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## The Book, Let's Go Play, Donated to WCPS and WCES Classrooms

A special thanks to WCES student Jackson McCorvey for donating the book, Let's Go Play, to all Worth County Primary School and Worth County Elementary School classrooms. Let's Go Play is a book written by Shelby McCarthy that helps children learn from other children about their adaptive equipment or tools that help them throughout the day.

Jackson is the son of Allen and Chesley McCorvey. He is in the 4th grade at WCES. Recently, Jackson and his mom were talking about the book and how nice it would be if more kids could read it. And Chesley said to Jackson "why not buy one and donate it to our school and it just went from there"! Friends and family jumped on board with Jackson and helped by donating funds to help purchase the books.

Thank you, Jackson, his mom, Chesley McCorvey, and others who donated money for this purchase!

Source: WCSD & The Martin News



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The Worth County Rams Touchdown Club Presents:

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## **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

*Saturday, August 7, 2021*

Pine Knoll Country Club 409 Pineknoll Road Sylvester, GA 31791



Registration: 12pm

Tee-off: 1pm

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## Mother's Beautiful Flowers

Look at these beautiful flowers! These are my mother's (Venice Meeks) flowers. She absolutely loves them! Her mother (Louise Dupree) had a green thumb for sure. She had flowers in her yard, on her porch, in her house and in her little green house. She enjoyed them so much.

Mother gets her flowers from Pa's Plants in Sumner. She absolutely adores Mrs. Sherry and the wonderful workers there. They are so helpful to her. The flowers are so beautiful! She has them on the front porch, by the mail box and on the walk way. I see her out there every day checking on the flowers, giving them water and a little tender care. She takes such good care of them. She watches the weather religiously in order to take care of her beauties. If it is going to be chilly or cold, she has certain blankets that she covers them up with. If it is going to be very windy, she brings them all to the front porch and tucks them in very well. When I tell you she takes care of those plants, she truly does.

Do you have flowers in your yard? What is your favorite kind of flower? I am not a flower in the yard kind of person, but I love looking at mother's and all of my friends that post them on Facebook.



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# Infinite STEMZ

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## Helpful Contacts

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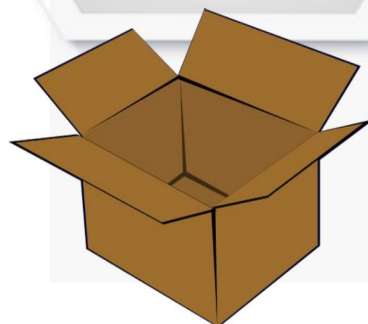
Each month, we offer two kits. You may choose to purchase both kits for **\$15** or choose just one for **\$10**.

## 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
April	Bean Kit
May	Sparks Flying Kit
June	Build a Website Kit
August	Personality Quiz
September	Ecosystem Kit
	Among Us Kit
	Climate Kit
	Weather Kit
	Transportation Kit
	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.



## Governor Kemp, State Labor Commissioner Announce Economic Recovery Plan

MAY 13, 2021 Atlanta, GA – Today Governor Brian P. Kemp and Georgia Department of Labor Commissioner Mark Butler announced Georgia's plan for reemployment and economic recovery. To address workforce shortages and boost a full economic recovery, state labor officials plan to end Georgia's participation in federal pandemic unemployment programs, effective Saturday, June 26, 2021. Over the next several weeks, state officials will provide resources for job search support, education and training opportunities, childcare and transportation services, and safe workplace initiatives for workers, families, and employers. "During truly unprecedented times, hardworking Georgians have stayed resilient and businesses of all sizes have quickly adapted to an unpredictable environment," said Governor Kemp. "Even in the middle of a global pandemic, job growth and economic development in Georgia remained strong – including an unemployment rate below the national average. To build on our momentum, accelerate a full economic recovery, and get more Georgians back to work in good-paying jobs, our state will end its participation in the federal COVID-19 unemployment programs, effective June 26th. As we emerge from this pandemic, Georgians deserve to get back to normal – and today's announced economic recovery plan will help more employees and businesses across our state do so." In accordance with Commissioner Butler's recommendations, effective Saturday, June 26, Georgia will no longer participate in the following federal programs: Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC), which provides for an additional \$300 weekly payment to recipients of unemployment compensation; Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), which provides benefits for those who would not usually qualify, such as the self-employed, gig workers, and part-time workers; Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which provides for an extension of benefits once regular benefits have been exhausted; Mixed Earner Unemployment Compensation (MEUC), which provides an additional \$100 benefit to certain people with mixed earnings. All payments under any of these federal programs will be processed and issued to eligible claimants through June 26, 2021. Once Georgia opts out of the federal programs, the Department of Labor (GDOL) will continue offering regular state unemployment insurance benefits to eligible Georgians. The maximum weekly benefit in the state is \$365. "GDOL has dispersed almost \$22 billion in the past fourteen months to support families in this crisis, paying mortgages, electric bills, and grocery tabs when Georgians were in greatest need. It is critical for us to support our economy and local businesses by providing solutions to the roadblocks many Georgians have faced when returning to work," said Labor Commissioner Mark Butler. "Right now, the state has a historic number of jobs listed on Employ Georgia. We are seeing some of the highest pay scales with enhanced benefits and signing bonuses." GDOL provides extensive online support to job seekers looking to rejoin the workforce. Claimants receive access to Employ Georgia's over 251,000 job listings, resume assistance, career counseling, skills testing, job fair information, job training services, and accessibility and special accommodations for people with disabilities and veterans transitioning back into the workplace.

