the Governor, and various attached agencies for administrative purposes.

She has served in numerous positions at OPB over the last seven years as Business Operations Specialist, Budget Services Coordinator, Manager of the Capital Planning and Fiscal Administration Division, and Budget Administrator for the Office of the Governor and all attached agencies. Parrish has also served as Deputy Chief Financial



PARRISH

Officer of the Department of Juvenile Justice and has deep experience in administering and managing complex federal grants. Her breadth of experience within OPB and across state government have made her a tremendous asset to her workplace.

Parrish is the 42-year-old daughter of Beverly Parrish Steele of Twin City and Samuel L. Brown of Winston. Her

grandparents are the late Dessie and the late Elsie Parrish as well as the late Annie Ruth Brown.

She is a product of Swainsboro High School, having graduated in 1996. She went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration from Georgia Southern University in 2000. In 2010, Parrish completed DeVry University’s Keller Graduate School of Management, obtaining her Master of Public Administration. In 2019, she graduated from the University of Georgia’s Certified Public Manager Program.

In addition, Parrish currently serves as chair of the state training advisory committee with the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. She resides in East Point and attends World Changers Church.



FITZNER (BACK ROW, STANDING AT RIGHT) WITH HIS FAMILY

## Tripp Fitzner: The Middle Judicial Circuit’s new district attorney

by HALEI LAMB  
Tripp Fitzner says his desire to be a lawyer dates back to his high school debate years at Darlington School in Rome. He still remembers the moment his debate coach won him over and how that moment eventually translated into a career.

“I’ll never forget what the speaker said that day. He said, ‘If you’re an athlete, you can only run so

fast, hit the ball so hard, swim so many laps, make so many shots. Athletics limits what you can do in a way. You should go out for debate because there’s no limit on how often or how well you can persuade people.’ That stuck with me. My path to becoming a lawyer wasn’t always clear and clean cut like some other attorneys’ career stories, but my involvement in debate absolute-

ly helped shape what I wanted to become professionally.”

After Fitzner graduated from high school in 1992, he went to Georgia Southern and studied accounting in hopes of obtaining a “marketable degree.” Although he graduated with a BBA in 1998 as intended, he felt he wasn’t done with school just yet. Fitzner had taken the LSAT as (Continued on page 2A)

## Smoyer completes mission in Brazil, soon returning to Naval Academy

The following is an interview of Trent Smoyer conducted by his grandfather, Albert Jones. He is the 21-year-old son of Alison and John Smoyer of Twin City. Smoyer recently returned from an extensive missionary trip in Brazil. In the interview, he outlines the experience. Immediately following the last question are Smoyer’s self-reflections about how the mission work affected him as a shipman.

**Question:** Can you briefly detail your background?

**Answer:** I graduated from ECI in 2017. I had the honor of being the class valedictorian and STAR Student as well as being named to the all-state football team twice. I had great teachers at ECI and football coaches who pushed you to your limits. Those people helped prepare me for the next chapter of my life.

The entrance requirements and application process at the U.S. Naval Academy are substantial. I completed several interviews before getting



SMOYER

to the final interview with Congressman Rick Allen’s service academy board. All along, I had tremendous support from faculty and many local leaders. I wrote several essays, received letters of recommendation, and filled out more paperwork than I

care to remember. The application process took more than 100 hours. I ultimately received an appointment to West Point, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and the Naval Academy.

I selected the Navy because of the broad (Continued on page 5B)

## Three shootings within four-day timespan believed to be gang-related

At approximately 11:27 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, an officer with Swainsboro Police Department responded to the area of Lincoln Street and Gumlog Road after hearing what sounded like shots fired within close proximity to MLK Boulevard where the officer was on regular patrol duty.

Upon arrival, the officer came in contact with a male gunshot victim who was attempting to leave the scene by vehicle. Additional police units and emergency personnel also responded to the area.

Further investigation revealed three houses and at least one vehicle were struck by gunfire during the late-night incident. Two handguns were seized by on-scene officers, and 47 shell casings were collected from

the area.

These shell casings, according to police, were the same brand and caliber as other casings collected from two other crime scenes involving gunfire that took place over the Fourth of July weekend and Monday, July 6.

The scene at which the holiday weekend incident took place also involved one male gunshot victim. The location

of this event took place outside of a Gumlog Road business setting known as Gilley’s, the same location at which 31-year-old JaMichael Walker was fatally shot in March 2019.

The Monday following the holiday weekend (July 6), SPD officers were dispatched to the area of Green Street in reference to two vehicles being damaged by (Continued on page 2C)

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## Williams is top saver for 2019-2020 mini bank program through DBC

Durden Banking Company's mini bank program is part of the bank's efforts in community outreach and financial literacy.

The program started in 1987 and has been a highlight each year for local primary school students. Bank representatives visit the schools each week and assist the students as they make deposits into their savings account. This program gives students the opportunity to learn about the importance of saving money and other fundamental banking practices. The students are always excited to participate in the mini bank, and the children are amazed to watch their balances grow with each weekly deposit made. At the end of the 8-month program, each child receives a check for the total amount of their savings during the program. During this past school year, the mini bank program had 165 students enrolled from Twin City Elementary and Swainsboro Primary School.

This year, the mini



### WILLIAMS SHOWS OFF HER CERTIFICATE

bank Top Super Saver is Jocelyn Williams, who is a Star Honor Roll student in Carol Key's second grade class at Swainsboro Primary School. Her favorite school subject is math. When Williams is not in school, she loves arts and crafts as well as playing with all her animals. She has a Rooster named Bojangles, two dogs (Rex and Colby), and several chickens and goats. When she grows up, Williams wants to run her own business and become the first female president. Her

proud parents are Willie and Chondra Williams of Swainsboro.

Per bank president H. Wade Johnson, "Durden Banking Company looks forward to facilitating this mini-bank program each year. Our mini bank coordinators, Mrs. Deborah Griffin and Mrs. Jamie Phillips, do a wonderful job with this, and they love seeing the kids each week. We see this as an avenue to support our local youth and teach them at an early age the importance of saving money."

## It's almost finished!

by HALEI LAMB

Swainsboro High School picked up its first state basketball title in over a decade back in March. After the win, we at *The Blade* set out to put together a magazine and commemorative DVD. These two products were to be distributed together. The magazine printed back in May, but the DVD has yet to be finalized. However, we're closer than ever today to having the final component of the project finished. The final cut of the DVD was delivered late last week, and the duplication process is almost completed as of Monday, July 13.

Given our long-running history with print products, the magazine was an easier, quicker task to complete. Although we've been experimenting more and more with digital content in the last few months, this commemorative DVD was *The Blade's* first attempt at a video product of this magnitude. Thus, the process became lengthier than anticipated—then COVID-19 happened, thereby extending the wait time.

Nonetheless, with copies expected to be delivered this Friday, July 17, now is the time to provide details regarding the distribution plan.

*The Blade* will distribute the magazines and DVDs to team members first. Copies for coaches and players will be available at our office, located at

416 W. Moring Street, Swainsboro, on Friday, July 24.

Next in line for distribution will be Swainsboro's Class of 2020 at graduation on Saturday, July 25.

Swainsboro freshmen, sophomores, and juniors for the 2019-2020 school year will receive their magazines and DVDs when they report to their advisors to pick up their 2020-2021 schedules.

Because of a duplication limit for the DVDs, each student will be given a single copy. A set quantity of magazines was ordered back in May; that number accounts for one magazine per student as well

as extras for the public. Likewise, a set amount of extra DVDs has been ordered for the general public. These DVDs will be available starting Monday, July 27, at *The Blade's* office.

Magazines are free and will be available while supplies last. Student DVDs will be free as well. However, the public's cost per DVD is \$10. Pre-orders are not accepted. These will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Should this plan change in any way, look for another announcement with revised information. For questions, please call 478-237-9971.

# BOBCAT SPOT

—What's going on at your hometown college!

## Masks to be required at all USG institutions starting 7/15

Dear Friends of East Georgia State College Faculty and Staff,

I am writing today to update you about steps we are taking at EGSC concerning protective face coverings.

When our students arrive on campus next month, each one will receive a cloth face covering with the EGSC logo. This is made possible by private donations. Thank you to those who have made this possible!

COVID-19 has already resulted in more than 130,000 deaths in the United States. That is why I am sending this message today to all of our faculty, staff and students:

"As members of the Bobcat family, each one of us has a personal responsibility to do everything possible to take action to bring an end to this crisis. That is why I urge each one of you to carry your face covering with you like you would carry your cell phone. When you are inside campus buildings or encounter others on campus or in the community and put on your face covering, it may save the life of a person meet. At this unusual time, any one of us may have contracted coronavirus --- yet not be exhibiting symptoms. When you put on your EGSC face covering, it may save the life of a beloved family member of a person you meet that day. When you put on your EGSC face covering, you may very well save your own life or avoid serious medical complications from the coronavirus. Please join me in protecting our Bobcat family, your own family, the local community and yourself."

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Face coverings are not required in one's own dorm room or suite, when alone in an enclosed office or study room, or in campus outdoor settings where social distancing requirements are met.

Anyone not using a face covering when required will be asked to wear one or must leave the area. Repeated refusal to comply with the requirement may result in discipline through the applicable conduct code for faculty, staff or students.

Reasonable accommodations may be made for those who are unable to wear a face covering for documented health reasons."

We are implementing this guidance from the USG at EGSC beginning July 15th.

Please be safe and healthy. You are important to me!

Bob Boehmer  
President  
East Georgia State College



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 20 - Full Term and Session III End  
July 21 - 23 - Final Exams - All Campuses

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## Shane Rich, 48

Shane Rich, 48 of Swainsboro, died Sunday, July 5, 2020.

Mr. Shane Rich, son of Dennis Rich and the late Peggy Tapley Rich, was born October 31, 1971 in Statesboro. He lived there all of his life.

A memorial visitation was held Wednesday, July 8, 2020 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Tomlinson Funeral Home. CDC guidelines were in effect, including attendees maintaining 6’ of social distancing.

Survivors include his father; wife, Lisa Rich; children, Mitzi Edenfield (Seth), Erica Carswell (Mario), and Nicole Rich (Zach); grandchildren, Channing, Brody, Parker, Ellie, and Marshall; brothers, Stan Rich (Cynthia) and Stacy Rich (Kim); and sister, Sandie Thompson (Lynn).

Tomlinson Funeral Home and Crematory of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

## Vickie McKenney Mosley, 66

Graveside services for Vickie McKenney Mosley, 66 of Metter, were held Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 10 a.m. at Eternal Glory Gardens with Reverend Mario D. Webb Sr. officiating. The family received friends Friday, July 10, 2020 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Chapman Funeral Home. In compliance with the guidelines set by the CDC, the 6’ rule was enforced during viewing and service. She passed away Monday, July 6, 2020 at Candler County Hospital in Metter following a brief illness.



### MOSLEY

ers, Mike McKenney and Dewayne (Karen) McKenney, both of Summertown, and Carl McKenney of Macon; sisters, Jeanette Sherrod of Summertown and Loretta Brown of Swainsboro; grandchildren, Chris Mosley Jr., Rodriquez Williams, Keon Burke, NaKedra Mosley, and Markeala Wilcher; great-grandchildren, Kingston Frederick, Kamore Burke, Tamyshia Johnson, Kaden Wilcher, and Jayden Wilcher; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mrs. Vickie McKenney Mosley was born February 24, 1954 in Oak Park to the late Charlie McKenney and Carrie Lee Webb McKenney. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Charlie McKenney Jr.; and sisters, Patricia Jones and Mary Sue Kendrix.

Survivors include her husband, Levi Freeman III of Metter; son, Chris (Tammy) Mosley of Swainsboro; daughters, Pamela McKenney and Angela Lawrence, both of Summertown; broth-


Pallbearers were Mosley’s nephews.

Chapman Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

## Charles Wilcher, 89

Graveside services for Charles Wilcher, 89 of Swainsboro, were held Friday, July 10, 2020 at 11 a.m. at Swainsboro City Cemetery. He passed away Friday, July 5, 2020 at Swainsboro Pruitt Nursing Home following a brief illness.

Mr. Charles Wilcher was born December 25, 1930. He was a faithful member of The Church of Christ and a retired constructional worker. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rosa W. Lewis and Charles Story; two brothers, Pete Wilcher and Jack Wilcher Sr.; one sister-in-law; and



### WILCHER

one niece.

Survivors include his daughter, Rosa Wilcher of Chicago, Illinois; six nieces; two nephews; a devoted cousin; and many other great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

## Church pantry announces distribution date for month of July

St. Philip Baptist Church Food Pantry announces distribution services will be provided from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Thursday, July 16.

## Oma Lee Mack, 86

Graveside services for Oma Lee Mack, 86 of Twin City, were held Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 10 a.m. at Rountree Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery with Reverend Lonnie Johnson presiding. Interment followed at Rountree Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery in Twin City. She passed away Sunday, July 5, 2020 following an extended illness.

