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A statewide newsletter for Citizens of Georgia Power

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State President's Message

Amy Anderson

Citizens of Georgia Power,

April seems to be one of the busiest months for Citizens across the state. Many of us are participating in spring projects, Relay, March of Dimes and various tournaments. One of the most emphasized projects in April is Earth Day where we work with our environmental partners to improve the natural areas around our state. John Muir, who has been called the "Father of the National Parks" once said "Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul." Through roadside, trail, park, beach and river cleanups Citizens chapters across the state are making a difference and leaving the natural beauty of our state better for those who will come next. Thank you to those who participated in Earth Day events this month!

Everyone always asks do you prefer the beach or mountains? For my family, the answer has always been mountains. I love to travel to national parks on vacation and one of my most favorite things to do is take the roads that don't look like much on the map or are difficult to get to; the ones that most people don't bother going down. Sometimes we find that it doesn't lead to much, but often we have found that these less traveled roads lead to destinations that will steal your breath away. The photo in the Citizens wording



of this year's logo is one that we took on our trip to Glacier National Park. The road to this lake was long, narrow and bumpy but once we got to the end the beauty of the lake was well worth the journey. This photo has become the one I use to remind myself that sometimes in life you must take the road that seems less traveled – that other people choose to pass by because it's more difficult or less popular, or because no one has dared to do it that way before. It may take more effort or time to walk down, but in the end, the reward outweighs the difficulties of the journey. I think living a life filled with service is the same way. It can be difficult and there are many personal hours you give up to serve, but the rewards are great. Many of you give up your personal time to serve and improve the lives of those around you. Thank you for being shining examples of Citizens ideals across the state. And keep traveling down those less traveled paths. Continue Discovering the Possibilities with Citizens this year.

Amy Anderson





Athens Chapter

As a part of their Earth Day efforts, Athens Chapter of Citizens of Georgia Power spent a Saturday this month at the Athens Bear Hollow Zoo. Chapter members and their families finished three raised flower beds and built steps going into the memorial area. What a beautiful way to honor Katie Mobley!



Metro South Chapter

The Metro South Chapter volunteered with Bloom in Fayette County. Volunteers removed trash, old landscaping, and old carpet. Bloom has outgrown their old facility and purchased a new building. Volunteers helped to prepare for the new building remodeling.



Metro South Chapter

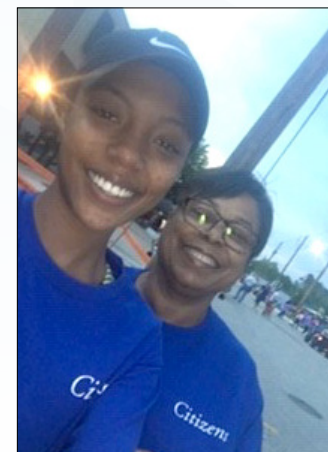
Metro South Citizens held their 1st quarter general chapter meeting at Operation Lunchbox. After the meeting the group helped pack bags of individually wrapped food items for 1,800 needy children in Henry, Clayton, and Butts county schools.



The Metro South Citizens members volunteered at the Atlanta Motor Speedway with Speedway Children's Charities and helped raise over \$7,595!



Metro South CGP partnered with VOICE to volunteer at Congressman David Scott's 16th Annual Job Fair on Friday, April 12th. Volunteers performed several duties including pre-registration check-in, passing out information, and assisting employers with set-up. Approximately 12,000 unemployed or underemployed attended the event. Georgia Power amongst hundreds of other employers hosted a booth.



Statesboro Chapter

The Bulloch County Relay for Life event, benefitting the American Cancer Society, was held Friday, April 12th in downtown Statesboro. The event was new to the downtown area and attracted hundreds of supporters and survivors. Cicely Sikes and her family proudly recognized loved one's names who lost their lives from cancer. Verna Bennett, Statesboro Citizens and Ambassadors member, enjoyed the event with her granddaughter



Carrollton Chapter

For their Earth Day Project, Carrollton Citizens participated in the Keep Carroll Beautiful/Friends of the Carrollton Greenbelt, "Great Greenbelt Cleanup 2019". Chapter members and their families cleaned approximately 2 miles of the Carrollton Greenbelt. Way to go Carrollton!



Heart of Georgia Chapter

It is a long-standing tradition for Georgia Power to compete in the annual Macon International Cherry Blossom Festival Bed Race. This year, the Citizens of Georgia Power Heart of Georgia Chapter brought this tradition back to Cherry Street being the crowd favorites finishing 2nd with a time of 15:13 seconds.





CCC Chapter

The Customer Care Center Chapter hosted a volunteer event at A Friend's House, located in McDonough. Volunteers provided breakfast, lunch and dinner for 15 children and staff members. Thanks to Jecynta Smith and Ashley Spears for spearheading this event.



On Tuesday, April 9th, the Customer Care Center Chapter hosted a blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross. A total of 26 units were collected including 10 first time donors. Thanks to Todd Chesnut, Lanel Richardson and Don Martin for leading the charge for such a great cause!



General Office Chapter

Congratulations to Lance Rolax, winner of the General Office Chapter's 2nd Annual TopGolf Tournament! All proceeds from the tournament as well as "Jeans Month" button sales will benefit the American Cancer Society's upcoming Relay for Life.

