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Emery's Lemonade Stand



Who doesn't like a good ole cup of Lemonade on a hot South Georgia day? Miss Emery Willis, daughter of Mitch and Monica Willis, was recently watching a cartoon and got the great idea to have a lemonade stand. She decided to sell some cookies with her lemonade. She wanted to raise some money to buy herself a new toy and to donate some also. The turnout was great! The community all came together to help sweet Emery and to enjoy the great taste of sweet, cold lemonade. She was able to donate some of her earnings to her church and will be able to buy herself a new toy. Thank you to everyone that help support this great cause. Be sure to continue reading this week's edition as Emery held another Lemonade Stand day to help one of our own in the community.

Photo provided by Monica Willis

I Scream, You Scream...



Friday was National Vanilla Ice Cream Day and Stuart Pate with State Farm partnered with Mark Casteel at Sylvester's own Dairy Queen to offer you a treat on them! The first one hundred people had to stop by the office of State Farm in Sylvester and pick up a card that would get them a free sundae from Sylvester Dairy Queen. In addition to the card for a free sundae, Stuart Pate at State Farm in Sylvester threw in some free merchandise to add to the excitement. In addition to all of those great goodies, for those that liked Stuart Pate - State Farm Agent Facebook page and posted a selfie with their free sundae on the Stuart Pate - State Farm Agent Facebook page would get them entered for shirts and other prizes. Pictured is Rashaundra Adams and her children enjoying ice cream sundaes from Sylvester Dairy Queen.



They stopped by and visited State Farm in Sylvester and picked up their cards for the sundaes and enjoyed them immensely during these out summer days. Thank you to Stuart Pate for giving back to our community.

Donations Being Accepted Now

Help make this Christmas special for those less fortunate in our community. Each month leading up to December, the Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce will be asking for various items in an



efforts to bless someone's Christmas extra special. Please consider donating new items for children, ages 0 months to ten years and senior citizens. If you would like to donate items besides the suggested items for each month, you may do so. All items must be new and unopened. Please no knives, guns or swords. July was designated for books and blankets. The Martin News dropped off a few books to help jump start the collection. The chamber is taking items everyday. Stop by and see them with your donation!

Swingin'
Medallions
CONCERT AT THE DEPOT
AUGUST 6 ☆ 7-10 PM

Food Trucks
Bring your chairs and get ready to dance!

Sip and Stroll
5 - 7 PM

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Source: Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce

Ruth's Cottage and The Patticake House Annual Campaign

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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



Ma Flora's Helping Hands Book Bag Supply Drive Was A Success

Ma Flora's Helping Hands have been busy over the last few weeks. They have been holding drive thru book bag supply drives. One was held in Sylvester and Ma Flora's Helping Hands wants to give a big thank you to the Sylvester - Worth County community for making the drive thru book bag supply drive give-away a big success. The group also sends a special thank you to all the committee members and to Sylvester Public Works, Darren Jackson, for assisting the group and to Charlie McMillan for providing the tables. It takes a village and this village helped many families to get ready to kick off the 2021-2022 school year!

Source: Linda Gail - Gibson Solomon



Friendships That Never Fade

Recently, a few childhood friends from the Worth County High School Class of 1974 along with a couple of their spouses enjoyed lunch together at Fat Boys here in Sylvester. They enjoyed spending

time with each other and catching up. They are planning to get together more often. What great memories!

Source: Peggy Eason Tucker

Sylvester Celebrates The 100th Birthday For Two Of Our Own

Ms. Belva Little, pictured to the right, and Mr. Ridley Monk, pictured to the left, are two very special people to our community and both celebrated their 100th birthday this past Saturday, July 24th. Turning 100 is an amazing mile stone and we are all so honored to have celebrated and recognized them in our community. We hope you both had a very Happy and Blessed Birthday Ms. Little and Mr. Monk.



Photo credit: Leigh Parkman Vickery and Kathy Watson Jones



Welcome Back Plan

2021-2022

All Worth County Schools will welcome all students back for in-person learning for the 2021-22 school-year on Wednesday, August 4th!

The Worth County School District is focused on providing the children of Worth County with outstanding academic opportunities in a safe, supportive, and encouraging learning environment. It is our objective to provide a learning environment that is as similar as possible to the pre-pandemic, in-person model. As it has been, this situation is subject to change and may warrant adjustments by WCSD. Worth County Schools will continue to collaborate with State and local health officials to ensure decisions regarding learning environments are made with the safety of our students and employees being our top priority.

