

## The Martin News

**Covering Worth County and Surrounding Counties** 

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April 4, 2022





Congratulations to the Worth County Middle School Baseball Team as they are the 2022 Champions. This makes them back to back champions! Congratulations guys on a great season!

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U.S. Debt: \$30 Trillion

**Education: Parental Rights** 

Mediocre Leadership

Unbalanced Justice

High Crime

Fomenting of Cultures

Critical Race Theory

U.S. Border Insecurity

Potential Rise of Socialism

Americans Fearing the

U.S. Government

Mental Health

False Claims: Systemic Racism

Systemic Nepotism

Disunity in the U.S/Georgia

#### CONVICTIONS

God - Family - Country

Empowerment of all Citizens

Pro - Life

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U.S. Debt

Government Deception

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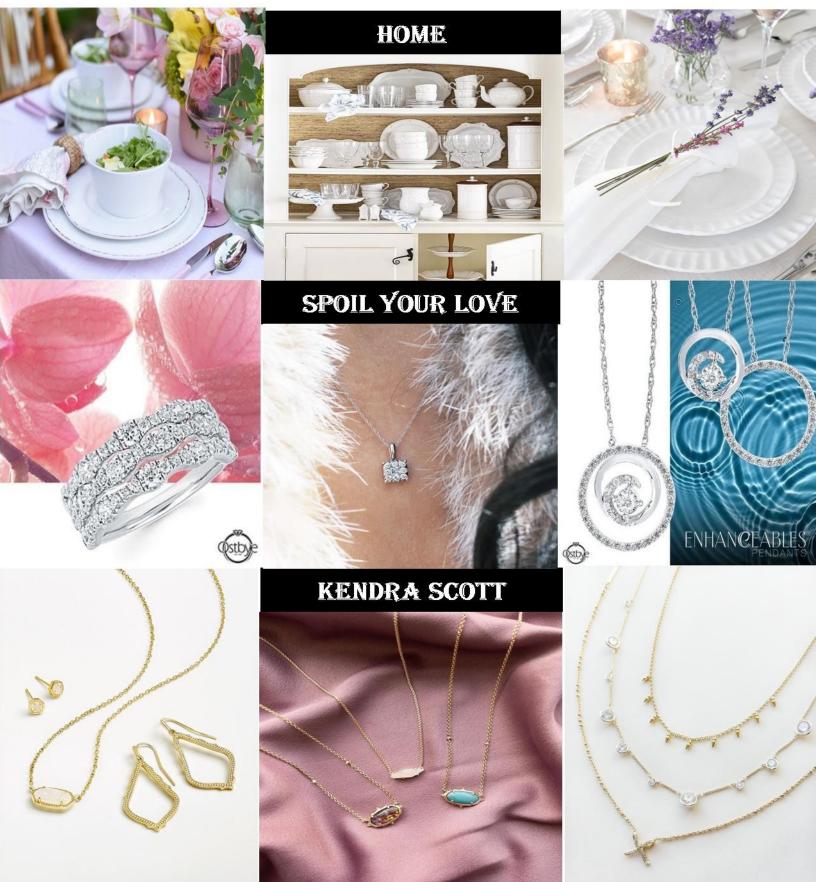
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#### Music Education at WCPS



Worth County Primary School Second Graders are enjoying learning to play ORFF instruments. The Orff Schulwerk, or simply the Orff Approach, is a developmental approach used in music education. It combines music, movement, drama, and speech into lessons that are similar to child's world of play. It was developed by the German composer Carl Orff and colleague Gunild Keetman during the 1920s. Today, children of all ages experience rigorous career preparation as part of their education. School systems strive to implement mandated standards to help students excel in standardized testing and gain necessary skills for future job opportunities. Would you like your child to have larger vocabulary and enhanced reading comprehension skills? Studies show consistent music education improves both areas. How does it work? Emerging evidence suggests the area of the brain controlling both musical ability and language comprehension are more related than previously thought. Music education requires students to recognize and repeat pitch, tone or enunciation of words. Especially in young children, music directly benefits the ability to learn words, speak them correctly, and process the many new sounds they hear from others. Music education involves a high level of memorization. Students must be able to read music by sight, play the proper notes on their instrument or recall lyrics.