Mrs. Oma Lee Mack was born August 26, 1933 in Twin City to the late Jake Parrish Jr. and Clara B. Mercer-Parrish. She was the youngest of three girls and the last living member of her immediate family. In her youthful years, Mack was married to S.A. Nelson Mack. Five children were born to this union. Mack was a devoted Christian and a member of Durden Grove Baptist Church of Twin City for almost 73 years. During her membership at Durden Grove Missionary Baptist Church, she served in many capacities; she was serving as church mother before her passing. She was preceded in death



### MACK

by her husband, siblings, and one daughter, Betty Nelson.

Survivors include her loving children, Clara Nelson, Kathy Jean Mack, and Donna (Freddie) Waters, all of Twin City, and George Anthony Mack of Orlando, Florida; four grandchildren, Titus Nelson of Atlanta, Chrishina Howard of Swainsboro, Rafael Mack of Bishopville, South Carolina, and Shantika Mack of Atlanta; eight great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, friends, and church family.

Mosley’s Funeral Home of Swainsboro was in charge of arrangements.

## Ronnie Johnson



## Gone with the wind

As Dad got older, he often asked me to take him back to the old homeplace just outside the city limits of Garfield. He never complained about his new life in Swainsboro, but he began to have a strong feeling that his country way of life was vanishing along with the wind.

Seedless watermelons and chicken nuggets were showing up more in our local grocery story, and \$0.10 for fatback was escalated to more than \$2 per pound. Fruits and vegetables were being grown with so much fertilizer and insecticides that he no longer recognized the pure, country taste of coolness he knew so well as a young boy.

Scientific procedures, corporations, modern farm machinery, and big-time farmers had pushed the little man and his family out of business and into a nearby town. Old farming plows and farm implements lay rusting away now. The big farmhouses with long hallways that held so many childhood memories are frozen silent in time, all lost to history. The smokehouse is quiet with unique smells from the past, and the chicken coop only remembers when the tall, red rooster belted out his call at daybreak while his flock of Rhode Island reds scratched furiously for worms in the front yard. The fields are barren now with flashes of purple and white wildflowers

intermingled with patches of golden sunflowers where cotton and corn once grew. Old, bumpy dirt roads have been paved over while old, rustic bridges have been torn down and replaced by sturdy, concrete ones.

Daddy was amazed how the landscape had changed since he was a boy. The old homeplace seemed to be a relic from the past. Pine trees had been planted over the entire farmland. The old family fish pond was no longer visible from the road, and when the dirt roads had been surveyed and paved, several acres of the farm were taken up for the rights-of-way. Visually, Daddy didn’t recognize his childhood home; it had silently gone with the timeless wind.

He recalled when he was a young boy, he and his brothers had dug stumps and cleared thick underbrush to clear the woodland for land that was suitable for growing cotton, corn, and peanuts. He realized that the land had returned to its natural state, but he was sure that the woods nearby held the offspring of rabbits, squirrels, raccoons, and opossums he and his brothers had hunted on warm moonlit nights and that the brooks and streams were surely filled with fish because no one had fished them in years. It was clear to him now that nature always prevails in the end. Man leaves his mark, but it is soon “gone with the wind.”





(L-R) DURDEN, ALLEN, DIANNA WEDINCAMP, AND LIBRIZZI

# Swainsboro Kiwanians partner with Family Connection

The Swainsboro Kiwanis Club partnered with Family Connection to get needed resources to the children of Emanuel County during the pandemic. The Kiwanis Club supported the project by giving a monetary donation and volunteering to hand out the items to children.

Each child received a book bag with the names of the sponsors printed on each bag. In this joint effort to enhance reading and math skills and family activity time, each bag contained two new books, word find puzzle books, games, and art supplies. The bags were given out June 25 at the same locations that the school nutrition department has been delivering free lunches since March.

Children and parents expressed thanks for the activity bags, stating that they would have fun and not be so bored. The Kiwanis members assisting with the delivery were Tammy Allen, Jane Durden, and Breana Librizzi. More than 300 children in Emanuel County received these activities book bags.

by PRESIDENT BOB  
BOEHMER

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**REYNOLDS (LEFT) AND PRESIDENT SMITH  
(RIGHT)**

# Reynolds inducted into local SAR chapter

The Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Society – Sons of the American Revolution (GASSAR) recently held its first meeting since the pandemic began some four months ago. As President Smith inducted Compatriot Alton Reynolds into the chapter. As part of that induction, Reynolds was presented with a certificate from the NSSAR and his wife,

On Thursday, July 9, President Wilder Smith Jr. presided over the monthly meeting held at New China Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

Attending the meeting were 21 members and guests, who watched George Washington's uniform during the American Revolution.

as President Smith inducted Compatriot Alton Reynolds into the chapter. As part of that induction, Reynolds was presented with a certificate from the NSSAR and his wife, Jodi, pinned the SAR Rosette on his left collar. The SAR Rosette is a small, round pin colored in blue and white representing General George Washington's uniform during the American Revolution.





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## Newkirt Family celebrates 50th reunion

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the Newkirts celebrated their 50th family reunion on the Fourth of July, highlighting the oldest living sibling, Dr. John Cleveland Newkirt Sr. of Garfield. His is one of Paul and Eldora Newkirt Sr.'s children.

The complete list of siblings includes: Willie Brown, Paul Jr., George, Theodosia, Pauline, Corrine, Benjamin

"Uncle B.F." Franklin, John Cleveland, Adel, Bertha, Melrose, Roberta, Rogers, Harvey, Evelyn, Marchia Raye, and William, also known as "Uncle Jack."

Five of Paul Jr.'s children were present for the event. These individuals were: John Willie, also known as "Pete," Vergil, Kathy, Bertha, and Randell.

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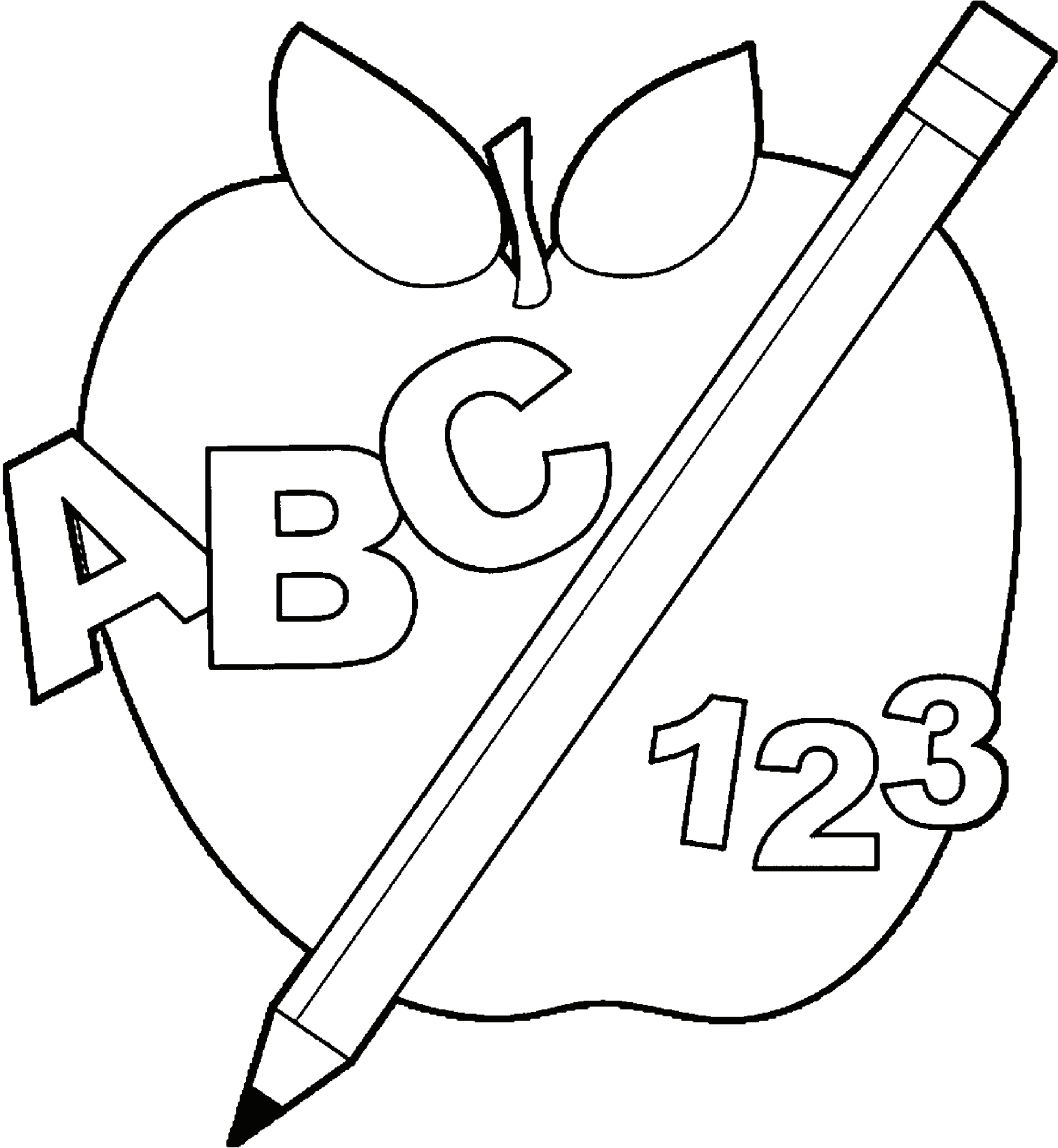


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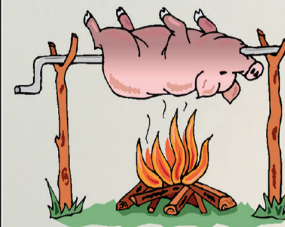
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# Savvy Senior: Video calling solutions for tech-challenged seniors

Dear Savvy Senior,  
Can you recommend some simple devices that can help tech-challenged seniors with video calls? My 80-year-old mother has been isolating herself for months now in fear of the coronavirus and I haven't been able to see her face-to-face in quite a while.

Concerned Daughter  
Dear Concerned,  
Video chatting is a great way to stay connected and keep tabs on an elder

parent when you can't be there, but it's even more important now during this pandemic as many isolated seniors are also suffering from chronic loneliness.

To help connect you and your mom virtually, there are various products on the market that offer simple video calling for seniors who have limited ability or experience with technology. Here are four devices to consider.

**GrandPad:** This is a top option for simple video calling, and much more. The GrandPad is an 8-inch tablet specifically designed for seniors, ages 75 and older. It comes with a stylus, a charging cradle and 4G LTE built-in so it works anywhere within the Consumer Cellular network – home Wi-Fi is not required.

Ready to go right out of the box, GrandPad provides a simplified menu of big icons and large text for only essential features, providing clutter-free, one-touch access to make and receive video calls, send voice emails, view photos and videos, listen to personalized music, check the weather, play games, browse the Internet and more.

A GrandPad tablet costs \$250 plus \$40 monthly service fee and is sold through Consumer Cellular at [GrandPad.net](http://GrandPad.net) or call 888-545-1425.

**Amazon's Echo Show:** With its built-in camera and screen, the voice-command Echo Show also provides a simple way to have face-to-face chats with your mom, but she'll need home Wi-Fi installed.

Echo Shows, which come in three screen sizes – 5-inch (\$90), 8-inch (\$130) and 10-inch (\$230) – will let your mom make and receive video calls to those who have their own device, or who have the Alexa app installed on their smartphone or tablet.

Once you set up her contacts, to make a call your mom could simply say, "Alexa, call my daughter" And when you call her, she would ask Alexa to answer the call (or ignore it). There's also a feature called "drop-in"

that would let you video call your mom's device anytime without her having to answer it.

Available at [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), the Echo Show also offers thousands of other features your mom would enjoy like voice-activated access to news, weather, her favorite music and much more.

If you decide to order an Echo Show device for mom, be sure your ask Amazon to mark it as a gift so it doesn't get tied to your Amazon account. For instructions to help your mom set it up, or if she doesn't have a smartphone, go to [Amazon.com/gp/help/customer/display.html](http://Amazon.com/gp/help/customer/display.html), and type in "Help Loved Ones Set Up Their Echo Show Remotely" in the "find more solutions" bar.

**ViewClix:** This is a smart picture frame specifically designed for elderly seniors that lets family members make video calls, send photos and post virtual sticky notes with messages to their loved ones ViewClix from their smartphone, tablet or computer. Seniors, however, cannot initiate video calls from their ViewClix. Home Wi-Fi is also required.

Available in two sizes – 10-inch for \$199, and 15-inch for \$299 – you can learn more about this product at [ViewClix.com](http://ViewClix.com).

**Facebook Portal:** If your mom is a Facebook user, a voice-command Facebook portal (see [portal.facebook.com](http://portal.facebook.com)) is another simple way to stay connected – home Wi-Fi is needed.

