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ENERGIZER NEWSLETTER

A Statewide newsletter for
Citizens of Georgia Power.



State President's Message

Kelli Newman



As we close out March, it's hard to believe how quickly the year is gaining momentum. I continue to be inspired by the commitment and creativity you bring to serving your communities across Georgia. From food drives to blood drives to hands-on service projects, your efforts truly reflect what it means to live out our theme, "Anchored in Service, Caring in Motion."

This month is a great time to pause and recognize the impact you're already making. Many Chapters are seeing strong participation and meaningful results from their service initiatives, and I encourage you to continue sharing your successes—especially on social media and in the Energizer—to highlight the incredible work happening statewide. Your stories not only celebrate your teams, but they also inspire others to get involved.

As you look ahead, please remember to begin identifying and submitting your Legacy Projects for funding. Early planning is key to ensuring projects can be approved and completed within the year. If you have questions or need guidance during the process, the State Board and Volunteer Services team are always available to support you.

With April right around the corner, now is also the perfect time to start planning Earth Day service projects. Whether you're partnering with environmental organizations or creating something unique within your community, these projects are a meaningful way to extend our service and care beyond today and into the future.

Thank you for keeping the momentum strong and for staying grounded in purpose while moving compassion into action. I am grateful for your leadership, dedication, and heart for service—and I look forward to seeing all that we will continue to accomplish together this spring!

Kelli

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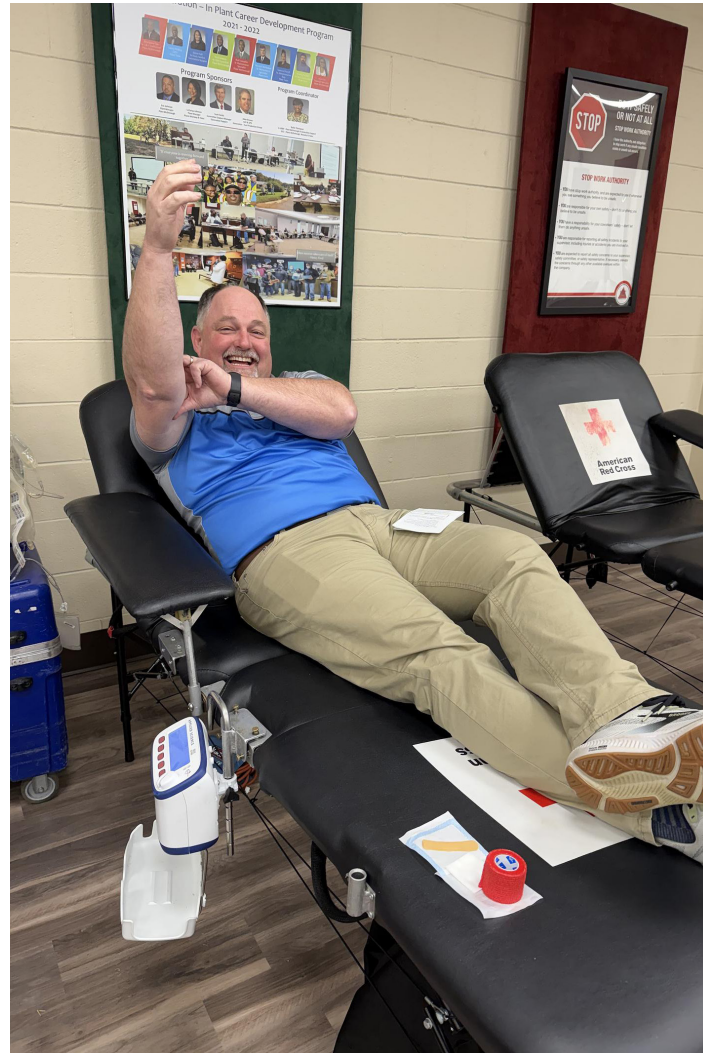
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Plant Yates

The Plant Yates team showed what true community spirit looks like! In partnership with the American Red Cross, employees came together and once again exceeded their blood drive goal, donating over 30 units of lifesaving blood. Each donation represents hope, compassion, and the power to change lives when we serve together. And to make the day even more fun, employees proudly participated in Support Your Favorite Sports Team Day, filling the building with team colors, friendly rivalries, and plenty of excitement. Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, or supported this effort.



