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ENERGIZER NEWSLETTER

A Statewide
newsletter
for Citizens of
Georgia Power



Georgia Power

State President's Message

Jason Bennett



It is truly inspiring to see chapters across the state meeting the needs of their communities. Whether through food drives, Angel Trees, honoring Veterans, or completing Legacy projects, you have all shown remarkable dedication and hard work.

As we approach the end of the year and the holiday season, I encourage you to take time to be with your families. While we remain committed to serving where we are needed, it's equally important to recharge and enjoy those special moments with loved ones.

Please continue submitting and planning your Chapter Legacy projects—many impressive initiatives have already been completed this year. Remember, projects do not need to reach the maximum funding amount. Be sure to watch the video that Ben Hodges, our Community Director, and I created to address some frequently asked questions.

It was wonderful seeing everyone at the annual meeting, and I hope you enjoyed connecting and celebrating your accomplishments. I look forward to seeing more of your outstanding work as we close out the year.

Yours in Service,
Jason Bennett

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Community Investment Director Ben Hodges	Club of Hearts Liaison Charlie Ross
Social Media Director Geneva Powell	Ambassadors Liaison Erica Bankhead



Savannah

Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and supported the Alzheimer's Walk. Savannah Citizens raised \$2,297.52 of the \$2,000 goal with Richelle Southwick raising an impactful \$1,870. These donations fund and bring awareness for the care, support, and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association®.



Savannah Citizens Chili Cook-Off Raises Money for Children's Christmas Presents: With delicious chili and exciting raffles, the event raised funds to purchase gifts for the children that will be impacted by the Build A Bed Legacy Project this December. We had some delicious entries: Savannah Watson won Most Creative, Erving Williams won Spiciest, and Julian Zuluaga won Best Overall. The event raised \$815 towards the Christmas presents.



Golden Isles Ambassadors

The Georgia Power Ambassadors Golden Isles Chapter donated much needed supplies to the teachers at Todd Grant Elementary in Darien and other schools in Glynn County. Teachers personally buy these items for their classrooms if they aren't donated. Big thanks to Tean Jackson, Annabelle Beasley, George Ellis, Cay Ellis, Janet Rogers, Wynell Walczak, Marilyn Daly, Adrienne Wiggins, and Billy Wiggins for this great project!



Planning and Regulatory Support

The Planning and Regulatory Support group came together for a great day of fellowship and service at Open Hand Atlanta. Open Hand's mission is delivering love, dignity, and nutrition to our neighbors in need. Thanks to Payton Williamson for coordinating this great opportunity. Their efforts resulted in packing over 2,700 meals!



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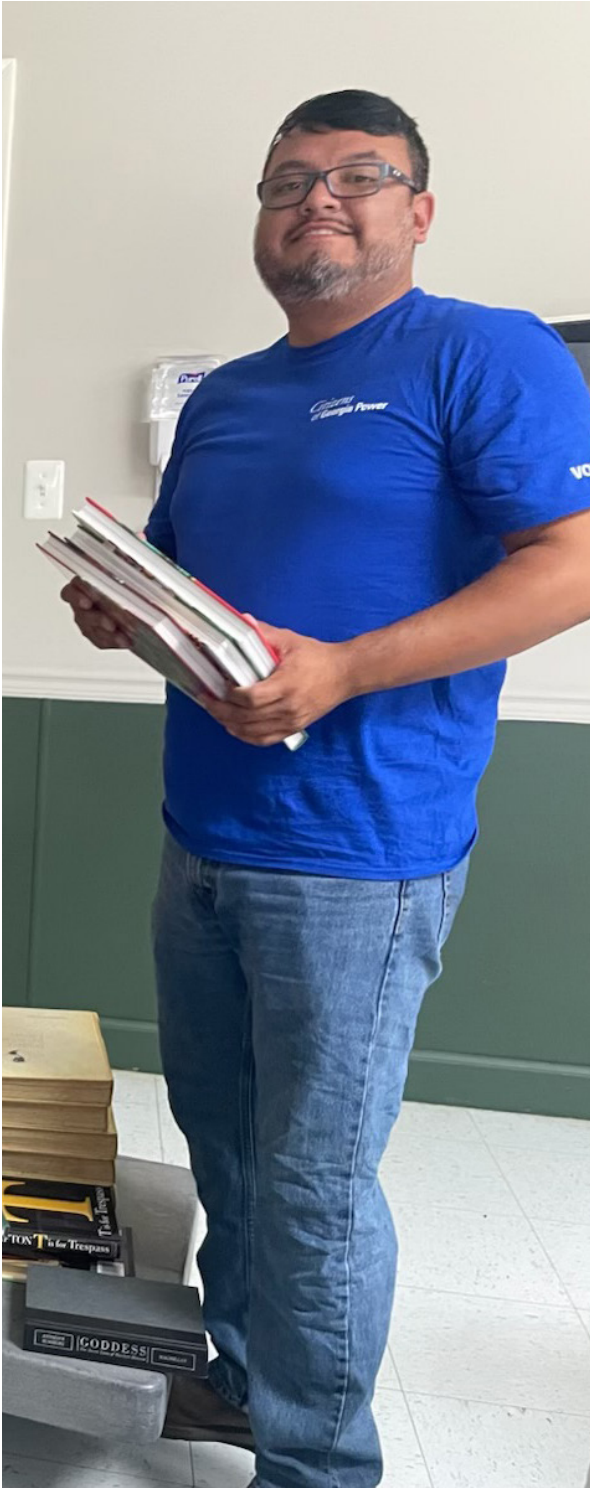
April Hale spent some time working at Mt Zion Meals That Matter. Volunteers delivered to Mt Zion Elementary, Middle, and High Schools. Carrollton Citizens members generously donated deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and lots of feminine products to help students in need. Thanks to all who made this event successful!