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### **Keeping Children Safe in the Sun**

The risk of developing skin cancer will be substantially reduced for children who learn to "Block the sun, not the fun!" Sun Safety for Kids is dedicated to reducing the incidence of skin cancer through teaching and promoting sun protection to children. During the hour, while you are contemplating the subject of sun safety, one more American will die from skin cancer. It remains the most common type of cancer in the United States despite being such a preventable disease. Keep your children safe! Encourage or require the use of Sun-protective hats, long clothing, sunscreen and UV-blocking sunglasses. To complement more reliable methods of reducing skin exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation (such as sun avoidance, clothing, and hats) sunscreen can be very useful. However, limitations to the effectiveness of sunscreen include the following common user errors which are Failure to apply enough, uneven application / missed spots and Failure to re-apply. Because some amount of UV radiation might pass by the sunscreen, unintentional sunburn can occur. Think of these products as a back-up to other, more effective, and sun safety strategies. The sun emits a broad spectrum of radiation that includes harmless visible light as well as ultraviolet radiation. The bands of wavelengths that damage human skin are categorized as UVA and UVB. UVB rays are the main cause of the skin turning red, or exhibiting a sunburn. They can fracture the DNA in skin cells, resulting in mutations. UVA rays penetrate deeper into the skin and are the main cause of wrinkling, and discoloration. They cause the formation of damaging atoms called free radicals, and can inhibit the immune system from doing its job to prevent cancer. It is important to protect the skin from both UVA and UVB. If, and only if a sunscreen effectively filters out UVA rays as well as UVB rays (which is highly desirable) it may be labeled "Broad Spectrum." When shopping for sunscreen, always look for a product labeled "Broad Spectrum SPF" rather than simply "SPF." Certain antioxidants can augment the broad spectrum protection. Look for a mention of antioxidants on the product label but unfortunately there is not yet any rating system to help you compare antioxidant effectiveness between products. Probably the greatest drawback with sunscreen is that most people do not apply a sufficient dose. The SPF number is determined by the manufacturer using a "standard" application amount (required by the FDA) of 2 milligrams of product per square centimeter of skin. For the average adult in a bathing suit this would be a little more than one ounce, or approximately a shot glass full. (That's one quarter of the typical 4 oz. sunscreen bottle.) When a person applies less than the "standard" amount, only a fraction of the labeled SPF will be achieved. Studies have shown that the average person applies less than half the "standard" amount of sunscreen, which results in an SPF of only about one third of that labeled on the bottle. Spray on sunscreens is particularly subject to under dosing. By contrast, if more than the "standard" amount is applied, the SPF achieved will exceed that labeled on the bottle. UV causes some sunscreen ingredients to gradually deteriorate on the skin's surface in response to sun exposure. Sunscreen can also dissipate due to sweating, rubbing, and penetration into the skin. To maintain maximum effect, sunscreen should be re-applied every two hours. A single application before coming to school cannot be expected to adequately protect a child for afternoon physical education. These products must be applied liberally and, as with paint, two coats are better than one. Thus, Sun Safety for Kids coined the phrase: "Put on a lot. And don't miss a spot!"

