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Christmas in July!



BOOKS & BLANKETS COLLECTION CHRISTMAS CLEARING HOUSE

HELP MAKE THIS CHRISTMAS SPECIAL!

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING **NEW** ITEMS FOR CHILDREN (0 MONTHS - 10 YEARS OLD) AND SENIOR CITIZENS.

EACH MONTH LEADING UP TO DECEMBER, WE WILL BE ASKING FOR VARIOUS ITEMS IN AN EFFORTS TO BLESS SOMEONES CHRISTMAS. YOU CAN HELP BY MAKING ANY SIZE DONATION (MONETARY OR GIFT).

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE ITEMS BESIDES THE SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR EACH MONTH, FEEL FREE TO DO SO. ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW AND UNOPENED. PLEASE NO KNIFES, GUNS OR SWORDS!



The Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce is kicking-off their Annual Christmas Clearing House and they kindly ask that you consider making a donation. For each month leading up to their give-away in December they will be asking for certain items. July is Books & Blankets Collection.

Of course, donations are not limited to the certain monthly items. They welcome any of the following items: Non-Perishable Food, Toys (Ages 0-10), Socks, Books, Learning Toys, Scarves, Clothing (0-10 years), Blankets, Space Heaters & Much More.

All donations made go directly back in the Sylvester-Worth County Community. They kindly ask that all donated items are new! No donation is too small!

Source: Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce



Worth County Schools 2021-2022 Calendar

Planning (no students)

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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



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Stuff The Bus

Back to school is right around the corner and school supplies will be needed soon. There are many families that are in need of help to get their supplies. United Way has partnered with Family Connection to fill the supply closet for the following counties in need: Dougherty, Lee, Terrell, Worth and Sumter County. Will you help us stuff the bus?

On July 20th, you can help by dropping off supplies at one of the following locations:

Piggly Wiggly parking lot, 631 E Franklin St, Sylvester from 9am-5pm Modern Gas, 1335 US-82, Leesburg from 9am-5pm Roses parking lot, 839 Forrester Drive SE, Dawson from 9am-5pm Sumter County Middle School, 200 Industrial Blvd, Americus from 9am-5pm WALB, 1709 Stuart Ave, from 6 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

This will help give school supplies for students in need. All supplies will stay in your community and your school system. Below is a list of the school supplies that are needed:

1 and 2-inch binders binder dividers composition notebooks crayons glue sticks index cards highlighters rulers headphones, earbuds No. 2 pencils notebook paper

We hope to see you all on July 20th to help us stuff the bus and help those in need.



2021-2022 Worth County Primary School Supply Lists

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
2 pack of 16 or 24 count crayons	2 packs of 16 or 24 count crayons	2 packs of 16 or 24 count crayons
2 packs of 2 count pink erasers	2 packs of 2 count pink erasers	3 packs of 2 count pink erasers
1 pair of blunt end scissors	1 pair of blunt end scissors	1 pair of blunt end scissors
2 packs of pencils (no mechanical pencils) **Ticonderoga brand preferred*	3 packs of pencils (no mechanical pencils) **Ticonderoga brand preferred*	4 packs of pencils (no mechanical pencils) **Ticonderoga brand preferred*
Pencil box or pouch	6 large glue sticks *Elmer's brand preferred	12 large glue sticks *Elmer's brand preferred
6 large glue sticks *Elmer's brand preferred	1 pencil box	1 zippered pencil pouch
3 Boxes of Kleenex	3 Boxes of Kleenex	1 pack of EXPO dry erase markers
5 Boxes of Rieenex	5 Boxes of Kieenex	One 1.5 inch 3 ring binder
Headphones (not earbuds) *Your child will need headphones all year long. If he or she breaks	1 pack of EXPO dry erase markers	3 Boxes of Kleenex
or misplaces their pair you will need to provide another pair.	3 rolls of paper towels	3 rolls of paper towels
2 packs of EXPO dry erase markers (1 thick & 1 thin) 4 rolls of paper towels	Headphones (not earbuds) *Your child will need headphones all year long. If he or she breaks or misplaces their pair you will need to provide another pair.	Headphones (not earbuds) *Your child will need headphones all year long. If he or she breaks or misplaces their pair you will
Clear Book bag without wheels		need to provide another pair.
(large enough for an agenda to fit in)	Clear Book bag without wheels (large enough for an agenda to fit	Clear Book bag without wheels (large enough for an agenda to fit in)
1 change of clothing (including underwear and socks) to be kept in the classroom. Please LABEL all articles of clothing and store in a Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name.	in) The following items are not required but, would be greatly appreciated:	The following items are not required but, would be greatly appreciated:
Rest towel (for the first two weeks of school ONLY)	 1 box gallon Ziploc bags 1 box quart Ziploc bags 	 1 box gallon Ziploc bags
The following items are not required but, would be greatly appreciated: 1 box gallon Ziploc bags 1 box quart Ziploc bags 2 boxes of baby wipes (one for class and one for art) 	 2 boxes of baby wipes (one for class and one for art) 1 box of Band-Aids 	 1 box quart Ziploc bags 2 boxes of baby wipes (one for class and one for art) 1 box of Band-Aids 1 can Lysol