This process benefits the overall memory center of the brain. In one study, musicians outperformed non-musicians in auditory, visual, and memory tests. Music is also easily stored in our memory. Have you ever had a song stuck in your head? You can use music to help children remember things. Playing a musical instrument has long been known to enhance dexterity and hand-eye coordination. When playing an instrument, a musician must be able to create the correct notes through the proper hand motions, whether it be hitting keys, closing valves or using another apparatus to produce sound. In addition, the musician is also required to read the sheet music and follow the conductor. This opportunity to grow motor skills is especially significant in younger children. Even a basic introduction to an instrument, such as a hitting a triangle or learning a song on a recorder, can be beneficial. As children grow and are exposed to more rigorous courses of study, time spent reviewing and retaining is essential to success. More and more time in the classroom is spent on introducing new subjects and ideas, requiring students to work at home to ensure they have grasped onto the necessary information. When children are exposed to proper music education, they learn powerful study habits. Mastering their specific musical craft takes a concerted effort, consistent practice and patience. These disciplined habits translate into other areas of study. Music is often thought of as a way to foster individual expression. While it definitely is that, music can also teach teamwork. No place is this more evident or

powerful than in schools. Students work together to create a cohesive, technically correct performance. Together, they form a community of like-minded individuals who can help each other reach goals. Many students find a sense of belonging in school music programs. In the end, one of the most useful benefits of music education is the increased ability to process situations and find solutions mentally. Those with musical training have been found to have higher levels of grey matter volume in their brains, which are directly tied to auditory processing and comprehension. Surprisingly, one of the areas of life this is most important for is forming relationships. Musicians learn to listen to others, sense emotion, and react with greater depth and understanding. Music education is an important aspect of providing children with a well-rounded education. When allowed to work in harmony with other subjects and areas of study, music helps children grow in self-esteem, build essential skills and prepare for bright futures.



Source: WCSD & Mom Loves Best Journaling



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#### Field Day Schedules Are Set For Worth County Primary School

Field Day at Worth County Primary School is coming up before too long. Please see below for which day and time your child will have field day. Parents are welcome to attend field day with their child. Parents will park in the back of the school and meet their child's class outside. We have reserved May 20, 2022 as a makeup day in case of inclement weather on a grade's scheduled day.

#### Second Grade - Apr 29, 2022

9:30-11:30 Dunn, Hanson, Lavender, Moore, Rucker and Worthy

12:15-2:15 Bludworth, Cochran. Crowe, Hampton, Hill and Popham

#### First Grade - May 6, 2022

Fuzzy Bear 9:30-11:30 Benton, Carlisle, Odom, Oncale, Plair and Ray

Balloon 12:15-2:15 Bryan, Cuffie, Langley, Little, Mensching and T. Moore

#### Kindergarten - May 13, 2022

Apple Orchard 9:30 - 11:30 Austin, Edwards, Ford, Griffis, Hamilton, Jackson and Jordan

Carrot Patch 12:15 - 2:15 Douglas, Gaddy, Henley, Isert, Judy and Watson

Source: WCSD



Mrs. Parten's Class at WCMS Prepped Their Garden

Mrs. Parten's Class at Worth County Middle School prepped their classroom garden and planted squash, cucumbers, potatoes, green beans, butter beans, gourds, peas, sunflowers, and flowering bulbs. Gardens are important to the planet because, despite being human-made, they represent a natural environment. Plants and trees grow there, taking in carbon and releasing oxygen. The roots of these plants stabilize the soil and filter water. Great job to the students on planting this garden and we can't wait to see the finished products.

Source: WCSD & The Martin News

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The City of Sylvester for the
Annual Memorial Day Parade
on Monday, May 30th at
10am in Downtown Sylvester

~ Parade Route is the same as the Peanut Parade ~





5th Grade Student Wins 2021-22 School Bus Safety Poster **Contest Then Advances To National Competition** 

Congratulations to 5th grade student, Jada Fitzgerald, at Worth County Elementary School for her entry in the 2021-22 School Bus Safety Poster Contest whose theme was 1 bus +1 driver = a BIG Impact on Education! Jada was recognized at the March Worth County Board of Education Board Meeting and selected as their district winner. Jada's drawing was then selected by the state as 1 of the 12 finalists for the national competition. WCES could not be any prouder of Jada and her fantastic art abilities. Congratulations, Jada! WCES is proud of you!!! Pictured above with Jada are WCSD Superintendent, Mr. Nehemiah Cummings, WCSD Transportation Director, Mr. Rusty Parten, WCES Principal, Dr. Rouse, and WCES Art teacher, Ms. Jill Glover.