# Adult SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2021



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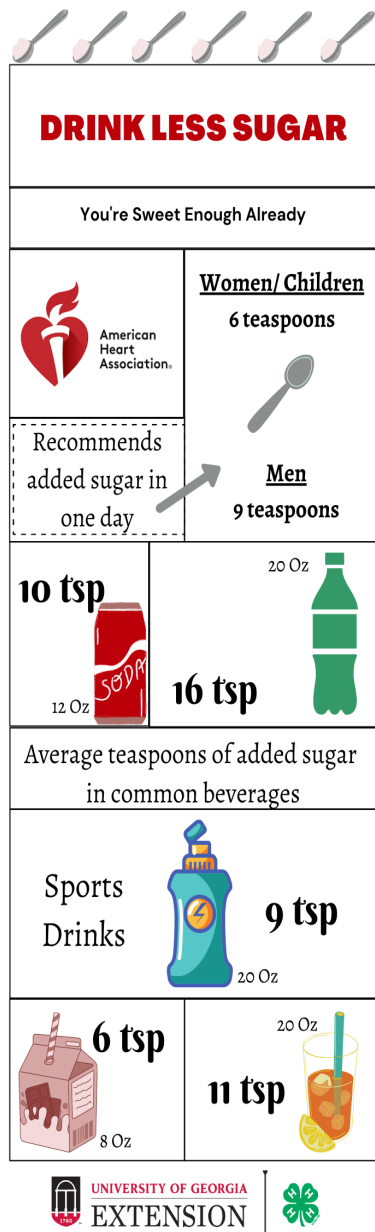


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**Drink Less Sugar – You're Sweet Enough Already****By: Kristen Ford, Worth County 4-H Agent**

Do you have a favorite soda? Many of the Worth County Primary School (WCPS) 2<sup>nd</sup> graders do too, however they started thinking differently about those sodas after a lesson on sugar. On Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup> all WCPS 2<sup>nd</sup> graders learned about added sugar in our favorite drinks. Sugar can be very tasty to eat and drink, but it can be harmful to our bodies. The American Heart Association recommends that children and female adults should have no more than 6 teaspoons (tsp) of sugar in a day. Male adults should have no more than 9 tsp per day. In order to figure out tsp from the grams on the Nutrition Facts label, you will divide the grams by 4 and multiply the sum by the number of servings. This will give you the tsp of sugar in the whole container.

An average 12 fluid ounce can of soda has 10 tsp of sugar. This is 4 more tsp than the maximum recommendation of 6 tsp per day for children. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders were asked if children should drink one soda a day. After counting out the tsp, the students said no, children should not have one soda a day. They were able to see that one soda had more sugar than the recommended amount.

The lesson also talked about how common sport drinks have 9 tsp of sugar in a 20 fluid ounce bottle. This again is more than the American Heart Association's recommendation. Students were asked about who tells them about sports drinks on commercials and why the commercials want them to buy the drinks. They also came to the conclusion that sport drinks have more sugar than a child should have in one day.

A healthier option might be juice, but you must be careful about added sugar. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders learned the difference between natural sugars found in many fruit and added sugar that companies add to their product to make them sweet. Look for "no sugar added" on labels to make sure your juice is true fruit juice.

To wrap up the lesson, water bottles were given to all 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to help them remember that water is a healthier choice. The water bottles were donated by Phoebe Worth Medical Center. The lesson was taught by Kristen Ford, Worth County 4-H Agent, Roxie Price, Tift County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, and Ashleigh Childs, Thomas County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent.

