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WCHS Cross Country Runners are State Bound

The Worth County High School Cross Country team performed at its best recently during the Georgia 1-AA Region Championship in Thomasville. The students below ranked high individually and are state bound:

Conner Mullen - 1st in Region 1-AA for boys
Ana Resendez - 3rd in Region 1-AA for girls
Eyan Zupko - 4th in Region 1-AA for boys



In addition, the girls' team finished 3rd overall and will advance to the state competition on November 7, 2020, in Carrollton, GA. The girls' team consists of Ana Resendez, Drew Anne Fitzgerald, Abby Barfield, Alexia Sokolowski, and Bralyn Griffis. Congratulations to all of these excellent student-athletes! We are so proud of your hard work and dedication and wish you the best at state!

Source: WCSD

First Annual Drive - Thru Trunk or Treat was Great Success

The First Annual Drive - Thru Trunk or Treat was held Thursday at the Rams Football Stadium from 6 to 7:30pm. A few hundred children came through the event, most of them all dressed up for Halloween. And even a few with their pets after attending the Pets and Pals Parade in Downtown Sylvester. The event served several purposes. One being that many parents liked the idea of the drive-thru Trunk or Treat due to COVID-19. The parents felt like they still were able to enjoy Trick or Treating all while staying safe. Another purpose served at the event was helping those in need. Kona Ice of Albany gave 8oz treats in exchange of a monetary donation or an unwrapped gift to help those less fortunate at Christmas. This program is called the Christmas Clearing House through the Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce. The collection of items that evening was fantastic.

A special thank you to the businesses and organizations that participated: American Legion Sylvester Post 335, Mrs. Brenda Hicks, City of Sylvester, Worth County High School Competition Cheerleaders, Mrs. Marcia Inman, Worth County Fire/Rescue EMA, Stuart Pate - State Farm, Hall and Hall Funeral Home, Vinyl Trunk with Tiffany Bennett, Worth County Middle School, City Barber, The Martin News, Norwex with Shaundra Gray, Aaron STRONG! (In Memory of Aaron Entrekina), Fields Funeral Home, Worth County Sheriff's Office, Actin' Shady Sunglasses with Brenda Kendrick, Liberty Tax - Sylvester, WC Rams Touchdown Club, WCHS SGA Club, WCHS Key Club, Kona Ice of Albany and Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce.

Source: Pictures Provided by Lisa Jackson



First Annual Trunk or Treat 2020

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Knowing the Signs of Pneumonia

Pneumonia Awareness Month is in November. Pneumonia is an infection that inflames the air sacs in one or both lungs. The air sacs may fill with fluid or pus (purulent material), causing cough with phlegm or pus, fever, chills, and difficulty breathing. A variety of organisms, including bacteria, viruses and fungi, can cause pneumonia. Pneumonia can range in seriousness from mild to life-threatening. It is most serious for infants and young children, people older than age 65, and people with health problems or weakened immune systems. The signs and symptoms of pneumonia vary from mild to severe, depending on factors such as the type of germ causing the infection, and your age and overall health. Mild signs and symptoms often are similar to those of a cold or flu, but they last longer. Signs and symptoms of pneumonia may include:

- Fever, sweating and shaking chills
- Cough, which may produce phlegm
 - Chest pain when you breathe or cough
 - Shortness of breath
 - Fatigue
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

Newborns and infants may not show any sign of the infection. Or they may vomit, have a fever and cough, appear restless or tired and without energy, or have difficulty breathing and eating. People older than age 65 and people in poor health or with a weakened immune system may have a lower than normal body temperature. Older people who have pneumonia sometimes have sudden changes in mental awareness. Many germs can cause pneumonia. The most common are bacteria and viruses in the air we breathe. Your body usually prevents these germs from infecting your lungs. But sometimes these germs can overpower your immune system, even if your health is generally good. Pneumonia is classified according to the types of germs that cause it and where you got the infection. If you have any of these symptoms, be sure to contact your physician.

