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Congratulations WCMS Baseball



The Worth County Middle School Baseball Team are Champions! This is the first time since 2003 that the team has won this title. The baseball team won 12-0 over Cook County. Caden Emerson pitched a 1 hit shutout. Drake Jones hit a grand slam home run and Luke Rogers followed with another

home run in the bottom of the 4th. The WCMS Baseball Team had a great season going 11 and 3 and a championship game win. The teams in our conference are Worth, Thomasville, Fitzgerald, and Cook. Congratulations to Head Coach, Reece Bozeman and Assistant Coach, Scott Fredrick.

Source: WCSD

*Chip
Cooper #3*



SPRING GAME

WORTH GO. VS. DOUGHERTY

Rams X *Trojans*

5.14 | 7:00 PM
SYLVESTER, GA

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 wondering 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.



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Infinite STEMZ

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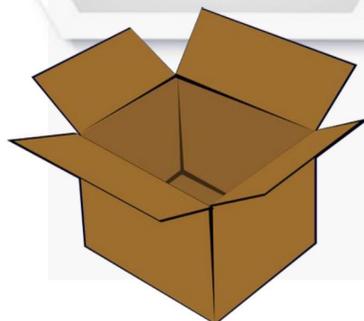
Each month, we offer two kits. You may choose to purchase both kits for **\$15** or choose just one for **\$10**.

How it Works

Once the kits have been picked up on the scheduled time from Worth County High School, students will read instructions and watch the youtube tutorial to complete labs. Parents are expected to watch over the students to be sure safety is a number on priority. If any question arise feel free to Contact either Mrs.Smith or the video host, Hannah Fletcher (229 733-5542). There will also be a scheduled zoom meeting for each lab.

Infinite STEMZ Kits

- **March** Physics Kit
Bean Kit
- April** Sparks Flying Kit
Build a Website Kit
- May** Personality Quiz
Ecosystem Kit
- June** Among Us Kit
Climate Kit
- August** Weather Kit
Transportation Kit
- September** Rocket Kit
Escape Room Kit



Why Infinite STEMZ?

Due to COVID-19 many students have chosen to learn virtually. The downside to virtual learning the lack of hands-on activities. The Infinite STEMZ box allows students to get hand-on experience in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) related topics.

Who are We?

We are the iRambots - also known as the WCHS Robotics Team. Our mission is to stimulate interest in STEAM using hands-on learning and real-life experiences, while encouraging creativity, communication, critical thinking skills, and collaboration to prepare students for their future. Supporting our team helps us be able to fulfill this mission.

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2021 Spirit & Competition

CHEER TRYOUTS



MANDATORY Parent Meeting April 1st

**WCHS Tryouts:
April 19th - 23rd**

**WCMS Tryouts:
April 26th -30th**

***** Girls interested in making the Competition Squad should enroll in Muscle Train Fitness tumbling classes in Albany.**

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DATES:

March 4, 2021 March 11, 2021, March 18, 2021, March 25, 2021, April 1, 2021,
April 8, 2021, April 15, 2021, April 22, 2021

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For more information, contact Ebonee Phinazee at 229-352-4275 Ext.
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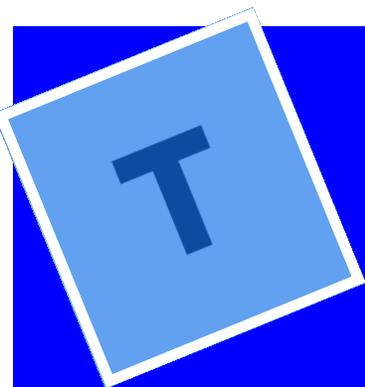
Mrs. Suggs' Class



Classroom Gardens Are In Full Swing

Worth County Middle School classroom gardens are in full swing! Participating in growing a garden helps students develop knowledge of nutrition, cause and effect, self-confidence, responsibility, and many other academic and life skills. Mrs. Suggs' class planted black-eyed peas, butter beans, carrots, corn, bell peppers, jalapeno peppers, cucumbers, and flowers. Well done students!