Source: WCSD

#### Who Knew There Was A **Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day**

Now this day makes me smile big time! I love grilled cheese sandwiches. I like plain grilled cheese sandwiches. I like grilled cheese and tomato sandwiches. I like a grilled BLT with cheese. All my sandwiches have to be plain though. Absolutely NO mayonnaise. My daddy could not stand mayonnaise and neither can I. That could come from the fact that when my mother was pregnant with me, all she ate was mayonnaise sandwiches so I had enough of that for nine months. So now I just stick with grilled cheese sandwiches. Where do you like grilled cheese sandwiches from? My favorite plain grilled cheese sandwich is from Ed's Truck Stop. They grill it to perfection. My favorite grilled tomato and cheese sandwich is from 3 Squares. It is always so good. My most favorite place for a Grilled BLT with cheese comes from Fat Boys. It is the smallest cut up bacon and is very crispy. It is the best! Daddy and mother use to make the best of the best grilled cheese sandwiches when we were little. They would cook them on the stove. I now cook ours on the George Foreman. Who makes your favorite? And if you cook them at home, how do you fix the best grilled cheese sandwich?

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$250 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$75 Tasters' Choice - \$150



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Congratulations to the Worth County Middle School Track Team finishing 2nd in the Middle School Region Championship Meet. The WCMS student-athletes and coaches had a great season!

**Source: WCSD** 

FEB-APRIL VIRTUAL PICKUP DATES \$10 PER KIT

Programming: Building Websites and Coding Bracelets Feb. 22 5-6 PM

Weather: Snow, Tornadoes, and

Storms

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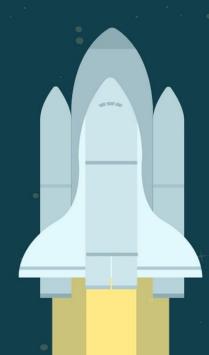
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#### Tifton Gets A "B" Grade Among Places To Live Based On Online National Ranking







Tifton receives an overall B grade among a recent updated online ranking of cities and counties around the country. Niche.com, an online ranking site for schools and communities, recently updated its rankings based on new Census and economic data. Other nearby cities in the Tiftarea received overall grades of: Adel, B-; Nashville, B-; Sylvester, C+; Ashburn, C+; Ocilla, C; and Fitzgerald, C. Communities are graded in categories such as public schools, crime, housing, cost of living, jobs, health, diversity, and weather. Tifton received its highest grades in diversity (A), and in weather (A-). Tifton's ranking reflects a diverse ethnic population as well as a diverse economic and educated population, largely as a result of the colleges and research entities based here. Tifton's nightlife was graded B+, which may be somewhat of a surprise but is based on the availability of such activities as live music and stage performances. The cost of living was graded B+, and public schools in Tifton received a B-, as did the types of jobs and their availability. Housing was graded C+, and the Friendly City got a C for its crime rate. Niche.com says that "living in Tifton offers residents a sparse suburban feel, and most residents rent their homes. Many families live in Tifton, and residents tend to have moderate political views. The public schools in Tifton are above average." When compared with other Georgia cities, Tifton was ranked 46th in diversity, 139th among places with the lowest cost of living in the state, and ranked 148th among best places to retire in Georgia.

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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#### World Faces Food Shortage From Russia's Invasion, Says Rep. Scott



Congressman Austin Scott, R-Tifton, is warning of a dire, global food shortage as a result of Russia's war in Ukraine. "As many of the farmers in our district have begun their planting season, halfway across the globe in Ukraine, farmers have lost their farmland to battlefields and will be unable to plant a crop this year. I have been warning for several weeks, and President Biden finally confirmed that there will be a global food shortage resulting from Putin's invasion of Ukraine," Scott said. He said the U.S. "will most likely see an increase in food cost as the global supply decreases, and many countries in Africa and the Middle East will most likely face hunger and famine." In a recent op-ed commentary in the Washington Examiner, the Tifton congressman said that Ukraine normally exports more than 50

million metric tons of corn and wheat to the world. "With Putin's invasion, that is unlikely to happen," Scott wrote. "Russia and Ukraine were expected to provide around 30% of global wheat exports and 20% of corn exports prior to Putin's invasion. For context, the United States accounts for approximately 11% of global wheat exports." Scott wrote that many of the world's poorest countries may see "a significant decrease in food supply to their people due to rising global costs. A prolonged war in Ukraine means hunger is on the horizon for any nation that cannot adjust to higher food prices and any consumer who cannot foot the bill." He said countries in South Asia, Western Asia, and Africa are at major risk for food insecurity: "Russian President Vladimir Putin's war against Ukraine isn't just robbing Ukraine of its freedom — it is stealing from the breadbasket of the world."