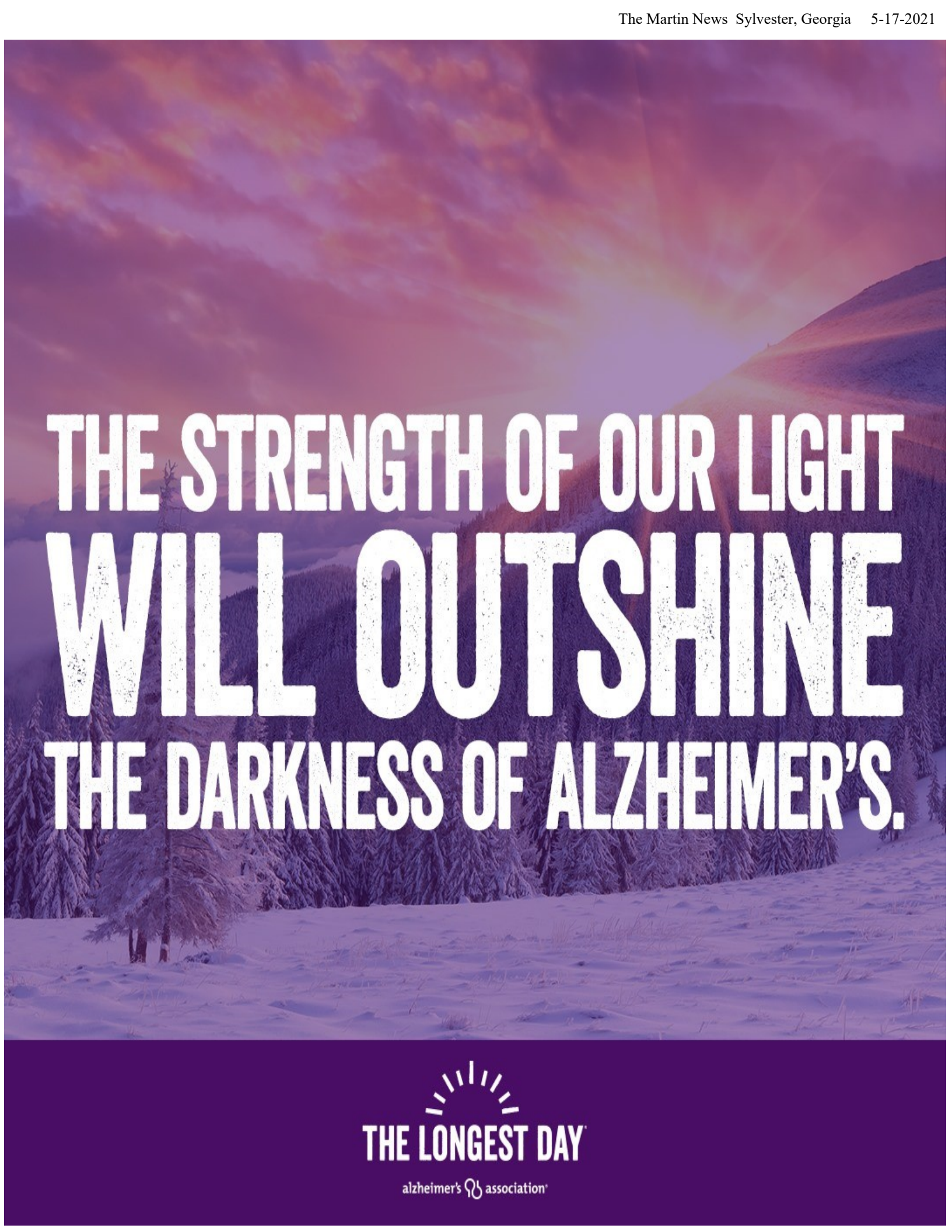
For more information about the American Heart Association's recommendation on added sugar visit <https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/healthy-eating/eat-smart/sugar/added-sugars>.

Photo: Added Sugar Infographic

***Congratulations grad's!***

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## RAISE THE STANDARD



## Toes In The Sand Paint Party

Another great paint night full of fun and beach dreamin'! Allison Kilcrease with Allison Kilcrease Art enjoys getting together every month to paint with her friends at the Margaret Jones Public Library. Please follow the Margaret Jones Public Library Facebook page for the events listed and join them at the next paint party.

Source: MJPL



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## National Hamburger Day in May

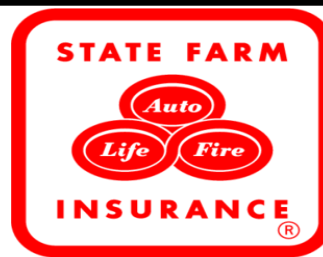
With National Hamburger Day coming up on May the 28th, let's talk burgers! Where do you get your favorite hamburger from? Or even better, what do you put on your hamburger? If I am in a plain jane kinda mood, I have cheeseburger with cheese and meat only but my hamburger has to be thin and well done-burnt. If I am in a spunky mood, I will get meat, cheese, pickles and onions on it but it still has to be real thin and done-burnt! Isn't it crazy how we all like different burgers fixed different ways. In Sylvester, there are many places that you can get a good ole burger. One burger that Sylvester is known for is the Carlton Burger. If you are from here, you definitely know what I am talking about. If you have never heard of them, it is something you should for sure try. Be sure to enjoy your favorite burger with friends and family on May the 28th.