	<p style="text-align: center;">Open House</p> <p>Monday, August 2nd Worth County Primary and Worth County Elementary: 4:00-6:00 p.m. Worth County Middle and Worth County High: 5:00-7:00 p.m.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">First Day of School</p> <p>Wednesday, August 4th</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakfast/Lunch</p> <p>Schools will continue to conduct breakfast/lunch in ways that work best for the individual buildings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hand sanitizer will be available in all areas where students will eat. ● Surfaces will be cleaned regularly.
	<p style="text-align: center;">School Visitors - Parents/Guardians/Volunteers</p> <p>Schools will return to pre-Covid protocols regarding parent/guardians, visitors, and volunteers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WCSS strongly encourages parents/guardians to attend in-person meetings/conferences, as needed.



Welcome Back Plan 2021-2022

	<p style="text-align: center;">Face Masks</p> <p>Face masks will be permitted, but NOT required, in accordance with Governor Kemp's May 28th Executive Order.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Safety Measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Walk-thru thermometers will be used at school entries. ● Hand sanitizer will be available in multiple locations throughout all schools. ● High volume surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected regularly. ● Faculty/Staff will continue to self-monitor.
	<p style="text-align: center;">Transportation</p> <p>Buses will be cleaned and disinfected regularly.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Sports</p> <p>WCSD will follow guidance from GHSA and health officials. At this time, we believe we will have sporting events with full crowd capacity.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Quarantining</p> <p>Worth County Schools will quarantine/isolate per health officials' guidance.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Reports</p> <p>Weekly reports will not be published unless a significant increase in Covid cases occurs.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">In-Person vs. Virtual Learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All students will return to traditional, in-person learning. ● A virtual option will NOT be offered by Worth County Schools. ● Students with severe health issues should qualify for hospital homebound (a short-term solution for acute health issues).



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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

GDOL Releases June Area Labor Force Data

JULY 22, 2021 Atlanta, GA – The Georgia Department of Labor (GDOL) today released June labor force information for Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), Regional Commissions (RCs), and select counties. These statistics can be found on the GDOL website at <https://dol.georgia.gov/current-labor-force-data-and-graphs>. Information includes monthly unemployment rates, total number of initial claims, civilian labor force estimates, and employment data by industry for state and metro areas. This information can also be found on the Georgia LaborMarket Explorer at explorer.gdol.ga.gov to view a comprehensive report. The GDOL has paid almost \$22.9 billion in state and federal benefits in the past seventy weeks. Last week, the GDOL issued \$29 million in benefits, which included regular unemployment and federally funded Lost Wages Assistance (LWA) supplements, Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC), and State Extended Benefits. Since week ending March 21, 2020, 4,986,055 regular UI initial claims have been processed, more than the ten years prior to the pandemic combined (4.8 million). Last week, regular UI initial claims totaled 12,605, down 1,870 over the week and the lowest weekly total since March 21, 2020. Initial claims are defined as any notice of unemployment filed to request a determination of entitlement to or eligibility of unemployment insurance compensation OR to begin a second or subsequent period of eligibility within a benefit year. Initial claims numbers are not a direct correlation to layoffs. Resources for reemployment assistance along with information on filing an unemployment claim and details on how employers can file partial claims can be found on the agency's webpage at dol.georgia.gov. Job listings and job search assistance can be found on employgeorgia.com.



Worth County Middle School

1305 North Isabella Street
Sylvester, GA 31791

Phone: (229) 776-8620 -- Fax: (229) 776-8624
Website: www.worthschools.net

WCMS School Supply List 2021-2022

Cornellius Frazier
Principal

Jacque' Walker
Assistant Principal

Maria Fletcher
Assistant Principal

Kira Outlaw
Assistant Principal

Kerri Hancock
School Improvement
Specialist

6th Grade

- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- No. 2 pencils
- Blue and/or black pens
- 2" or 3"-ring binder (notebook)
- Notebook dividers for each subject
- Colored pencils
- 2 - 3 prong folders
- Index cards (500 pack)
- 3 subject spiral notebook
- Two 1-subject composition books
- 1-black poly folder with fasteners and pockets
- Pencil pouch for binder