Casting Your Vote at WCES

Election Day is this coming Tuesday, November 3rd. Once again this year, Worth County Elementary School students will cast a vote for President of the United States. The students will vote on Tuesday and the winner will be announced that afternoon. WCES encourages everyone to use this election as an opportunity to teach our young people the importance of voting.

Source: WCSD

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Dates to Remember

November

- 2nd ~ Scarecrow or Wreath Paint Night at Margaret Jones Public Library
- 3rd ~ Voting Day
- 3rd ~ Books and Bubbles at Margaret Jones Public Library
- 4th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting Noon
- 4th ~ Ribbon Cutting at Daughtry's Empire Market 11am
- 6th ~ Chehaw Cubs Program
- 6th ~ Sylvester Community Blood Drive 2pm – 7pm
- 6th ~ Worth County Rams Football Game vs Berrien County 730pm Homecoming
- 6th ~ WCHS Cross Country State Finals
- 7th ~ WCHS Cross Country State Finals
- 7th ~ 10th Annual Run For Your Lungs
- 7th ~ First Baptist Church Sylvester Trunk or Treat/Drive-In Movie
- 9th ~ Family Visions Outreach, Inc Food Giveaway 10am-1pm
- 10th ~ Worth the Read Book Club November Meeting
- 10th ~ Books and Bubbles at Margaret Jones Public Library
- 11th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting Noon
- 11th ~ WCMS Girls Basketball Away
- 11th ~ WCMS Boys Basketball Away
- 13th ~ Worth County Rams Football Game vs Early County Away
- 14th ~ WCMS Girls Basketball Home
- 14th ~ WCMS Boys Basketball Home
- 16th ~ WCMS Girls Basketball Home
- 16th ~ WCMS Boys Basketball Home
- 17th ~ Books and Bubbles at Margaret Jones Public Library
- 18th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting Noon
- 18th ~ WCMS Girls Basketball Away
- 18th ~ WCMS Boys Basketball Away
- 19th ~ Christmas Open House Downtown Sylvester
- 20th ~ Christmas Open House Downtown Sylvester
- 21st ~ Christmas Open House Downtown Sylvester
- 21st ~ Free Thanksgiving Dinner for the Community at Mary Alice Shipp Senior Center
- 21st ~ Chehaw Animal Thanksgiving
- 23rd ~ Chehaw Thanksgiving Break Camp
- 23rd ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holidays
- 24th ~ Sylvester - Worth County Family Connections Meeting
- 24th ~ Chehaw Thanksgiving Break Camp
- 24th ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holidays
- 25th ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holidays
- 25th ~ Chehaw Thanksgiving Break Camp
- 25th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting
- 26th ~ Happy Thanksgiving from The Martin News
- 26th ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holidays
- 27th ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holidays
- 30th ~ WCMS Girls Basketball Home
- 30th ~ WCMS Boys Basketball Home

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Ten Tips for Building a Healthy Meal

1. Make half your plate veggies and fruits. Vegetables and fruits are full of nutrients and may help to promote good health. Choose red, orange and dark green vegetables such as tomatoes, sweet potatoes and broccoli.
2. Add lean protein. Choose protein foods such as lean beef and pork, or chicken, turkey, beans or tofu. Twice a week, make seafood the protein on your plate.
3. Include whole grains. Aim to make at least half your grains whole grains. Look for the words "100% whole grain" or "100% whole wheat" on the food label. Whole grains provide more nutrients, like fiber, than refined grains.
4. Don't forget the dairy. Pair your meal with a cup of fat-free or low-fat milk. They provide the same amount of calcium and other essential nutrients as whole milk, but less fat and calories. Don't drink milk? Try soymilk (soy beverage) as your beverage or include fat-free or low-fat yogurt in your meal.
5. Avoid extra fat. Using heavy gravies or sauces will add fat and calories to otherwise healthy choices. For example, steamed broccoli is great, but avoid topping it with cheese sauce. Try other options, like a sprinkling of low fat parmesan cheese or a squeeze of lemon.
6. Take your time. Savor your food. Eat slowly, enjoy the taste and textures, and pay attention to how you feel. Be mindful. Eating very quickly may cause you to eat too much.
7. Use a smaller plate. Using a smaller plate at meals will help with portion control. That way you can finish your entire plate and feel satisfied without overeating.
8. Take control of your food. Eat at home more often so you know exactly what you are eating. If you eat out, check and compare the nutrition information. Choose healthier options such as baked instead of fried.
9. Try new foods. Keep it interesting by picking out new foods you've never tried before, like mango, lentils or kale. You may find a new favorite. Trade fun and tasty recipes with friends or find them online.
10. Satisfy your sweet tooth in a healthy way. Indulge in a naturally sweet dessert dish...Fruit! Serve a fresh fruit cocktail or a fruit parfait made with yogurt. For a hot dessert, bake apples and top with cinnamon.