Source: WCSD



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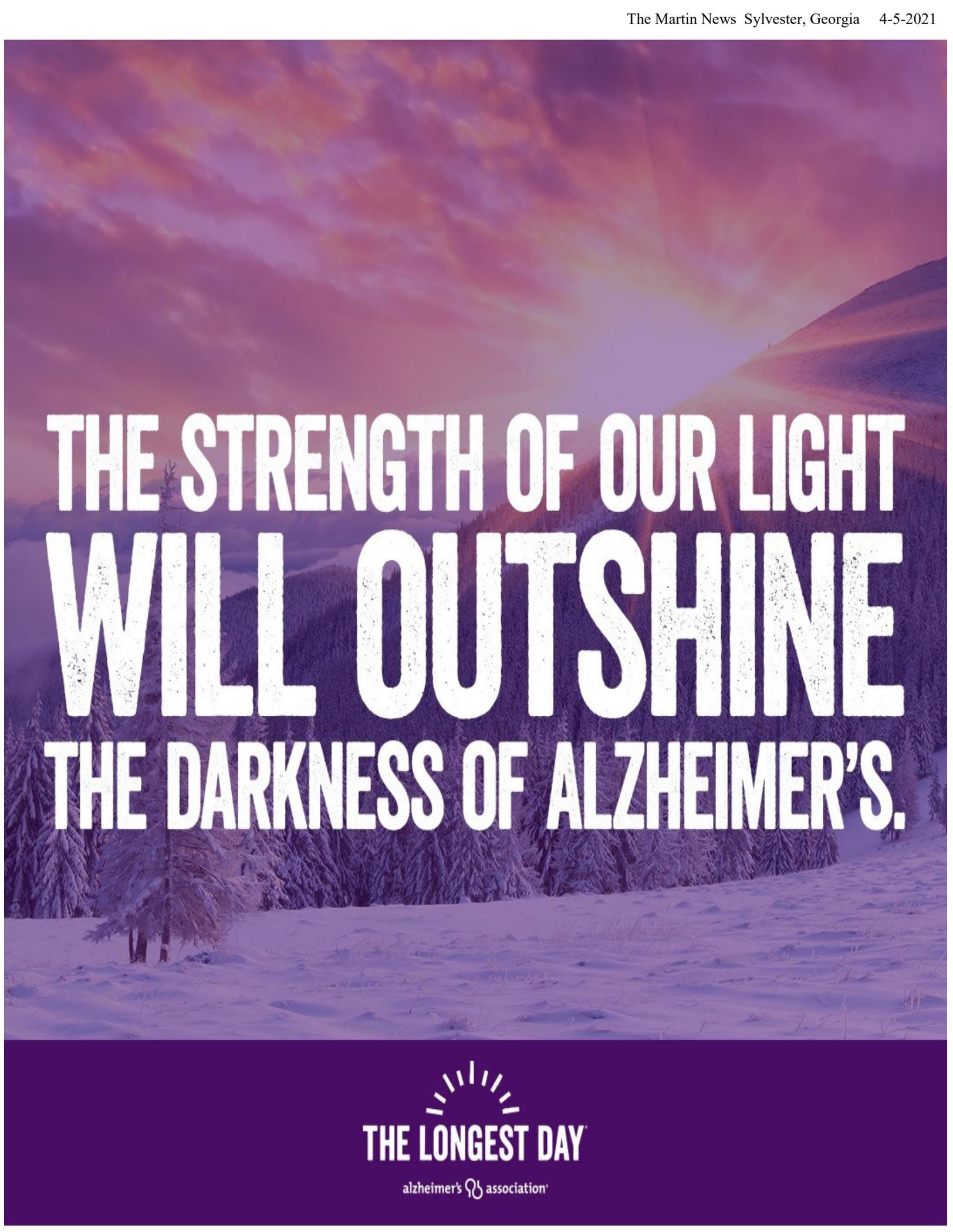
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It's A "Staycation Homecoming" This Year On ABAC Campus



