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ENERGIZER NEWSLETTER

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newsletter
for Citizens of
Georgia Power

State President's Message

Jason Bennett



As we reach the midpoint of the year, I want to commend you all for your outstanding efforts! This month, your projects have been remarkable, from Plant Vogtle supporting a local Make-A-Wish initiative to many of you organizing back-to-school and food drives for your communities.

As we continue through the year, please keep sharing posts that highlight the amazing work you're doing. Your contributions make a significant impact, and it's inspiring to see the positive effects in our communities.

I encourage you to keep the requests coming for Legacy projects. We've had several submissions recently, and I'm excited to see the results of your hard work. So far, we've successfully completed 53 service projects, benefiting 13 new organizations. Thank you for your dedication to building new relationships and supporting our communities.

With rising temperatures, please prioritize safety as you plan and execute projects throughout the summer. Your health and well-being are important to us. Keep up the fantastic work, and let's finish the year strong!

Yours in Service,
Jason Bennett

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Social Media Director Geneva Powell	Ambassadors Liaison Erica Bankhead



Club of Hearts Board

The Club of Hearts Board held their May Board meeting in the visitors' center at Plant Scherer. It was great to meet in person and they had a very productive meeting. Special thanks to board member Lee Williamson, Operations Manager at Plant Scherer for hosting the group and providing a tour.



Golden Isles Ambassadors

The Golden Isles Chapter of the Georgia Power Ambassadors recently made a donation of supplies to the Amity House of Glynn County. Chapter President Tean Jackson and chapter member Deborah Francis were proud to present the donation to Rachel Edwards of Amity House.



Savannah and ADAPPT

FODAC (Friends of Disabled Adults and Children) partnered with ADAPPT and Savannah Citizens for a coastal equipment drive. Members collected gently used home medical equipment (HME) such as walkers, crutches, and bathing aides. FODAC is working on a partnership with Goodwill so at any Savannah, Pooler, or Rincon Goodwill, if you drop off accessibility equipment, they will donate it to FODAC, who provides the equipment free of charge to people who need it.



Carrollton

Joyce and James Price continue to serve as we see on one of their many trips to volunteer at Open Hands United Christian Ministries helping with food distribution.



Big thanks to Jake Saunders, his wife, and his son for cleaning up Carrollton's section of the Carrollton Greenbelt. They even got to see a turtle laying eggs!



April Hale said she felt very privileged to lead such an awesome group of Citizens of Georgia Power volunteers! The chapter chose Open Hands of Carrollton for their recent service project. Thank you to Georgia Power for the service project donation. Open Hands told some of the chapters regular volunteers of a need for toiletries that aren't supplied by the Atlanta Food Bank. Citizen's members met at Dollar Tree in Carrollton and shopped. A big thank you to the very helpful Dollar Tree employees that were so patient and helpful. The chapter was able to provide toilet paper, bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and shampoo for the guest that visit Open Hands.

Dublin

The Dublin Chapter is proud to have completed one of its meaningful Legacy Projects for the year! Our team worked together to refresh the exterior walls of the office and housing buildings for Angels In Flight, a nonprofit dedicated to supporting individuals in overcoming substance abuse and mental health challenges. A sincere thank you to all the chapter members whose dedication and hard work made this transformation possible!



Georgia Power Management Council

Last week, the YMCA in Rome, Georgia, was buzzing with excitement as Georgia Power’s Management Council, including CEO Kim Greene, joined the summer camp activities. The event was a wonderful demonstration of Georgia Power’s motto, “Being a citizen wherever we serve,” as the team dedicated their time to engaging with the campers. The day was filled with enriching activities, including a STEM project where the children learned to make circuits, sparking their curiosity and interest in science and technology. Additionally, the volunteers helped the campers create delicious and healthy smoothies, adding a fun and nutritious twist to the day. The Georgia Power leadership team didn’t just build circuits; they built lasting memories with the kids. Their involvement brought smiles, laughter, and a sense of community, showing the true spirit of volunteerism and corporate responsibility.

The event was a testament to the positive impact that dedicated volunteers can have on young minds, fostering both educational growth and joyful experiences. The photos captured during the event reflect the enthusiasm and joy shared by everyone involved.



Georgia National Cemetery and MVP Engagement

Several MVP members reached out to sing the praises of Demetrius Hamm and his wife Jolene for their on-going engagement and support of all events at the Georgia National Cemetery in Canton. Demetrius, US Navy Chief Petty Officer Retired and Jolene, proud daughter of Major General Ernest James Harrell have selflessly served on the Georgia National Cemetery Advisory Council since 2019. They also assist in planning and coordination for cemetery cleanup and ceremonies in remembrance of our veterans, including Wreaths Across America and Memorial Day. Thank you, Demetrius and Jolene, for setting the example for service to our fallen veterans.



