

# Just the Fax

"Telfair County, Georgia: a better place to live, work, play and call home"

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#### Word from the President

Did you know that there are over 500 million people on Facebook and it is growing every day and is the most trafficked social media sight?



At this year's Governor's Tourism Conference, Jeff Hillmire, Chief Digital Officer of Engauge, stated that if Facebook was a country, it would be the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest. Twitter is second.

Social media is one of the greatest "free" tools of advertising for your business, events, programs, etc....

The Telfair County Chamber of Commerce has a Facebook page. Take the time to add the Chamber to your "Page's Favorite". Share the Chamber's information with all of your Facebook friends and ask them to share with their friends. You never know who may be interested in the happenings in Telfair County.

As always, it is my pleasure to serve Telfair County, *Paula Rogers* 

P.S.: Save these dates:

Dec 2- Jingle Bell Walk & Christmas Night Out Dec 3- Christmas Parade: "Candy Lane on Main"

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#### Hire Work Ready Fact Sheet

#### Overview

To help Georgia small businesses defray the cost of on-the-job training, the Governor's Office of Workforce Development (GOWD) and the Georgia Chamber of Commerce launched a new outreach program called Hire Work Ready. Utilizing American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) support, the program is designed to provide funding to small businesses – those employing 50 or fewer – that hire Work Ready Certified people to assist with costs associated with hiring and training of new workers.

Benefits of Hire Work Ready include:

- Supporting Georgia's small businesses by defraying hiring and training costs
- Creating demand among job seekers for earning a Work Ready Certificate
- Showcasing the benefits of hiring Work Ready Certified employees

#### **Operations**

Small businesses can apply for Hire Work Ready funding at the Georgia Work Ready Web site <a href="www.gaworkready.org">www.gaworkready.org</a>). Approved business owners will be provided with information on using Georgia Work Ready in their hiring process and be given access to an exclusive database of Work Ready Certified job seekers.

Small businesses will be eligible for \$250 per certified Work Ready individual hired up to \$1250. GOWD estimates Hire Work Ready will encourage the hiring of 1,000 Work Ready Certified workers by as many as 400 firms.

## **HGTC NEWS**

#### **HGTC Foundation awards Karen Core CNA Scholarships**

The Heart of Georgia Technical College Foundation has awarded five students with the Karen Core CNA Scholarship for summer quarter.

The scholarship was established by the Heart of Georgia Technical College Foundation to assist certified nursing assistant students.

The Foundation chose Karen Core to honor with the scholarship because of her life-long service to health care as a registered nurse and her past membership on the HGTC Foundation and HGTC nursing advisory committee.

The following students received the scholarship for summer quarter: Teresa E. Carroll (Laurens); Amanda Chambers (Bleckley); Andrea C. Alligood (Laurens); Regina A. Holliman (Laurens); Christy Michelle Plyler (Telfair).

Scholarships create opportunities to change lives. Those interested in establishing a scholarship or donating to an existing scholarship, please contact Jenny Shuman at (478) 296-6117 or <a href="mailto:jshuman@heartofgatech.edu">jshuman@heartofgatech.edu</a>. The HGTC Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

# Human patient simulator To enhance learning for allied health students

State-of-the-art technology at Heart of Georgia Technical College will soon enable students to better make the transition from the classroom into the real-world field of health care.

Beginning fall quarter, students enrolled in the allied health programs at HGTC will make use of hands-on instruction in the college's new Human Patient Simulator (HPS) lab, which allows them to learn and work in a controlled environment set up to mirror various scenarios in a real hospital or medical facility. The lab, which utilizes SimMan 3G computerized patient simulators, allows students to see and discover their areas of weakness in a controlled, virtual emergency environment so they can improve, according to Sylvia Rozier, HGTC's Allied Health Department chair and Practical Nursing Program director.

The SimMan 3G fully computerized lab is used to create scenarios for students to respond to and work together to resolve using the simulators — full-sized male, female and infant robotic simulators set up to mimic real-life human responses to medical emergencies. The lab will be used by students in the respiratory therapy, licensed practical nursing, paramedics, emergency medical technician, pharmacy and radiology programs.