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## New Library Hours

**Monday 9am-5:30pm**  
**Tuesday 9am-7pm**  
**Wednesday 9am-5:30pm**  
**Thursday 9am-7pm**  
**Friday 9am-5:30pm**  
**Saturday 9am-1pm**

*Evening hours are back starting in May*



## Overcoming Obstacles to Getting Active as you Age

Starting or maintaining a regular exercise routine can be a challenge at any age and it doesn't get any easier as you get older. You may feel discouraged by health problems, aches and pains, or concerns about injuries or falls. If you've never exercised before, you may not know where to begin, or perhaps you think you're too old or frail, can never live up to the standards you set when you were younger. Or maybe you just think that exercise is boring. While these may seem like good reasons to slow down and take it easy as you age, they're even better reasons to get moving. Becoming more active can energize your mood, relieve stress, help you manage symptoms of illness and pain, and improve your overall sense of well-being. And reaping the rewards of exercise doesn't have to involve strenuous workouts or trips to the gym. It's about adding more movement and activity to your life, even in small ways. No matter your age or physical condition, it's never too late to get your body moving, boost your health and outlook, and improve how you age. I know personally at the age of 41, I am not trying to win Miss America but I do want to feel good and when you feel good you look even better. Try just going on a stroll around the neighborhood. I have started walking and I actually take a different route every time I go walking. It's in the same area but not necessarily the same streets which allows for different scenery and makes it feel like a fun walk verses a marathon. I usually walk one mile to three miles but the key to walking longer is staying hydrated so be sure to take a bottle of water with you, don't walk in the hottest part of the day and start out slow. Remember you are not trying to win the race, you are just wanting to finish it.

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# **Georgia 4-H Watermelon Growing Contest**

**Who: K-12<sup>th</sup> graders**

**Weighed by Extension Office:  
Tuesday, July 27, 2021**

**Winners Announced:  
Tuesday, August 3, 2021  
National Watermelon Day**

**Cash Prizes for State Winners!**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b>
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# Dates to Remember

## May

- 17th ~ WCHS Golf
- 17th ~ Tifton City Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 17th ~ End of Grade Assessment WCES/WCMS
- 18th ~ WCHS Golf
- 18th ~ Bingo at Ed's
- 18th ~ High School 4H Meeting 330pm-5pm
- 18th ~ Albany Museum of Art - Art Lovers Book Club 6pm
- 18th ~ American Red Cross Blood Drive at Dougherty County Community 1pm-6pm
- 18th ~ Books & Bubbles at The Margaret Jones Public Library
- 18th ~ End of Grade Assessment WCES/WCMS
- 19th ~ End of Grade Assessment WCES/WCMS
- 19th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 19th ~ Brews & Bingo at Pretoria Fields 6pm-8pm
- 19th ~ Family Tree Help at Margaret Jones Public Library 1pm-5pm
- 19th ~ 4th-8th Grade 4H Club Meeting 330pm-5pm
- 20th ~ Worth County Board of Education Meeting
- 20th ~ Trivia at Pretoria Fields 7pm
- 20th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 21st ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 21st ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 21st ~ Paint for the Pets BFHS 6PM
- 22nd ~ May Story and Paint Time at the Clay Spot
- 22nd ~ Tift County Graduation 7:45am at Brodie Field
- 22nd ~ Sam Shortline Presidential Flyer Excursion
- 24th ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 24th ~ WCHS Fast Pitch Varsity Softball Tryouts
- 24th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 25th ~ WCHS Fast Pitch Varsity Softball Tryouts
- 25th ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 25th ~ Bingo at Ed's
- 25th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 25th ~ Sylvester - Worth County Family Connections Meeting
- 25th ~ Books & Bubbles at The Margaret Jones Public Library
- 26th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 26th ~ Brews & Bingo at Pretoria Fields 6pm-8pm
- 26th ~ WCHS Fast Pitch Varsity Softball Tryouts
- 26th ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 26th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 27th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 27th ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 27th ~ American Red Cross Blood Drive at Byne Memorial Baptist Church 2pm-7pm
- 27th ~ Trivia at Pretoria Fields 7pm
- 28th ~ 4H Meeting for 5th Grade at WCES During Science Class
- 28th ~ Yoga in the Gallery at Albany Museum of Art
- 28th ~ End of Course Assessment at WCMS/WCHS
- 29th ~ Party for the Planet at Chehaw 10am-2pm
- 31st ~ Happy Memorial Day from The Martin News
- 31st ~ Worth County Schools Closed for Holiday
- 31st ~ Memorial Day Parade in Sylvester 10am