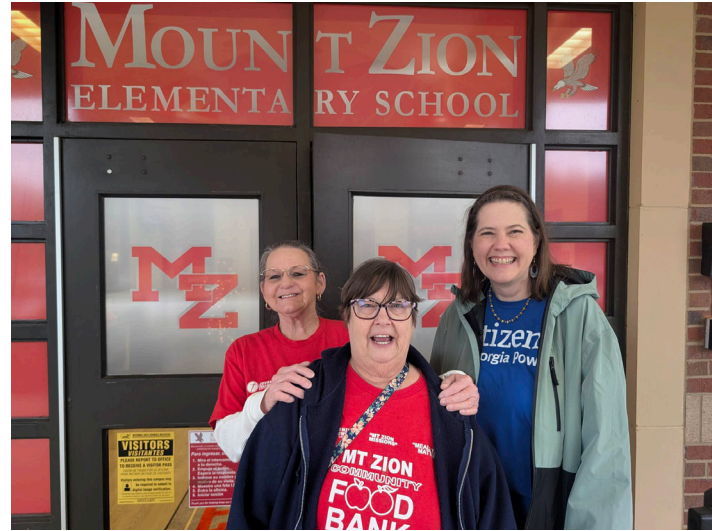
Corporate Responsibility

Brandi Tillman and Shanice McLeish from GPC Corporate Responsibility had the privilege of hosting a table on behalf of Georgia Power at the City of Refuge Women's Lunch and Learn. The event was beautifully organized and especially meaningful as it coincided with International Women's Day, making it even more special. Brandi and Shanice were inspired by the remarkable women, students, and staff who came together to make the day truly unforgettable. Each interaction, from thoughtful conversations to words of encouragement left a lasting impression and reminded them of the power of community and connection.



Carrollton

Starting the year off right in January, Carrollton Citizens member April Hale, in partnership with Mt. Zion Community Food Bank, continued their longstanding Meals that Matter project at Mt Zion Elementary School.



February rolled around and Carrollton Citizens had another great day volunteering with Mt Zion Meals that Matter. Volunteers prepped and delivered meal bags for 15 kids at Mt Zion Elementary, so they won't be hungry over the weekend. Their efforts made a gloomy morning a little brighter.



April Hale stated she was blessed to be able to volunteer for another Mt Zion Meals that Matters in March. Volunteers packed bags for children at Mt Zion Elementary that would otherwise go home hungry on the weekends.



Carrollton Citizens of Georgia Power partnered with Keep Carroll Beautiful to demo the old beds at Knox Park in Carrollton. The materials that were still good will be reused next month on a project at the Whitesburg Library Community Garden. Thankful to those that showed up and helped them knock it out. Afterwards volunteers enjoyed some good pizza and fellowship at American Pie Pizzeria.



Carrollton Citizens of Georgia Power had an awesome group Saturday morning. Chapter members joined forces with Keep Carroll Beautiful Great Greenbelt Cleanup 2026. Volunteers cleaned the entire Greenbelt. The Citizens group cleaned the two sections from Lovvorn Rd to Avalon, over 2 1/2 miles of trail. Among the items collected were 20 bags of trash, metal signpost, four buckets, two basketballs, a suitcase, a bicycle tire and five car tires!

Jefferson Street

Volunteers from Jefferson Street chapter came together in force at the Atlanta Community Food Bank for an inspiring service opportunity. When the dust cleared, they sorted and packed 5,449 pounds of food equating to 4,876 meals. Their efforts fed 252 people in 77 households. Great job Jefferson Street!