Will The Pumpkin Sink or Float

Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Jones' class at Worth County Primary School did a science experiment where they made a chart to graph each student's prediction for "Will the pumpkin sink or float?" This was a multidisciplinary lesson that incorporated both math and science standards for kindergarten. The graph demonstrated a tie in predictions. After the experiment, the students determined that the pumpkins floated in the tub of water.

Source: WCSD

These are great ideas and can be beneficial to us all. This information was brought to you by www.choosemyplate.gov.



November 3, 2020

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Give blood.



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Be a Hero. Give Blood. The blood drive set up this Friday is sponsored by American Legion Post 335. Make plans now to go by and see them and donate the gift of life. If you give before November 11th, you will receive an Amazon.com Gift Card for \$5. American Red Cross believes in giving something that means something. Thank you in advance to everyone that helps others by giving blood. It is for sure needed.

Pictures provided by Karen Singletary.



Tifton “On Fire,” City Manager Tells Rotary Club

“Tifton, Georgia, is alive and well!” Tifton City manager Pete Pyrzenski told the Tifton Rotary Club on Wednesday. “There’s an increase in building and rebuilding. We’re growing,” he said. “We are financially strong, we are doing very well. I’m excited about what is going on in Tifton right now.” Pyrzenski said the city has experienced only a 3 percent decline in revenues from COVID-19, a lot better than many cities around the state. But he noted that hotel and motel income has dropped off by 40-50 percent from a decrease in travel. He discussed the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) the city applied for and did not obtain last year, but after adding in more statistics, was awarded last month. “That is a \$750,000 grant” for a community resource center in South Tifton across from Matt Wilson Elementary School. Pyrzenski noted that the center will involve a partnership with the Tift Area

YMCA – “a great fit – serving kids and teens,” along with opportunities for a partnership with adult education and literacy for GED classes. “This community building will create an atmosphere that’s exciting.” The community center is planned to be the nucleus of a planned housing development at the former location of Captain’s Point Trailer Park, providing housing for those with low to moderate income. “We are waiting to hear about a \$12 million grant” for the housing project, which he said will change the face of South Tifton. The city will provide a \$150,000 match to the CDBG for the community center and will include a partnership with the Tifton Urban Redevelopment Agency. “In a year and a half, this area of South Tifton will be unrecognizable,” he said. Pyrzenski presented the City of Tifton’s Annual Report for 2019-2020. During the past year, the city paved 15 streets at a cost of almost \$60,000, including replacing water and sewer lines under the streets. He cited the new dog park and walking trail at Fulwood Park. He mentioned that the upcoming movie “The Tiger Rising,” filmed at Town Terrace Motel in Tifton last fall, is expected to debut in December starring Dennis Quaid, Queen Lati-fah and Sam Trammell. “The stars in the film can’t say enough great things about Tifton,” Pyrzenski said. He added that the project on Highway 41 North across from Harvey’s Supermarket is on track, that ABAC is expanding, and that Southwell/Tift Regional Medical is growing. “North Tifton is on fire; South Tifton is on fire,” Pyrzenski said.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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TIFTON - TIFT CO. TOURISM ASSOCIATION

TRMC Named Business Partner of Year in Regional Work-Based Learning/Youth Apprenticeship