## Think Tifton



### State Names SRTC Tifton Student As A Finalist For GA Technical Education Leadership Award

Noemi Reyes of Tifton, a practical nursing student at Southern Regional Technical College (SRTC), on Monday was named one of the top nine Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL) delegates in the state. The announcement by the Technical College System of Georgia allows Reyes to compete in state-level judging on May 18. She had been named SRTC's 2021 GOAL winner in March. GOAL is a statewide program that focuses on academic excellence and personal achievement in technical education. The winning GOAL student serves as an ambassador for technical education in Georgia. Reyes, 18, has overcome language difficulties and generational poverty to be the first in her large family to earn a college degree. She is the oldest of six, and her grandfather's 12 children all lived together in one home when she was born. As her family grew, they continued to live, work, worship, and raise children close together. Her aunts and uncles have provided her with 30 cousins. She said that college was not a consideration when she was growing up. "I always struggled in school. English is my second language, and it was very difficult for me to learn to speak and write. I lived in a household where no one spoke English, so there was no one to help me with my homework. Kids bullied me for not knowing how to pronounce words correctly or how to say my classmates' names. I hated school and did not believe that I could be successful," Reyes said. She credits her late grandfather, who died of COVID-19 complications last summer, with turning around her attitude. "He explained that there would always be someone to hurt your feelings or try to keep you from pursuing a dream, but that it was up to me whether or not I met my goals, and doing my best was all that mattered. From that day on, I knew I needed to worry less about the thoughts of other people. I decided then to perform well in school, to attend college, to get a good job, to help my family with finances, to get us out of working in the fields, and to show my siblings that it is possible to do all these things even in our circumstances," Reyes said. A dual enrollment student while in high school, Reyes will now graduate from SRTC's practical nursing program this July. She plans to continue her education through SRTC's LPN-RN bridge program.

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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## New Tift School Offices Open In Former School



With community fanfare, the Tift County School System formally opened its newly renovated administrative offices Friday in the former Annie Belle Clark School in Tifton's Historic District. The ribbon cutting was followed by tours of the \$2.8 million restoration of the building that housed schools since its construction in 1927. The structure at 506 West 12th St., started as Tifton Junior High School, served as Annie Belle Clark

Elementary for a half-century and later as the school system's Pre-K Center. It had been largely vacant for the past two years. The facility has now been transformed to handle modern needs and technology. School officials said they hope the building will continue to serve the community for another 100 years. The school system's previous offices on Ridge Avenue were labeled as the "Board of Education," which school officials said had caused some confusion; some folks thought that BOE members had personal offices in there. The 12th Street building is now labeled as "Tift County Schools Administrative Offices," which officials say better describes the facility.

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## Georgia Peanut Commission Hosting 2022 Calendar Photo Contest

TIFTON, Ga. (May 12, 2021) - The Georgia Peanut Commission is hosting a photo contest May 12-Oct. 1, 2021, to fill the pages of the 2022 Georgia Peanut Calendar. Photos will also be selected to be used in various promotional projects by GPC throughout the year. Peanut farmers from across Georgia are encouraged to submit their best high-resolution photo of peanut production on their farm. Winning entries will be selected for each month of the calendar, as well as the cover page. Below are tips to consider when selecting a photo to enter: Make sure the photo is not offensive and avoid photos with large, easy to read corporate logos. Think about the months of the year and select photos that represent them. For example, land prep work in the winter, planting in the spring, irrigation in the summer and harvest in the fall. Make sure photos are taken in horizontal format. If they are vertical, most likely they will not fill the entire page of the calendar. Select a photo that showcases your family or what being a Georgia peanut farmer means to you. Choose a photo you feel helps others understand more about how you care for the crop they love. Photo entries must be taken during the 2020 or 2021 peanut crop year and feature peanut production. Entries must also be high resolution (300 dpi), horizontal and not taken with a phone; otherwise, they may be disqualified. Please submit photos in .jpg format and submit them with the online entry form provided on [www.gapeanuts.com](http://www.gapeanuts.com) by Oct. 1, 2021, for consideration. Winning entries will be entered for a chance to win a Visa gift card. Visit [www.gapeanuts.com](http://www.gapeanuts.com) for complete details.