Students and alumni at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College will celebrate a "Stallion Staycation" for the 2021 Homecoming Celebration April 5-10. Alumni Director Lynda Fisher said both new and traditional homecoming activities will be featured. "It has been refreshing to be able to plan events again and to see the students' excitement that their clubs will be able to compete for the Stallion Cup during the week of homecoming," Fisher said. "My hope is that this time next year we will be in full swing and have our homecoming as we have known it in the past." Events this year will be both on campus and virtual. On-campus festivities include the Golden Alumni Reunion, Sunset Remembrance Service, and the annual softball game. Virtual celebrations include Chef Jay's Kitchen-Fried Chicken edition, dorm decoration judging, alumni spirit day, and a virtual campus tour. Most are invitation only, but the remembrance service, the alumni vs. students softball game, and the Horticulture Club plant sale are open to the public. The plant sale is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. April 8-9, and 9 a.m.-noon April 10 at the J.G. Woodroof Farm. ABAC students will spend the week decorating their dorm room doors to celebrate the Staycation theme. Alumni can participate by being the judges. Voting will be through Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram on April 8. For information on homecoming activities, visit www.abac.edu/homecoming or call 229-391-4900. Pictured is Thunder, the ABAC mascot, relaxes in front of Tift Hall in preparation for the college's 'Staycation Homecoming.'



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OCTOBER 15TH
FITZGERALD
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OCTOBER 22ND
BERRIEN
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OCTOBER 29TH
EARLY CO.
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RAISE THE STANDARD

Every Tuesday morning at 10:30am, The Margaret Jones Public Library has Books and Bubbles. This is to promote early reading skills in little ones. Playing, reading and singing are simple ways to prepare young readers. Make plans to join them.

Source: MJPL



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Thank A Volunteer

There is not a day that goes by that a volunteer is not needed and there is not a day that goes by that we say thank you enough to our volunteers. Sylvester and Worth County have many great activities and events that occur in this great town but it could not happen without many volunteers and endless hours. If you ever wonder how you can give back by giving your time, always contact your local Sylvester-Worth County Chamber of Commerce. They will always have list of events and contact names and numbers of places that you can help. Contact your local schools and see what way they may need help as well. It is not always giving your money that is needed. Your time is a great thing needed. I personally volunteer for several organizations and we could always use your help. If you are interested in volunteering but do not know where to start, please email me at lmanley1210@gmail.com and I can help you get started. For everyone in Sylvester, Worth County and surrounding counties that volunteer...THANK YOU from The Martin News. We truly could not make it without you!

Source: WCSD

Ameris Bank Supports Rural Hospitals

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As part of the Georgia HEART Hospital Program, Ameris Bank has donated \$2 million in financial support to 19 rural hospitals, including Tift Regional Medical Center and Irwin County Hospital. Ameris Bank has participated in the program since 2018, contributing more than \$6 million to rural Georgia hospitals. "We are committed to supporting the health and wellbeing of those in our community and helping to create opportunities for healthy, safe and productive lives. This donation helps to provide resources that will create a positive effect for generations to come," said Ameris Bank CEO Palmer Proctor. Demographic, economic and industry challenges have caused rural hospitals in Georgia to face financial crises for years. The Georgia HEART hospital program partners with the Georgia Rural Hospital Tax Credit to increase funding to rural and critical-access hospitals.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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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?



