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State President's Message

Shane Ammons

Citizens of Georgia Power,



We set sail over two months ago on the Citizen ship "Charting A Course For Service" on our year long journey. As we head into March, our chapter activities on board are really beginning to heat up. Most every chapter has conducted their initial membership kickoff drive. I

have heard several success stories and I have had the honor of attending several. Please be sure to get the pictures of your membership drive submitted to the State Office so they can be included in the Energizer. Members love to see themselves in pictures. Most of the drives have included a breakfast or lunch. I have always heard a way to a person's heart is through their stomach. At the Tallulah Falls drive, it was well attended by retirees (Ambassadors) and spouses. As the number of employees decrease, utilizing Ambassadors, spouses and children are great ways to get more accomplished. A reminder that Ambassadors and spouses can be members of Citizens. A great example of this is included in this month's Energizer. The Vidalia Chapter had a combination of all three groups in this year's roadway cleanup.

Fundraising and service projects are happening all around the "Ship". Plant Bowen Chapter had a very successful chocolate covered apple sale benefiting March of Dimes. There have also been two "Lunch for Lunch" events this month. These events combine the lunch period and the amount of money members planned to spend on lunch for the day. The money is used to purchase lunch items and the time is used to prepare and distribute lunches to a needy organization in the area. If you would like to do one in your area, you may contact 755 Jefferson St, Customer Care Center or the State Office for guidance.

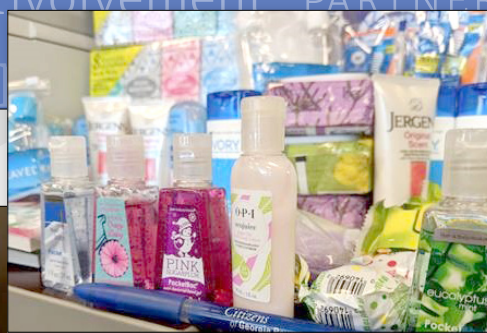
As we spring into April, review the communications from the State Office on potential environmental projects. Dr Mark Berry has issued a challenge to make Earth Day bigger and better this year. He has also put up some financial incentives and rewards for your chapter. As you plan these events, communicate to the State Office by using the Citizens Mobi app. It can be downloaded in the company's app catalog or https://mobi.southernco.com/citizens_of_georgia_power/Home



Shane Ammons

Plant Bowen Chapter

Every month at their meeting, Plant Bowen Citizens members bring in items to go to support various charities. This month they brought in items to go in hospital stay bags. As you can tell from the pictures, their members stay engaged! Next month they will be collecting non-perishable individually sized snacks for Back Pack Buddies.



Sweets for their Sweeties! Plant Bowen held their chocolate covered apples sale on Valentine's Day. This annual event raised over \$715 for March of Dimes! Great job Plant Bowen!



As part of the Back Pack Buddies program that Plant Bowen Citizens have supported for many years, chapter members Ellen Floyd, Tari Whiteman and Ashlee Ward went to Euharlee Elementary School to help pack weekend meal bags for 40 kids at the school. What an amazing program for these kids – a whole room with food, clothing, school supplies – all for these kids that are in need. Imagine a kid only getting food on the days that they come to school! This program ensures these kids get at least breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout the weekend. Truly being a Citizen Wherever We Serve!

Jefferson Street Chapter

Thanks to Greg Detwiler, Distribution Support Manager at Jefferson St. for organizing the donation of 4 pallets of boxed meals (approx. 1,000 boxes with each box containing 2 meals) of non-perishable meals from Midwest Food Bank to our Jefferson Street Chapter. A special thanks to Randy Dixon, MTS Supervisor for making the pickup possible by driving the flatbed truck and operating the forklift to make sure that our donation was secured and delivered to Jefferson St. Our members then pulled together to pick the meals up and delivered 500 boxes to Cross Roads Ministries and 250 boxes to the Veterans Empowerment Organization (VEO). The remaining boxes will be used in a future Jefferson St. outreach event.



Jefferson Street Chapter held its 2nd Annual Valentine's day baskets drawing on February 9th. This event raised a total of \$770, with all the proceeds to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Congrats to basket winners Kim Brewer, Russell Busch, and Keith Bright.



Jefferson Street Chapter

Jefferson Street Chapter partnered up with MVP and Danny Lindsey, Power Delivery SVP and MVP's Executive Sponsor, in supporting the Veterans Empowerment Organization (VEO) at their 3rd Annual Gala on February 17th. The Gala raised \$200K+ towards the assistance and housing of our local veterans here in Atlanta. In addition, MVP was successful in securing a retired van from Fleet Services to donate to the VEO, which will enable the organization to transport veterans in their program to the VA and job interviews.



Customer Care Center Chapter

On February 22nd, the Customer Care Center Chapter held a Lunch for Lunch event to benefit their local charities. This event was chaired by Jecynta Smith and Tristen Alexander. They partnered with Jessica Harris with Operation Lunchbox, a non-profit organization that provides after school and summer meals for many of the youth. Chapter members made close to 250 meals for the Henry County youth. Great job, CCC!