7th Grade

- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- No. 2 pencils
- Blue and/or black pens
- 2" or 3" 3-ring binder (notebook)
- Notebook dividers for each subject
- 2 - 3 prong folders
- 1 spiral notebook
- Colored pencils
- 3 subject spiral notebook
- 1 – black poly folder with fasteners and pockets

8th Grade

- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- No. 2 pencils
- Blue and/or black pens
- 2" or 3" 3-ring binder (notebook)
- Notebook dividers for each subject
- 2 - 3 prong folders
- 3 composition notebooks
- 1-black poly folder with fasteners and pockets
- Cap erasers
- 1 spiral notebook
- Expo Markers
- Highlighters

**Ear buds are used for instructional purposes; they are requested but, not required school supplies. Only clear book bags will be allowed. Regular purses are allowed as long as nothing larger than a regular sized textbook can fit inside the purse.



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



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Successful Stuff The Bus Event 2021



Tuesday, July 20th was a day full of stuffing the bus in Sylvester and surrounding areas. Stuff the Bus is an annual event held by United Way of Southwest Georgia.

Worth County participated with a bus parked at Snipes Piggly Wiggly where volunteers manned the bus and folks dropped off supplies to load the bus down with school supplies for those less fortunate. There are also boxes around town where you can still drop off supplies. The boxes are located at Sylvester City Hall, Sylvester - Worth County Chamber of Commerce and Snipes Piggly Wiggly. Thank you to all of those that volunteered at the drop off locations and to all that dropped off supplies.

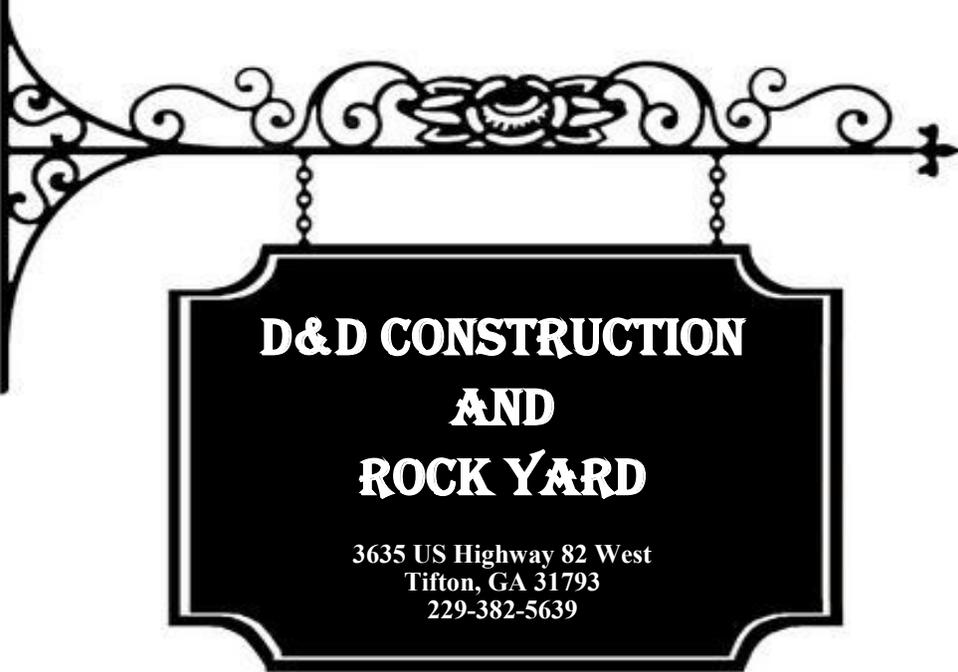


Men United Giving Back To The Community

Men United has enjoyed cooking for the Sylvester Summer Camp children and staff this Summer. This past Wednesday wrapped up summer camp cooking for Men United. Mr. Greg Walker with Men United says it has been a pleasure of his and the men of Men United to provide for the children



and staff of the Sylvester Summer Camp. Giving back to the community is what Men United is all about. Mr. Greg explained that this was what Mr. Larry Johnson loved to do and Men United will continue to spread the blessings that Mr. Larry did. The men are working on their next big project which is Kids Day in the Park that will be held on Saturday, September 4th from 11am-4pm. There will be many, many things for the children to do and there is absolutely NO cost. Make plans now to bring the family out to the event and enjoy all the activities and food. Stay tuned to the Men United Club Facebook page for all the details.