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# All WCES families are invited to

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April 12, 2022 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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**Source: WCSD** 





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#### **Antique Items of Yesterday Supply Memories for Today**

Cherish an antique today is celebrated on April 9th. There are so many fun days to celebrate that I find on brownielocks.com and I love to write about them. Many of them bring back such great memories of my childhood that I love to remember and share with others. With antique day, I had to put much thought into it simply because I have many things that are antique and bring back so many wonderful memories. My most favorite item that is antique is my grandmother's straight back chair. It is a wooden old chair from 1940 that has a straw bottom. She use to sit in for many years while she quilted quilts. She loved that chair and I did too. I love it even more now that it is in my house. I have it sitting in an area of my living room with other antique items. In the chair I have my daddy's picture of him in the United States Army and his old straw hat. He wore that hat everyday that he walked outside in the sunshine. I love to look at that chair and those items. Such great memories flow and maybe even a few happy tears from time to time. I know you are probably wandering why I put things of my daddy in it. I did that because he use to build my grandmother stuff and do anything she wanted. He loved her so much so since they are both gone on to Heaven now, I bring both of them back together. My son, Larry, loves to hear stories of her. He loved her and use to call her Granny Lou. That was his great grandmother and he can remember standing at her bed and just carry on a conversation of who knows what with her. Memories are wonderful to have and hold on to. It is what get's us through most days when we think we can't go on. One thing I added in the most recent months is my daddy's old ladder. I kept it just the way it was. It has paint splattered on it from his days. I love it leaning up against the wall in the corner. I love what it represents. Antiques are so important to have because of the memories too. I hear many people say they don't keep their items because they have no where to keep them where they will be safe from the weather. Start thinking of ways that you can use your items in your house. My sister has an area in her house too with antique items displayed. And remember it doesn't matter what others think about how you have things displayed, only matters what you think.

#### **Project Appleseed 2022 Tour**

is coming to

#### Martin, GA

Red Hill Range 2208 Toms Creek Rd

#### **Marksmanship and History Events**

April 2-3, April 16, May 14, May 15, June 12, September 10-11, November 5, November 6

Events start at 08:30. Please arrive early to allow time for setup and sign in.

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#### For Immediate Release

Project Appleseed Rifle Marksmanship Clinic Offered at Red Hill Range in Martin, Georgia – April 2&3

In today's world of 24-hour news cycles, changing technologies and push-button gratification it is a challenge to stay connected to the values that our great country was built on. Ideals such as integrity, commitment and personal responsibility are what founding fathers relied on to win our independence and to then make America a great nation. At Project Appleseed™, we are dedicated to keeping these timeless values alive. We promote civic responsibility through the teaching of colonial history and the American traditions of rifle marksmanship. Even after all of these years, there is much to be learned from our forefathers' examples of perseverance, commitment and civic virtue. With a full calendar of shooting clinics and events Project Appleseed™ is here to make sure these timeless principles live on for generations to come.

The cost for our weekend clinics is \$75 for adults and \$30 for youth under 18\*. There are discounts for law enforcement, active and retired military and guard and more\*. And just a \$10 range fee per day.

Project Appleseed™ is a fast-growing, 501(c) (3) non-profit educational community of dedicated volunteers.

The Project Appleseed rifle marksmanship clinic will be held on April 2-3 at Red Hill Range, at 2208 Toms Creek Rd, Martin, GA 30557.

Registration begins at 8am. The clinic starts at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until 5:00 p.m., both days.

Participants are taught fundamental rifle marksmanship skills that are to allow a rifleman to be accurate out to 500 yards, with iron sights or a scope, a standard rifle and surplus ammo. Most of the instruction at a Project Appleseed event is conducted on the firing range at 25 yards, at reduced size targets to simulate 100 to 400 yards. Students will learn rifle shooting from the standing, sitting, kneeling, and prone positions, sight alignment, and breath control, along with safe gun handling, proper use of a sling, and Revolutionary War history.

Please bring your own ear/eye protection, a rifle with sling, ammunition, rifle mat, bug repellent, hat, sunscreen, a packed lunch, snacks, drinks, and plenty of water to stay hydrated.

A .22 caliber rifles and centerfire rifles are both acceptable. About 250 rounds of ammunition will be needed per day.

To register online, go to <a href="www.appleseedinfo.org">www.appleseedinfo.org</a>. Or for more information, contact the Georgia State Coordinator, <a href="GA@appleseedinfo.org">GA@appleseedinfo.org</a>.