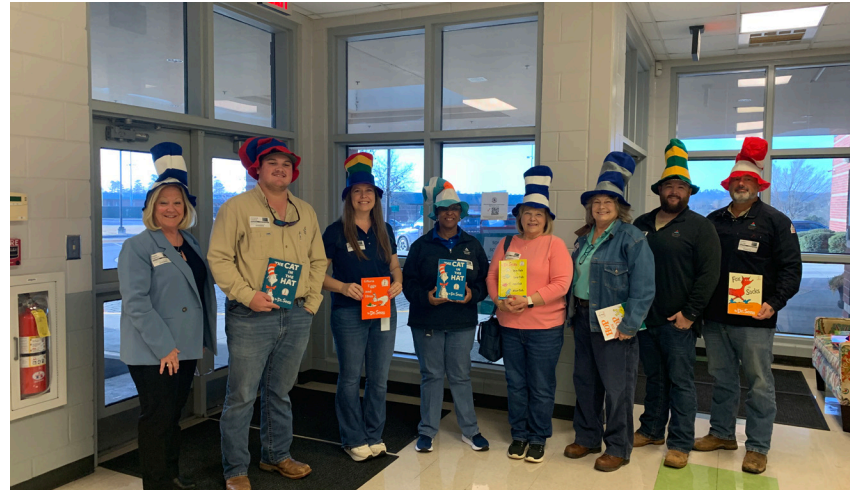
Plant Bowen

Plant Bowen Citizens of Georgia Power in collaboration with Keep Bartow Beautiful (KBB) helped remove 27 bags (540 lbs.) of trash from Covered Bridge Road leading up to the plant. This yearly collaboration is part of the Great American Cleanup. KBB staff assisted with the cleanup and provided supplies along with KBB Great American Cleanup shirts.



Milledgeville

The Milledgeville Chapter had a wonderful time celebrating Read Across America with third graders at Lakeview Academy this month. Volunteers truly loved spending time with the students, reading Dr. Seuss books, hearing their thoughts, and seeing their excitement for reading. Tiffany Vanstone said, "These are the moments that truly fill our hearts and remind us why we serve."



West Georgia Ambassadors

West Georgia Ambassadors partnered with the Carrollton Citizens chapter in an Earth Day project in Carrollton. As part of a Keep Carroll Beautiful project, volunteers disassembled 10 planter boxes to be rebuilt later at the Whitesburg library.

West Georgia Ambassadors partnered with Carrollton Citizens and Keep Carroll Beautiful on the "Great Greenbelt Cleanup 2026. The group cleaned over 2.5 miles of pathway!



Golden Isles Ambassadors

The Golden Isles Chapter of the Georgia Power Ambassadors recently donated items for the Grace House of Brunswick. Volunteers loaded their van down with these much-needed items. The Grace House is a safe place for women struggling with addiction to encounter Jesus and the freedom found in recovery through the 12 steps. There is hope and a better life waiting for you.



2026 TARGET DATES AND DEADLINES

20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE Post to Circuit and Citizens Facebook	October 7-8	State Board Officers will go through selection process for State Officers to serve on State Board during 2027
January 31	2025 Financials uploaded in electronic folder	October 9	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	November 19	State Board Meeting
February 6	Leadership Summit -241 RMB Auditorium	November 20	Citizens Annual Business Meeting
February 28	2025 Chapter Financials Completed	December 8	2026-Chapter Officer information DUE
June 15	Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE	December 11	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
June 23	Summer State Board Meeting	December 16	All year-end donations distributed and prepare financials for audit and income tax forms
August 10	State Board Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office (Current State Board members only)	December 31	All 2026 Service Hours entered into Volunteer Microsoft forms
September 18	Annual Business Meeting Invitations Emailed to all Citizens Leaders		