• 1 box of Band-Aids



Pre-K Supply List Worth County Primary School 2021-2022



- 2 boxes of baby wipes
- 2 boxes of Kleenex tissues
- 1 box of gallon size Ziploc bags
- 1 box of sandwich size Ziploc bags
 - 2 rolls of paper towels
 - Pack of sheet protectors
 - Plastic pencil box

<u>The following items should be LABELED with your child's name:</u>

- Personal Water Bottle
- Small towel for nap time (no beach towels or blankets)
- NO NAP PADS/MATS/ROLLS (due to limited space)
- CLEAR Book Bag (large enough for nap towel & student agenda)
- Change of clothes (including socks & underwear)
- <u>1-inch binder</u> with clear cover (for scrapbook)
- \$7.00 for class shirt (for field trips, programs, Field Day)
- Family picture for "Our Family" board



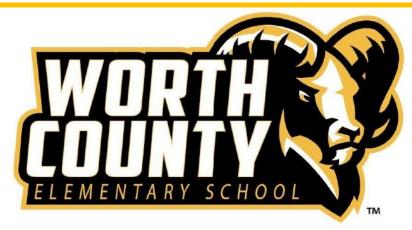
WCHS Competition Cheerleader Mini Cheer Camp July 26th - July 28th from 9am - 12pm Worth County High School Gym \$45.00/ child by June 30th, 2021 \$55.00/ child after June 30th, 2021

Articles That Make Your Mind Go Back In Time



So I don't know if you all saw recently an article about clothes patterns but there has been just over 83,000 clothes patterns that have been put online for downloading. Boy when I read that, the memories started flowing. I can remember when both of my grandmothers, Louise Dupree and Lorene Meeks, would sew and quilt. I always wanted to. To be like your grandmothers when I was little was someone everyone wanted to be. I can remember one time Granny Dupree was going to help me to learn how to piece a quilt together before the quilting process. I learned to cut the patterns. She used a card board box to cut a square design to follow then you used your cloth material scissors which was the scissors only used to cut

material and nothing else. I would cut material and then learn to sew each square together. I just never got as far as I needed. She would always show me how to do things. Now about those scissors.... She meant business! You were not to cut anything but cloth material and if you did you were in BIG trouble. And please don't think you could cut paper with them and not get caught.. WRONG! I got caught every time! She didn't even have to see you do it. She could tell by the way the scissors cut. I definitely miss the good ole days of being young and learning from my grandmothers. Now even though I did not learn to sew or quilt, I do have all those memories of spending time with them and watching them sew and quilt. Sharing those memories with others make those times wonderful to remember.



WORTH COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2021-2022 SUPPLY LIST

3RD GRADE

- clear book bag (no wheels)
- pencil pouch
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue pens
- small pack of crayons
- colored pencils
- student scissors
- due sticks
- medium sized pink erasers
- wide ruled notebook paper
- headphones/earbuds (nothing expensive, to be used on Chromebooks; and only if you want your child to have their own.)

The following are not required, but are recommended:

- Face mask
- Water bottle

***See homeroom teacher for specifics on type and quantity of folders/binders/ notebooks. One 3 ring notebook will be sufficient for the first few days of school.