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#### For Immediate Release

Project Appleseed Pistol Marksmanship Clinic Offered at Red Hill Range in Martin, Georgia – April 16<sup>th</sup> (One Day Event)

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The cost for our one day pistol clinics is \$75 for adults. No youth allowed. There are discounts for law enforcement, active and retired military and guard and more\*. And just a \$10 range fee per day.

Project Appleseed™ is a fast-growing, 501(c) (3) non-profit educational community of dedicated volunteers.

The Project Appleseed pistol marksmanship clinic will be held on April 16th at Red Hill Range, at 2208 Toms Creek Rd, Martin, GA 30557.

Registration begins at 8am. The clinic starts at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until 5:00 p.m.

We are pleased to offer Appleseed Pistol Clinics. Our pistol clinic is a fun challenge for everyone, even those who have qualified with pistols in other programs. The program is beneficial for folks who have no pistol experience or have some experience shooting pistols but want more instruction on use for personal defense. It can be offered on either indoor or outdoor ranges depending on location. This class focuses on defensive techniques such as rapid target acquisition and engaging multiple targets but stops short of teaching drawing from the holster and firing. It's a challenging course of fire and we think it's a lot of fun. Although most locations permit pistols of any caliber, many shooters choose to bring a .22 caliber pistol for initial instruction and for practice. Of course, an Appleseed Pistol Clinic includes history. The history shared will include stories you won't hear at traditional 25m and KD events.

Please bring your own ear/eye protection, a rifle with sling, ammunition, rifle mat, bug repellent, hat, sunscreen, a packed lunch, snacks, drinks, and plenty of water to stay hydrated.

To register online, go to <u>www.appleseedinfo.org</u>. Or for more information, contact the Georgia State Coordinator, <u>GA@appleseedinfo.org</u>.

## Dates to Remember

# April

4th ~ Spring Break For Worth County Schools 4th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Home 5:30pm 4th ~ City of Sylvester Mayor & Council Meeting 6pm 5th ~ Spring Break For Worth County Schools 5th ~ Worth County Board of Commissioners Meeting 7pm 6th ~ Spring Break For Worth County Schools 6th ~ Kiwanis Meeting at Noon 6th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Home 5:30pm 7th ~ Spring Break For Worth County Schools 8th ~ Spring Break For Worth County Schools 9th ~ Warwick Grits Festival 9th ~ Strawberry Jubilee at Rutland Farms in Tifton 11th ~ Worth County High School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 11th ~ Town of Sumner Mayor & Council Meeting 7pm 12th ~ Worth County High School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 12th ~ Best Friends Humane Society Bingo Night at Ed's 6pm 12th ~ Family Math Game Night at WCES 6pm-8pm 12th ~ City of Poulan Mayor & Council Meeting 6:30pm 13th ~ Worth County High School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 13th ~ Kiwanis Meeting at Noon 14th ~ Worth County High School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 14th ~ WCHS iRambots Steam Club at Margaret Jones Public Library 5pm 14th ~ BFHS Monthly Meeting 6:30pm 14th ~ Board of Education Meeting 7pm 15th ~ Worth County High School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 15th ~ 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt 6pm 16th ~ Easter Egg-Stravaganza at Pinson United Methodist Church 9am-11am 16th ~ Strawberry Jubilee at Rutland Farms in Tifton 18th ~ Worth County Middle School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 18th ~ City of Sylvester Mayor and Council Meeting 6pm 19th ~ Worth County Middle School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 19th ~ City of Warwick Mayor and Council Meeting 7pm 20th ~ Worth County Middle School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 20th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon 21st ~ Worth County Middle School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 21st ~ 2022 Business Expo/Job Fair 5pm-7pm 22nd ~ Worth County Middle School Spirit and Competition Cheer Tryouts 22nd ~ Alice in Wonderland at WCHS 23rd ~ 1st Annual Sylvester Car Show 8am-4pm 23rd ~ Alice in Wonderland at WCHS 23rd ~ Strawberry Jubilee at Rutland Farms in Tifton 23rd ~ Community Concert Featuring Charlie Wilson 8pm 26th ~ City of Poulan Mayor and Council Meeting 6:30pm

> 27th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon 30th ~ Strawberry Jubilee at Rutland Farms in Tifton 30th ~ Steam Movie Night at WCHS 3pm-5pm and 6pm-8pm



#### **CALLING ALL STUDENTS!**

#### Designer needed for 58th Annual Peanut Festival T-shirt Theme!

The Peanut Festival Committee would like to invite any student to enter the contest to be the designer of this year's Peanut Festival theme! The winning theme will appear on all promotional and marketing materials including the 2022 t-shirt! So, grab your pen and paper... or crayons, markers, paints, whatever medium you prefer... and enter for your chance to be this year's artist! Winning designer will win a **cash prize of \$100**.