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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.



Annie Belle Clark Principal Receives National Recognition

Staff Reports



Dr. Stephanie Morrow, a 2020 National Distinguished Principal, has been recognized this month at both the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) conference in Chicago and at the Ga. Association of Elementary School Principals summer board meeting at Jekyll Island. Morrow initially received the designation last summer as a National Distinguished Principal, but the NAESP conference was canceled last year because of the pandemic. She has served during the past nine years as principal at Annie Belle Clark Elementary School. The NAESP website notes that Morrow "takes a collaborative approach to school improvement; for example, along with district leadership, she engaged a broad set of community stakeholders in conversations about how elementary instruction can better prepare students for their future roles as workers and community members. "This work has led to a strong focus on early literacy and the implementation of a tiered approach to guided reading, which has in turn yielded broad

academic gains." The national organization says that "Morrow sees herself as a servant leader and values mutual trust and teamwork as bedrock elements of her professional growth and effectiveness. She is also a strong believer in the responsibility of principals to build the capacity and leadership of their staff and colleagues, and is proud to have mentored two assistant principals who have gone on to assume higher leadership roles."

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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Family, Foundation Offers Ilse Boyette Scholarship

On behalf of Henry Boyette and family, and the Tift Regional Medical Center Foundation, the Ilse Boyette Book Scholarship was recently presented to two full-time students. The award was established in memory of Boyette for her love of nursing and the healthcare field. The 2021 Ilse Boyette recipients are Sarah Cassell and Dalton Gray. Cassell is a fulltime student at the University of Georgia where she is a pharmaceutical science major. She has worked as a pharmacy tech at Tift Regional Medical Center for the past 18 months. Gray is a fulltime employee at Georgia Sports Medicine as a licensed practical nurse. He is attending Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College fulltime and will soon be in the Registered Nurse Bridge Program. The scholarships are a \$500 award to be used on book expenses at the school of the recipient's choice. Funds have been made possible through the Ilse Boyette Memorial and the Tour de Tifton bike ride sponsored through the Tiftarea YMCA. Mandy Brooks, TRMC Foundation director, at center, presents the Ilse Boyette Scholarship to students Dalton Gray and Sarah Cassell.

Source: Tifton Grapevine



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2021 WORTH CO. FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



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AUGUST 20TH
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AUGUST 27TH
MITCHELL CO.
WORTH CO. STADIUM

SEPTEMBER 3RD
AMERICUS-SUMTER
ALTON SHELL STADIUM

SEPTEMBER 10TH
RUTLAND
WORTH CO. STADIUM

SEPTEMBER 24TH
TIFT CO.
BRODIE FIELD

OCTOBER 1ST
COOK
COOK HIGH SCHOOL

OCTOBER 8TH
THOMASVILLE
VETERANS MEMORIAL STADIUM

OCTOBER 15TH
FITZGERALD
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OCTOBER 22ND
BERRIEN
RAYMOND JONES MEMORIAL STADIUM

OCTOBER 29TH
EARLY CO.
WORTH CO. STADIUM



RAISE THE STANDARD

Margaret Jones Public Library celebrated their summer readers with ice cream cones, stories with Frog and Fly, balloon dogs and a drawing for extra large stuffed animals. The library staff thanks the parents for bringing your kids to the library and checking out lots of books. The staff has enjoyed providing quality programs and motivating the youth to read all summer long.

Source: MJPL



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GA Museum Of Agriculture Honoring Late Tifton Leaders

Two late Tifton leaders will be honored July 23 at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College's Georgia Museum of Agriculture. The Tom M. Cordell Conference Center and the Ford B. Spinks Exhibit Hall will both be dedicated in the 3 p.m. ceremony at the main exhibit hall in the museum. "Both of these men had a tremendous impact not only on Tifton and South Georgia but on the entire state," said ABAC President David Bridges. "Honoring them in this way is a tribute to the impression they made."