The students will be able to do everything from dispense

Students from multiple programs will work together on some assignments, just as they would in a hospital or actual emergency situation. "Everybody works together and knows their role." said Rozier.

Instructors have already undergone training on the new technology, which was made possible through a grant written by HGTC Work Ready/Community Education Coordinator Amy Harrelson. The college was awarded a grant to purchase the simulators through the United States Department of Rural Development. Rozier says the human simulator lab is the fulfillment of the coordinated vision of the college's administration and the allied health department. "Our administration is supportive of our vision," said Rozier. "We've merged those visions together. This is just the beginning."

There are also plans to make the simulator lab accessible to local health care professionals for training. "Our vision is that the public be able to access this and use this for training," said Rozier of the new technology. Rozier says the changing world of medical health care and the evolving roles of medical professionals require a new level of technology to ensure adequate training of the next generation of health care professionals, because when patients are in transit, every second is vital.

"If there is an accident, between Macon and Savannah, healthcare professionals should be able to provide the best care possible with the best training possible."



Check out Heart of Georgia Technical College on Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Dublin-GA/Heart-of-Georgia-Technical-College/139414889412733?ref=ts&v=wall

# **Educational Opportunities**

### Heart of Georgia Technical College Upcoming Continuing Educational Classes

#### ⇒ Driver's Education

Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

#### ⇒ Forklift Training

Oct. 25 8 a.m.

#### ⇒ ServSafe

Oct. 12, 14 & 21, 2010	1-5:30 p.m.
Nov . 4, 10 & 18, 2010	1-5:30 p.m.
Jan. 6, 13 & 20, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.
Mar. 3, 10 & 17, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.
May 3, 12 & 19, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.
July 7, 14, & 21, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.
Sept. 1, 8, & 15, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.
Nov. 3, 10 & 17, 2011	1-5:30 p.m.

#### ⇒ Pediatric Advanced Life Support

October 28 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

#### ⇒ IV Therpay

Oct. 12, Nov. 17 or Dec. 7 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

#### ⇒ Advanced Cardiac Life Support

Oct. 27 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

#### ⇒ Basic Life Support

Oct. 5, Nov. 2 or Dec. 1 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

#### ⇒ First Aid & CPR

Oct: 6, Nov. 3 or Dec 2 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

To register or for more information on the above continuing education classes contact:

#### Lisa Green

HGTC- Office of Community Education 560 Pinehill Road \* Dublin, GA 31021 (478) 275-6592 \* (800) 200-4484 Igreen@heartofgatech.edu



### **Telfair County**

#### To Do List:

- □ Fishing
- □ Canoeing/Kayaking
- □ Hunting
- Camping
- □ Golfing
- Walking Trails
- ☐ Historical Trail
- □ Museum
- □ Biking
- □ Statue of Liberty/Liberty Square

### **Annual Events**

- Peaches to the Beaches Annual Yard Sale
- Scotland Festival
- Milan Harvest Fest
- ☐ God & Country Festival & Fireworks
- □ Lumber City Farm Day Festival
- Christmas Extravaganza

Everything you could want and more....

### Visit the.....

- Ocmulgee River
- ☐ Horse Creek Wildlife Management Area
- □ Little Ocmulgee State Park
- □ Replica of the Statue of Liberty and Liberty Square
- □ Telfair County Recreational Department
- □ Telfair Center for the Arts

For more information on these attractions and events go to www. telfairco.org or contact the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce at (229) 868-6365 or rogers@telfairco.org

#### City of Lumber City, Georgia





### "Trick or Treat"

#### City of Helena

Saturday, October 30 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

#### **City of Lumber City**

Thurs., October 28 6 - 8 p.m.

#### **City of Scotland**

Community Center Scotland Baptist Fall Festival Sat., October 30 6 – 9 p.m. Info: (229) 868-2412

### City of McRae

Sat., October 30 6 - 8 p.m.

Please make sure your children have an adult with them at all times and that they wear clothing that is visible at night.



### TCHS/TCMS ATHLETICS RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10 each and entry gets your name in all four drawings.

#### Prizes:

Remington Model 870 12 Gauge Shotgun;

Remington .270 Rifle; Ruger 10/22 Rifle; Barnett Crossbow

Tickets are on sale at the School Office or from any TCHS/TCMS athlete or at any home football game.

