



# The Martin News

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Sylvester, Georgia: Today, all facilities at Field's Funeral Home are being treated by the Ecovasive application team to insure they are properly disinfected. Ecovasive uses the latest technology and products to treat all surfaces against viruses, bacteria and germs, including Covid 19.

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# Pets & Pals Parade



**Who :** Kids of all ages (with or without a pet)

**When:** Thursday, October 29, 2020

**Time:** Registration begins at 5:00 pm

**Where:** Corner of Front & Main St. (Depot parking lot)

**Trophies to be award for best costume:**

1st, 2nd and 3rd place with a Pet

1st, 2nd and 3rd place without a Pet

***Cloth masks are required & social distancing will be observed***

**Mask Contest - Decorate your cloth mask**

**1st Place - \$15.00 – 2nd Place \$10.00 – 3rd Place \$5.00**

**White Cloth Mask may be picked up at Chamber of Commerce**

**Join the Fun and Bring your Best Friend**

All animals must have current Rabies Vaccination and be on a leash.

No Aggressive animals permitted.

***Join us after the parade for Trick or Treat with participating  
Downtown Merchants***

***Sylvester Fire Department will be giving out Halloween Bags***

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***Downtown Development Authority***

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# Dates to Remember

## October

- 27th - Sylvester Worth County Family Connections Meeting
- 27th - BINGO at Ed's Truck Stop
- 28th - 8th Annual Sylvester Pink Out Day
- 28th - Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 28th - Trunk or Treat at Unity Baptist Church
- 29th - Pets & Pals Parade 5pm
- 29th - Trick or Treating Downtown Sylvester 6pm
- 29th - Trunk or Treat Worth County Rams Stadium 6pm-730pm
- 30th - Worth County Rams vs Fitzgerald Away 730pm
- 30th - Spooky House with the Sylvester Police Department 5pm
- 31st - Howl-O-Ween at BFHS 11am-3pm
- 31st - Poulan "Bootacular" Night 5pm-7pm
- 31st - Trick or Treating on Isabella Street
- 31st - Alchemy's Halloween & Extra Life Event 6pm-10pm





**November 3, 2020**

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**1** Programs- I will develop programs centered around: depression, suicide, bullying, and water safety for our youth

**2** Response Time- All calls involving the coroners office will be addressed in a timely manner.

**3** Proper handling of paperwork- Any death certificates handled through the coroner's office will be returned to the prospective funeral home promptly.

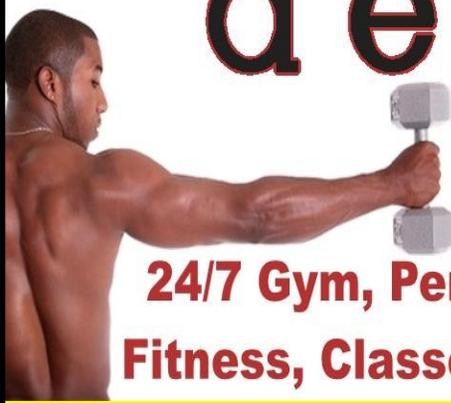
**4** Care Packet of unused toiletries from hotel stays to give to families that have lost homes to fire or storm damage and stuffed animal drive for kids who lose parents tragically or naturally

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### **WCHS Girls Basketball Tryouts Scheduled**

Worth County High School Girls Basketball will have tryouts on October 26th at 3:30 pm-5:30 pm in the WCHS Gymnasium. All girls must have an active physical and must wear basketball shorts, t-shirt, and tennis shoes. Also, please bring a water bottle with you.

Source: WCSD

### **WCHS Boys Basketball Tryouts Scheduled**

Worth County High School Boys Basketball Tryouts will start on October 26th in the WCHS Gymnasium from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. You must have an active physical to try out. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Dorrough (cdorough@worthschools.net) or Coach Hathcock (khathcock@worthschools.net).

Source: WCSD

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# Happy Halloween from The Martin News

**Spotlight On Rural Georgia****Local Officials Praise Gov. Kemp's Appointment of Tifton Chamber President Brian Marlowe**

Several local leaders on Thursday praised the appointment of Brian Marlowe of Tifton as the new state deputy commissioner for rural Georgia and leader of the Governor's Rural Strike Team. Gov. Brian P. Kemp named Marlowe, president-CEO of the Tifton-Tift County Chamber of Commerce and executive director of the Tift County Development Authority, on Wednesday. Local officials told the Tifton Grapevine that the news is good for rural Georgia. "I am excited to have one of our own leading the Rural Strike Force, which will directly affect the South Georgia economy," said Tony McBrayer, incoming chairman of the Tift County Commission. "Brian certainly has his finger on the pulse of economic development, and his past track record proves he knows how to attract companies to our region. While we regret losing Brian as president of our Chamber of Commerce and Tift County Development Authority, his new office will be located in Tifton, and we can still lean on him for guidance and advice. Gov. Brian Kemp has made a wise choice," McBrayer said. Tifton Mayor Julie B. Smith said that "Brian's leadership of the Georgia Rural Strike Force is a tremendous step forward for our state. His success in economic development for Tifton and Tift County will be a stepping stone for building the economic viability of rural Georgia. We look forward to working with Brian in his new role and know he will make Tifton proud. Creating jobs for rural Georgians is key to the ongoing growth and success of South Georgia." Tiffany Holmes, regional manager of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce's office in Tifton, said that "to have a proven leader from a rural community in our state now dedicated to overseeing