Tift Regional Medical Center (TRMC) was recently named Business Partner of the Year for the Southwest Region of the Georgia Work-Based Learning (WBL) and Youth Apprenticeship (YAP) program. The WBL/YAP program, in association with the Ga. Department of Education, allows qualified students to work at an approved job placement to get work experience while receiving CTAE (Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education) course credit. Youth Apprenticeship is a structured combination of related coursework completed at the high school level and on-the-job training specific to a post-secondary credential. “TRMC has been a supporter of Tift County Public School System for years. Work-Based Learning students learn so much during their time at the hospital. Being in the vicinity is a

learning experience in itself, especially if they must run down the hall with their supervisor. Some finish with confirmation of their career choices, some decide to focus on other careers in the medical field, and some decide that the medical field is not for them,” said Cassandra Thomas, WBL/YAP coordinator for the Tift County School System. Carol Smith, chief nursing executive and chief operating officer for Southwell Medical, said “healthcare is a complex industry that requires a high-school diploma as a minimum for entry into the work place, so it is often difficult for high school students to gain employment in or exposure to the industry.” The partnership program helps students advance in their future careers, Smith said. Carol M. Smith, left, the chief nursing executive & chief operating officer for Southwell Medical, and Cassandra Thomas, WBL/YAP coordinator for Tift County Schools, pose with the award presented to Tift Regional Medical Center.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

This Page Brought To You By:

A large, colorful logo for the Tifton Tourism Association. The word 'think' is written vertically in blue on the left. The word 'TIFTON' is written in large, block letters with a distressed texture. The 'T' is green, the first 'I' is red, the 'F' is orange, the first 'T' is yellow-green, and the 'N' is orange. A stylized sun with rays is positioned behind the 'T' and 'F', and a green road with white lines curves from the bottom left towards the sun.

TIFTON - TIFT CO. TOURISM ASSOCIATION



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Tifton Sports complex, my granddaughters Soccer practice

Blakeley McGee



Worth County

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In partnership with Fort Valley State University 4H, WCMS students participated in the 4H National Youth Science Day Challenge. Students completed a variety of STEM activities in science classes, including building a STEM Rover, Landing Zone Surveyor, Crop Curiosity card game, and Insight from Mars coding. We would like to extend a special thanks to Bayer for providing the Mars Base Camp kits.

Source: WCSD

Monopoly Anyone?

November 19th is Play Monopoly Day! Who all likes or loves rather to play Monopoly? I use to like to play it as a child but playing it as an adult with my almost 17 year old is way more fun! He beats me every time but his reactions during the game are priceless. I know it's a long game well in my case not so much 'cause I spend all my money buying land and then have to cash it all in to pay him but I do know that it can be a long game but it is so worth it spending time with out children.



SPD Celebrates Halloween

Sylvester Police Department celebrated Halloween on October 30th with the community and fun was had by all. They gave out candy and had a small walk through haunted house called the Spooky House of SPD. The children were able to see the officers dressed in costume which was phenomenal.

Source: Picture provided by SPD

HOMECOMING 2020

Senior Boys:

Jordan Curry

Matthew Grimsley

Shaun Harrell

Gunner Malone

Christopher McGill

Payne Salter

Tayshaun Shipp

Chance Weeks

Johnny Ray Welch

Tyrell Young

Senior Girls:

Layla Adams

Ashley Bass

Tamya Collins

Morgan Deese

J'Lah Farley

Tityanna Hooks

McKenzie Moore

Takiyah Timmons

Lauren Tompkins

Ja'Kerria Walker

Junior Boys:

Mackinzie Daniels

Keonis Williams

Junior Girls:

Nakya Daniels

Aaliyah Jones

Sophomore Boys:

Colby McDaniel

NanTravious Toomer

Sophomore Girls:

N'Kassidy Jones

Hannah Spraggins

Freshmen Boys:

Hunter Barber

Owen Fletcher

Freshmen Girls:

Drew Anne Fitzgerald

Paisley Hynes

Worth County Rams Homecoming 2020

Homecoming 2020 will look a little different this year. Not just for Worth County schools but for most schools, they have chosen to not have a homecoming dance due to not being able to social distance with COVID-19 present. Worth County is no exception. There will not be a dance this year however the festivities of celebrating Homecoming with dress up days, the Homecoming Football Game and naming the Homecoming King and Queen will continue on.