The Tom M. Cordell Conference Center honors ABAC's longtime dean and continuing education coordinator. Recognized as "Man of the Year" by the Progressive Farmer magazine in 1971, Cordell received the Georgia Adult Education Council Citation in 1972. During his 39-year ABAC career, Cordell created the college's agricultural short-course program that helped to educate thousands of Georgians including President Jimmy Carter when he was a peanut farmer in Plains. Before retiring in 1979, Cordell served as ABAC acting president on five different occasions. The ABAC Foundation created the Tom M. Cordell Distinguished Lecture Series in his honor in 1985. Cordell died in 1991. The Ford B. Spinks Exhibit Hall recognizes an ABAC alumnus who was key to establishing the Georgia Agrirama in Tifton in 1976 and was a strong supporter of the State Museum of Agriculture when it became a part of ABAC in 2010. A World War II veteran, Spinks served in the State Senate from 1962-1971. He served on the Georgia Public Service Commission from 1971-1989. Spinks owned and operated Tifton Tractor Co., was a director at South Georgia Banking Co., and was chairman of the Coastal Plain Area Tourism Council. In 2000, he was named to the Tifton-Tift County Chamber of Commerce Wall of Fame. He died in 2016.

Source: Tifton Grapevine

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Book Drive Under Way For Family Connections Of Turner County

BOOK DRIVE JULY 1-31

New and gently used books are needed for ages 3-13. Books will be donated to Family Connections of Turner County to help with the literacy program in Turner County Schools.

All books can be dropped off at the Chamber of Commerce,
238 E. College Avenue



Family Connections of Turner County's book drive is still under way. Take a minute if you will and look through your children's books they have aged out of. Bag them up and take them by the Ashurn - Turner County Chamber of Commerce office. They will deliver them all to Family Connection of Turner County.

Your donations will help go to young readers who may not own a book of their own. They also accept adult books for the mini lending libraries around our community. Their literacy initiative is part of our workforce development goals.



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
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Dates to Remember

July

- 26th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 26th ~ WCHS Competition Cheerleader Mini Cheer Camp 9am-noon
- 27th ~ WCHS Competition Cheerleader Mini Cheer Camp 9am-noon
- 27th ~ Books & Bubbles at Margaret Jones Public Library 1030am
- 27th ~ Family Connection Meeting Noon-1pm
- 27th ~ BINGO Night at Ed's Truck Stop 6pm
- 27th ~ City of Poulan Council Meeting 6:30pm
- 27th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 28th ~ Worth County Schools New Hire Orientation
- 28th ~ WCHS Competition Cheerleader Mini Cheer Camp 9am-noon
- 28th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 28th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 29th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 29th ~ WCHS Teacher Appreciation Breakfast 8am
- 30th ~ WCPS Teacher Appreciation Breakfast 8am
- 30th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 30th ~ First Day of School for Tift County Schools
- 31st ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 31st ~ Sylvester Farmers Market 9am-3pm

August

- 1st ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 2nd ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 3rd ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 3rd ~ First Day of School for Turner County Schools
- 4th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 4th ~ First Day of School for Worth County Schools
- 4th ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting at Noon
- 5th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 6th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 6th ~ First Day of School for Lee County Schools
- 6th ~ Sip & Stroll in Downtown Sylvester 5pm - 7pm
- 6th ~ Swinging Medallions Concert at Depot Downtown Sylvester 7pm - 10pm
- 7th ~ Chamber 50/50 Raffle Tickets Sale
- 7th ~ Bowling Family in Concert
- 7th ~ Sylvester Farmers Market 9am-3pm
- 7th ~ Unity Baptist Back to School Bash
- 7th ~ Worth County Rams Touchdown Club Golf Tournament
- 13th ~ First Day of School for Tiftarea Academy
- 16th ~ First Day of School for Dougherty County Schools



Presents:

KIDS DAY IN THE PARK!

Saturday, September 4, 2021

TC JEFFORDS PARK Sylvester, GA

11am-4pm



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

WORTH COUNTY SCHOOLS

OPEN 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.

There is one thing that I can say about a small town, especially our small town of Sylvester and that is when someone needs our help, we are all there. The need can be something small, big or any need in between, your community will have your back. Katie Giddens is on a journey for her heart transplant and her family, friends and community is with her all the way. Many people have come together to raise money for her in order to help with the expenses while she is out of work and on her journey to a new heart. Friday kicked off the weekend for Katie with a Benefit Golf Tournament. Many came together to play a fun game of golf all while raising money for Katie. Thank you to all the volunteers and businesses for your contributions.