rural Georgia's overall economic growth is a strong testament to Governor Kemp's commitment to South Georgia." Holmes noted that rural Georgia faced critical challenges before COVID-19 "and needs the focused leadership of a South Georgian, in Brian Marlowe, to expedite recovery efforts and deliver the resources our farmers, small businesses and local communities require." On behalf of the Tifton-Tift County Chamber of Commerce, Chairman Chris Cutts said the organization is elated with Marlowe's opportunity, but "it is with mixed emotions that we celebrate this move for Brian," who has "served us very well in his tenure with the Tifton-Tift County Chamber and the Tifton community." Cutts added that "we wish Brian well, and words cannot express the appreciation and gratitude we have for what he has achieved with all the economic growth in Tift County." The governor said his Rural Strike Team has been developed to spur economic growth and opportunity in rural Georgia. "With more than 20 years spent working in rural economic development, Brian's track record of locating new projects in his community, expanding existing industries, and generating opportunity in South Georgia speaks for itself," Kemp said. "I have every confidence ... Brian will help us move the needle for rural Georgia." Marlowe, who has been with the Tift Chamber since 2010, said, "I am honored to be trusted with such an important responsibility by Governor Kemp. I've spent my professional life working to promote growth and opportunity in Tift County and throughout rural Georgia."

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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## Ruth's Cottage Marks Domestic Violence Awareness Month



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Ruth's Cottage was the program for the Tifton Rotary Club on Wednesday. Ruth's Cottage and The Patticake House is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to end domestic and sexual violence, as well as child sexual and physical abuse. Executive Director Nancy Bryan said that Ruth's Cottage moved into its new building on March 13, right before the community shut down for the COVID-19 pandemic. "It allowed us to be spread out and spaced out like we couldn't have been at the former facility," she said. "We're a miracle here because we were one of the only programs to remain open. We never closed, and for those who did work from home, we were able to come back together sooner." She said 180 residents have been assisted at the shelter, 60 more than this time last year. The increase is not because of an increase in

need. Rather, it's because of an increase in the shelter's ability to serve those in need. The crisis line has had 800 crisis calls this year, down from last year. There have been 496 requests for protective orders, and 182 have been granted. During the worst of the COVID-19 crisis, Bryan said, many advocates worked from home, and the judges in the judicial circuit "never let us down." Ruth's Cottage and The Patticake House serves Tift, Turner, Worth and Irwin counties. The single big fundraiser, the Champions of Hope Sporting Clays, has been rescheduled for next April. Suitcases for Kids, which provides a suitcase for foster children, is observing its 15th year. Rachel Elizondo, community relations coordinator for Southwell, shared her story of domestic violence in which her father killed her mother and then himself this past February. She talked about growing up in a family experiencing emotional and physical abuse and not being aware that Ruth's Cottage was able to help in such situations. Her story is recorded in a Facebook Live on the Ruth's Cottage Facebook page. The organization may be contacted at 229-387-9697 or online at [www.stopthehurtga.org](http://www.stopthehurtga.org).

Source: Tifton Grapevine





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## Sandwich Day It Is

National Sandwich Day is November 3rd... What is your favorite sandwich? As a child growing up, I loved grilled Bologna Cheese sandwiches with my daddy but as an adult my favorite sandwich is a grilled Tomato and Cheese sandwich. As a child I didn't realize how bad Bologna was for you but as an adult I know I don't need it so I settle for a tomato cheese sandwich. So on Saturday be sure to fix your favorite sandwich and enjoy!

## Exercise Your Right To Vote

If you are one of those people that don't vote because you think you are just one person and that your one vote won't make a difference, think again. One voice, one vote really does count. There is power in numbers! You can truly make a difference if you vote and encourage your friends and family to vote. Your vote is your voice. It allows you to tell elected officials how you feel about important issues such as education and health care. If you don't vote you are giving someone else the power to make choices for you, and even for your children. Because our children can't vote, we must vote. That's how we make our concerns about important issues heard. When we vote, we are looking out for our kids, and their futures. Voting is your chance to make a difference. Let your voice be heard!