This Homecoming is a little extra special as well because Worth County is celebrating 100 years of Football. What is your favorite memory of Worth County Football over the last 100 years? I will have to say mine is the '87 Championship. I was only 10 years old but I remember that night like it was yesterday. The stands were packed! Just about everyone had milk jugs using them as noise makers and when I say the Ram Fans were loud, we were loud! The canon went off several times and it was a great night and season! I feel those days will be back before too much longer.

Please enjoy this week of Homecoming and encourage our children too as well. Pictured are the names of all of those for the 2020 Homecoming Court. Please come out Friday night and cheer on the Worth County Rams and watch as one of the senior girls and one of the senior boys will become your 2020 Homecoming King and Queen. Good luck to you all.

Source: List of Names Provided by WCSD



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Books and Bubbles at the Margaret Jones Public Library enjoyed a Halloween costume party last week. Be sure to follow their Facebook page for the upcoming events.

Source: MJPL



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Red Ribbon Week PreK poster winners.
1st - Ella Price
2nd- Mackenzie Bridges
3rd- Luke Simpson



Red Ribbon Week Kindergarten poster winners
1st- Braylee Moore
2nd- Bella Watson
3rd- Tiayre Bivens



Red Ribbon Week 1st grade poster winners
1st- Brentley Kilcrease
2nd- Hayden Judy
3rd- Alyssa Simpson



Red Ribbon Week 2nd grade poster winners
1st- Gavin Judy
2nd- Kyllie Price
3rd- Rylan Roberts

National Red Ribbon Week was a success at Worth County Primary School. The students and staff enjoyed dressing up each day to the theme of the day. Students also participated in the Red Ribbon Poster Contest. The winners of each grade are listed to the left. We are so proud of each and every student that participated and congratulations to the winners. Since its beginning in 1985, the Red Ribbon has touched the lives of millions of people around the world. In response to the murder of DEA Agent Enrique Camarena, angered parents and youth in communities across the country began wearing Red Ribbons as a symbol of their commitment to raise awareness of the killing and destruction cause by drugs in America. Enrique (Kiki) Camarena was a Drug Enforcement Administration Agent who was tortured and killed in Mexico in 1985. When he decided to join the US Drug Enforcement Administration, his mother tried to talk him out of it. "I'm only one person", he told her, "but I want to make a difference." On Feb. 7, 1985, the 37-year-old Camarena left his office to meet his wife for lunch. Five men appeared at the agent's side and shoved him in a car. One month later, Camarena's body was found. He had been tortured to death. In honor of Camarena's memory and his battle against illegal drugs, friends and neighbors began to wear red badges of satin. Parents, sick of the destruction of alcohol and other drugs, had begun forming coalitions. Some of these new coalitions took Camarena as their model and embraced his belief that one person can make a difference. These coalitions also adopted the symbol of Camarena's memory, the red ribbon. In 1988, NFP sponsored the first National Red Ribbon Celebration. Today, the Red Ribbon serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities. Since that time, the campaign has reached millions of U.S. children and families. The National Family Partnership (NFP) and its network of individuals and organizations continue to deliver his message of hope to millions of people every year, through the National Red Ribbon Campaign™.

Source: Pictures WCSD

Worth County
2020 Homecoming
Theme and Spirit Days
November 2nd - 6th

Monday

Frat Day/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



Theme: 2020 Meets 1920

“Century of Touchdowns in a Small Town”



CHRISTMAS CLEARING HOUSE

Donation Deadline: December 18, 2020

Greetings from the Chamber!

All around us we see signs of the holidays approaching fast! There are Christmas decorations, Christmas toys, Christmas candy and even Christmas clothing in stores. Before the rush begins and your time is limited, the Chamber would like to ask for your help. The Sylvester-Worth County Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the annual Christmas Clearing House again this year.

