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HOMETOWN HEROES IN SERVICE



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State President's Message

Patrick Harris



Hometown Heroes in Service,

It is a special time of year and I feel that we all are excited about what is to come. As you know, we are entering the period of 'sun & fun' and our school aged children are out of school for the summer. The Citizens of Georgia Power organization has made their communities better over the years and we have done some innovative things to keep this organization aligned with its mission as we stay up to date with the changing times. Innovating things like making every employee a member of the Citizens of Georgia Power, makes it so easier for our chapters to be more effective to 'Energize our Communities' with good works.

However, one of the innovative things that we have incorporated is this notion of LEGACY. Under Shane Ammons' CGP presidency we implemented Legacy Projects. Projects that are funded to leave a lasting legacy in the communities that we serve. However, CGP has been contributing to the idea of Legacy in another form. Let me explain. When I started my CGP journey, I remember bringing my young daughter with me to assist at community events. A month ago, my daughter came home from Charlotte, NC and she wanted to know where she can volunteer at the nearest CGP community event. Using the CGP statewide calendar, I was able to direct her to the 'Trees Atlanta Earth Month' led by President Myla Kelly and the Metro East CGP chapter. She was also able to work alongside of her high school classmate Anisa Williams (daughter of Alicia Williams - GPC Compliance Manager). As a parent, I was proud that Alicia and I have raised daughters who were willing to give back to their communities through the roots they developed from the Citizens of Georgia Power. I have seen many of our Hometown Heroes in Service bring their children to similar events, which develop their roots in the spirit of volunteerism. Comic book superheroes such as Batman positively influences Robin so that he can continue the Legacy of fighting for good; long after Batman is gone. Similarly, our 'Hometown Heroes in Service' are providing the influence and leadership to leave the legacy of volunteerism for future generations. Let us continue the legacy of making our communities great.

Yours in Service,
Patrick Harris



TM&S, Lake Resources, Volunteer Services, Metro South, Milledgeville, and Columbus Citizens

Thanks to the incredible leadership from Transmission Maintenance & Support and Lake Resources, along with support from Volunteers Services and Citizens members from Metro South, Milledgeville, and Columbus, over 300 volunteers came together for lake clean up efforts on Lake Sinclair, Lake Harding, Lake Jackson, and Lake Seed. Check out these stats

- ▶ 309 volunteers
- ▶ 19,227 pounds of trash collected
- ▶ 1,255 service hours recorded

Thanks to everyone for this incredible effort!!



Metro East

We always talk about being a student of the business but rarely are we tested on this knowledge. Check out this note from ChiQuita George about her test anxiety!

"Funny story...I participated in a STEM Career Day on yesterday at a Miller Grove Middle School in Decatur. Little did I know that Mr. Rogers (6th grader) and a few of his friends had prepared questions for me. About Vogtle, his parents' bills, and environmental impacts. The teacher did not help him prepare the questions but she was interested in my response as well. All he knew was that a Georgia Power person was coming and he was ready for me. He didn't call it "Vogtle" but he brought it as a 6th grader would... "the construction place that has been making our bills go up and why they had to pay and we didn't". Whew!!! He almost stomped me on some of his questions but luckily, I had enough Vogtle, clean energy, and environmental nuggets to respond.

I left them with some snake posters, things to prepare them for careers in science/engineering and at the company, and all of my energy (pun intended).

The importance of being a Student of the Business!



Athens

Got a great note from Angie Kinley about Athens Relay for Life:

"Thank you all that came out on a Friday night to celebrate our survivors and caregivers and honor those that we have lost to the vicious C word. We were able to donate \$1,000 for the cause. Thank you to Ambassador Roger Allen and his wife and also retiree Richard Turpin and my Mom, Kathy. Active employees were myself, Jason Koberger and his son Landon, Tony Medina and Drew Henderson. I had my niece Piper and several friends there to support our team. Faye Turnbull, in the center waving, was our Survivor! What a great night! "



Milledgeville

Milledgeville Citizens volunteers came together to help Putnam Christian Outreach with their backpack program for students in the school system that do not have food available on weekends. The program currently serves 127 students in the Putnam County school system from all grades from the Primary School to the High School. The chapter purchased \$1,500 worth of food and came together to fill 146 bags that went to serve 146 students with three meals a day for the weekend! Awesome job everyone! The backpack ministry coordinators at PCO were super impressed with the quantity and quality of food in the bags and the notes of encouragement. Thank you to everyone who helped make this project a success!



Carrollton

Citizens volunteers give in so many ways. Carrollton Chapter Treasurer April Hale donated her 110 and 111 Power Red donations at the Red Cross Blood Drive. That's almost 14 gallons, all since she's been working at Georgia Power! April encourages others to give and save a life!

Michael Grant and his wife Jennifer continued the chapter's long running participation in the Greenbelt clean up. Not only did they get some fresh air and exercise, but they also picked up two large bags of trash!



Plant Bowen

On Friday April 26th Bowen Citizens members, along with over 90 community volunteers, came together for the 1st Annual Volunteer Appreciation Picnic hosted by Keep Bartow Beautiful. During the celebration Plant Bowen won two appreciation awards, Rivers Alive participants, and Great American Clean-Up. Great job Plant Bowen!!