And then Saturday morning rolled around and it was time to play BINGO... with a cow! Cow patty BINGO took place Saturday morning and a crowd awaited for the cow to choose a winner. The winner was Mrs. Berta Ulm who so graciously gave her winnings back to Katie toward her journey for her heart transplant. This event would not have been possible without everyone at Ed's Truck Stop. Katie was excited for this event that she called fun and unique. This was a first Cow Patty BINGO for Katie and she enjoyed it. She appreciates the Willis family along with Gail Lee, Betty Dorsey and the entire Ed's Truck Stop crew for making this event successful. If you want to see it all on video, please check it out on Betty Dorsey's Facebook page. It was so much fun to watch and it didn't take the cow long at all to design a winner. One thing for sure, it was all in the cows hands.

And then to wrap up the weekend in Sylvester for Katie, how much more precious can it get? Little Miss Emery Willis, daughter of Mitch and Monica Willis, set up her Lemonade Stand on Saturday morning and sold lemonade and cookies to help Katie with her heart journey. It was a great time on a already hot Saturday morning to stop by and get a cup of good ole Lemonade all while helping little Emery help our own Katie. Emery made the most precious video letting Katie know that she had raised \$200 for her. This is simply amazing! Thank you to everyone that went out to support the efforts made by Emery. Thank you Emery for all of your hard work!



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 Golf Tournament pictures - Tammy McCrary
 Cow Patty Bingo pictures - Betty Dorsey
 Lemonade Stand pictures - Monica Willis

Georgia Lottery annual profits for HOPE, Pre-K soar to a record \$1.54B



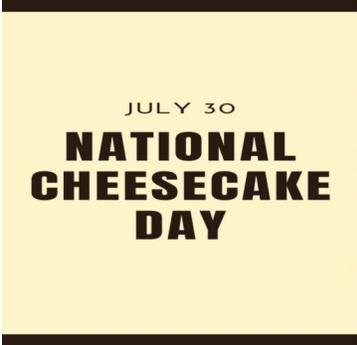
ATLANTA – The Georgia Lottery Corp. today announced its most successful year ever with historic profits generated for Georgia’s HOPE Scholarship and Pre-K programs. The Georgia Lottery raised a record \$1,544,954,000 in profits for fiscal year 2021, bringing the total transferred to the State Treasury’s Lottery for Education Account since inception to more than \$23.8 billion. “Coming out of a difficult year, these Georgia Lottery numbers are welcomed good news for both our students and our economy,” Gov. Brian Kemp said. “From Pre-K to HOPE, lottery-funded educational programs provide the groundwork for a lifetime of learning and help us retain our best and brightest students.

We are confident that these funds will continue to ensure that Georgia is the best state to live, work, and receive a great education.” FY21 marks the sixth consecutive year that the Georgia Lottery has exceeded \$1 billion in profits for education, surpassing the record previously set in FY20 by more than \$307.6 million. This was the Lottery’s 10th consecutive year of growth in profits for education. “Over the past year, like many organizations, we faced numerous challenges,” Georgia Lottery President and CEO Gretchen Corbin said. “We pivoted, made adjustments, and worked hard each day with a focus on Georgia’s students and our mission to maximize revenues for HOPE and Pre-K.” Scratchers and draw games performed well with a boost from new introductions and promotions, as well as large Mega Millions and Powerball jackpots. iLottery products also contributed greatly as players became more familiar with online play options while continuing to patronize hardworking Georgia Lottery retailers across the state. The COAM product, regulated by the Georgia Lottery, also contributed to the returns. “I am grateful for the support of Gov. Kemp and our legislature, the leadership of our board of directors, our advisory boards, and the diligence of our lottery staff, partners, vendors and valued retailers,” Corbin said. “I’m also appreciative of our players, who enjoy our products as a source of entertainment while knowing that, when they play, Georgia’s students win big.” Since its first year, the Georgia Lottery Corp. has returned more than \$23.8 billion to the state of Georgia for education. All Georgia Lottery profits go to pay for specific educational programs, including Georgia’s HOPE Scholarship Program and Georgia’s Pre-K Program. More than 1.9 million students have received HOPE, and more than 1.6 million 4-year-olds have attended the statewide, voluntary prekindergarten program. For more information on the Georgia Lottery Corp., please visit: www.galottery.com.



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