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For more information, please call 776-2096





Co-Hosted by American Legion Post 335 and The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 335

# 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.**

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



**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!



### Classic Car/Truck show

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

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

**Surprise Guest Speakers  
and special guest  
on Veteran Suicide  
Awareness**



**Big Ticket  
Raffle Items  
\$1 per ticket**



There will also  
be live music  
from local  
artist and  
bands



# SAVE 22

**AWARENESS IS THE ANSWER**



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

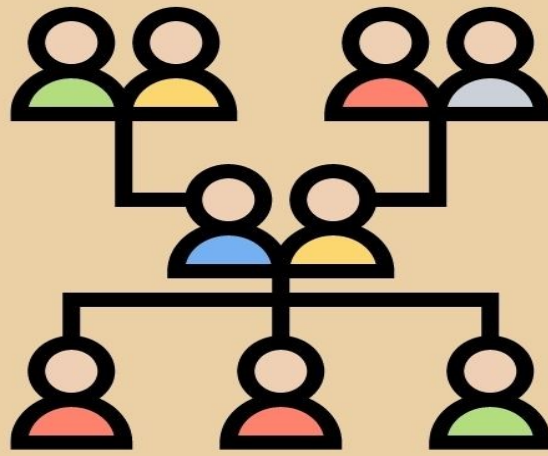
**If you would like to sign up for any of these  
events or sponsor it please contact:**

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# **FAMILY TREE HELP AT MJPL**

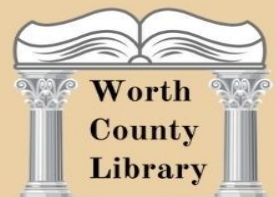
Members of the Barnard Trail Chapter of the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) will be at the library to answer genealogy or DAR related questions.

When: Wednesday, May  
19th 1-5pm

Where: Margaret Jones  
Public Library



Walk-ins are welcome or  
appointments can be made  
by calling 776-2096



## SRTC Tifton Receives \$200,000 Grant From Coca-Cola United, Rural Development Partners



Coca-Cola Bottling Co. United and Rural Development Partners (RDP) have jointly funded a \$200,000 investment in technical and industrial education in South Georgia through RDP's Community Investment Program. The collaborative grant has been awarded to the Southern Regional Technical College Foundation, which will use the funds to support SRTC's technical and industrial programs and students in the Tiftarea. "This gift will directly benefit students now

and in the future, who will, in turn, strengthen the Tifton area workforce," said SRTC President Jim Glass. The grants includes \$50,000 to create and maintain a new SRTC scholarship benefitting technical and industrial students living in Tift, Turner, Worth and Colquitt counties. The \$500 scholarship will help the college recruit students and assist enrolled students. The gift will make scholarships available each semester. The remainder of the grant monies will benefit technical and industrial programs at SRTC Tifton, including the popular commercial truck-driving program. Coca-Cola United, headquartered in Birmingham, Ala., is the second largest privately held Coca-Cola bottler in North America and the third largest Coca-Cola bottler in the U.S., and is opening a \$60 million sales and distribution center in Tifton. Rural Development Partners is a community development firm with a nationwide service area that uses new markets tax credits to encourage businesses to expand in distressed rural communities. Pictured from left are Jennifer Oglesby, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. United (CCBCU) employee relations manager; Rhen Coley, CCBCU sales operations manager; Charlie Yawn, CCBCU sales center manager; Damon Harmon, CCBCU warehouse manager; Amy Maison, SRTC vice president for institutional advancement, marketing and public relations; Travis Epps, warehouse operations manager; Jim Glass, SRTC president; Justin Butler, sales operations manager; and Erin Thompson, office manager.

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## 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 a great show. The guest was Mr. M. Jay Hall of the Tifton City Council. Be sure to tune in this Wednesday morning or catch the replay after the show. The Martin News is excited to be a sponsor of the show! If your business or organization wants to be a part of it, please contact Fields's Funeral Home.



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