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Georgia Peanut Commission Increases Research Funding For Research Projects in 2021 Board Approves \$886,235 In Research Projects

TIFTON, Ga. (March 30, 2021) - The Georgia Peanut Commission (GPC) board of directors has approved \$886,235 in research project funding for the 2021-22 research budget year. This action was taken during the commission's March board meeting. The research projects approved include 42 project proposals submitted from the University of Georgia, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Fort Valley State University and the USDA Agricultural Research Service. "As a peanut grower, I'm proud to invest in the Georgia Peanut Commission and in the future of the peanut industry by supporting research that continues to demonstrate a return on our investment," says Donald Chase, GPC Research Committee chairman. "We are proud of our partnership with research institutions and look forward to seeing the results which will benefit farmers in the state and the entire peanut industry." Georgia's peanut growers invest \$2 per ton annually toward GPC programs which includes research, promotion and education. The research programs primarily focus on peanut breeding, conservation methods, irrigation and water management, as well as, pests, weed and disease management. Additionally, GPC manages funding for the Southeastern Peanut Research Initiative which includes research funding of \$1,823,198 for projects in Alabama, Florida and Georgia. These projects are funded through the National Peanut Board checkoff dollars from farmers. For additional information and a complete list of the research projects funded by the Georgia Peanut Commission visit www.gapeanuts.com.



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ABAC CIO Announces Retirement



Robert Gerhart cannot wait to get his motor home, “Big Bertha,” cranked up so he and his wife can cruise the backroads of America. That time has come. Gerhart, technology vice president and chief information officer (CIO) at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, retires April 30. “We’re going to miss the people,” said Gerhart. “This is like a family; I have really grown to appreciate the sense of community that exists at ABAC. I am going to miss the friendships and acquaintances.” Gerhart and his wife, Rhonda, are retiring to Venice, Fla., but “Big Bertha” will keep them on the move across the United States. Gerhart joined the ABAC administration in May 2014. He previously was the director of operations for the College of Architecture at Georgia Tech.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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.

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. 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. Who makes your favorite? And if you cook them at home, how do you fix the best grilled cheese sandwich?

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Dates to Remember

April

- 5th ~ Worth County Schools Spring Break
- 5th ~ City of Sylvester Work Session Meeting 7pm
- 6th ~ Worth County Schools Spring Break
- 6th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Game Home
- 6th ~ Bingo at Ed's 6pm
- 6th ~ Worth County Board of Commissioners Meeting 7pm
- 7th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Game Home
- 7th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 7th ~ Worth County Schools Spring Break
- 8th ~ Worth County Schools Spring Break
- 8th ~ BFHS Meeting 6:30pm
- 9th ~ Mac Arnold & A Plate of Blue Concert 6pm
- 9th ~ Worth County Schools Spring Break
- 12th ~ WCHS Golf Away
- 13th ~ WCHS Soccer Away
- 13th ~ City of Poulan Council Meeting 6:30pm
- 13th ~ Bingo at Ed's 6pm
- 13th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Away
- 13th ~ Worth County High School 4H Meeting 3:30-5 at 4H Office
- 13th ~ City Sylvester Ward 4 Runoff Election
- 14th ~ WCHS Golf Away
- 14th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 14th ~ 4th-8th grade 4H Club Meeting at 4H Office from 3:30pm-5pm
- 15th ~ WCHS Soccer Home
- 15th ~ Worth County Board of Education Meeting 7pm
- 15th ~ Zoom into Science with 4H - Turtle Trash Collections 4pm
- 16th ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Away
- 16th ~ WCHS Soccer Home
- 16th ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 19th ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 18th ~ Black Light Extravaganza at First Baptist Church Sylvester 5pm
- 19th ~ WCHS Golf Home
- 19th ~ City of Sylvester Council Meeting 7pm
- 20th ~ City of Warwick Council Meeting 7pm
- 20th ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 20th ~ Worth County 4H Shotgun Team Fishing Raffle Drawing
- 20th ~ Bingo at Ed's 6pm
- 21st ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 21st ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Home
- 21st ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 22nd ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 23rd ~ 5th Grade 4H Meeting During Science Class at WCES
- 23rd ~ WCHS Varsity Baseball Home
- 27th ~ Sylvester - Worth County Family Connection Meeting
- 27th ~ Bingo at Ed's 6pm
- 27th ~ City of Poulan Council Meeting 6:30pm
- 28th ~ WCHS Track & Field Away
- 28th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 29th ~ WCHS Track & Field Away
- 29th ~ Zoom into Science with 4H - Don't Put Your Phone Down... Use It For Science 4pm
- 30th ~ WCHS Track & Field Away