<u>HTH GRADE</u>

- clear book bag (no wheels)
- pencil pouch
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue pens
- small pack of crayons
- colored pencils
- highlighters
- pack of dividers
- gue sticks
- student scissors
- wide ruled notebook paper
- headphones/earbuds (nothing expensive, to be used on Chromebooks; and only if you want your child to have their own)

The following are not required, but are recommended:

- Face mask
- Water Bottle
- ***See homeroom teacher for specifics on type and quantity of folders/binders/ notebooks. One 3 ring notebook will be sufficient for the first few days of school

5th GRADE

- clear book bag (no wheels)
- pencil pouch
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue pens
- highlighters
- colored pencils
- gue sticks
- student Scissors
- pack of dividers
- index cards
- post-it/sticky notes
- wide ruled notebook paper
- headphones/earbuds (nothing expensive, to be used on Chromebooks; and only if you want your child to have their own)

The following are not required, but are recommended:

- Face mask
- Water Bottle

***See homeroom teacher for specifics on type and quantity of folders/binders/ notebooks. One 3 ring notebook will be sufficient for the first few days of school.

Staying Safe in the Heat this Summer

With this South Georgia humidity and heat, you can never get too much education on this topic! Extreme heat is defined as summertime temperatures that are much hotter and/or humid than average. Because some places are hotter than others, this depends on what's considered average for a particular location at that time of year. Humid and muggy conditions can make it seem hotter than it really is. Heat-related illnesses, like heat exhaustion or heat stroke, happen when the body is not able to properly cool itself. While the body normally cools itself by sweating, during extreme heat, this might not be enough. In these cases, a person's body temperature rises faster than it can cool itself down. This can cause damage to the brain and other vital organs. Some factors that might increase your risk of developing a heat-related illness include: High levels of humidity, Obesity, Fever, Dehydration, Prescription drug use, Heart disease, Mental illness, Poor circulation, Sunburn and Alcohol use. Older adults, the very young, and people with mental illness and chronic diseases are at highest risk. However, even young and healthy people can be affected if they participate in strenuous physical activities during hot weather. Summertime activity, whether on the playing field or the construction site, must be balanced with actions that help the body cool itself to prevent heat-related illness. Use this website to learn more on how to stay safe in the heat this summer, including how to prevent, recognize, and cope with heat-related illness. Stay safe this hot summer.





The Worth County Rams Touchdown Club Presents:

Three Man Scramble

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 7, 2021

Pine Knoll Country Club 409 Pineknoll Road Sylvester, GA 31791



Registration:12pm

Tee-off:1pm

Cost: \$300 per team

This includes entry into all events, 18-holes of golf, riding cart, lunch, and chance to win various prizes!

Longest Drive - Closest to the Pin – 4 mulligans per person

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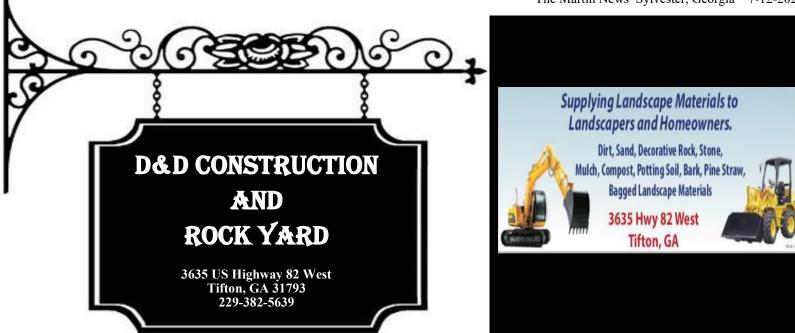
To Register Contact: Will Peacock (229) 881-9921

All proceeds will benefit the Worth County Rams Touchdown Club which is for Middle School and High School Rams