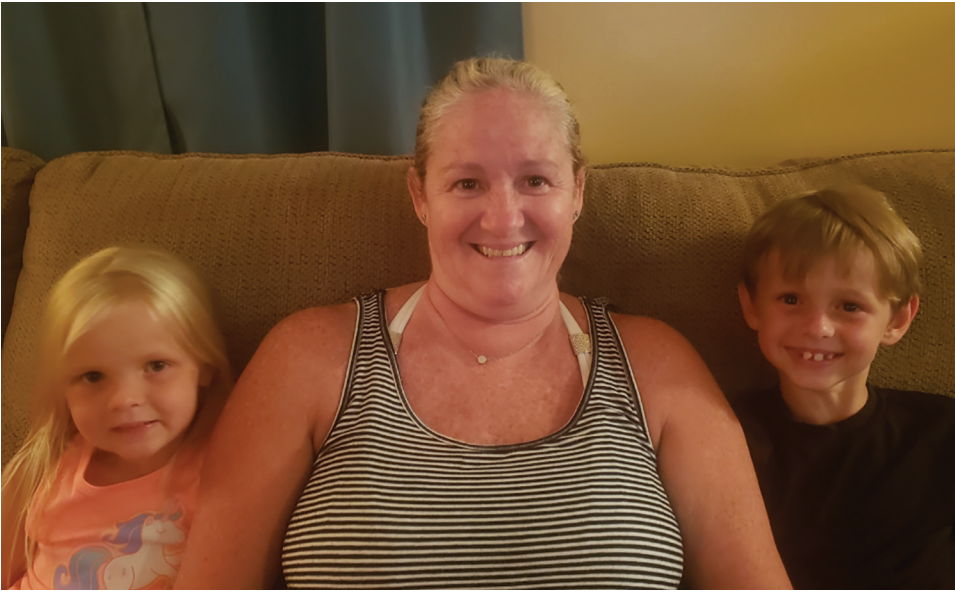
Portals, which come in three sizes – the original 10-inch Portal (\$179), the 8-inch Mini (\$129) and the massive 15-and-a-half-inch Portal Plus (\$279) – are like Echo Shows, except they connect through Facebook. With a Portal, your mom can video call your smartphone or tablet (and vice versa) using Facebook Messenger or WhatsApp.

Send your senior questions to: *Savvy Senior*, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). *Jim Miller* is a contributor to the *NBC Today show* and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

## Cook of the Week

Featuring the recipes of...

### Dina, Gracie, & Kade



This week's Cooks of the Week are Dina Durden and grandchildren, Kade and Gracie Durden. Dina is a registered nurse and is employed by Emanuel Medical Center. Kade and Gracie attend Emanuel County Schools System, where Kade is a rising second grader and Gracie is a rising first grader. Kade and Gracie enjoy taking trips to their "Nana's" house. Their favorite times spent together include swimming in the pool, trips to the river, and relaxing to a movie while enjoying ice cream. When not out having fun, Dina enjoys cooking yummy meals and allows Kade and Gracie to serve as co-chefs while in the kitchen. Here are three recipes they would like to share. Enjoy!



From the kitchen of Dena, Gracie, & Kade

#### Gracie's Deviled Eggs

- 6 eggs (hard boiled)
- 2 Tbsp. mayonnaise
- 1 Tbsp. yellow mustard
- 2 Tbsp. dill pickle relish or sweet pickle relish
- 1 tsp. paprika (optional)
- salt and pepper to taste

Peel shells off of hard boiled eggs and slice in half (lengthwise). Using a spoon, gently remove the yolks from the whites, placing all yolks in a small bowl. Using a fork, mash yolks into small pieces. Add mayonnaise, salt, pepper, mustard, and relish to yolks and mix until well combined and creamy. Using a spoon, carefully scoop some of the yolk mixture into the white of each egg half. Repeat until all egg whites are filled. Lightly sprinkle with paprika and keep in the fridge until ready to serve.



From the kitchen of Dena, Gracie, & Kade

#### Kade's Pizza Pinwheels

- 1 Package refrigerated pizza crust
- Pizza sauce
- Mozzarella Cheese

Lightly grease baking sheet and set aside. Unroll pie crust onto a large cutting board. Spread a light layer of pizza sauce over dough. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Carefully roll dough to make a log shape. Pinch sides together and using a pizza cutter or knife, slice into individual pieces to form round individual pinwheel pieces. Bake at 425°F until cheese is melted and pinwheels are light golden brown. Serve with pizza sauce.



From the kitchen of Dena, Gracie, & Kade

#### Nana Dina's Salted Caramel Pecan Chocolate Chip Cookies

- 3/4 c. unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
- 3/4 c. packed light or dark brown sugar
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1 large egg, at room temperature
- 2 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 2 c. all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp. cornstarch
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 c. semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 c. chopped unsalted or salted pecans
- 16 wrapped caramels, cut into 4 or 5 pieces each
- sea salt for sprinkling

In a large bowl using a mixer, beat butter, brown sugar, and granulated sugar together until fluffy and light in color. Mix in egg and vanilla extract. In a separate bowl, combine flour, cornstarch, baking soda, and salt. On low speed, slowly mix in wet ingredients until combined. Add chocolate chips and pecans. Mix until evenly distributed. Cover dough tightly with aluminum foil or plastic wrap and chill for at least 1 hour. Remove cookie dough from refrigerator and allow to sit at room temperature for 10 minutes. (The cookie dough will be slightly crumbly when preparing to bake, but will come together as you roll into balls.)

Preheat oven to 350°F. Roll dough into individual small balls, about 1.5 tablespoons of dough each, and place on baking sheets lined with parchment paper. Press a few pieces of caramel onto tops of cookies and sprinkle each with sea salt. Bake for 10-11 minutes, until barely golden brown around edges.

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"You who love the Lord," said the Psalmist, "hate evil!" That is a very straight forward, simple statement. It is one of Scriptures *If/Then* challenges that God puts in our pathway. Put another way we might ask, "If we don't hate evil can we truly love God? And, if we hate evil, how will our lives show those around us that we do?"

Loving God means that we will do whatever is necessary to align ourselves with His plan and purpose for His world. We will work with Him to reach out to those around us with a heart full of His love to show them His grace and mercy. We will be uncomfortable if we know of someone, somewhere who needs something that we have that we can share with them that will bring hope and healing to their lives.

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# Smoyer completes mission...

(From front page)  
military career options and post-military career options that come to those who graduate from the United States Naval Academy.

After one year at the Naval Academy, I resigned and fulfilled a two-year missionary stint for my church. Specifically, I was sent to Brazil. I reapplied to the Naval Academy and will return August 13.

(For those who don't know, it is not unusual for midshipmen who are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to fulfill a mission during their time at the academy. In fact, the Navy sees a great benefit in that many midshipmen who elect to serve as mission-



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aries are assigned to foreign countries and learn a language. Since the Navy sails all over the world, having Navy crews with foreign language skills provides an advantage.)

**Q: Receiving an appointment to the Naval Academy is very difficult. What led you to the decision to apply to the Naval Academy?**

**A:** Only 8 percent selected of the 16,000 applicants receive a nomination. Those applicants are from as many as 50,000 who think about applying but weed themselves out when they look carefully at the academic and physical demands of the academy. I decided to apply to the Naval Academy because I am very interested in the prospect of a career as a military officer as well as receiving a top-notch education the Naval Academy provides. Based on my resume, I knew I would be a competitive candidate, and I am very grateful for all who assisted me on my path to receiving an appointment to the academy.

**Q: I have heard that your first year at a service academy can be pretty rough. What was it like?**

**A:** It *was* rough. I would compare it to football camp for a year, plus the courses and military training on top of that. An incoming class is about 1,200 people, and about 100 of them do not return after the first year. A graduating class ends up at just over a 1,000 people, so another 75 or so drop out along the way. You need to know that when applying and dedicate yourself to success. Unlike a regular college, you must be willing to dedicate your time and focus to development in three major categories: mental, moral, and physical. This consists of early morning workouts and late-night homework sessions—not to mention the routine military responsibilities. Plebe year also consists of a restriction of media privileges during the week, limited weekend liberty, and many unorthodox tasks that



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could only be understood by someone who has been in the same situation.

**Q: What is the one thing that stands out about your time so far at the Naval Academy?**

**A:** My first year at the Naval Academy provided me with lots of opportunities to grow personally, but more importantly to grow with all of those who were around me. I learned even more about the importance of working together as a team to ensure the success and protection of all. You succeed as a team or fail as a team. Your “team” is a company of about 40-50 midshipman who are together all day.

**Q. Back to your mission in Brazil... Did you have any training for this?**

**A:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints places a huge priority on Bible and scripture training for its youth. In high school, you have voluntary seminary several times each week. You cannot be selected as a missionary in Brazil unless you complete seminary. Then there was six weeks of training in Provo, Utah for introduction to the language and culture. Of course, you don't really learn the language or culture until you are immersed in it. It took me about four months to really feel comfortable with Portuguese and six months to become fluent. I arrived in Brazil on September 12, 2018. Upon arrival in Brazil, I went through 12 more weeks of missionary and language training in what we refer to as the “mission field” which is just the everyday world.

**Q. What was the main focus of your missionary work in Brazil?**

**A:** As a missionary, my focus was to invite others to come unto Christ by helping them receive the gospel through faith in Jesus Christ and His sacrifice, repentance, baptism, receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost, and becoming a lifelong disciple of Jesus Christ.

**Q. How did you go about accomplishing this missionary work?**

**A:** My daily routine during the mission was to wake up at 6:30 a.m., exercise, eat breakfast, get ready, study the scriptures, and plan my day with my missionary companion. We would do all of that before 10 a.m. We would leave our house at 10 a.m. and stay in the streets, talking to people or visiting them in their homes until around 9 p.m., only stopping for lunch. On an average day, we would talk to around 20 people in the street and visit about five homes. The relationships that I

was able to develop with those who accepted a visit from my companion and I in their homes will always hold a very dear place in my heart. Even though most were poor to very poor, they often provided us with meals. I saw how living the gospel of Jesus Christ truly changes the lives of those who choose to live it.

**Q. Did COVID-19 affect your missionary work?**

**A:** As COVID-19 cases grew worldwide, the Church suddenly informed most of its missionaries serving outside of their native country they had to return home early or it might become too late to leave and re-enter their native country. I arrived back in Atlanta on March 24 earlier this year, so I was in Brazil about 19 months. I was originally due to come back July 2, so my mission was cut short by three months. Since I have been home, I have been able to maintain contact with many Brazilians I met during my mission-



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ary service.

**Q: How long did it take you to become fluent in Portuguese? What are the main characteristics of the language that you found interesting?**

**A:** It took about five to six months for me to become fluent in Portuguese. Portuguese is one of the languages closest to Latin. I love the flow of Portuguese, and I enjoy the way that Brazilians use physical language to express themselves as well. Their slangs and expressions are also very catchy; sometimes I catch myself using them in English conversations.

**Q. What was the food like, and what did people mainly ask you about the United States?**

**A:** Every meal consists of rice and beans. They also take lots of pride in their cookouts. Brazil is also full of exotic fruits such as goiaba and maracuja that make for really tasty juices. Most of the time, people asked me if I had ever eaten anything other than fast food in my life. They tend to think that's all we eat. Many also asked about certain aspects of my daily life.

**Q. Are the Brazilian culture and people much different from the U.S.?**

**A:** The Brazilian culture is definitely a lot more laidback than American culture. The people are very hospitable and very receptive. The American concept of keeping to a schedule and filling it with as much as possible is not as enforced. Brazilians believe time is to be enjoyed and not hurried. Religion also plays a huge part of their culture. Brazil is probably the most bio-diverse country on earth

in every respect—wild-life, plants and trees, and physical terrain. Sao Paulo is also the most culturally diverse city in Brazil with a mixed population from many nations and continents.

**Q. Like many major nations with a lot of poverty, there is a lot of crime. Did you ever feel endangered?**

**A:** Sao Paulo is the seventh most populated city in the world and has a high crime rate. The favelas have houses literally built on top of houses on every hillside. I never felt endangered because the missionaries are always well-respected and thought very highly of.

**Q. What is the main thing that stands out in your mind about Brazil?**

**A:** The thing that probably stands out most about Brazil is great people who are very friendly and open.

**Q. What is the main thing that stands out about your missionary work?**

**A:** It was definitely one of the most satisfying periods of my life. Being able to play a role in the transformation of many people's lives as they chose to align themselves with the teachings of Jesus Christ also strengthened me and enriched my desire to serve and love my neighbor.

**Q. What life advice would you give young people in Emanuel County today?**

**A:** Seek to open yourself up to new ideas. Maybe there is a little more for you to discover beyond the horizon. Service to others is a great way to accomplish this objective. Whether it be through military service or uniting yourself with a service group, as you serve others, you broaden your horizons and positively affect the lives of your neighbors.