The drawing will be during halftime of the last regular season home football game vs. Lanier County, Oct 29. Do not have to be present to win.

The raffle is sponsored in part by Three Rivers Outdoor Guns and Apparel, LLC. All proceeds benefit TCHS/TCMS athletic programs.

### Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge

Program Schedule for October 1 – October 3 Park Pass \$5.00

#### Friday, October 1 Night Hike 8:30 p.m.

Meet at the head of the nature trail (Beside the splash pad) to go on a night hike. Learn about some of the animals that prowl the park during the evening hours and how to identify signs of them. Wear comfortable hiking/walking shoes and bring a flashlight.

#### Saturday, October 2

Nature Scavenger Hunt 2:00 p.m. Meet in front of the visitor center to

participate in a scavenger hunt. Walk throughout the park to find or observe many of the nature things on the park. There will be prizes awarded to the person who completes the scavenger hunt.

#### Wilderness Survival 7:00 p.m.

Ever wondered what to do if you become lost in the woods? Come down to the amphitheater across from the campground to learn how to keep from getting lost in the woods and what to do in case you do get lost. We will also discuss some techniques of being prepared when it comes to the outdoors.

#### Sunday, October 3

#### Reptiles at the Lodge 11:00 a.m.

Come by the lodge to learn a little bit about some of the native reptiles of the area. There will be live animals that you will get a chance to touch or hold.



#### TELFAIR MUSEUM OF HISTORY

Located in the historic railroad depot at the corner of Forsyth and 6<sup>th</sup> St in Helena, GA.

#### Hours:

September – June

Sundays: 2-5 p.m. & always By appointments.

For more information: (229) 868-2664 or (229) 868-7114 Email: pahstelfair@yahoo.com

#### Walking Tour of McRae's Historic Homes

This tour of homes is an easy, self-guided tour of more than 30 of McRae's homes and churches of the New South era. A map of the area notates the relevant sites. Each home is numerically indicated on the annotated map. Homes are referred to by original owner's names and dates of construction.

The Old South Georgia College, which is on the National Historic Register, makes a convenient starting point.

Maps can be obtained from the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce or by calling the PAHS at (229) 868-2664 or (229) 868-7114.

#### **Telfair County Library**

815 College Street McRae, GA 31055 (229) 868-2978 www.orls.org

www.pines.public.lib.ga.us

Hours of Operation:
Monday 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Tuesday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

#### "More Power to You"

Heart of Georgia Technical College is hosting a free and open to the public informational seminar.



Tuesday, October 26 6-8 p.m. HGTC Porter Center 560 Pinehill Road, Dublin

#### **Topics Include:**

- Future sources of our electrical energy – is it available and affordable
- Potentially Adverse Legislative issues
- Who's right about global warming
- How power is transmitted across our land (US)
- New Technology in the electricity world
- Conservation
- And...Is the price of electricity going to rise!!!
- Q & A Session

For more information call (478) 296-6117 or email jshuman@heartofgatech.edu

#### **Presenters:**

- Jennifer Bryant Oconee EMC
- Arnold Horton
   Little Ocmulgee EMC
- Romanous Dotson Altamaha EMC
- Danny Whittle Southern Company-Georgia Power



# Free Day at Little Ocmulgee State Park was a great success!



Donna Thompson and her crew from Countryside Veterinary Clinic in McRae donated their time to Friends of LOSP to put on a Rabies Clinic and vaccinated 51 dogs and cats in 2 hours!



Cub Scout Pack 22 came out and really gave it their all. They have adopted one of the large flower beds as one of their projects.



The flag ceremonies were performed by the American Legion Post 80 and was well attended with approximately 50 people in attendance.

#### **Telfair Center for the Arts**

Located on 119 College St. McRae, GA 31055



Check them out on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/home.php? #!/pages/Telfair-Center-for-the-Arts/105481982817915

### **Magnolia Midlands Travel Association**

"Unique by Nature"

For places to visit and more information go to:

http://www.exploregeorgia.org/magnoliamidlands

or call/email the Chamber at (229) 868-6365; rogers@telfairco.org



# Golden Isles Parkway Association

"Peaches to the Beaches Annual Yard Sale"

For more information go to:
<a href="mailto:www.peachestothebeaches.com">www.peachestothebeaches.com</a>
or call/email the Chamber at
(229) 868-6365; rogers@telfairco.org

# What is the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce?

The Telfair County Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary organization of the business community. It unites business and professional individuals, creating a central agency that lends itself to improving businesses and building a better community.