A Day at the Beach

A trip to the beach can be a fun, relaxing way to spend your summer vacation. Included are some tips to keep your beach trip safe. Obey the signs. Warning flags come in different colors and have different meanings depending on which state you are in. Green flags usually indicate ideal swimming conditions while red flags usually indicate strong current and rough surf. If swimming is permitted during red flag conditions, it is best to swim near a lifeguard station for additional safety. Be prepared for ocean swimming. Ocean swimming is much different than swimming in a pool. There are strong waves, marine life, an uneven ocean floor, and possible sharp shells or rocks. Rip currents often form near piers and therefore swimming near them is not recommended. If you find yourself stuck in a rip current, it is important to swim parallel to the shoreline. Once you are out of the current, turn and swim towards the beach. It is best not to swim alone. If you are just beginning to swim, a life jacket should be worn for added safety. Pack the necessities. The beach gets hot in the summer. It is important to stay hydrated and cool. Some beach necessities include water, a beach umbrella or hat, sandals, sunglasses, sunscreen, a towel and a chair. Heat stroke or exhaustion can occur from too much sun exposure. If you have nausea, dizziness, headache, fatigue, or feel uncomfortable in any way, seek shade and drink water to cool down your body temperature. If symptoms persist, see a medical professional as soon as possible. Be aware of the weather. Check the weather before planning a day at the beach and pay attention to the weather while you are at the beach. Storms can roll in quickly. Thunderstorms with lightening do not mix well with open beach spaces and ocean water. If you are at the beach when a storm comes in, exit the water immediately and seek shelter until the storm passes. Share your day at the beach with your pets. Some beaches allow pets on the beach during certain seasons and some allow them all year long. If pets are allowed on the beach you are visiting, follow the rules allowed by the beach and be sure to clean up afterwards. Bring water to keep your pet hydrated and safe. Following these tips will help to ensure that you have a fun and safe day at the beach! For more information on beach safety, visit www.coastalchange.org.



Springin' Up The Yard!















READ 10 BOOKS TO EARN A LIBRARY BAG BETWEEN MAY 6TH AND JULY 30TH. THE FIRST BOOKMARK AND EVERY ADDITIONAL BOOKMARK OF 10 WILL BE ENTERED IN THE DRAWING FOR A GRAND PRIZE.

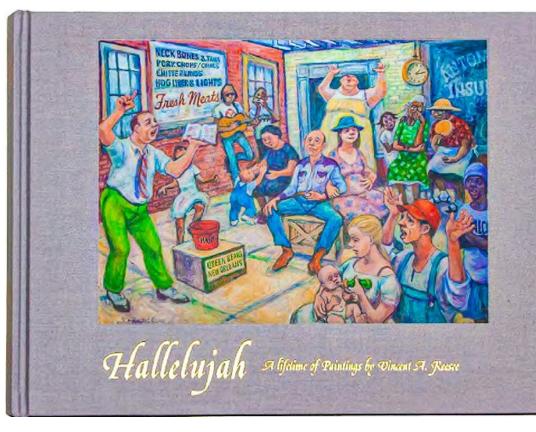


All bookmarks must be submitted at the Margaret Jones Public Library by July 30th.

For more information, please contact us at 776-2096 or at worthlib.org.



ABAC Renames Scholarship To Honor Vincent Keesee



The newly renamed Dr. and Mrs. Vincent A. Keesee and Marian Girtman Scholarship at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College will enable art students to carry on Keesee's legacy; he was a retired ABAC art and humanities professor who died in March. "Dr. Keesee was a beloved member of the ABAC faculty and shared his love of art with many on campus and in the community," said Dr. Deidre Martin, ABAC chief development officer. "We are honored to

have this endowed scholarship bearing his name and the name of his wife and mother-in-law. It will benefit students on our campus for years to come." Keesee spent 30 years as a faculty member and originally created the scholarship in 1982 as the Marian Girtman Art Scholarship, named for the mother of his wife, Marianna. The renamed scholarship will be partially funded from proceeds of a coffee-table art book showcasing a collection of Keesee's artwork. "Hallelujah: A Lifetime of Paintings" is an autobiographical book filled with Keesee's artwork inspired by faith and life in the South. The book includes descriptions and reflections alongside his figurative and narrative art from 1953-2019.

