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A Statewide newsletter for Citizens of Georgia Power

HOMETOWN HEROES IN SERVICE



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State President's Message

Patrick Harris



Hello Heroes

I can't believe that we are already near the end of the year and we have accomplished so much, both professionally and personally. November is special to me because we honor our veterans and we take time to say, 'Thank You'.

I would personally like to send a message to all veterans. I want to extend my deepest gratitude for your unwavering dedication and sacrifice. Your courage and commitment have safeguarded our freedoms and way of life, making you true heroes in every sense. We honor your service and the countless sacrifices you and your families have made. Thank you for your bravery and for inspiring us with your selfless acts of patriotism. As you know, I typically discuss some of my comic book heroes in my monthly message and make an analogy to the great service that we do in the community. Today, I want to highlight my dad as my hero because he is a U.S Army Veteran who dedicated part of his life to protecting our freedoms and he is still actively engaging to help veterans achieve their benefits. After many years of service, he was able to retire and maintain the U.S. Army values of Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage, in his civilian life. He was able to translate these values to me as it relates to serving our community. He is where I modeled my spirit of service, and that I why I want to highlight him as my 'Hero'.

Thank You for your efforts in continuing to complete service and legacy projects around the state. Even though it is the end of the year, you all are ending the year like we started.... STRONG. We held our board meeting during the 1st week of November, and I feel very encouraged about where we are headed in the future. We are in a great period of growth in many aspects of our organization even though we have less employees than we did last year. You all were true 'Hometown Heroes in Service'.

The chapter presidents did well in representing each chapter on our Virtual Call as we closed out the year and announced the new leadership for next year. I would like to take this time to thank our presidents for their leadership throughout 2024. You all made sure that we were able to put service project and legacy project money to good use and work effectively with local and internal partners.

As I close this message, I want to encourage you to make sure that your chapters are set up for success on next year. Train and encourage our next set of chapter leaders so that we can keep the great legacy going. Please make sure that you encourage your chapter members to attend the celebratory events that will be held in each region, highlighting the great work that you have completed over this past year. Soon we will be revealing the winner of the Community Impact Award, and I am excited that we have 2 great candidates to highlight. Both Kimberly Allen and Angie Kinley are well deserving candidates, and both are 'Heros' in their respective communities.

I can't say it enough, 'Thank You' for your service and the CGP State Board can't wait to see you all as we visit each region between now and the end of the year.

Yours in Service,
Patrick Harris



Carrollton

Carrollton Citizens shopped at Aldi and Walmart for items needed by the Community Christian Council in Tallapoosa. Volunteers then delivered and unloaded the items. The pictures show just part of what the chapter was able to donate thanks to a donation from the Georgia Power Foundation. Thank you to the members that showed up to help!



Chapter Treasurer April Hale had a blast reading to the students at Centralhatchee Elementary School.

Always love seeing families volunteering together! On Saturday Michael, Jennifer, and Kylie Grant picked up the chapter's section of the Carrollton Greenbelt. Their efforts netted 2 1/2 bags of trash.

Not sure there is a chapter in the state with a better blood donation streak than Carrollton! Joanna Isbell keeps the effort going with her donation.



Forest Park

On October 22, the Forest Park Chapter of Citizens of Georgia Power had the privilege of representing Georgia Power and Southern Company in a day of service at the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Collectively, our sixteen volunteers sorted and packed over 14,000 pounds of food, contributing to the creation of over 12,000 meals for families in need. Additionally, the Chapter organized a successful food drive, collecting canned goods and monetary donations to support the food bank's vital efforts. The Forest Park Chapter is grateful for the opportunity to make a positive impact in the local community and looks forward to continuing its support of this important cause.



Plant Scherer

On October 18th Plant Scherer proudly held the inaugural Fall Clay Shoot! Over 140 shooters and 30 volunteers gathered to raise money for two very important local charities, Rebuilding Macon, and Sleep in Heavenly Peace. The clay shoot was a massive success, resulting in \$30,000 being donated! This brings our tournament donation totals for the year to an incredible \$70,000!! Special thanks to all our sponsors and volunteers for continuing to set the standard here at Plant Scherer.