Years ago, the Chamber was approached to act as a Clearing House to provide churches and other organizations a means of locating families in need of help for Christmas. The Chamber helps prevent duplication of services and verifies the need for assistance.

This program requires help from the community. The Chamber hopes you will fill out the form at the bottom of this letter and return it to P.O. Box 768, Sylvester, Georgia, 31791 or stop it by the Chamber. You can participate in one of several different ways (See Below). Without your participation, there will be a child or a family in Worth County who will not experience a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Thank you for your help and support with our Christmas Clearing House.

Sincerely,
Karen Rackley
President of the Sylvester-Worth County Chamber of Commerce

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Halloween in the Park

Poulan had a blast on Saturday evening with Halloween in the Park. Businesses and organizations gathered at Poulan Park and passed out goodies including candy and books to the children as they came through. Children enjoyed dressing up and trick or treating at the different tables all while social distancing. It was a great Halloween 2020 in Worth County!

Source: Pictures provided by Lisa Dylinski



Words from Best Friends Humane Society

Our first Howl-o-ween event was such a success!

We want to thank the community for coming out and supporting our shelter - playing games, participating in raffles, buying sweet treats or touring our shelter and meeting our residents. We also appreciate the reverse trick or treat items for animal residents! They all will surely enjoy having food to eat and treats too!

If you were a volunteer today or someone who donated items for the various activities, thank you from the bottom of our hearts! Even if you shared this event on Facebook, you promoted our shelter. We could NOT do this without support from you all!



We'd also like to thank Worth County JROTC students for running kids activities, clean up and doing the heavy lifting at the event. These are some awesome individuals who are on the way to being very productive members of society! We thank you for your help today and in the past. You guys and gals Rock!

Congratulations to Sue Palmer for winning our 50/50 and congratulations to two lucky families welcoming new pets in their home today. You made a difference in an animal's life today! Thank you for adopting!

Thank you again to everyone who supports our little shelter! Thank you for making a difference! We hope you enjoyed our community event and join us more at the shelter!

Atlanta's Most Heartwarming Christmas Celebration

Have a Holly Jolly Christmas at Stone Mountain Park, where the true magic of the season is in the air. Enjoy the glow from more than two million colorful lights, festive music, and visits from some of your favorite holiday characters! Start a new family tradition this year and create memories that will last a lifetime for your kids...and for you. Experience the New! Tree Lighting Ceremony. You are invited to join as we help the Snow Angel light up the town with holiday cheer! Bring your Christmas wishes and visit with Santa Claus — Named by USA Today as one of the ten best places in the country to catch Santa Claus. New Music! More Lights! Feast your eyes on thousands of lights, projections, special effects and photo opportunities in this immersive walk-through experience! Join Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer®, Clarice, and Bumble™ the Abominable Snow Monster at Rudolph's Merry Little Meet and Greet. Kids of all ages can meet these heartwarming characters or catch them in the nightly Christmas parade! Enjoy several live performances that are sure to get you in the Christmas spirit! All aboard the Singalong Christmas Train to hear your favorite Christmas tunes as well as the heartwarming story of the first Christmas in The Gift. Wander through the Wonderland Walkway, a dazzling tunnel of lights guiding you to the Snow Angel® Palace, where YOU are a part of the experience as we tell the story of Angelina the Snow Angel in A Wish For Snow. Take in the sights and sounds of the season with a nightly Christmas Parade including whimsical floats and the arrival of Santa Claus. Be sure to stay for the magical Snow Angel® Snowfall Finale to wrap up the evening. Enjoy great holiday shopping that includes hand-blown glass ornaments, homemade fudge, unique toys and seasonal apparel. Additionally, enjoy Stone Mountain Park's daytime attractions included in your Christmas Adventure Pass ticket: Summit Skyrise, Discovering Stone Mountain Museum, Historic Square & Farmyard, and more! The Christmas Celebration will start November 14th and will run thru January 3, 2021.



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