*Below is Smoyer's summary in his own words of the unique mission experience as it relates to the four dimensions of a human being and services as a future U.S. Navy Officer. He also discloses the five most important takeaways from his trip.*

**Moral Dimension**  
• Reinforcement of the importance of exact obedience and how it produces positive outcomes.

• Living elevated standards creates positive results in all facets of life and all those you contact.

• Witnessed several dozen people I taught make 180 turnarounds after living morally sound lives.

**Mental Dimension**  
• Learned a new language and culture providing deeper insights into my own language/culture.

• Sharpened critical listening skills, gaining a better understanding of other's thoughts and feelings.

• Achieved solid experience in logistics management and goal analysis as an area supervisor of 18 to 20 missionaries over a 20-square-mile zone.

**Leadership Dimension**  
• Encouraged others to become the best version of themselves by tapping into their full potential.

• Counseled and convinced several dozen people leading them to a more

abundant life.

• My efforts culminated in being selected by the Mission President to serve as Assistant to the President responsible for the well-being and leadership of 180 missionaries including: logistical organization and support, statistical analysis of goals, and training.

• Superior management experience.

**Physical Dimension**

• Exercised a minimum of 30 minutes daily to begin each day.

• Walked 8 to 10 miles daily in a very hilly terrain throughout my assigned area.

• Reinforced the importance of physical well-being to enhance mental and moral achievement.

**Spiritual Dimension**

• Countless times, I went from meeting someone on the street by random selection; gaining their confidence, resulting in an invitation to their home; and helping them make important changes to improve his or her life, seeing their successes weeks after the initial encounter.

• I discovered that I

became quite effective as a missionary by giving it my best effort in everything I did. I must admit that I was often surprised by my successes and I believe that divine intervention played a major role. I believe the Lord helped me become a tool in His hands.

**Biggest Takeaways**

• I now see the true potential everyone holds and how to get the best out of those I served as a missionary and missionary leader.

• I am now trilingual. I speak English, Portuguese, and Spanish.

• I learned how to gain someone's trust by being personable yet holding very clear standards as a representative of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and equivalent to a U.S. Navy Officer.

• I learned the importance of the common phrase “expect what you inspect” in all matters.

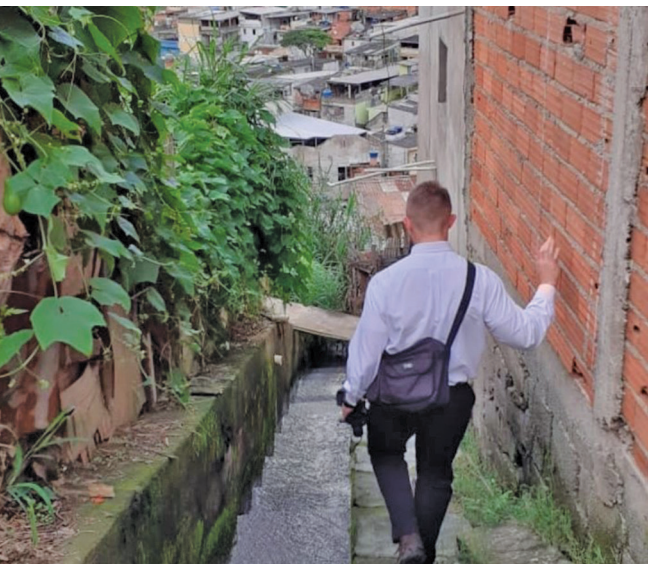
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# Emanuel County Historic Society cancels July meeting

Due to COVID-19, Emanuel County Historic Society's July 23 meeting has been canceled. The speaker on Georgia's World War II POW camps hopes to attend the January meeting. A letter has been sent to members and friends of the historic society on this matter. In the meantime, if you know of anything regarding Swainsboro's POW camps, Emanuel County Historic Society would love to know about it. Contact Missy Elder at 478-763-3631.



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# Students receive awards from DAR

Fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students in Emanuel County submitted essays on "The Voyage of the Mayflower - Now Versus Then" for the Governor David Emanuel - Adam Brinson Chapter DAR's essay contest.

Winners for their respective grades from David Emanuel Academy were: Layton Terwilliger, fifth grade; Cooper Riner, sixth grade; Jaxson Wiggins, seventh grade; and Josie Black, eighth grade.

Swainsboro Elementary's fifth grade winner was Kyleigh Hostilo.

Students placing from Swainsboro Middle School included: Ariel Averett, seventh grade and Lenox Lively, eighth grade.

All those with winning essays received a certificate.

Terwilliger, Riner, Wiggins, and Lively were also county winners and received a check in addition to their certificates.

Ninth through 12th grade students submitted essays on the subject, "A Sailor's Experience as Part of Christopher Columbus' First Expedition to the



(FRONT, L-R) BLACK, FREE, RINER, AND TERWILLIGER (BACK) DAR MEMBERS MARTHA COBB AND JANE DURDEN



(L-R) SMOYER, AVERETT, SHAH, AND REYNOLDS

Americas." Peyton Free was the winner for David Emanuel Academy while Savannah Reynolds was the winner for both Swainsboro High and Emanuel County. Both

received a certificate. Reynolds also received a check.

DAR Good Citizens representing their schools and receiving certificates were Kristin Smoyer for Emanuel

County Institute, Maci Nease for David Emanuel Academy, and Arham Shah for Swainsboro High. Shah was also the county winner and received a \$1,000 scholarship.

# Young archer presents program to Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro held its weekly meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at The Rustic Grill in Swainsboro with President Petite Garrett presiding.

Seventeen members and four guests—Tracy Mason, Monica Wren, Destrie Vescuso, and Sherry Vescuso—attended.

Jane Durden introduced the program for the evening, which was presented by 15-year-old Archer Destrie Vescuso.

The holder of numerous American Shooter

Association (ASA) middle school records, Destrie recently won her division at the 2019 Lancaster Archery Classic in Manheim, Pennsylvania. She found herself among 1,794 archers competing for various division titles and after three days of shooting, she came out on top.

Destrie has competed in a number of local and national events and was ASA Shooter of the Year in her age category in 2019.

She developed a love of archery about five years ago and hopes to



(L-R) DURDEN AND D. VESCUSO

become a professional archer, and she is well

on her way after signing a contract with PSE Archery.

Destrie showed the Kiwanians her high-tech compound bow, which looked very little like the recurve they grew up with. The existence of indoor and outdoor type arrows was a surprise as well.

In closing, the young guest speaker explained the aerodynamics of the need for two different types of arrows.

If you would like to become a member of the Kiwanis Club, contact Membership Chair Jane Durden at 478-494-4113 or e-mail her at [hsdurden@bellsouth.net](mailto:hsdurden@bellsouth.net). Between now and September 30, there is a special rate for new members. If you would like more information about the club and the many community service projects it does each year, go to the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club's Facebook page.

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## Three Emanuel County baseballers play in Perfect Game World Series

by HALEI LAMB

Three young baseball players from Emanuel County—Tuff Boddiford, Brody Fleming, and Karson Kettles—went with their respective travel teams to the 2020 Perfect Game World Series held in Atlanta on July 3-7. All three play with the Line Drive organization based out of Pooler.

Boddiford and Fleming, members of the 12U Line Drive team, have shared the diamond since they were 8-years-old. Together, the two of them have played on two Dixie Youth state championship teams. Line Drive makes their fourth shared travel team.

Both are rising seventh graders with promising futures at different positions. Boddiford attends ECI, where he plays baseball and football. The son of Eric and Dawn Boddiford of Twin City, he pitches, occasionally plays third or outfield, but primarily plays shortstop. He is known for his power and quickness as well as his ability to make difficult plays. He routinely makes difficult plays at shortstop look easy. Boddiford is extremely quick around the bases and a smart baserunner. He stood out in Atlanta, scoring several RBI and hitting a home run.

Fleming, on the other hand, plays first and third. He, too, sometimes plays in the outfield. As of late, however, he has found his home on the mound. He shined in Atlanta as the only 12U player to reach 75 on the radar more than a few times. (Fleming was consistent between 71 and 74 but threw strikes at 75, which is impressive for his age.) Like Boddiford, he is a power hitter and has a strong arm. He's also sound defensively with a good glove in the field. Fleming's strong suits are his quick hands and pitching skills.

He and Boddiford make a tough duo to handle; both boys have great foundational knowledge of the game, always knowing

what to do on the next play before it even happens.

Fleming is a student at DEA. He is the oldest child of Brent and Stephanie Fleming of Swainsboro. As an Eagle, he plays football, basketball, and, of course, baseball.

The two have been an integral part of Line Drive 12U's season thus far. Together, Boddiford and Fleming helped qualify their team for the Perfect Game World Series, a prestigious invitation-only tournament for major travel teams like their own. Invitations were divvied out based on national rankings.

At the beginning of the season, Line Drive/Wilson 12U was ranked 10th in the southeastern district and 60th in the nation. That ranking will likely be even higher now, thanks to the team's impressive finish in the tournament two weeks ago. Out of 70+ teams, Boddiford, Fleming, and company finished 14th in the Gold Division of the World Series, which was one of three "colored" brackets (gold, silver, and bronze) due to the tournament's large turnout.

Line Drive 12U played seven games, losing only two of those. Their only losses were both to Easton Top Notch from California, who headed into the tournament as No. 1 in the nation.

Of the teams Line Drive/Wilson whooped up on were the Kansas City Crusaders (ranked 21st across the country); the Motor City Hit Dogs from Detroit, Michigan; the Elite Prospects from Hollywood, Florida; the Dulins Dodgers from McKinney, Texas (also the home team for No. 1 MLB draft pick Blaze Jordan); and the Mississippi Yankees.

In addition to Boddiford and Fleming who hail from Emanuel County, Line Drive/Wilson 12U is comprised of 12 other players from an area stretching from Augusta to Vidalia to Richmond



KETTLES MAKING THROW FROM SHORTSTOP



FLEMING ON THE HILL



BODDIFORD AT SHORT

Hill and Brooklet to Jesup. These boys are led by head coach Chris Wilson and assistant coaches Britt Tabor, Todd Wagner, and Billy Nance.

Kettles is the only local member of Line Drive 9U Black's 11-man roster. The rising fifth grader at DEA primarily plays shortstop, but he can also be found at second, third, and in the outfield for his travel team. This season was his first with the Line Drive organization. Throughout

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## Swainsboro Police Reports

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

**July 2**  
Officer was dispatched to a North Anderson Drive address in reference to a complainant involving harassing communications.

Officer was dispatched to an address on West MLK Blvd. in reference to a dispute. Services provided by police and EMS were offered but refused by an involved subject. The other involved party was gone prior to arrival of emergency personnel.

Officer responded to a North Main Street address in reference to the arrest of a subject with an active probation warrant.

Officer responded to an address on North Anderson Drive after being advised of a subject on premises with an active warrant. An arrest was made.

Complainant reported an attempted scam offense being made by an unknown party.

Officers were dispatched to a South Main Street address in reference to a report involving disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Complainant reported harassing communications.

Officer responded to an address on Gumlog Road in reference to a domestic violence offense in progress. Upon arrival, the offender had left the scene and the involved victim was advised and agreed to leaving the location to stay with a family member. Officers responded to the same address later after receiving a dispatch call relaying that the offender had returned to the location. An arrest was then made.

**July 3**  
Officers were dispatched to an address on South Main Street in reference to a dispute. Upon officers' arrival, the offending party had already left the scene on a motorcycle and had taken the victim's car keys. The offender returned the the scene but fled after seeing the appearance of law enforcement. An officer attempted to make a traffic stop but the driver continued to flee and eventually dropped his motorcycle and fled on foot into a wooded area.

Officer responded to an address on Stevens Drive in reference to a criminal trespass of private property offense.

Officer responded to a North Anderson Drive address in reference to an additional criminal trespass of private property offense.

**July 4**  
Emanuel County 911 dispatched officer to an address on North Main Street in reference to a male subject acting irate in a parking lot. The involved offender was criminally trespassed from the location.

Officer responded to an address on Sycamore Street in reference to a dispute.

Officer responded to an address on Kite Road in reference to a gunshot victim.

Officer responded to an address on Lakewood Drive in reference to a miscellaneous report.

**July 5**  
Complainant reported a dispute. Victim reported theft by taking of a wallet.

Officers were dispatched to a Gumlog Road address in reference to aggravated assault through use of a gun and damage to private property in the first degree.

Officers responded to an address on South Main Street in reference to an offense involving accusation of rape-strongarm.

Complainant reported a damaged vehicle.

Officer was dispatched to a Lambs Bridge Road address in reference to a report involving an unknown offender entering an automobile with intent to commit theft. Two firearms were reported stolen.

An additional complainant reported a damaged vehicle.

Officer responded to an address on West MLK Blvd. in reference to a dispute.

**July 6**  
Officer made a traffic stop in reference to a speeding vehicle. During the traffic stop, the driver was found of be in violation of driving with a suspended license. An arrest was made.