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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UGA Tifton Student Named National Undergraduate Scholar



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Samantha Wegener, a UGA Tifton student involved in research to improve cotton fiber quality, is one of six students nationally selected as a 2021 Borlaug Undergraduate Scholar, a competitive program awarded by the National Association of Plant Breeders. Her work focuses on understanding the expression of genes transferred from sea island cotton into upland cotton through transcriptomics the set of RNA transcripts produced by the cotton genome. Her ultimate goal is to identify the genes that enhance the length of cotton fibers through the hybridization of the two species. Wegener received a small grant from the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences' Undergraduate Research Program to fund her research; earlier this year, she presented her results at the Beltwide Cotton Conference, the nation's top cotton research conference. "Sam is very intelligent, has a strong

work ethic and is highly driven to pursue her career goal of becoming a plant breeder. I believe Sam has a bright future and has great potential to make a significant impact in the field of plant breeding and genetics," said Professor Peng Chee of the University of Georgia Tifton campus. This summer, Wegener is working with Christopher Saski, associate professor of systems genomics at Clemson University, to use CRISPR technology to study the function of the genes she has identified. In the Saski Lab, she is learning transformation technology, which she hopes will help identify new clues on improving cotton fiber quality. After earning her bachelor's degree in agriscience and environmental systems with an emphasis in plant breeding and genetics, Wegener plans to pursue a master's degree through UGA's Institute of Plant Breeding, Genetics and Genomics while continuing to work in the Chee lab. Her goal is to make discoveries in plant breeding and contribute to agricultural biotechnology improvements.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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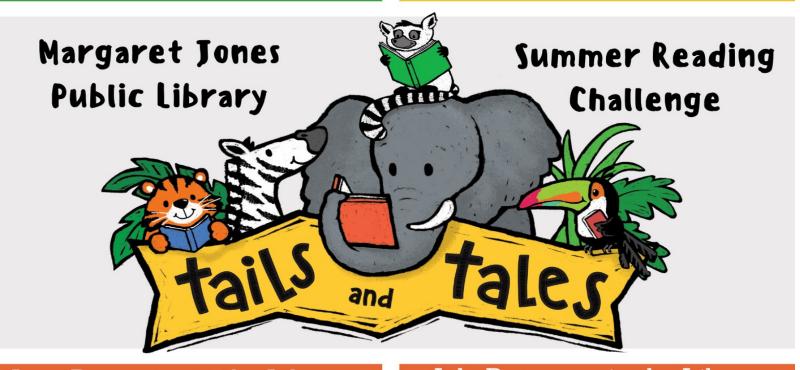


Think Tifton

Sign up begins in May. Pick up a book tracker at the library. Print books or digital books count towards your reading goal.



Kids, teens and adults are invited to read for prizes this summer! Kids win a water bottle and a ticket to the party. Teens and adults win a bag.



June Programs in the Library Toddlers on Tuesdays, 10:30 am 6/14 Live Animal Show, 2 pm 6/20-7/2 Book Fair, daily 6/22 Magic Show, 2 pm 6/24 Purr-fect Pet Care with Best Friends Humane Society, 2 pm 6/30 Stuffed Animal Bingo, 2 pm July Programs in the Library Toddlers on Tuesdays, 10:30 am 7/3, 7/5 Library closed 7 /8 Critter Tales, 2 pm 7/14 Unicorn Paint & Story, 2 pm 7/20 End of Summer Party, 2 pm

> For more information, call 776–2096 or visit worthlib.org

202I WORTH CO. FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

AUGUST 13TH PELHAM WORTH CO. STADIUM

AUGUST 20TH TURNER CO. Worth Co. Stadium

AUGUST 27TH MITCHELL CO. Worth Co. Stadium

SEPTEMBER 3RD AMERICUS-SUMTER ALTON SHELL STADIUM

> SEPTEMBER IOTH RUTLAND WORTH CO. STADIUM

SEPTEMBER 24TH TIFT CO. BRODIE FIELD

OCTOBER IST COOK COOK HIGH SCHOOL

OCTOBER 8TH THOMASVILLE VETERANS MEMORIAL STADIUM

> OCTOBER ISTH FITZGERALO WORTH CO. STADIUM

OCTOBER 22ND BERRIEN RRYMOND JONES MEMORIAL STADIUM

> OCTOBER 25TH EARLY CO. WORTH CO. STADIUM

RAISE THE STANDARD

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The Worth County Rams Football Team, under the direction of Coach Phillip Ironside, is working very hard this Summer despite the hot South Georgia temperatures. They are working diligently to accomplish a great upcoming season. The boys have had a few treats this Summer. One being sno cones from Sno Biz and the other being some good ole watermelon! Thank you to the community for your continued support. Coach Ironside and staff appreciates you all! The Rams are looking forward to an amazing season. Go Rams!