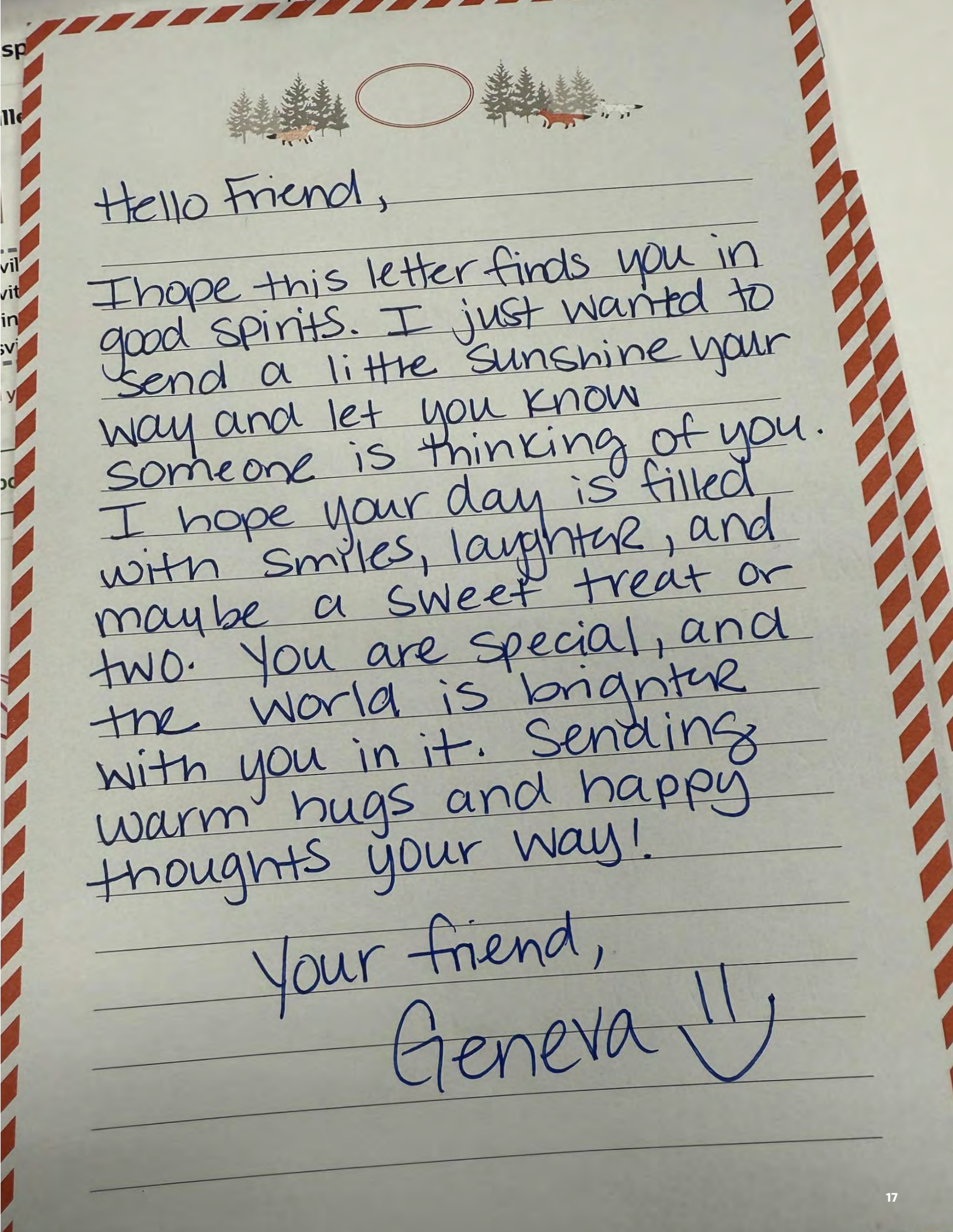
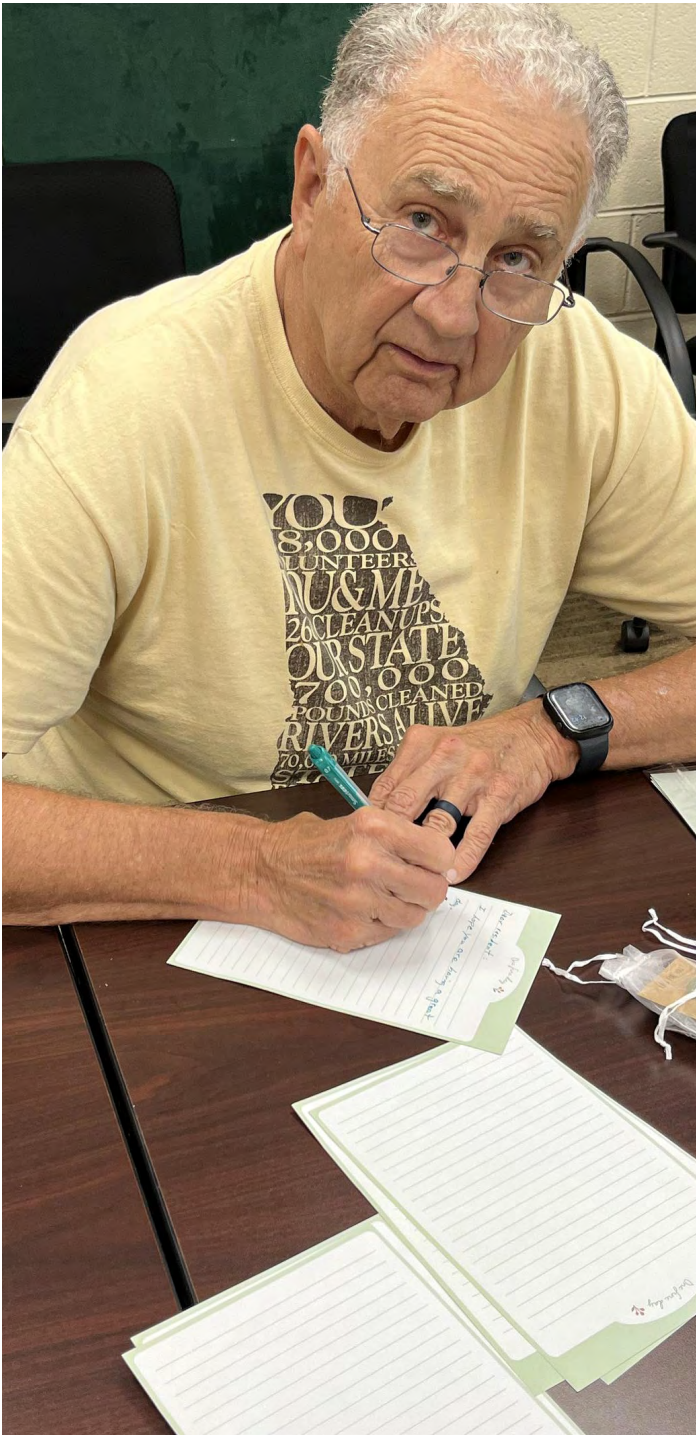
Cartersville, Plant Bowen and Land Acquisition