The Chamber is the main voice working to improve the ECONOMIC STATUS of the county. The Chamber maintains Telfair County's information at the Resource Center in Atlanta.

# What does the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce DO?

The focus of the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce is the community's economic well being. The Chamber works to increase wealth and prosperity by facilitating growth of existing businesses and fostering new ones. The new wealth can be directed toward establishing and improving civic, educational and cultural facilities to create the proper business climate for attracting more business and industry.

The Chamber tirelessly works to encourage growth throughout all of Telfair County-growth that will lead to creation of more jobs and more people moving to Telfair County to live and creating new customers for your business. In addition, the Chamber is a Welcome-Visitor Center promoting tourism within Telfair County.

# MEMBERSHIP. Become a member of the telfair county chamber of commerce today.....

For membership applications and information about the benefits of being a member of the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce, contact the Chamber at 9 East Oak Street, McRae, GA or call (229) 868-6365; or email rogers@telfairco.org.

# TELFAIR COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2010 CORNERSTONE MEMBERS

CCA McRae Correctional Facility
Little Ocmulgee Electric Membership Corporation
McRae Manor Nursing Home
Robins Federal Credit Union

# TELFAIR COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2010 ANNUAL MEMBERS

Allgood Pest Control \* ALS Telfair-Perlis, LLP \* Altman Eye Clinic \* AmeriGas \* American Nail & Tantini Salon \* Ann's Fashion & Flea Mart \* Badcock Furniture & More \* Bank of Lumber City \* B and B Automotive \*Bowen-Cooper Jewelers & Gifts \* Brooks Auto Parts \* Bryant K. Barrows, D.M.D., \* Cedar Lane Supper Club\*C.J. Flowers & Gifts \* Citizens Bank and Trust Co. \* City of Helena \* City of Jacksonville \* City of Lumber City \* City of McRae \* City of Milan \* City of Scotland \* Cook Petro, Inc. \* Curry Companies \* Deanna Jones \* Debbie Bullard \* Edison McDonald \* Farmers Home Furniture \* 1st Franklin Financial Corp \* Friends of Little Ocmulgee State Park \* Gabrielle Pitzer\*Gene Johnson \* Georgia Power Co. \* Golden Peanut Co. \* Griffin E. Mizell, DDS, PC \* Griffins Warehouse \* Guy Bland \* Harvey's Supermarket \* Heart of Georgia Technical College & Little Ocmulgee Instructional Center \* Heart of Georgia United Way \* Hilliard & Milton \* Huddle House \* Husqvarna \* Jana Williams \* Jeff McGhee \* June Bradfield \* Keely Riggins \*Kory Tokar\* Lawrence Alligood \* Laura Kirk \* Little Ocmulgee Electrical Membership Corporation \* Lon Hamilton \* Lowe's Funeral Home \* Lower Oconee Urgent Care Center \* Lumber City Drugs \* Lumber City Womans Club \* M&J Shoe Hospital \* Martha Ann Mullis \* McRae Coca Cola \* McRae Correctional Facility (CCA) \* McKinnon, Inc. : McRae Lions Club \* McRae Lioness Club \* McRae Manor Nursing Home \* McRae Rotary Club \* Ora Jean Cooper \* Parker House Inn \* Paula Rogers \* Piggly Wiggly \* Pineleaf Investments \* Pioneer Arts and Historical Society \* Premier Heating and Air \* Quinton W. Mullis \* Robins Federal Credit Union \* Routh Realtors, LLC \* Sarah Bowen \* Sharon C. Creamer \* Smith & Cannon, PC \* Smith's Pharmacy of McRae \* Southern Charm Personal Care Home \* Southern Star Grill \* Stamps Walker Agency, Inc. \* State Farm Insurance-Herman Moore \* Stinson's Bar-B-Que \* Telfair County Bank \* Telfair County Board of Commissioners : Telfair County Department of Family and Children Services \* **Telfair County Schools \* Telfair Enterprise \* The Merchants** & Citizens Bank \* The Pink Pig \* The Security State Bank \* Thomas Anderson \* Three Rivers Home Health Services, \* Tom K. Smith Law Offices \* Toni's House of Style \* Triad at Lumber City Nursing & Rehabilitation \* Trinity Therapy Services \* Vaughn Funeral Home \* Vergilene McDonald \* Wheeler County Bank \* Wilbur Grant \*Willow Creek Drive-In \* Wind stream\*XPress Shop