Citizens of Georgia Power Plant Bowen chapter had 12 volunteers joined forces with other volunteers in support of Polk County Special Olympics. Thew volunteers helped the athletes with various sports games throughout the day. It was a beautiful day and a lot of fun and fellowship was had by all.



PRIDE Power

PRIDE Power had an awesome turnout for their volunteer event at CHRIS180. This great non-profit's mission is to support the LGBTQ+ youth in the community who have experienced trauma. Volunteers wrote over 100 letters of affirmation for LGBTQ+ youth, assembled 100 hygiene kits to help youth who may be experiencing homelessness and sorted clothing donations that CHRIS180 received to stock the clothing closet. Great opportunity to give back for this wonderful organization!



Golden Isles Ambassadors

A recent donation was made to the No Kill Glynn County by the Golden Isles chapter, Georgia Power Ambassadors. This great charity was founded in 2013 when a group of animal advocates began working together to embrace saving animals in the area. Chapter Corresponding Secretary George Ellis proudly delivered the donation to Chandra Kendall of NKGK. Great to see our Ambassadors continuing to serve!



Teann Jackson, Service Hours Coordinator for Golden Isles Ambassadors was proud to deliver a donation from the chapter to "Keep Golden Isles Beautiful" For over 40 years KGIB has been a leader in helping keep the Golden Isles of Georgia green and beautiful. Heather Riviera of KGIB was honored to accept the donation.



The Golden Isles chapter of the Georgia Power Ambassadors recently made donations to The Nunnally House, which is a nonprofit organization offering a home away from home for patients who have cancer or family members of critical care patients.

MVP and Rome Ambassadors

MVP members Shelly Beringer and Rebecca Williams joined forces with Rome Ambassadors Keith and Debbie Crews and Elizabeth Kennedy working the food pantry at the Rome Vet Net event. These great volunteers packed 200 food boxes for deserving veterans!



Savannah and Savannah Generation

Savannah and Savannah Generation Citizens Chapters partnered with the West Chatham YMCA for their 2024 Legacy Project. The YMCA hosts a summer camp for the youth of Chatham County but have not been able to enjoy their campsite due to nature and trespassers. Over 30 members volunteered to clear trash and debris, spread wood chips, and help prepare the campsite for the YMCA's 2024 Summer kickoff of "Camp Spark!":
Sponsored by Georgia Power"



Statesboro

Statesboro Citizens volunteers had an incredible day as they came together for the opportunity to pack over 1,000 Summer Survival Bags for students in need. Chapter volunteers were so honored to be able to support The Button, a non-profit that provides free hygiene and well-being items to middle and high school students. These bags will provide students with shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant and more for the summer while they are out of school and would historically go without. Great job by the leadership team for supporting this project and Area Manager Joel Hanner for always being the chapter's biggest cheerleader. Thanks to Scott Ackerman and all the local crews, as well as all the other employee volunteers, and their families who helped make this an awesome project!



Columbus

After a hiatus due to COVID-19, the 9th Annual Madison Richmond Cast for a Cause Fishing Tournament returned stronger than ever, raising an impressive \$15,212 for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's Butterfly Fund. Hosted by the Citizens of Georgia Power – Columbus Chapter in partnership with the Fishing Committee, this event brought together 28 boats on April 19th at Florence Marina in Omaha, Georgia. The tournament holds special significance as it honors Madison Richmond, the daughter of local Columbus TMC Lineman Bryan Richmond. The funds raised will support the Butterfly Fund, which provides emergency financial assistance to families of children undergoing treatment at partnering medical facilities. This success wouldn't have been possible without the dedicated efforts of everyone involved. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the participants who contributed to the fundraising efforts leading up to the tournament. Special recognition goes to the volunteers and sponsors whose support made this event a resounding success. Thank you for your effort supporting this great cause!



Customer Care Center

The Citizens Chapter of CGP partnered with Relay for Life Henry on April 26th for an event themed "Finding a Cure Through the Decades." Participants donned their best 80s and 90s attire as we celebrated caregivers, survivors, and remembered loved ones lost. Chaired by Farrah Brewster, the event saw over 70 people sign up to donate, with more than 40 individuals showing up to support our fish fry and fellowship gathering. The chapter collected over \$4,000 and are still receiving funds to support the cause.



Jefferson Street

Jefferson Street reports they had a fantastic time at their Girls on the Run event! Volunteers gathered to pack supplies and joined forces to prepare swag bags for their runners and volunteers. It was truly heartwarming to support and celebrate the achievements of each girl. What a wonderful and inspiring experience!





EARTH MONTH EVENTS

Plant Bowen

On Monday April 22nd CGP Plant Bowen partnered with Keep Bartow Beautiful to conduct a "Front Yard Clean-Up". The chapter had 10 volunteers who cleaned up the roadside of Covered Bridge Road that runs in front of the plant. The volunteers collected over 40 bags of trash and debris.