Congratulations to Joanna Isbell for her 5th lifesaving blood donation this year. Great job Joanna!

Tifton

The Tifton chapter of Citizens is excited to announce the successful launch of the mobile library at Pruitt Health Center in Ashburn! Thanks to amazing donations, volunteers filled the library with books for all ages, bringing joy and engagement to the patients. Community support made this possible! Great job Tifton!



Savannah Generation

Savannah Generation held its annual golf tournament in October this year. The weather turned out perfect and they had great participation from employees and vendors. The event raised \$21,000 that will benefit March of Dimes and Effingham Backpack Buddies.



Citizens, Corporate Affairs, and the Atlanta Falcons

Great note from Erica Bankhead about the playground build with KaBoom and the Atlanta Falcons:

WOW! What an incredible day we had yesterday in Stone Mountain! I'm still smiling thinking about the energy, the teamwork, and the impact we made together. Whether you were painting, planting, building, or cheering each other on—you showed up and showed out! As Southern Company employees, we live and breathe the motto "A Citizen Wherever We Serve", and yesterday, the city of Stone Mountain got to witness that in full force. Your dedication, spirit, and heart were on full display—and I couldn't be more proud to serve alongside each of you. And yes... SURPRISE SURPRISE!! The Atlanta Falcons joined us on-site, but the real stars of the day were YOU. You didn't need a camera crew or a celebrity moment to give your all. You did it from the heart, and that's what makes this team so special.



Forest Park

Citizens of Georgia Power Forest Park members came together at the Atlanta Community Food Bank in Jonesboro. Dedicated volunteers participated in two sessions, morning and afternoon. The morning session managed to provide 5,328 lbs. of food equating 4,440 meals and the afternoon session managed to provide 6,242 lbs. of food, which equates to 5,201 meals. In addition to the hard work during the sessions, members donated canned goods, non-perishable items, and a generous \$1,000. Thank you, Forest Park Citizens, for continuing to make a difference!



General Office

On November 17th, General Office chapter teamed up with Metro East and Metro North Regions to support the Dekalb Access Resource Center (Dekalb County Division of Family & Children Services) by providing Thanksgiving baskets to 30 local families. Great job making sure these families can celebrate Thanksgiving!

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone for your incredible support and generous donations to our Thanksgiving Drive. Because of your efforts, we not only met our goal of 30 baskets we exceeded it by assembling 34 baskets for the Dekalb Access Resource Center (Dekalb County Division of Family and Children Services)! Your willingness to give means so much and will bring comfort and joy to families who need it most this season. Thank you for making a real difference!





Plant Yates

The Plant Yates Citizens recently teamed up with the American Red Cross to host a community blood drive and the turnout was nothing short of inspiring! With a goal of collecting 21 units, our generous donors helped us exceed expectations, making a meaningful impact for those in need.

Yates Citizens members had the privilege of celebrating the incredible veterans at Pine Knoll Nursing Home. With deep gratitude for their service, they shared fresh fruit and snack trays, gifted personalized blankets, and delivered handmade cards filled with love and appreciation. It was a joy to see smiles, hear stories, and remind these heroes that their sacrifices will never be forgotten.

The Citizens of Georgia Power Plant Yates Chapter proudly partnered with Whitesburg Area Christian Ministry to support their Annual Holiday Meal Giveaway. Thanks to the incredible generosity of their team, volunteers collected and delivered on overflowing table full of food to help local families enjoy a warm holiday meal.





NewRock

NewRock chapter members celebrated their successful Legacy Project at Rockdale Career Academy. The project is allowing the Career Academy to expand their automotive pathway for students to pursue careers in the automotive industry. This past weekend, chapter members successfully worked on prepping the space at RCA for the school to move forward with equipping and launching the EV program area. Students from Heritage High School, student council president, a former Heritage High School scholar who is a current intern for GPC Economic Development and our future from Peaks Chapel Elementary showed up to work side by side with NewRock volunteers. Glad to see NewRock is truly changing young lives!



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		