Vidalia Chapter

Vidalia CGP Chapter volunteers gathered with other community organizations for the 2019 Vidalia Spring Clean-Up Day. This event is sponsored by the City of Vidalia and other local businesses. Each group was assigned an area to pick up litter along Vidalia roads to help clean up their community.



Metro West Chapter

At Metro West's monthly meeting, chapter members put together 41 Easter baskets that were delivered to the S.H.A.R.E House in Douglasville. Metro West Ambassadors helped the effort with a huge donation of goodies for the baskets. Great job Metro West!



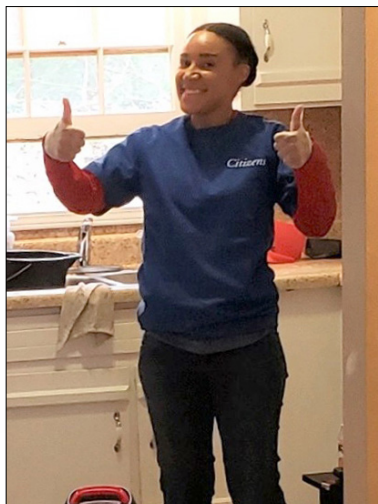
Plant Yates Chapter

Plant Yates was a proud Gold Sponsor at the March of Dimes Walk for Healthy Babies in Peachtree City. Chapter members and their families joined in the fun and raised \$2,600 for this great cause. Way to go Plant Yates!



Metro West Chapter

The Metro West Chapter kicked off their first Legacy Project for liveSAFE Resources. The mission of liveSAFE Resources is to provide safety and healing to those impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault and elder abuse. They have 3 homes that can house up to 16 women and children. Chapter members came out and painted one of the family houses that is part of their transitional housing program. Most of the walls were in bad shape, a couple holes and a lot of stickers that had to be removed, but they were able to paint the whole house in 3 hours!





“Summit Spotlight” – Plant Bowen

Congratulations to Plant Bowen, this month’s Summit Spotlight Award winner!

The Plant Bowen Citizens of Georgia Power had another successful day cleaning the Euharlee Black Pioneer Cemetery. The cemetery dates back to 1830 and had gotten overgrown with vegetation. Chapter members started this project on a very cold MLK day so the warmer weather was appreciated! Over 40 Volunteers worked tirelessly to clear brush, leaves, and dead trees from the one-acre cemetery. Mighty proud of the entire Plant Bowen family!



2019 Upcoming Projects

EVENT	CHAPTER	DATE	CONTACT
PowerClays	Metro South	Fri., May 3	Matt Goff dmgoff@southernco.com
GoodBoats: Dragon Boat Race	Augusta	Sat., May 4	Tyler Arrington tarringt@southernco.com
Forest Park 17th Annual Golf Tournament	Forest Park	Fri., May 10	Tom Stewart tgstewar@southernco.com
Plant McDonough Clay Shoot	Plant McDonough	Fri., May 17	Tim Van Hagen tvanhage@southernco.com
Plant Wansley MOD Golf	Plant Wansley	Fri., May 31	Sabrina Grimsley sgrimsle@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Relay for Life Golf Tournament	Plant Bowen	Fri., June 14	Tari Whiteman tnreyonl@southernco.com
Bowling for Scholars - Fundraiser Bowlathon	Metro West	Sat. August 10	Lisa Santos lsantos@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Relay for Clay Shoot	Plant Bowen	Fri., Sept. 13	Tari Whiteman tnreyonl@southernco.com
Kylan Warren Golf Tournament	North Fulton and Gainesville	Mon., Sept. 16	Charles Henley cwhenley@southernco.com
5th Annual Valdosta Citizens Golf Classic	Valdosta	Thur., Sept. 26	Dana Fender djfender@southernco.com
Augusta Kickball Tournament	Augusta	Sat., October 5	Tyler Arrington tarringt@southernco.com
Jefferson Street Citizens 5th Annual Cornhole Tournament	Jefferson Street	Wed., October 9	Kimberly Allen kkstare@southernco.com
Customer Care Center 19th Annual Golf Tournament	Customer Care Center	Fri., October 25	Don Martin dvmartin@southernco.com
Clayton CGP Annual Golf Tournament	Clayton	Fri., November 15	Jeremy Spradlin jlspradl@southernco.com

2019 Target Dates and Deadlines



20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE
July 12	Summer State Board Meeting
August 9	State Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office
September 5	Call to Annual Meeting mailed
September 5	Deadline for Chapter Matching Contribution Request Form
September 20	Committee Chairs application due in State Office
October 2-4	State Officers will go through selection process for committee chairs to serve on State Board during 2020
October 2	Annual Meeting reservations/delegate forms due
October 2	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting printed program due to State Office
November 8	State Board Meeting – Macon Marriott City Center
November 9	Annual Meeting – Macon Marriott City Center, Macon GA
December 3	2020-chapter officer information due
December 6	State Office will verify records in SmartSimple for second incentive
December 13	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
December 13	All monies must be distributed to bring year-end balance down to \$100 and prepare books for audit and income tax forms
December 31	All 2019 Service Hours entered into SmartSimple