Savannah Chapter

Savannah Citizens continue to do great things in their community! On February 24th, they had the opportunity to be a part of MEGAGENESIS where GPC has been a proud sponsor for years. MEGAGENESIS is a program designed to inform students about opportunities provided for college graduates, information about various career fields, and opportunities to study at a variety of universities. In 7 years over 5,200 students and parents have attended. The growth of the program in Savannah has gone from 335 in 2007 to over 1,000 in 2018. Chapter members manned a booth and held a breakout session, promoting STEM and scholarship opportunities.



Vidalia Chapter

Vidalia Citizens members and their families joined in with other community groups to pick up trash along the cities highways for their annual cleanup. Great environmental project!



Metro West Chapter

Metro West Chapter Citizens members, along with the Metro West Ambassadors, assembled over 60 Family Easter baskets filled with toiletries and candies that were donated to Sweetwater Mission in Austell. Sweetwater Mission is a non-profit organization who offers food and clothing assistance to low-income residents of Cobb and Douglas counties. Thanks to Lynn Grant (Ambassadors), Busola Awoniyi, Lisa Santos, Erica White, Bill Grant (Ambassadors), Meghan Pressley, Marty Bergstrom, Gretchen Haight, Donna Via, and Jade Walker for joining in this great project!



What does being a Citizen mean to you?



ANN MARIE HERRERA –

"Being a Citizen means giving a 'hand up' when needed and making a difference in the lives of others."



LEAH BURCH –

"For me, being a Citizen means helping your neighbors and communities, using your abilities to make a positive difference. It is a responsibility to love one another and stand by one another through both struggle and growth for the greater good."

Upcoming Projects

EVENT	CHAPTER	DATE	CONTACT
Athens Area Citizens of Ga Power Golf Tournament	Athens	Apr. 9	Joshua Likins or Angie Brown JLIKINS@southernco.com ACKINLEY@southernco.com
Savannah Generation Golf Tournament	Savannah Generation	Apr. 27	Donna Deloach DDELOACH@southernco.com
Tallulah Falls Sporting Clays	Tallulah Falls	Apr. 28	Barry Brookshire BLBROOKS@southernco.com
Lightning Dash 5K Run Walk	Carrollton	April 28	April Hale ALHALE@southernco.com
March of Dimes Golf Tournament	Plant Wansley	May 4	Julie Arp JULIEARP@southernco.com
10th Annual PowerClays Tournament	Metro South	May 4	Matt Goff DMGOFF@southernco.com
16th Annual Charity Golf Tournament	Forest Park	May 1	Tom Stewart TGSTEWAR@southernco.com
2nd Annual Fishing Tournament	Brunswick	May 12	Kevin Hill KEVHILL@southernco.com
Golf Tournament	Metro South	June 8	Teresa Huckabee THUCKABE@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Golf Tournament for Relay for Life	Plant Bowen	June 15	Ellen Floyd KEFLOYD@southernco.com
Plant McDonough Sporting Clays Tournament	Plant McDonough	June 29	Enola Taylor EMTAYLOR@southernco.com
Bowling for Scholars Bowl-A-Thon	Metro West	Aug. 11	Eric Swann ECSWANN@southernco.com
8th Annual Kylan Warren Golf Tournament	North Fulton and Gainesville	Sept. 17	Charles Henley CWHENLEY@southernco.com
Electric Kids Golf Tournament	Gwinnett	Oct. 2	Debra Hayes DHHAYES@southernco.com
Jefferson Street Cornhole Tournament	Jefferson Street	Oct. 10	Kimberly Brewer KYBREWER@southernco.com
Paintball Tournament	Plant Hammond	Oct. 12	Rebecca Theakson RTHEAKST@southernco.com
Clayton CGP Annual Golf Tournament	Clayton	Nov. 2	Casey Simmons CASIMMON@southernco.com

2018 Target Dates and Deadlines

15 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE
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March 16	State Office will verify service hours and financials in SmartSimple in order to process first chapter incentive check of \$300
March 23	Chapter Incentive checks processed and mailed
July 12 & 13	Summer State Board Meeting
August 10	State Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office
September 4	Call to Annual Meeting mailed
September 4	Deadline for Chapter Matching Contribution Request Form
September 21	Committee Chairs application due in State Office
October 2-5	State Officers will go through selection process for committee chairs to serve on State Board during 2019
October 2	Annual Meeting reservations/delegate forms due
October 2	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting printed program due to State Office
November 9	State Board Meeting – Atlanta Marriott Gateway
November 10	Annual Meeting – Atlanta Marriott Gateway
December 3	2019-chapter officer information due
December 7	State Office will verify records in SmartSimple for second incentive
December 14	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
December 14	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 2018 Service Hours entered into SmartSimple