Cartersville Citizens proved there is strength in numbers when they hosted a great volunteer event assisting Advocates for Children with their move to a new facility. Cartersville really rallied the troops as they were joined by volunteers from Plant Bowen and Land Acquisition! All the cleaning and packing was truly appreciated by the team at Advocates for Children. Supported by service project funding from the Citizens State Board and funds from their golf tournament, Cartersville was able to provide almost \$2,500 of needed supplies. Plant Bowen came with a load of stuff and Land Acquisition showed up with a trunk full as well! Thank you all for supporting this great effort!



Plant Yates

Plant Yates volunteers gathered for their monthly meeting and partnered with Letters Against Isolation to write 40 heartfelt letters filled with hugs and inspirational quotes for strangers. Chapter President and State Board member Geneva Powell said "It's amazing what we can achieve when we come together with a shared purpose. Let's continue spreading kindness and making a difference, one letter at a time!"



Yates Chapter volunteers hit the streets to distribute fans to over 50 elderly and disabled families living in income-based housing. As the summer heat cranks up, these fans will not just give off cool air but will also provide a wave of comfort.



Got a great note from Geneva Powell about Plant Yates successful blood drive..."I'm thrilled that Plant Yates, in partnership with the American Red Cross, hosted a successful blood drive today, exceeding our goal of collecting 20 units of blood with more than 25 donors participating. It's been over six years since we last hosted an annual blood drive, and I'm incredibly proud of our volunteers who made this event possible and our donors who selflessly gave to save lives. Thank you, Krista for connecting us to the right resources to make this happen!"

Yates Citizens volunteers lit up Pine Knoll Nursing & Rehab Center by cohosting a lively Bingo Bash and presenting winners with gift bags created by our Citizens members. The residents were thrilled to see new faces and had an absolute blast!



Chapter President and State Board member Geneva Powell had the honor of speaking at the West GA Ambassadors meeting with Jeff Butterworth, Area Manager. Geneva provided an overview of completed projects and upcoming volunteer opportunities, while Jeff shared a business update. It was a pleasure to engage with such a dedicated group of retirees.

Acts of Kindness on Friday the 13th. Plant Yates volunteers came together to pack over 100 hygiene bags for kids in the Giving Hearts' summer lunch program. Thank you to everyone who made this possible. Your kindness and dedication to service is truly making a difference!



2025 TARGET DATES AND DEADLINES

20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE Post to Circuit and Citizens Facebook	October 6-7	State Board Officers will go through selection process for State Officers to serve on State Board during 2026
January 31	2024 Financials uploaded in electronic folder	October 10	State Board Committee Chair application due to State Office
February 1	State Office verify financials and service hours	October 30	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting DUE to State Office
February 5	State Board Meeting-241 RMB	November 6	State Board Meeting – 241 RMB
February 6	Leadership Summit	November TBD	Citizens Annual Business Meeting
February 28	2024 Chapter Financials Completed	December 8	2025-Chapter Officer information DUE
June 15	Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE	December 12	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
July 17	Summer State Board Meeting	December 16	All year-end donations distributed and prepare financials for audit and income tax forms
August 11	State Board Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office (Current State Board members only)	December 31	All 2025 Service Hours entered into Volunteer Microsoft forms
September 19	Annual Business Meeting Invitations Emailed to all Citizens Leaders		