#### See full contest rules below:

#### 2022 Peanut Festival Design Theme Contest Rules:

- 1. Contest is open to any student (Grades Pre-k through 12) who is a resident of Worth County.
- 2. Contest is open to individual students or classes.
- 3. You may enter as many designs as you wish.
- Entries will be judged on the following criteria: Originality of Theme,
   Use of Peanut Festival Mascot, and Ease of marketing production.
- 5. Entries must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2022
- 6. Entry must be your own original concept.
- 7. Designs must be submitted with artist name and contact information.
- 8. All entries must be submitted by uploading design to the Peanut Festival Design Contest email address <a href="mailto:info@swcountychamber.com">info@swcountychamber.com</a> or submitted in person to the Sylvester-Worth County Chamber of Commerce.
- 9. Winning entry will receive a cash prize of \$100, be in the Georgia Peanut Festival Parade, be featured in this year's Peanut Festival Magazine and artists name will be on the T Shirt.
- 10. All entries may be subject to display, either in digital or original format.
- 11. Most importantly, have fun! It's WORTH it!

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# BUNNY SCAVENGER HUNT

Find the 6 bunnies hidden in the library to earn a candy prize



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#### Safety Pins Can Be Used For Anything

National Safety Pin Day is being celebrated this week and it got me to thinking what all safety pins are used for. I remember both of my grandmothers' using them to pin quilts together when they put them in the frame to quilt. They both had containers full of the big safety pins. Recently I gave one of the safety pins to my mother so that she could help pin a dress up on me and she stuck me with it. She thought it was funny. I saw no humor in it what so ever. That little safety pin was powerful. I have also seen safety pins used in crafts where they decorate them with beads. Safety pins can definitely be used for most anything. What do you use yours for?

#### **Gardening Anyone?**

With gardening day being in the month of April, I wanted to reminiscence. If you can't tell by now, I love to do that. It is good for the soul to reminiscence. When I was a little girl, my grandmother Dupree loved to take care of her flower garden. Her flower garden though was all over the place. She had flowers in pots on the porch facing the road. Normally you would call that the front porch because it faced the road however the way their house was set up, it was called the back porch. I loved that back porch and the walk way in front of it. We would get out there in the Summer and water all of those plants if it wasn't planning to rain. Now grandmother did check the weather to see what the forecast was going to be. After we watered all the flowers on the back porch, in front of the porch and on the sides of the walk way, we would then water all her rose bushes which were absolutely beautiful and water all the miscellaneous plants she had. She had a green thumb for sure. She had a little green house in her yard that had so many different plants in it that we kept watered as well. She was so creative with flowers. She use to fix many bouquets for the church. She put hard work into everything she did. Now my mother may have a touch, a very small touch of my grandmothers green thumb but my sister has many touches of her green thumb. I on the other hand can kill an artificial plant so I just don't even try anymore. Gardening is therapy to some people. It makes you feel a breath of fresh air. I love flowers and plants, I just can't seem to keep them alive. As my mother is aging, she loves to have more and more flowers in her yard and on her porch. What is your favorite plant? Do you enjoy gardening? Now is the time to get started and get that yard looking beautiful.

#### Managing Money: A Caregivers Guide to Finances

Even though all Lunch and Learns are not being held in person, Lunch and Learns are still very important therefore the Alzheimer's Association, Georgia Chapter schedules Virtual Lunch and Learns periodically. On Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, they held a "Managing Money: A Caregivers Guide to Finances" Virtual Lunch and Learn. Education is very important to all of us. Teaching caregivers what their options are and what resources are there for them to help care for their loved ones in an important topic. That is exactly what this lunch and learn was for. Educating on how to manage money as a caregiver is very important. Early on, a person with Alzheimer's may be able to perform basic tasks, such as paying bills, but he or she is likely to have problems with more complicated tasks, such as balancing a checkbook. As the disease gets worse, the person may try to hide financial problems to protect his or her independence. Or, the person may not realize that he or she is losing the ability to handle money matters. Caregivers will begin to help with these tasks when needed but knowing the resources to help caregivers help their loved ones is very important. The lunch and learn was very educational to me personally. I learned a few things myself. Did you know at least 78% of caregivers have out - of - pocket costs as a result of caregiving? Caregivers play important roles and for the most part do not mind what that have to do to care for their loved one however it does impact them as well. Many caregivers end up reducing their employment hours, taking time off from work, retiring early or quitting their job. This can increase debt to the caregiver which can make it hard on them as well. These are just a few of the things I learned from the presentation on Tuesday. Please be sure to like their Facebook page, Alzheimer's Association, Georgia Chapter so that you will know when the next Virtual Lunch and Learn will be.