Worth County Schools 2021-2022 Calendar

Planning (no students)
Holiday (no students or staff)
Last day of 9 weeks

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- 9/6 Labor Day
- 10/8 & 11 Fall Break
- *11/11 Veterans Day celebrations will occur at each school.
- 11/22-26 Thanksgiving Break
- 12/17 Early Dismissal
- 12/20-31 Christmas Break
- 1/17 MLK Day
- 2/21 President's Day
- 3/11 & 14 Winter Break
- 4/4-8 Spring Break
- 5/25 Last Day of School
- 5/25 Early Dismissal
- 5/28 Graduation
- 5/30 Memorial Day

Approved 3/18/21



Tift Schools Get \$23.2 Million In New Federal Aid Part of \$3.8 Billion For Georgia Schools



The Tift County School System will receive \$23.2 million in the latest round of federal stimulus funds – part of more than \$3.8 billion earmarked for Georgia's public schools, the Ga. Department of Education says. The State Board of Education on Thursday approved State School Superintendent Richard Woods' recommendation to begin allocating the funds to school districts. This is the third round of federal stimulus funding that Georgia schools have received under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act I allocations last May and CARES Act II allocations in January. The Tift County School System received \$2.7 million in CARES I funding and \$10.3 million in CARES II. "Tift County Schools will be using CARES 3 monies to update and modernize our infrastructure and facilities throughout the system," Tift schools spokesman Jonathan Judy told the Tifton Grapevine. "We have tremendous needs within our system and will be strategically implementing improvements in a way that helps fill those needs and continues preparing us for the future," Judy said. The federal legislation requires that school districts set aside at least 20 percent of the funds to address student learning loss. The remaining funds are flexible and can be used to support at-risk student populations, distance/remote learning,

school meals, mental and physical health, supplemental learning and addressing learning loss, facilities and equipment, continuity of core staff and services, and other items. The funds are allocated based on a school system's proportionate share of Title I funding – a formula that federal law requires, the state said. Title 1 provides federal money to schools with high percentages of low-income students. School systems in Tiftarea counties are receiving the following funds under the latest round of federal aid:

Tift County Schools – \$23,234,287
 Ben Hill County Schools – \$13,467,129
 Worth County Schools – \$10,605,891
 Cook County Schools – \$9,598,286
 Berrien County Schools – \$9,249,402
 Turner County Schools – \$6,589,384
 Irwin County Schools – \$4,773,019

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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UGA Recognizes Tifton’s Narke Norton Fr Following “Dream”



Narke Norton, a Tift County High, ABAC and UGA graduate, was recently one of five recipients of the University of Georgia's president's Fulfilling the Dream Award, recognizing those whose actions honor the legacy of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Norton, now assistant director for recruitment and diversity initiatives in UGA's graduate school, was profiled the other day by UGA Columns, the university online newspaper. Norton was part of the TCHS Class of 2010 and received his associate's degree at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College before earning his bachelor's and master's at UGA. He is now pursuing his doctorate in college student affairs administration with a goal of one day becoming a dean of students. He credits his mother, who pushed him to sing in public when he was 12 years old. "That performance eventually led to communicating his experiences as an underrepresented student, which led to a career dedicated to helping others find their own voices," the online newspaper wrote. "I've learned how to use my voice in places where I feel comfortable and, more importantly, where I feel challenged," Norton said. "If I see my reflection of my identity as a first-generation, rural, black student ... my mind's eye has projected what my possibilities are. I think it so important for students to see people like themselves." As a UGA staff member, Norton has volunteered to serve on numerous university committees; he has served on more than 33 of them. Norton's affiliation with UGA began when he was 15. He ap-

plied to the UGA Young Scholars Program as an intern on the Tifton campus. While earning his bachelor's degree, he served as an administrative assistant at UGA Tifton before transferring to the Athens campus.