# **Check out the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce on Facebook:**

http://www.facebook.com/pages/McRae-GA/Telfair-County-Chamber-of-Commerce/455395060584



# Friends of Little Ocmulgee State Park

The Friends meeting is held the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Little Ocmulgee State Park Lodge. Everyone is invited to be a part of the Friends Group.



STATE BURKS & HISTORIC STEEL

# Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge 80 Live Oak Trail \* Helena, GA 31037 Phone (229) 868-7474

Little Ocmulgee is located off US Highway 441 just outside of McRae/Helena, Georgia. There is a 60 room lodge, meeting facilities and restaurant.

There is a wide variety of activities offered: golfing, putt-put golf, volley ball, biking, walking trails, SPLASH PAD, beach, fishing, boating, canoeing, pedal boats, tennis courts. Picnic areas are located throughout the park. The Park has a campground with 54 tent, trailer, RV sites; 10 cottages

For more information visit Little Ocmulgee State Park's website at <a href="https://www.littleocmulgee.com">www.littleocmulgee.com</a> or call (229) 868-7474.



# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Sponsored by Telfair County Friends of the Library

# Sat., October 30, 2010 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Telfair County Library Multipurpose Room 101 W. College Street McRae, Georgia Hundreds of Items Available

<u>Items</u>	Price
New Books	\$3.00
Adult Fiction and Non-F	iction \$1-2.00
Large Paperbacks	\$1.00
Paperbacks	
Youth/Juvenile Fiction 8	R Non-Fiction ·· \$1.00
Easy/Elementary	\$1.00

For more information call: Telfair Co. Library (229) 868-2978 (Enter the back door from Ninth Avenue)

#### Vets for Pets - Rescue Ranch

The Rescue Ranch is now selling bricks for the Vets for Pets Memorial Walkway! Honor your veteran or active duty service personnel by purchasing a brick in their name..Just \$10.

These are hand made bricks and will have irregularities. Bricks take 2 days to dry. The dedication will be made on November 9 just before the Harvest Dance fundraiser. All money raised will go to the Rescue Ranch Spay & Neuter Clinic. The Rescue Ranch is a 501(c)3 providing spay & neuter services for 27 middle GA counties. Your donation is tax deductible.

To order your Brick: call (229) 868-9820

## Milan Harvest Festival

Show & Activities Saturday October 23, 2010

- Arts and Crafts
- Heritage Food Booths
- Music
- Kids Entertainment



Raffle/Auctions

Food Contests Enter Your Favorite Homemade Recipes





### Save the Date: November 13, 2010 Chuck Leavell

Musician, Environmentalist, Author Solo Perfomance

Hosted by the Heart of Georgia Technical College Foundation

Location: HGTC Porter Center, Dublin Tickets: \$50 each or \$75 each for VIP tickets 6-7:30 p.m. Silent Auction/Cocktails & Hors d'ouevres 8:00 p.m. Concert

Sponsor opportunities available. Call (478) 296-6117 for more information \*Includes Meet & Greet (6:30 – 7:15)



THE RESCUE RANCH INVITES YOU FOR A NIGHT OF FALL COMEDY FUN WITH HENRY BATTS

TUESDAY OCTOBER 5th - 7P.M.
GOOD FOOD, DOOR PRIZES, DRAWINGS & MORE!

PROUDLY HOSTED AT CEDAR LANE SUPPER CLUB

Advance ticket price \$15\* per person For information call 229-868-9820
Tickets also on sale at Cedar Lane

The Rescue Ranch is a 501(c)3 All proceeds go to supporting low cost/no cost spay & neuter programs for our multi-county area!