Complainant reported harassing communications.

Complainant reported a dispute. Officer was dispatched to an address on Lucky Street in reference to a damaged vehicle.

Officer made a traffic stop in reference to a vehicle being operated on the roadway with suspended registration and no insurance.

Emanuel County 911 dispatched officers to an address on West Pine Street in reference to the theft of a moped.

**July 7**  
Officers were dispatched to an address on North Green Street in reference to a damaged vehicle.

SPD headquarters dispatched officers to a Braswell Boulevard address in reference to disorderly conduct offense involving two subjects.

Officer made a traffic stop in reference to a uninsured vehicle being operated on the roadway with expired registration.

Officer responded to an address on North Green Street in reference to a report involving second degree damage to private property.

Officers responded to an address on Alice Circle in reference to an offense involving damaged property and disorderly conduct. An arrest was made.

**July 8**  
Emanuel County 911 dispatched officers to an address on Happiness Drive in reference to an offense involving second degree damage to private property.

**July 9**  
Officers responded to the area of Lucky Street in reference to a report involving discharge of firearms near highway/streets. While in the area, no contact was made with any possible offenders nor was any evidence located to validate shots being fired within said area.

Complainant reported a damaged vehicle.

**July 10**  
Officers responded to an address on Kite Road in reference to a miscellaneous offense.

## Twin City Police Reports

Officers with the Twin City Police Department (TCPD) reported...

**July 5**  
Officer made a traffic stop in reference to a speeding driver. During the traffic stop, officer found the driver to be in possession of an open container of alcohol.

During another traffic stop, a second driver was found to be in possession of an open container.

**July 6**  
Officer was dispatched to a Parrish Pond Road address in reference to a simple assault.

## Three shootings within...

(From front page)  
multiple shots fired. Swainsboro's police chief, Randy Ellison, has addressed the recent situations with city council, Mayor Charles Schwabe, and the local district attorney's office.

In response to the nature of the crimes as well as concern for residents within the area, city council has suspended

the business license belonging to the Gumlog Road business owner.

"The mayor has an obligation to ensure that the citizens of Swainsboro are safe, as do I," said Chief Ellison about the license suspension. "The license was not revoked, only suspended at this time in an attempt to ensure safety within the area."

As of Wednesday, July 8, according to offi-

**July 10**  
Complainant reported false statements and writings after a known offender disconnected city water services to the complainant's residence and attempted to collect the \$100 water deposit fee. The complainant further advised

the current water bill was listed under the offending party's name due to the complainant having a previous outstanding water bill she did not wish to pay. The complainant reported giving the offender the deposit money for the services to be installed.

## Two drivers airlifted following crash

by BILL CAHILL, SFD PIO

At approximately 3 p.m. on Friday, July 10, a crash occurred at Old Reidsville Road and Highway 80 East.

The initial report described one vehicle on fire with entrapment.

Emanuel County EMS sent two ambulances while firefighters responded with an engine and Rescue 1 from Swainsboro, along with a Twin City engine. Several sheriff's deputies responded to block

traffic in both directions of Highway 80 and to conduct the crash investigation.

The drivers of both vehicles, a 2012 Jeep Liberty 4x4 SUV and a Chevrolet Silverado Z71 4x4, received emergency care at the scene and were transported by EMS to Swainsboro Airport, where they were loaded into two AirEvac helicopters and flown to the trauma center in Augusta with non-life-threatening injuries.



SCENE OF CRASH PRIOR TO REMOVAL OF JEEP AND CHEVROLET



# Jail Report

*The following persons have been booked into Emanuel County Jail, according to Emanuel County Sheriff Tyson Stephens, 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); or Probation Office (PROB).*

Roger Smith Jr., 42, 537

W. Broad St., Twin City; entered 7/6/20; Speeding 15-29 MPH over, Driving lic susp/rev; released 7/6/20; SPD

Eric Bernard Greene, 49, 222 Lanier Dr., Apt. 62, Statesboro; entered 7/6/20; Simp battery; released 7/6/20; ECSO

Lashaun Dean Black, 25, 266 GA Hwy. 192 N, Twin City; entered 7/6/20; VGCSA Possession of Drug Related Object, VGCSA Abandon of dangerous drugs/poisons/cont subst; TCPD

Austin Christopher Scarboro, 23, 101 Parrish Pond Rd., Twin City; entered 7/6/20; Battery; released 7/10/20; ECSO

Joseph Seth Schrader, 41, 533 Kite Rd.; entered 7/6/20; Probation/ Superior Court; ECSO

Cierra Melva Miles, 28, 405 W. Lillian St., Metter; entered 7/6/20; Probation/ Superior Court; ECSO

Michael Gage Thigpen, 17, 2568 Hwy. 80 W., Adrian; entered 7/7/20; Disorderly Conduct; released 7/7/20; SPD

Jerry Matthew Rich, 30, 476 Lambs Bridge Rd.; entered 7/8/20; Fleeing/ attempt to elude ofc, Hold for Out of County Billing; SPD

Shannon O'Brian McKinney Jr., 35, 415 Braswell Blvd.; entered

7/9/20 Probation/ Superior Court, Crim damage to prop-2nd deg, Obstr/ofc, Driving lic susp/rev, Unregistered Vehicle, Probation/ Swainsboro PD/Middle Ga Probation, Probation/ Swainsboro PD/Middle Ga Probation; SPD

William Eric Michael Goddard, 23, 115 McMillen Dr.; entered 7/9/20; VGCSA possession Marijuana w/ intent to distribute, Hold for Johnson County, Poss of Firearm During Commission Of Felony, VGCSA Manuf Marijuana, VGCSA Manuf Marijuana; SPD

Tyler Malek Beasley,

17, 2334 Travis Pine Dr., Augusta; entered 7/9/20; Obstr/Hindering of Officer, Poss pistol/ revolver by pers under 18-yr; released 7/10/20; SPD

Susan Marie Coleman, 36, 26 Leopard Dr.; entered 7/9/20; Disorderly conduct; ECSO

Madison Terri Lane, 19, 214 College St., A-3; entered 7/10/20; VGCSA Drugs schedule i & ii drugs; released 7/10/20; SPD

Moniquie Lyi'Quesha McReed, 22, 138 Rainbow Rd.; entered 7/10/20; VGCSA Drugs schedule i & ii drugs; released 7/10/20; SPD

Ja'Juanta Malik Baker, 20, 432 West St.; entered 7/10/20; VGCSA Drugs i & ii drugs; released 7/10/20; SPD

Alexa Kimberly Melvin, 32, 141 Fish Whitehead Rd., Lyons; entered 7/10/20; Driving lic susp/rev; released 7/10/20; GSP

Willie Lee Mitchell, 58, 413 Saltermoon Rd., East Dublin; entered 7/12/20; Dui/alch, Disorderly Conduct; SPD

Ryan Jermaine McMillan, 22, 129A Edenfield Rd., Twin City; entered 7/12/20; Dui/alch, Failure to Stop at Stop Sign, Expired tag; released 7/12/20; GSP

# Sheriff's Reports

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

**July 2**  
Victim reported discovering multiple fraudulent accounts opened in his name.

**July 3**  
Complainant struck a deer while traveling Lambs Bridge Road. Deputies assisted Georgia State Patrol with a single-vehicle crash resulting in a DUI.

**July 4**  
Deputies assisted Oak Park Fire Department with a vehicle fire on U.S. 1 Bypass South at the I-16 Westbound on ramp. Complainant reported minor vehicle damage after someone in another vehicle, a Dodge RAM, opened the passenger side door and struck the rear panel of the complainant's Toyota Camry. Deputy responded to a fight in progress at a residence on Highway 23 North. Offender was gone by the time the deputy arrived. Complainant wanted a report but refused medical transport.

**July 5**  
Deputies assisted GSP on U.S. 1 South at I-16 in reference to a trailer that had unhooked from the truck. Trailer was hooked back to the truck with bystander help. Deputy assisted Swainsboro Police Department with a domestic call on Empire Expressway. SPD arrested two offenders and needed assistance with transport. Deputy's transport of the offender to the jail went without incident. Deputies responded to a residence on Quick Loop in reference to assault/battery and cruelty to children. When deputies arrived, offender and victim were "getting physical." Offender struck victim in the face with her fist, causing her to bleed. Victim then started protecting herself and struck the offender back. Witness advised two juveniles had seen everything. Both adults were seen by EMS but refused treatment and transport. Offender was arrested without incident. Offender struck and damaged complainant's Volkswagen while backing his Tahoe. Deputies responded to

Palm Beach in reference to a combative offender arguing with staff when asked to leave. Upon deputies' arrival, offender took off running toward the road. One of the deputies pursued him, at which point the offender gave up. Offender was intoxicated and had a minor laceration on his lip from the altercation he got into with staff. He was arrested and transported to the jail.

**July 6**  
Deputy transported an arrestee from Bulloch County to Emanuel County. Offender was arrested in Bulloch on an Emanuel County warrant. Transport went without incident. Victim filed an assault/ battery report after her brother approached her while she was hanging out with some friends and tried to force her to speak with him. Victim told deputy she screamed at offender to leave her alone, at which point offender struck her on her face with his hand. Victim was able to get away and witnesses helped protect her. Complainant on Williams Road stated someone sent her texts claiming to have explicit pictures and videos of her and threatened to send those files to her husband. Complainant stated she had no knowledge of any of those type photos/videos being taken. She also stated her husband was aware of the situation. Complainant reported a lost wallet.

**July 7**  
Complainant visited the sheriff's office and stated his insurance company had contacted him, saying his truck had been in an accident in Bibb County. Complainant stated his truck had been parked at a friend's house and he had been out of town. However, according to the complainant, no one had driven his truck. Complainant had already retrieved a copy of the crash report from Bibb County. A local deputy reviewed that report and found that the accident appeared to be a hit-and-run. The tag number on the report was different than that actually assigned to the complainant's truck; this was confirmed by the

local deputy. That same deputy looked over the victim's truck, which had no damage or paint transfer. Complainant reported her grandfather's gun being stolen. Complainant reported someone using her identity to buy two AT&T phones in her name. Deputy took a report over the phone in reference to a complainant discovering two bullet holes in his vehicle. Complainant on Highway 46 East reported offender for aggravated assault/battery. Complainant struck a deer while traveling Lambs Bridge Road, causing damage to his vehicle.

**July 8**  
Complainant reported her child's father for harassing her via texts and phone calls. Complainant stated he was being harassed by an individual's sons. Complainant further stated those sons came to his residence and set up cameras and wire taps to spy on him. Complainant added that he had turned the power off to reset the device and the sons got mad, got on his roof, and set the equipment back online. Complainant stated Twin City police had been over numerous times and told the complainant they would arrest him the next time he called. Deputy advised complainant of the magistrate process. Complainant reported her child's father for harassing her via texts and phone calls.

**July 9**  
Deputies and EMS responded to a residence on McCloud Road in reference to a subject calling 911, advising that his uncle had passed away. EMS went inside the residence and did not find a body. When asked about the body, the subject stated someone must have moved it. EMS then went back in service. A few hours later, the subject called back and stated individuals had come inside the house to rob his uncle. He called back a third time and reported the subjects for "chasing him into the woods" and "standing on the side of the house." Deputies went to the residence and searched the yard.

During that time, the subject's brother arrived on scene and stated their uncle had been in Augusta for a few weeks now. The brother also stated he would keep the subject under control. Deputies went back in service. A few hours later, the subject called 911 regarding more people trying to assault him with weapons. Deputy arrived on scene and spoke with the subject, who was hallucinating while intoxicated. Deputy spoke with the brother on the phone and advised the deputy he would meet him at the hospital to get the subject evaluated. Subject was transported to the ER without incident. Complainant visited the sheriff's office and filed a report about fraudulent charges on her deceased husband's checking account. Deputy responded to Leopard Drive in reference to a 911 call about a break-in. Deputies did a welfare check in the unsecured home and found no one. As they were trying to get dispatch to phone the 911 caller back, they heard yelling and banging coming from next door. Deputies ran toward the yelling and found a female and a male tussling. Further investigation led to the discovery that the female was who called 911, that she had allegedly taken some kind of narcotic, and she was trying to enter her brother's home after he told her several times to leave his property. Offending female kicked his front door, damaged the hinges, and was taken into custody for disorderly conduct. After talking with the brother, deputies found the offender and her brother had been on a drug binge for the previous few days, thus the brother wanted her criminally trespassed from his property. Offender was transported to the jail without incident.

**July 10**  
Victim reported a lost phone two weeks prior to July 10. Victim stated during this report he disconnected the phone. On July 10, he contacted the sheriff's office again to make another report due to learning someone had activated the phone with

a new number. Complainant reported theft by taking after she sent a man money for jewelry that was fake. Complainants filed a family violence report after an individual they had a TPO against came onto and destroyed their property, then assaulted one of the complainants. Complainant on Bonsue Drive reported missing items after moving out of the residence. Complainant called 911 for help in reference to her children damaging the house and choking her. Deputies arrived and spoke with the complainant, who just wanted a report.