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## A Production By Worth County High School Drama Club



Worth County High School Auditorium

Opening Night: Tea Party Edition; April 22 Tickets: Adult - \$10 Students & Teachers - \$5 3 & Younger - Free

Closing Night: Dinner Theatre Edition; April 23
Tickets: Adult - \$20
Students & Teachers - \$15
Senior Citizen - \$10
10 & Younger -\$5
(Will Include A Full Meal)



## LIHEAP COOLING

#### LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Homebound and elderly households (all adults in household must be age 65 or over and/or physically homebound), may call (229) 785-4001 beginning April 1, 2022, at 6:00pm to schedule an application appointment.

If funding remains, all eligible individuals from the general public may call <u>beginning</u>

May 1, 2022, to schedule an application appointment.

Services are provided through SWGACAC, Inc. for the following counties:

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Must have a current physical on file. Worth County High School
Spirit & Competition Cheer Tryouts
are April 11th-15th
at WCHS Gymnatorium
3:30-5:30

Worth County Middle School
Spirit & Competition Cheer Tryouts
are April 18th-22nd
at WCMS Gym
3:30-5:30



Questions? Email Coach Watson hwatson@worthschools.net



#### "How To Grow A Monster" Donated To Margaret Jones Public Library

Last week during Georgia Ag Week, Colquitt EMC and local Farm Bureau representatives presented copies of the children's book "How to Grow a Monster" to Margaret Jones Public Library, Tifton-Tift County Public Library Foundation, Coastal Plain Regional Library System, Carrie Dorsey Perry Memorial Library, South Georgia Regional Library, Moultrie-Colquitt County Library System, Cook County Library and Brooks County Public Library. The book donations were made on behalf of the Georgia Foundation for Agriculture, Georgia Farm Bureau and Georgia EMC. From the farm to our plates and beyond, Georgia's agricultural industry never stops working for you. To honor the state's largest industry, they designated March 21-25, 2022, to celebrate our annual Georgia Ag Week! The week-long celebration highlights the people, communities and products that make Georgia Nature's Favorite State!

Source:

Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation



#### Vietnam Veterans Luncheon Held On Tuesday, March 29th



The 29th day of March was declared a day to recognize those that served in Vietnam! The time during and after the Vietnam war ended in 1975 was a troubled era! The Vietnam Veterans were not welcomed when they returned from serving our Nation! Many of the Veterans were spit on, cussed and called baby killers by those that did anything to avoid the draft including running to hide in Canada! In 2017 President Donald Trump declared the day as an official holiday! The American Legion Sylvester Post 335 held a Vietnam Veterans Luncheon on March 29<sup>th</sup> in the Sumner Room at the Margaret Jones Public Library in Sylvester. They have held this event in the past but had to postpone it due to COVID. "We did very well just restarting our event after COVID" states Mr. Ray Humphrey, Commander – American Legion Sylvester Post 335. There were about 30 people in attendance at the Vietnam Veterans Luncheon. They were able to enjoy a lunch of grilled chicken, baked beans, potato

salad, fresh baked rolls and a large assortment of desserts! "As I looked around the room I was looking into the faces of aging "American Heroes" that answered the call of their Country" expressed Mr. Ray "There were six combat wounded Purple Heart recipients in attendance!" Mr. Ray explained that there are many awards that the Veterans have received but they never talk about them. He also explained that many still dance with the devils of combat in a land far from home! "They served and never got the recognition they deserved" explained Mr. Ray. Thank you to the Vietnam Veterans!



**FOOD TRUCKS - FOOD VENDORS** 

**MERCHANDISE - INFORMATION - AND OTHERS!** 

Food Vendors:

Merch/Info:

\$300.00

\$175.00

For A Vendor Packet, email us at vividfaircreations@gmail.com or stop by Quitman City Hall in Quitman, GA

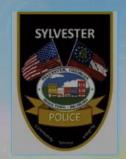
## Sylvester PD Easter Egg Hunt

Date: Friday April 15

Time: 6-8pm

Place: Jeffords Park

The Easter Bunny will be present so don't forget to take a selfie with him!!



Parents bring your kids out and enjoy an easter egg hunt. Food and drinks will be provided. Activities for the kids will include face painting.