Athens

Thank you to all the Athens Citizens volunteers who worked hard for their Earth Day Project at Howard Stroud Elementary School. Volunteers weeded a pollinator garden the very best they could in three hours. It was a tough project but it's better than when they started! Volunteers included Angie Kinley, her daughter Selice, Deemah Alamoudi, Aubree VanWinkle, Julie Southall, Clancie Cheeley, Ethan Fullard, Lance Poole, and Steven Scarboro! Thank you, Stroud Elementary School staff, for assisting!

Vidalia

Citizens of Georgia Power Vidalia Chapter participated in their community cleanup day as they took to the streets and parks to create a safer, healthier environment. The Earth Day community cleanup project was a resounding success, thanks to the dedication and enthusiasm of their great Citizens volunteers.



Dublin

Got a great note from Jon Daughtry about Dublin's Earth Day project....." This year for our Earth Day Project, the Dublin Chapter had the opportunity to revitalize the landscaping surrounding the CASA office. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), is a non-profit whose mission is to provide supportive services to abused and neglected children and their families, to improve outcomes for children and to support children in having safe, permanent forever families. We trimmed shrubbery, installed pine straw, mulch, landscape bordering and planted roses. We are so thankful to have had the opportunity to invest into this organization and look forward to seeing the long-lasting impact of our efforts. Our chapter members make these project dreams a reality and I can't thank them enough!"



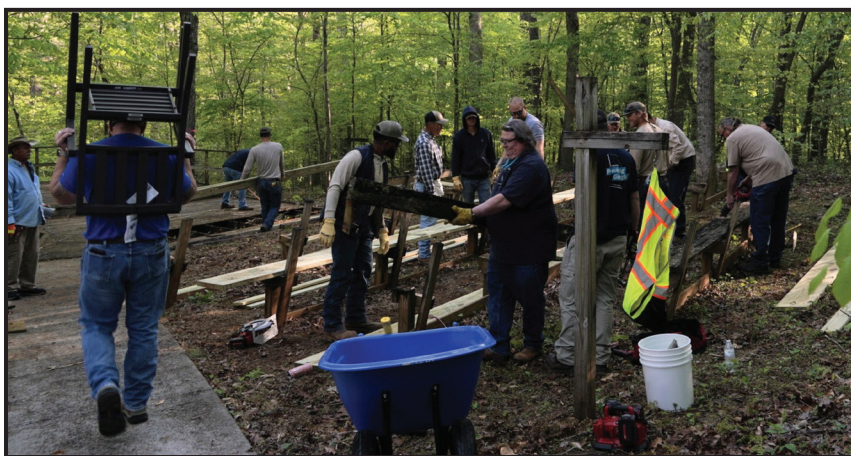
Metro West

Metro West Citizens Chapter had an incredible Earth Day event at Hiram High School. Volunteers helped the Hiram High School Garden Club place pavers, make, and fill a garden bed with manure and dirt, move a storage shed, place strings to support bean plants, and sort seeds. Alpha Alpha Psi Omega Sorority also joined us to plant a Cherry Blossom tree. The kids were really into spreading the manure and dirt!



Jefferson Street

Jefferson Street volunteers celebrated Earth Month with a fantastic volunteer event! Chapter members joined forces with Hope Hill Elementary 2nd graders for their Earth Day Service Project. Volunteers built birdhouses and planters, nurturing a greener future, and making a positive impact on the environment. Proud of their collective efforts!



Tallulah Falls

Tallulah Falls CGP Chapter completed their Earth Day project at Camp Hawkins in Mt. Airy, GA. The camp welcomes children with special needs throughout the summer to enjoy a fun week of summer camp. The outdoor amphitheater space, affectionately known as Elaine's Walk and Lindsey's Prayer Garden, needed a refresh. The group replaced the wood benches, made repairs to the wood stage, mulched the area, and added new landscaping. The camp will now be able to use this space for the first time in four years because of the repairs made. Special thanks to North Georgia Hydro and Cornelia line crew for the outstanding, safe work.

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2024 TARGET DATES AND DEADLINES

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| 20 Monthly | Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE Post to Circuit and Citizens Facebook | October 11 | State Board Committee Chair application due to State Office |
| February 7 | State Board Meeting | October 30 | Chapter Information for Annual Meeting DUE to State Office |
| February 8 | Leadership Summit | November 6 | State Board Meeting – 241 RMB |
| March 1 | Financials uploaded in electronic folder | November TBD | Citizens Annual Business Meeting Virtual Teams Meeting |
| March 5 | State Office will verify financials and service hours | December 8 | 2025-Chapter Officer information DUE |
| June 15 | Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE | December 13 | Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office |
| July 25 | Summer State Board Meeting | December 16 | All year-end donations distributed and prepare financials for audit and income tax forms |
| August 12 | State Board Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office (Current State Board members only) | December 29 | All 2024 Service Hours entered into Volunteer Microsoft forms |
| September 12 | Annual Business Meeting Invitations Emailed to all Citizens Leaders | | |
| October 6—7 | State Board Officers will go through selection process for State Officers to serve on State Board during 2025 | | |