**July 11**  
Deputies responded to an overturned abandoned vehicle at the intersection of Glenwood Road and Lindsey Road. Vehicle was removed from the scene.

**July 12**  
Deputy assisted Georgia State Patrol with a one-vehicle accident on Highway 80 West near Meadow Road. Complainant stated he fell asleep. Vehicle was removed from the scene. Deputies assisted GSP with a one-vehicle rollover on Ed Youmans Road. Female passenger was transported by EMS, and the male driver was charged with DUI. Vehicle was removed from the scene. Deputies responded to a single-vehicle crash on Mount Shady Church

Road near Lambs Bridge. Driver stated he swerved to avoid a deer. Vehicle did not appear to have made contact with anything. Driver was transported by EMS, and the scene was turned over to GSP for investigation. Deputies responded to a residence on Highway 56 South in reference to removing someone from the yard. Deputies assisted with a civil matter on Buckeye Road involving an individual and a tow truck driver. Deputies assisted with a child custody dispute.

**July 13**  
Victim struck a deer while traveling Grande Creek Road, causing damage to his vehicle. Complainant reported illegal use of his debit card. Complainant struck a deer while traveling Highway 297, causing damage to his vehicle. Complainant struck a deer while traveling Highway 46 East, causing damage to her vehicle.



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### A patriot’s story

In the month of Independence Day after writing about past celebrations, I had to follow up with remembrance of a patriot who honored the flag and went into battle for the country he loved. Readers have told me they most enjoy seeing names of folks, places, and events they remember. This column is filled with both.

Woody Reynolds was born in Montgomery County. He was introduced to patriotism at an early age by his father who named his sons, George Washington Reynolds, Andrew Jackson Reynolds, and Woodrow Wilson Reynolds.

He had many addresses before choosing to spend his retirement years at Norristown Junction.

In his youth, he went where jobs were available. A short career in professional baseball, working on a banana boat in the Caribbean Islands, picking fruit in Florida, and a factory job in St. Louis kept him employed through the Great Depression. He kept close ties to his family during this time and especially to a young girl on a neighboring farm. During this time, he also learned that the world was larger than Montgomery County, and he did not feel called to be a farmer.

He married my mother’s younger sister, Ruth, and started his career in food services in Jacksonville, Florida. In a short time, he was made manager of a new chain restaurant, The Crystal. If

you ever had a small Crystal burger, you remember it well.

Life could not have been better for the young couple. He and his bride loved living in the city and could visit home and family often. Then came the morning of December 7, 1941—the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The fury he felt demanded he defend his country. He headed to the naval base in Jacksonville to enlist. He knew he would be drafted soon, so he chose the Navy. His goal was to use his food service experience to feed troops on ships headed into battle. It didn’t quite work out that way. He was attached to a marine unit assigned to chase the Japanese out of the south Pacific all the

way to Japan.

When the marines hit the beach, a mess tent was set up to feed the fighting men. This was mobile, and they followed the “island hopping” to clear out the Japanese. Near the end, he contacted a tropical disease carried by mosquitoes which affected bones and joints. He was sent home via hospital ship and spent the next few years in VA hospitals. He was discharged as a disabled veteran, and the condition remained with him and returned periodically throughout his life.

After discharge, he honored his wife’s wishes to live near her family and settled in Swainsboro. “Jabbo” Chappell (father of Henry) had built Swainsboro’s first



drive-in restaurant complete with “car hops” and named “The Southern Pig” specializing in barbecue. After a few years, Woody again felt the call to be part of the military and accepted a civil service position in food services. This carried him to Fort Benning, Donaldson Air Force Base, Hunter Field, and finally back with the marines at Parris Island.

After retirement, he again followed his wife’s desire and settled near her sister, Iris Wilson, near Norristown Junction. When his new home

was completed, he erected a tall flagpole in the front yard. He followed flag etiquette he had learned with the marines to raise and lower each day. At appropriate times, he always flew her at half-mast.

His saddest day was when he lowered the cherished flag in memory and respect for his beloved wife, Ruth. A few years later, his son made sure the flag was lowered with proper etiquette for Chief Petty Officer Woodrow W. Reynolds United States Navy WWII.

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### The dirty truth about bacteria in the kitchen

by MARNIE DEKLE, UGA Family & Consumer Sciences agent for Candler and Emanuel counties

There are many

things we have learned from COVID-19. One is how important it is to wash our hands and to wash them frequently. Not washing our hands

leads to the spread of germs. Keeping our homes clean and sanitized, especially in the kitchen, is also crucial in the prevention

of viruses and bacteria. Now more than ever, it is vital to keep our kitchens properly cleaned and sanitized to prevent food-borne illnesses. Keeping your kitchen clean for food preparation will help prevent the spread of bacteria. Dangerous bacteria can lurk around countertops, surface areas of your kitchen, and on both large and small appliances. These bacteria can contaminate your food and cause serious illness. Bacteria may be on a surface even though it appears to be clean.



When it comes to your kitchen, there is a difference between cleaning and sanitizing. Cleaning involves soap and water, removes visible dirt, and removes most of the germs. Sanitizers, on the other hand, provide extra safety because they contain stronger solutions that destroy more disease-causing bacteria. Here are some tips:

Clean kitchen surfaces with soap and water. After cleaning and rinsing, sanitize the surface with a sanitizer. A good sanitizer can be prepared by mixing 1 teaspoon of chlorine bleach per quart of water. A new solution should be made daily and placed in a spray bottle for easy use. Allow the surface to air dry after sanitizing. Wash your hands after the surface is cleaned

or sanitized.

Paper towels are ideal to use for cleaning because they can be used once and thrown away, which prevents bacteria from multiplying and being spread throughout the kitchen. If you use dishcloths, they should be changed and laundered often. Sponges have nooks and crannies where germs can hide and spread from one surface to another. Thus, sponges should not be used. To prevent chemical contamination of your foods, never reuse cleaning product containers, and keep chemicals away from foods.

Keeping appliances clean is important because it will last longer and will help prevent the spread of bacteria. Large appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, and ovens need cleaning at least monthly. Use soap and water to wash the fridge. Do not use an abrasive cleanser or scouring pads because they can damage the surface. The greasy build-up may require the use of a heavy-duty cleaner or grease cutter and a soft cleaning pad.

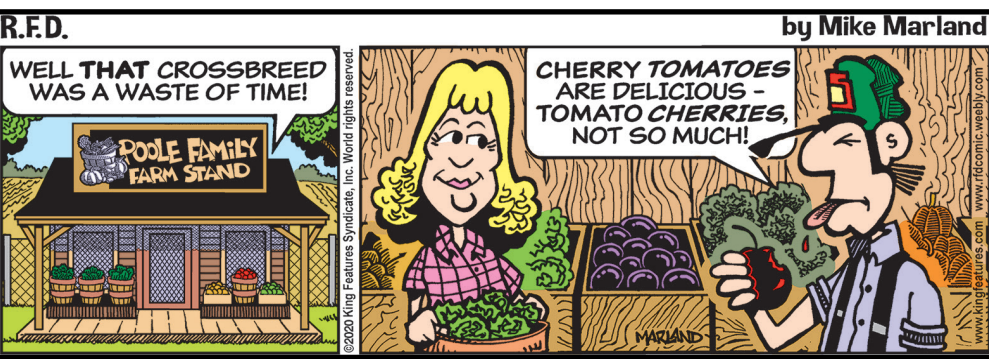
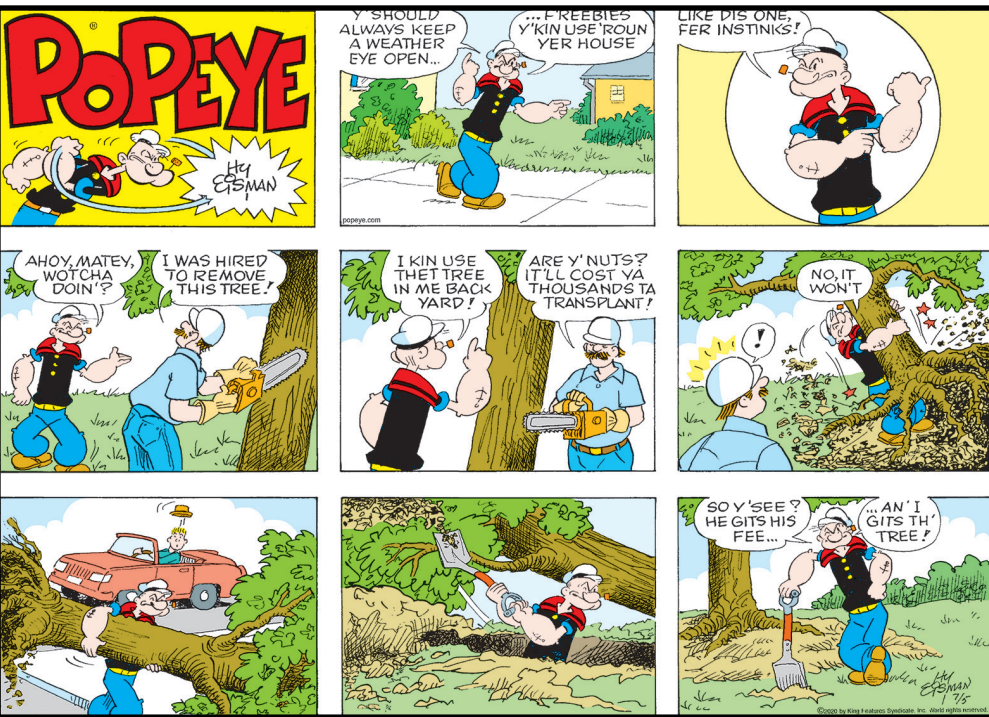
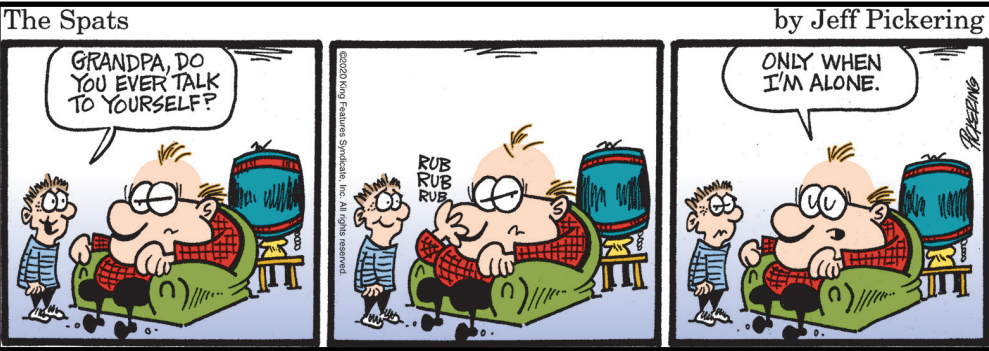
Dishwashers are self-cleaning but check


for large particles of food lodged in the filter. Ovens are often self-cleaning and help make spills easier to clean. After the oven has cooled from the cleaning process, wipe away the ash residue that is left. Be sure to ventilate the kitchen when cleaning the oven in case it gives off fumes or smoke. Unplug small appliances before cleaning and *never* immerse in water unless directions say it is permissible.

Be confident that your kitchen is clean and safe from bacteria. Cleaning the kitchen frequently makes the job easier and will make food preparation more enjoyable. And keeping sanitizer solution freshly made and handy will give you that extra protection from bacteria that can cause food-borne illness.

If you would like more information, please contact me at [marnie@uga.edu](mailto:marnie@uga.edu). Also, be sure to check out our Facebook pages; search Candler County UGA Cooperative Extension or UGA Extension Emanuel County for Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS), Agriculture, and 4-H programs.

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# Wiregrass Chapter holds first meeting since March

The Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Society – Sons of the American Revolution (GASSAR) held its monthly meeting Thursday, July 9, at New China Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. with President Wilder Smith Jr. presiding.

Twenty-one members and guests attended the first meeting since March 12, 2020 when the COVID-19 pandemic swept the United States and shut down the country.

Last Thursday’s meet-

ing was especially great due to several reasons.

First and foremost, local attorney Mike Lisenby attended and presented one of his many programs. The program for July 9 was titled “Patriots Focus on Liberty and the U.S. Constitution.”

Secondly, President Smith presented several streamers to Sergeant-At-Arms George King to attach to the chapter’s flag.

President Wilder also inducted Alton

Reynolds into the chapter and also introduced newly-approved member Johnny Edwin Tapley Jr., who will be inducted at a later date when his certificate from national headquarters is received.

Fourthly, East Fall Line Region Vice President Sonny Pittman from Augusta attended, along with his wife, Sue Pittman. Vice President Pittman talked with members about the inaugural celebration of the First Siege

of Augusta, which will take place September 12, 2020 on the actual battlefield.