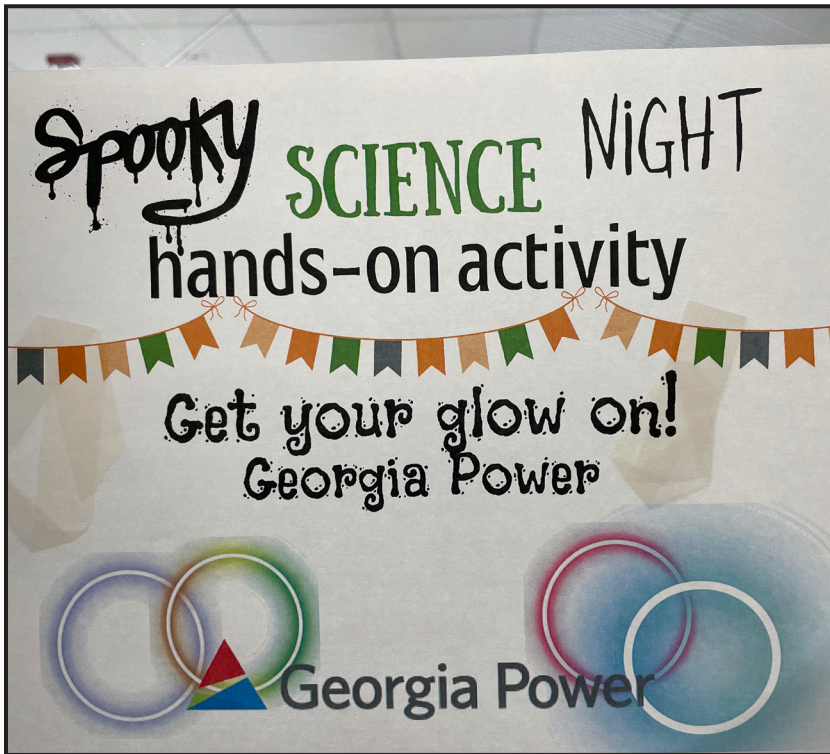
Savannah Generation

The Savannah Generation chapter hosted its golf tournament on Friday, November 1st. All the proceeds from the tournament went to benefit March of Dimes and Ready2CONNECT. March of Dimes mission is lead the fight for the health of all moms and babies. Ready2CONNECT's mission is to empower and connect the under and unemployed to career opportunities and community resources to help them reach financial independence. Savannah Generation's efforts raised over \$21,000! Each of these great charities received over \$10,600 to support their work.



Plant Bowen

Two Bowen Citizens volunteers assisted with the 3rd Annual Spooky Science Night at Cartersville Elementary School on Thursday Oct 24th. The volunteers assisted the children in making bracelets with solar beads that either glowed in the dark or changed color in the sun. It was a spooktacular evening.





General Office, Atlanta External Affairs, TWEIG and VOICE

The General Office of Citizens of GA Power partnered with Metro Atlanta External Affairs, TWIG, and VOICE to host Compudopt's 2024 Women in Tech event, which welcomed 70+ local middle school girls from 6th to 8th grade at GA Power's Atlanta Headquarters. These students participated in hands-on experiences in technology, virtual reality, engineering, and programming. Audrey King, SVP of Region External Affairs, gave remarks encouraging the students to stay committed to their education and highlighting Georgia Power Company's commitment to workforce development. During the event, students gained insight into education and career paths related to technology, learned technical skills such as coding and game development, interacted with successful women in STEM to learn about their professional journeys, and participated in educational and interactive training workshops. Attendees received laptops, and many students and parents expressed their enjoyment of the program and appreciation for Georgia Power's support of students' educational journeys.



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2024 TARGET DATES AND DEADLINES

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		