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Thank you for your loyalty. We appreciate you.



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Kids Day in the Park Returns

Men United is excited to announce that Kids Day in the Park will be back this year. It will held on September 4th from 11am to 4pm. This event was very near and dear to Mr. Larry Johnson's heart and Men United is striving to make it one of the best! Please make plans to join them at Jefford's Park. If you are interested in donating to this event, please contact Mr. Greg Walker at 229-339-2397.

Due to COVID-19, last year was a very slow year for Men United but they are excited to be back in the community as they have been busy helping with Sylvester's Summer Camp this year. They have enjoyed cooking for the children and camp staff as well as just seeing everyone again.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

Meals Provided To Students Through Out Worth County



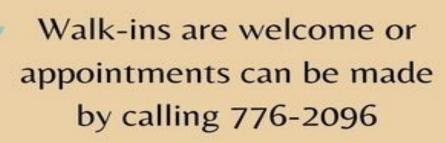
Worth County School Nutrition provided 650 meals to students recently throughout Worth County! Each meal box contained breakfast and lunch for an entire week. A huge thank you to Worth County School Nutrition, Maintenance, and Transportation Department members for working together to prepare and distribute the meals. Even some high school football players jumped in to help! The next delivery dates are: Wednesday, July 14th and July 21st. For a letter detailing drop off locations and times, please visit Worth County Schools Facebook page photos for the letter.

Source: Worth County Schools

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, July 21st 1-3pm Where: Margaret Jones Public Library







Georgia 4-H Watermelon Growing Contest

Who: K-12th graders

Weighed by Extension Office: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

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

Cash Prizes for State Winners! 1st place 2nd place 3rd place \$100 \$50 \$25

> Worth County Extension Office/4-H 204 East Franklin St. #9 Sylvester, GA 31791 229-776-8216











Presented by: Men United Club, Inc. Worth County Family Connection

WORTH COUNTY SCHOOLS

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HOUSE MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021

Worth County Primary School and Worth County Elementary School 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Worth County Middle School Worth County High School and Worth County Achievement Center 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Bachelor's Degrees " Changed Everything" At ABAC, Bridges Says Source: Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College



When Dr. David Bridges became the 10th president of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College on July 1, 2006, he had two main goals: "I knew we had to find a way to ensure the viability of the institution for the next 100 years, and we had to promote a sense of excellence across the curriculum," he said. "Bachelor's degrees were the key to both of those goals." Bachelor's degree graduates walked across the ABAC stage in Gressette Gymnasium for the first time at the 2009 commencement. Until then, ABAC had been a twoyear college for 75 years. "Bachelor's degrees changed everything. I don't think ABAC had a fu-

ture as a two-year college. Bachelor's degrees changed our alumni base forever. Fifty years from now, the makeup of our alumni will be quite different than the previous 50 years," Bridges said. "Bachelor's degrees changed our relationship with prospective employers for our graduates. I think it changed the way people feel about us, and the way we feel about ourselves." On July, Bridges began his 16th year as ABAC's longest-serving president as well as the longest-serving president among the 26 colleges and universities in the University System of Georgia. He is also the only ABAC president to have once been an ABAC student, graduating in 1978. "When I took the job, I never thought about how long I was going to stay," Bridges said. "I stayed because there were still things to do here. I want ABAC to continue to provide opportunities for students in rural parts of the state to get a great education at a reasonable cost. "My hope is that many of those students will choose to go back to those rural communities and make them better because of the education they received at ABAC." Through the years, the 63-year-old Parrott native has received offers to lure him away from ABAC. "None of them titillated my interest enough to make me leave my job here," Bridges said. "People ask me when I'm going to retire. I tell them all the same thing: I'm going to be here until I'm not here anymore."