The First Siege of Augusta happened September 14-18, 1780. The attacking American forces, consisting of about 400-700 soldiers, were commanded by Col. Elijah Clarke and Lt. Col. James McCall. The British forces consisted of some 450 soldiers and were commanded by Col. Thomas Brown and Col. Thomas Grierson. American casualties

included approximately 60 killed/wounded and 27 missing/captured. British casualties, on the other hand, were estimated to be 75 killed/wounded. The battle resulted in a draw.

Vice President Pittman has worked extremely hard putting the celebration together. Moving forward, it will operate on an alternating basis between the first siege with the second siege to follow.

To become a member of the Wiregrass Chapter,



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## Midnight crash involves fire hydrant, investigation ongoing

by BILL CAHILL, SFD PIO

Shortly after midnight on July 11, Emanuel County EMS, sheriff’s deputies, Swainsboro firefighters, and police officers were dispatched to Glenwood Road and Lindsey Road for a single-vehicle crash.

Units arrived to find a red Ford Explorer XLT SUV had left the roadway, flattened a city limits sign, and rolled over. No operator was located at the scene. However, the front driver seat was now occupied by a fire hydrant that had penetrated through the roof and side of the vehicle.

Rescue 1 responded with the eDraulic cutter and personnel from JACOBS were requested due to possible damage to the hydrant during the removal of the vehicle.

Investigation continues as to the identity of the driver and cause of the crash.



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## Three Emanuel County...

(From page 1C)

this year, he has made great friends, continued to improve his game and leadership skills, and has made lots of great memories, including making it to the Final Four of the tournament and bringing home a third place finish.

In route to the third place finish, Line Drive 9U played eight games, finishing the World Series 6-2. The team beat the Vipers from Prospect, Kentucky in Game 1; the East Cobb Astros from East Cobb, Atlanta in Game 2; the Cincy Flames from Cincinnati, Ohio in Game 3; and ALL-N Baseball from Decatur in Game 4. The boys suffered their first loss in Game 5 at the hands of Turn2 Baesball from Dacula but rebounded with two consecutive wins in Games 6 and 7 respectively against the Oklahoma Show from Piedmont, Oklahoma and West Florida Baseball Academy from Catonment, Florida. Line Drive 9U Black went into Game 8 in the semifinals losing to Turn2 Baseball, who eventually lost the championship game to Shock Prime from Sarasota, Florida.

During the World Series, Kettles had 7 RBI and scored 11 runs. His Perfect Game batting average stands at .375 today.

His parents are Mandy and Lincoln Kettles of Swainsboro. Excluding Kettles and another player from Glennville, most Line Drive 9U’s

players call the coastal Georgia area home with team members hailing from Rincon to Pooler to Richmond Hill to Savannah to Guyton.

One other player is from Beaufort, South Carolina. The team is coached by Tyson Helsel, Tommy Gibbs, and Brian Bledsoe.



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# Fowler returns, retells history of old Twin City jail

by WHITLEY CLIFTON

If you’ve had a chance to drive through Twin City on North Railroad Avenue, you may have noticed a quaint historical building coming back to life. In the city charter and records of the merging of Graymont and Summit, this beautiful brick structure is depicted as the “calaboose.” Most in town refer to it as “the old city jail” or “old city hall.” One of Twin City’s senior residents and great storytellers, John Fowler, will regale you with stories of an escape at the old jail. He tells the story vividly of two men overpowering a Twin City police officer he names as “Coot,” who was shot in the leg during the incident.

During the ongoing restoration of this historic setting, a small metal, almost completely rusted over, and illegible label was discovered. A bit of cleaning revealed that the cells were manufactured by the E. T. Barnum

Iron Works in Detroit, Michigan. A wee bit of research into this company revealed an illustrious history throughout the U.S. as well as an infamous dark historical caveat of the history of jails and corrections in our county. The internet is replete with information about this company and one unique product, jail cells. An advertisement for the company lists cities throughout America using this product for their “lock-ups.” Statesboro and Dublin appear in their advertising.

Historical societies in many cities describe their use of the E.T. Barnum jail cells. The product

was touted as being a large part of the westward expansion in U.S. small cities and counties throughout Kansas. So, when and how did these “cages,” complete with double hinged bunks and an opening for food trays, find their way to Twin City?

The cramped ominous and cold appearance is a bit frightening. One of the company’s advertisements suggest that their product would increase morals and reduce crime, perhaps.

The cells located in Twin City are being restored right down to the double bunks for display-only purposes for visitors to enjoy a recollection of history.

From Detroit to Kansas to other cities throughout the country, there is connection and history, dark as it may be, when looking at these cells.

On a lighter note, a citizen curious about the old jail made a recent visit just to see if the cells were still present. While visiting, the individual recalled a bit fondness of memory regarding a family member of theirs who had a proclivity to imbibe spending some quality time there and laughed about frequent trips made to the old jail to retrieve the family member. It was reported that there seemed to be some connection with that particular family member, who is now passed away, just knowing that the cells are still there.

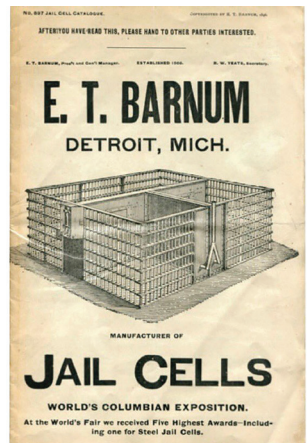
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## EGSC athletes make NJCAA All-Academic Team for 2019-2020

The East Georgia State College Athletic Department is proud to announce that 10 student athletes have made the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-Academic Team for the 2019-2020 year. Student-athletes are eligible to earn academic honors by achieving an overall GPA of 3.60 or higher.

The criteria for the NJCAA All-Academic First Team is to have a 4.00 GPA. EGSC women's basketball player Charlsey Kelly from Swainsboro received this recognition, along with William Ford Townsend, a baseball player from Jesup.

Taylor Elliot of Hampton and Wilhelmina Watkins of Snellville, both softball players, received the NJCAA All-Academic Second Team recognition for having a 3.80-3.99 GPA.

Six student athletes were awarded the NJCAA All-Academic Third Team. For this recognition the students had to have a 3.60-3.79 GPA. Women's basketball player Kayla Garrett of Reidsville received

this award. EGSC Softball players Madison Bussell (Kathleen), Stephanie Ruffin (Warner Robins), Casey Sims (Lawrenceville), Reese Stalvey (Waverly) and Haley Taylor (Richmond Hill) were also named to the NJCAA All-Academic Third Team.

"This is a wonderful accomplishment for the EGSC Athletic Department, the athletes, and the coaches," said EGSC Athletic Director and softball coach Chuck Wimberly. "This is the first time in the college's history that we have had this many student athletes receive this recognition. It shows the hard work and dedication that these students put in not only on the field but in the classroom as well."



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# Legals

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

**IN RE: ESTATE OF  
CARL ALAN BRYANT, ESTATE  
NO. 20E0059**

**DECEASED  
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
NOTICE**

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and  
to whom it may concern:  
TESSIE ANN BRYANT has peti-  
tioned to be appointed Administrator  
of the estate of CARL ALAN  
BRYANT deceased, of said County.  
(The Petitioner has also applied for  
waiver of bond and/or grant of cer-  
tain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §  
53-12-261.) All interested parties 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 10:00  
A.M. JULY 20, 2020.

**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

I  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF  
EMANUEL COUNTY STATE OF  
GEORGIA**

BIANCA S. MOOREMAN WARD  
CIVIL ACTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

PLAINTIFF,  
V  
BRANDON MICHAEL WARD  
DEFENDANT

**NOTICE TO NONRESIDENT  
DEFFDANT**

To: Brandon Micheal Ward  
By order of the Court for service by  
publication dated 6/17, 2020, you  
hereby notified that on 6/17,2020,  
BIANCA S. MOOREMAN WARD  
filed suit against you for Divorce.  
You are required to file with the  
Clerk of Superior Court and to serve  
upon Plaintiff's attorney, William H.  
McWhorter, Jr., an answer in writ-  
ing within sixty days (60) days of  
6/17,2020.

Witness the Honorable, Robert S.  
Reeves, Judge of the Superior  
County of Emanuel County, this  
6/17,2020

Judge, Superior Court of  
Emanuel County, Georgia  
Middle Judicial Circuit

I  
**STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF  
EMANUEL**

All debtors or creditors of the Estate  
of Billy C. Winn, late of Emanuel  
County, are hereby notified to render  
their demands to the undersigned  
according to law, and all persons  
indebted to said estate are to make  
immediate payment to me.  
This 22nd day of May, 2020.

Linda Carlisle  
Executrix of the Estate of  
Billy C. Winn, deceased  
c/o Susan S. Shook  
Vadalia, GA 30475

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Ellen McClester Williams to  
satisfy city taxes owing to the said  
city for the year(s) of: 2019 in the  
initial tax amount of \$1,047.13  
Amount could include addition-  
al cost and interest. This can  
only be calculated when tax is  
satisfied.**

All that lot or parcel of land situ-  
ate, lying and being in the City of

Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, containing  
lot 40 x 50, more or less, and being  
designated on the official tax map of  
Emanuel. County, Georgia as Map  
S14, Parcel 25 and what remains  
of the James B. McClester Estate.  
Land owned by James B. McClester  
at his death on January 1, 1971 and  
whose will was probated in solemn  
form on June 4, 1971 and recorded  
in the Office of the Probate Court  
of Emanuel County, Georgia. Said  
property being all or a portion of that  
property described in Deeds recorded  
in Deed Book DO, Page 70 of the  
Records of the Clerk, Superior Court,  
Emanuel County, Georgia. (S14-025)  
Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax this 1st day of July 2020.

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Jo Anne Boone to satisfy city  
taxes owing to the said city for the  
year(s) of: 2017, 2018, & 2019 in  
the initial tax amount a \$634.34  
Amount could include addition-  
al cost and interest. This can  
only be calculated when tax is  
satisfied.**

TRACT 1: All that tract or parcel of  
land, together with all improvements  
thereon, lying and being in the City  
of Swainsboro, 53rd G. M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, and being a  
part of the lot designated as as shown  
on plat made by Frank J. Ford, Surveyor,  
recorded in the Office of Clerk, Emanuel  
Superior Court, Lot #54 block D in Plat  
Book AV, page 589. Said lot fronts East  
side by lands of Mattie Colbert and as  
follows: North by McLeod's Bridge Rd;  
West by the lands of Prince Smith; South  
by lands of Ellen Mosley; Emanuel  
County Map S23 104.

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax  
this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following proper-  
ty of Timothy Gene Phillips  
to satisfy city taxes owing to the  
said city for the year(s) of: 2016,  
2017, 2018, & 2019 in the initial  
tax amount a \$791.47 Amount  
could include additional cost  
and interest. This can only be  
calculated when tax is satis-  
fied.**

All that tract or parcel of land lying,  
situate and being in the City of  
Swainsboro, 53rd G. M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, fronting  
on Henry (Lee) Street a distance 50  
feet and running back to land now  
or owned by the Estate of Charlie  
Stephens a distance of 114 feet, and  
bounded on the North by said Henry  
(Lee) Street; East by land' now or  
formerly  
now or formerly of W. E. Peebles;  
South by land owned of Carrie  
Flanders.  
Said property is the same as that  
conveyed by a warranty Deed dated  
March 18, 1982, from Ernest W.  
Belcher to Alton W. Lawson which  
is Recorded in Emanuel County  
Records in Deed Book H. W.  
page702.

Said property is also designated  
as Map SW 23-29 in the Emanuel  
County Tax Assessors Office, with  
a street address known as 323 Lee  
Street.(S23 029)  
One certain tract or parcel of land,  
together with all improvements there-  
on, lying, situate, and being in the  
City of Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District  
of Emanuel County, Georgia, and  
being more particularly described as  
follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the  
Southeastern side of Henry Street  
228 feet Northwesterly from the cor-  
ner of the intersection of Henry Street  
and Robert Street, said distance being  
measured along the Southeasterly  
side of Henry Street, and running  
thence in a Southeasterly direction

along property now or formerly owned  
by Johnny H. Nasworthy a distance of  
128 feet to an iron pin on the property  
of Mrs. Rosa Schwalls; thence turn-  
ing and *running* Southwesterly along  
said Schwalls property a distance of  
62 feet to a point on property of Bogie  
Bell; thence turning and running  
Northwesterly along the line of said  
Bell property 128 feet to an iron pin  
which is located on the Southeasterly  
side of Henry Street; thence turn-  
ing and running Northeasterly along  
the Southeast side of *Henry* Street  
to the point of beginning. Said prop-  
erty being all of Lot 17 and part of  
Lot 18. Block N. of the Flanders  
Subdivision.  
Said property is the same as that  
conveyed by a Warranty Deed dated  
April 12, 1971, from M.O. Collins to  
Alton W. Lawson which is recorded  
in Emanuel County Records in Deed  
Book FR, page 353.  
Said property is also designated as  
Map No. SW23-32 in the Emanuel  
County Tax Assessors Office, with  
a street address known as 331 Lee  
Street. (S23 032)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax  
this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Patricia Cox to satisfy city taxes  
owing to the said city for the year(s)  
of: 2018, & 2019 in the initial  
tax amount a \$1,289.43 Amount  
could include additional cost  
and interest. This can only be  
calculated when tax is satis-  
fied.**

All that tract or parcel of land, togeth-  
er with improvements, lying and  
being partly in the City of Swainsboro,  
53rd G.M. District of Emanuel County,  
Georgia, and being designated as  
Lot No. 11, Block B in Eastwood  
Estates Subdivision as shown on plat  
of survey made by Walter K. Maupin,  
Surveyor, dated September 28, 1984  
and recorded in Plat Book 11, Page  
599, in the Office of the Clerk of the  
Superior Court of Emanuel County.  
Georgia. Said Plat is incorporated  
herein for a more full, complete and  
accurate description of said, property.  
Said property being bounded now or  
formerly as follows: Northeast by land  
of Hugh Braswell and land of Randy  
Woods Southeast by land of Ronnie  
Paige; Southwest by Durden Drive  
and Northwest by lands of Richard  
A. Paul.