Thank you to our Sponsors:
Dairy Queen Chamber of Commerce
Coca Cola American Legion Men United
Sylvester Family Connections

COVID guidelines will be followed and face masks are recommended



**Tift Chamber Hosts Business Expo** 

Glenn Willis, left, of South Georgia Banking Co., and Dan Richardson of Conger LP Gas share a laugh Thursday at the Business Expo sponsored by the Tifton-Tift County Chamber of Commerce. More than 50 local businesses and organizations set up displays at the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center for the Chamber's first Business Expo in a dozen years. Many of the participating businesses gave away door prizes during the event.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

#### Ashburn - Turner County Chamber of Commerce Celebrates 65th Annual Dinner

What an incredible evening Ashburn - Turner County Chamber of Commerce had celebrating Turner County's best and "Getting back into the Groove" on Thursday, March 31st. This was the 65th Annual Chamber Banquet Dinner. Below are this year's winners:

Farmer of the Year:
Phil Coley
Volunteer of the Year:
Mandi Cole
Small Business of the Year:
Ashburn Builder's Supply
Citizen of the Year:
Sam McCard

The Turner County Development Authority also had special recognition for the following: Mike Rice, Brad Calhoun, Nick Denham and Mike Moore. Lastly, the Chamber Executive Director had a special recognition for Mike Moore and his continued support for the Chamber. The chamber stated they are thankful for all of their sponsors, the caterers at Walker's BBQ, and Donna Nesmith and Keri Williford for their fantastic decorations!

Source: Ashburn - Turner County Chamber of Commerce





You are invited to the Sylvester-Worth County Chamber's

# 2022 BUSINESS EXPO

21st April 2022 5pm-7pm

The Pedestrian Mall @ 102 N. Main St.

For more info call: 229-776-7718

Go to the link to
learn more
information about
and register for our
upcoming Business
After Hours/ Job
Fair!



# Sylvester's 2nd Annual Veteran Suicide Awareness Event

#### Where:

Worth County Ag Pavillion

#### When:

June 11, 2022 Gates open at 10am

Event will begin with presentation of colors, live national anthem, dual taps, and a prayer.

We will also have a special guest performing at the event!
Details to come!

Classics, Jeeps &
Bike Show
Entry Fee:
Early \$20 Late \$25

There will be several entry categories including Oldest & Overall Favorite

For more info. contact Emma Lynn (229)449-4568 or Cody Humphrey (229)376-4426

Big ticket raffle items

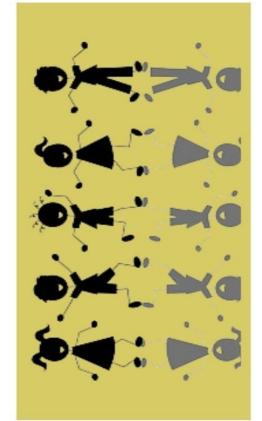


All proceeds will be donated to Jon's Mission for

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50/50 Raffle





# BIDS FOR KIDS ONLINE ONLY AUCTION

Gift Cards - Food Home Decor Trips - Jewelry Furniture Spa Treatments & MORE

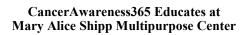
APRIL 5-7 6 AM - 9 PM DAILY

REGISTER AND VIEW ITEMS AT: qtego.net/qlink/ectifton

Funds raised stay in Tifton, used as grants to assist organizations involved in child welfare.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT ANGELA AT (229) 386-0216



Ms. Sharon Lyles with CancerAwareness365 had the honor to promote and educate on Cancer Awareness to the participants at the Mary Alice Shipp Multipurpose Center on Wednesday, March 30th. Ms. Sharon believes in promoting awareness 365 days a year. She doesn't wait until October to educate the community as Breast Cancer didn't wait until October to attack her family TWICE! "Cancer doesn't care who you are or when it affects you" exclaimed Ms. Sharon "but I do." Every Wednesday, the senior participants gather at the Mary Alice Shipp Multipurpose Center for fellowship and lunch. Dr. Marlin leads this group of seniors on Wednesday's. After Ms. Sharon was done with her presentation, she was able to take pictures with the seniors. Dr. Marlin and the seniors presented Ms. Sharon with a donation of a few blankets to go towards the Blanket Drive that CancerAwareness365, The Martin News and the American Legion Sylvester Post 335 were holding. A participant also donated a monetary donation which Ms. Sharon was shocked and thrilled to receive. The Blanket Drive has now ended and 117 bags are completed. The bags include a blanket, hat, chap stick and lotion that he patient currently going through Cancer. Thank you to everyone that helped with this project.

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