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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YOU ARE NOT ALONE



Sylvester's 1st Annual Veteran Suicide Awareness Event

Where:

**Worth County Ag Pavillion
102 Rebecca Dr, Sylvester, GA 31791**

When: June 5, 2021

Event will begin at 10am with presentation of colors, live national anthem, dual taps, and a prayer.



Big Ticket Raffle Items \$1 per ticket

Several Food Vendors Will be Present as well as Veteran owned Valdosta Kettle Works LLC



Classic Car/Truck show

- **Oldest Around**
- **Overall Favorite**
- **Farthest Traveled**
- **Abi's Choice**

**Pre-Registration \$15
Late Registration \$20**



There will also be live music from local artist and bands



Patriotic Art Silent Auction
Any local or South Georgia artist are invited to donate a patriotic piece to be silent auctioned at the event!
Any ages are welcome!

Surprise Guest Speakers and special guest on Veteran Suicide Awareness



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All profit from this event will go directly to a well researched veteran focused local charity

If you would like to sign up for any of these events or sponsor it please contact:

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cocktails & CABARET

honoring Tony Bennett
featuring Dan Britt
& Amy Holloway



THE
LONGEST
DAY

alzheimer's association

APRIL 8

6PM - 6:30 PM

All registered The Longest Day participants who raise or make a self-donation of \$100+ between February 22 and March 5 receive a special invitation to this virtual private event!

MANDATORY PARENT &
STUDENT INTEREST MEETING

WCMS
Cheerleading
Tryouts
April 1, 2021 at 7:00pm
WCHS Gymnatorium

>Required paperwork
will be distributed at
the meeting.

>Completed paperwork
& current physical due
April 26, 2021

>Tryouts will be held
@WCMS gym
April 27-30, 2021
3:30-5:30

Questions:

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Tifton Museum of ARTS & HERITAGE APRIL CLASSES



Chocolate & a Canvas
"Beautiful Bouquet"
Tuesday, April 20
6:30pm
Registration: \$30
Supply Kit: \$3-8



Kids at Art
"Follow the Leader"
Saturday, April 24
11:00am
Registration: \$30
Supply Kit: \$3-7



**Intro to Drawing:
Architecture**
Ages: 12 - 112
Thursday, April 22
6:30pm
Registration: \$30

Register at www.tiftonmuseum.org



Students in Mrs. Cochran's class at Worth County Primary School completed their Historical Figure Research Project with a Wax Museum presentation. Students chose a historical figure, completed a research paper, and prepared a background and speech. Historical Figures present at the museum today included Bessie Coleman, Melania Trump, George W. Bush, Benjamin Franklin, Jimmy Carter, and Barbara Bush. Please visit WCPS Facebook page for more pictures. Source: WCSD



Worth County 4-H

Tomato Plant Sale

\$1 per plant

Plants are ready for pick up at the Extension 4-H Office.

204 East Franklin St. # 9 | Sylvester | 229-776-8216



Fundraiser for unrestrictive funds for Extension Programming.

Field's Funeral Home Weekly Live Show

Did you tune in to the live show this past Wednesday at 10am with Field's Funeral Home? If you missed it, don't worry! You can still go back and watch it. You can see it on Field's Funeral Home Facebook Page and on The Martin News Facebook Page. It was very good. This past Wednesday was their first live show. It will be every Wednesday morning at 10am and many of the live shows will have guests. This coming Wednesday, April 7th the guests will be the Ward 4 Candidates for the upcoming run off election on April 13th. Be sure to tune in on Wednesday morning at 10am or catch the replay after that. The Martin News is excited to be a sponsor of the show!



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