Being the same property con-  
veyed to Wiley R. Cox and Patricia  
M. Cox under Joint Survivorship  
Warranty Deed dated the day of  
January 11, 1985, recorded in Deed  
Book , Pages, Emanuel County,  
Clerk's Records Said property is  
designated by the Emanuel County  
Tax Assessor's Office as Map (S08  
006C.)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax  
this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following proper-  
ty of Jackey Smiley to satisfy  
city taxes owing to the said city  
for the year(s) of: 2017, 2018, &  
2019 in the initial tax amount  
a \$1,490.39 Amount could  
include additional cost and  
interest. This can only be cal-  
culated when tax is satisfied.**

TRACT 1. All those lots or parcels  
of land situate, lying and being in  
the City of Swainsboro, 53rd G.H.  
District Emanuel County Georgia in  
the Eastwood Estate Subdivision  
as shown on revised Plat of survey  
made by Frank Ford, Surveyor, dated  
January 11, 1966, and recorded in  
Plat Book 3, Page 238 in the Office  
of the Clerk Superior Court Emanuel  
County Georgia being Lots 4 & 5 in  
Block Lettered R fronting on Howarth

Drive and having meets and bounds  
as shown on said Plat.

Tract 2. All that certain tract or parcel  
of land situate, lying and being in  
the City of Swainsboro-,53rd G.H.  
District Emanuel County Georgia  
being known as Lot 6 Block R of  
the Eastwood Estates Subdivision as  
shown on Plat Book 3, page 11 in the  
Office of the Clerk Superior Court of  
Emanuel County Georgia.S09-035 &  
S09-035A & S09-035B

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax  
this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property  
of Betty Cardell to satisfy  
city taxes owing to the said city  
for the year(s) of: 2017, 2018, &  
2019 in the initial tax amount  
a \$1,213.80 Amount could  
include additional cost and  
interest. This can only be cal-  
culated when tax is satisfied.**

All that tract or parcel of land lying,  
situate and being in the City of  
Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia,  
designated as Lot No. Five (2, 3,  
& 4) in Block Lettered «D» of the  
South Side Subdivision and fronting  
a distance of 75 feet on the Northern  
side of Pratt Street as shown on a  
plat of Survey made by C.L. Gillis.  
Surveyor, dated March 23, 1961,  
recorded in the Office of Clerk,  
Emanuel Superior Court, in Plat Book  
1, Page 363, to which reference is  
made as a part of this description.  
Said property is bounded, now or  
formerly, as follows: Northwest by  
lands, now or formerly, of Luck F.  
Gambrell; Northeast by Lot 4, 3, &  
2, Block D, South Side Subdivision,  
(S37-079, S37-080, S37-081)  
Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax this 1st day of July 2020.

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following proper-  
ty of Loui O & Chris Bellamy  
to satisfy city taxes owing to the  
said city for the year(s) of: 2015,  
2018, & 2019 in the initial tax  
amount a \$9,070.07 Amount  
could include additional cost  
and interest. This can only be  
calculated when tax is satis-  
fied.**

All that tract or parcel of land lying,  
situate and being in the City of Swainsboro,  
53rd G.M. District, Emanuel  
County, Georgia, as shown on  
Plat of Survey made by Frank J.  
Ford, Surveyor, dated  
October 19, 1946, recorded in  
Deed Book CZ, page 210, in  
the Office of the Clerk of the  
Superior Court of Emanuel  
County, Georgia; said plat  
is by reference incorporated  
herein. Said property faces  
U.S. Highway No.1 a distance  
of One Hundred Twenty (120)  
feet and bounded as follows:  
North, East and South by  
lands, now or formerly, of P.D.  
Leonard and West by U.S.  
Highway No. 1 and being the  
same land conveyed by P.D.  
Leonard to James M. Smith  
by deed dated December 8,  
1945, recorded in Deed Book  
CX, page 24, in the afore-  
said Clerk's Office and con-  
veyed by Mrs. Grace Carter  
Smith to Dillard E. Keene by  
deed dated January 23, 1968,  
recorded in Deed Book FE,  
page 182, in the aforesaid  
Clerk's Office and conveyed  
by Dillard E. Keene by deed  
dated August 21, 1978,  
to Debbie Sue Keene and  
recorded in Deed Book HD,  
page 292, in the aforesaid  
Clerk's Office. S20 004  
Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel

County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax this 1st day of July 2020.

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Garfield Hills Estate to satisfy  
city taxes owing to the said city  
for the year(s) of: 2012, 2013,  
2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, &  
2019 in the initial tax amount  
a \$1,885.65 Amount could  
include additional cost and  
interest. This can only be cal-  
culated when tax is satisfied.**

All that tract or parcel of land, situate,  
lying and being in the 53rd G.M.  
District of Emanuel County, Georgia,  
and in the City of Swainsboro, being a  
part of the G.F. Flanders Subdivision  
and being designated as Lot #13,  
Block A, as shown on a plat prepared  
by E. Warren, County Surveyor,  
recorded in Deed Book AV, page  
589, in the Office of the Clerk of the  
Superior Court of Emanuel County,  
Georgia. Said lot being 40 feet by 150  
feet in size.

SUBJECT TO: That certain Deed to  
Secure Debt in favor of The Durden  
Banking Company recorded in Deed  
Book HO, page 160, Emanuel County  
Clerk's Records. (S23088)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax**

this 1st day of July 2020.  
Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Wilson Motor Mart to satisfy  
city taxes owing to the said city for  
the year(s) of: 2013, 2014, 2015,  
2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019 in the  
initial tax amount of \$1,740.93  
Amount could include addition-  
al cost and interest. This can  
only be calculated when tax is  
satisfied.**

All that lot or parcel of inventory  
and or equipment at location dba  
Wilson Motor Mart South Main St.  
Swainsboro, Ga. 30401 (P1-1095)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Lucious Merriion to satisfy city  
taxes owing to the said city for the  
year(s) of: 2019 in the initial  
tax amount a \$444.02 Amount  
could include additional cost  
and interest. This can only be  
calculated when tax is satis-  
fied.**

Tract No. 1: All those certain lots  
or parcels of land situate, lying and  
being in the 53rd G.M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, and  
being located in what was formerly  
the Flanders Heights Subdivision  
fronting 160 feet on the North side of  
Pughsley Street and extending back  
between parallel lines a distance of  
145 feet. Said property being bound-  
ed on the North by the St. Phillips  
Masonic Lodge; on the East by the  
right of way of Hopkins Street; on the  
South by the right of way of Pughsley  
and on the West by land of Arsula and  
Lulu Allen. (S23095)

Tract No2: All those certain lots or  
parcels of land situate, lying and  
being in the 53rd G.M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, and being  
located in what was formerly the  
Flanders Heights Subdivision fronting  
on the North side by lands of Lucious  
Merriion and extending back between  
parallel lines. Said property being  
bounded on the South by the right  
of way of Pughsley and on the  
West by land of City of Swainsboro.  
(S23095A)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday**

in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax

this 1st day of July 2020.  
Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Gary and Rodney Wilson to  
satisfy city taxes owing to the said  
city for the year(s) of: 2019 in the  
initial tax amount of \$716.90  
Amount could include addition-  
al cost and interest. This can  
only be calculated when tax is  
satisfied.**

All that lot or parcel of land with  
improvements thereon, situate, lying  
and being in the City of Swainsboro,  
in the 53rd G.M. District of Emanuel  
County, Georgia, being shown and  
designated as Lot 10, Lot 11, Lot 12,  
Lot 13, Lot 14, Lot 15 and Lot 16 of  
Block "F", of the second (2nd) addi-  
tion to the Lake Luck Subdivision, on  
that certain plat recorded in the Office  
of the Clerk of the Superior Court of  
Emanuel County, Georgia in Deed  
Book DR, at page 1B; reference  
being made to said plat for a more  
complete and accurate description as  
to the metes, bounds and location of  
said property.

Said property is hereby conveyed  
subject to any and all easements and  
restrictions of records in the aforesaid  
Clerk's office. (S06020)

**Said property will be sold before  
the courthouse doors in Emanuel  
County, Georgia on the first Tuesday  
in August 04, 2020, between the legal  
hours of sale in order to satisfy said  
tax this 1st day of July 2020.**

Tax Officer, City of Swainsboro

I  
**NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that  
the city of Swainsboro has levied  
upon the following property of  
Felicia Johnson to satisfy city  
taxes owing to the said city for the  
year(s) of: 2018, & 2019 in the  
initial tax amount a \$672.03  
Amount could include addition-  
al cost and interest. This can  
only be calculated when tax is  
satisfied.**

All that tract or parcel of land, togeth-  
er with all improvements there-  
on, lying and being in the City of  
Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District of  
Emanuel County, Georgia, being Lots  
numbered Three (3), Four (4) and  
Five (5) in Block lettered «A» as  
shown on a revised plat of Lake Luck  
Subdivision, recorded in Deed Book  
DR, Page 1-B, in the Office of the  
Clerk of Superior Court of Emanuel  
County, Georgia. Said lots combined  
front 150 feet on the Southerly side of  
East Main Street, (U.S. Highway 80)  
and run back between parallel lines a  
distance of 200 feet and are bounded  
as follows: Northeast by Lot Two  
(2) of said Block and Subdivision;  
Southeast by Lots Twenty-One (21)  
and Twenty-Six (26) of said Block and  
Subdivision; Southwest by Wonder  
Drive; and Northwest by East Main  
Street (U.S.Highway 80). Said Lots  
Four (4) and Five (5) being further  
shown on a plat of survey made  
by Frank J. Ford, Surveyor, dated  
September 8, 1955, recorded in Deed  
Book DR, Page 47, in the afore-  
said Clerk's Office. Said property  
is the same as conveyed by Deed  
Under Power of Sale from Bank One  
National Association, as Trustee as  
Attorney in Fact for Robert L. Short  
to Bank one National Association,  
as Trustee as shown in Deed Book  
176, Page 186-190, Emanuel County  
Clerk's Records. ALSO being the  
same property conveyed to Robert T.  
Rankine and Irma D. Rankine under  
a Limited Warranty Deed dated the  
13th day of November, 2002, which  
deed is recorded in Deed Book 191,  
Pages 385-387, aforesaid Clerk's  
Records.

Said property is identified by the  
Emanuel County Tax Assessor's as  
Parcel Number S06-036 and address  
of 804 E. Main Street. Less and  
Except: One certain strip or parcel of  
land situate, lying and being in the  
City of Swainsboro, 53rd G.M. District  
of Emanuel County, Georgia, which is  
more particularly described as follows:  
The property herein conveyed is a  
strip of land measuring eight (8-) feet  
in width by approximately two hundred  
(200-) feet in length and being the

# PATROL OFFICER

## Swainsboro Police Department

### Full Time Job

The agency is looking for individuals interested in attending the Police Academy as a new recruit to learn the skills and functions of the job of police officer, under the guidance of experienced police staff.

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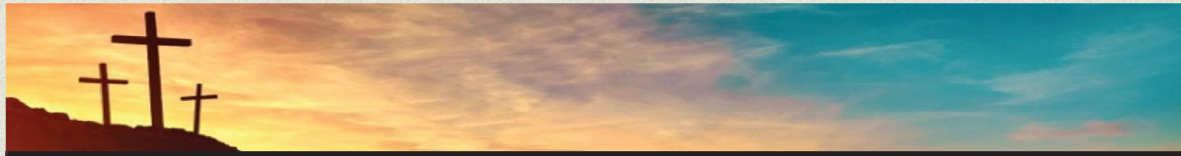
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A Ford Expedition EL XTL was waiting to turn into Colegrove Drive and the Nissan Altima had stopped behind when it was struck by a RAM 3500 diesel 2-door

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