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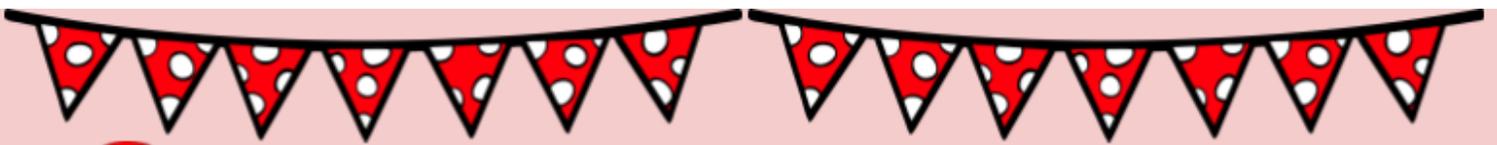
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The staff at Margaret Jones Public Library had their first story time with their friends at Worth County Pre-k last week. The staff said it was great to see all those sweet faces. Reading is so much fun with the staff at the Margaret Jones Public Library.

Source: MJPL FB Page



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# WCPS Red Ribbon week Spirit Days

October 26-30, 2020

Monday: Be Happy & Be Drug Free  
wear red to help kickoff Red Ribbon week



Tuesday: Be All You Can Be  
wear camouflage.



wednesday: Give Drugs the Boot  
wear your favorite boots or shoes.



Thursday: Be Brave & Drug Free  
wear your favorite super hero shirt.



Friday: Lambs & Rams Choose to be Drug Free  
wear school colors or Rams shirt.



Let's have a great week celebrating our decision to be drug free. Please remember to follow the school dress code.

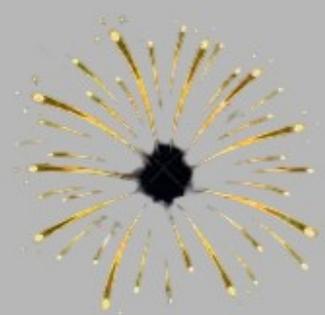


# WCPS 2020 Homecoming Spirit Days

November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>



Monday  
College Day



Tuesday  
Patriotic Day (Red, white, and Blue or Military)



wednesday  
Animation/Fantasy Day



Thursday  
Roaring 20s (Dress up ANY decade/ERA 1920-2020)

Friday  
Spirit Day (Dress out in Black and Gold)



# WCES Celebrates Red Ribbon Week 2020!

## Dress Up Days

October 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>

### Monday - Be a Star!

Dress up like a movie star on the red carpet!

Students will be given bracelets.

### Tuesday - Be the Best You Can Be!

Students may wear camouflage!

Bookmarks will be given to each student.

### Wednesday - Tell Drugs to take a Hike!

Dress like you are going hiking or camping!

Pencils will be given to each student from Southwell Health.

### Thursday - Good Character! Drug Free!

Students may dress like your favorite book, movie, or Disney character!

Stickers will be given to each student.

### Friday - Be a Hero! Be Drug Free!

Students may dress up like your favorite super hero!

Ribbons will be given to each student!

# WCMS CELEBRATES RED RIBBON & BULLYING PREVENTION WEEK

**Be Happy. Be Brave. Be Drug & Bully Free.**

**Red Ribbon & Bullying Prevention Week**

**October 26-30, 2020**

Monday: Be Happy & Drug Free - Wear red to kick off Red Ribbon Week.

Tuesday: Be All You Can Be - Drug & Bully Free - Wear camouflage to show you are brave about being drug and bully free.

Wednesday: Its Cool to be Drug & Bully Free - Wear blue to show you are against bullying.

Thursday: Vote "Yes" For Your Future - Drug & Bully Free - Wear your favorite college/university shirt.

Friday: School Spirit Day - Our school chooses to be drug free! Wear school colors or ram shirt.

## Teal Colored Halloween Buckets



This guide to non-candy treats for Halloween isn't about taking a stand against sugar. Not at all is that what it is about! Toothbrushes, apples and floss are still considered lame. This is about giving kids with serious food allergies a chance to feel just like every other trick-or-treater on the special night. The Teal Pumpkin Project (teal is the color of food allergy awareness) started in America in 2014 and is promoted by the

Food Allergy Research and Education organization. Every Halloween since 2014, more and more teal pumpkins have popped up around the country. People place them outside their house to show they have treats other than candy. Kids with allergies carry teal-colored buckets from house to house. There are even teal signs you can buy to let kids know it's OK to ask for a "trinket instead of a treat." If a trick-or-treater carrying a teal pumpkin bucket shows up at your door this Halloween, it means he or she has a food allergy. Consider having a stash of non-food treats like vampire fangs or bouncy balls to hand out. But we know that for all the fun Halloween is for kids, it's just as stressful for parents to pull off. It can be a lot to have two sets of goodies – one candy and one not – to hand out. You can find some simple little treats around town at our dollar stores that would be great for those with allergies. Thank you for helping take care of those with allergies and we hope everyone has a great Halloween!



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