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A statewide newsletter for Citizens of Georgia Power

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State President's Message

Amy Anderson



Citizens,

It is hard for me to believe that we are half way through 2019. It seems like just yesterday many of you attended our Leadership Summit kickoff for the year. We left there with lots of excitement and plans for the year, but I am still amazed at all that you have accomplished in such a short amount of time. I've heard so many stories of trying new membership strategies, new service projects, different partnerships and new ways of leading your chapters. The results are evident and chapters across the state are having a fantastic year and are making such a difference in their communities. As we move into the second half of the year let's keep that momentum going.

I know many of you have big plans for the last six months. As you work towards these goals take to heart a quote by Ernest Hemingway that states "It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end." Don't get so caught up in the planning and to do list that you miss the simple joy and blessing of giving back, of community and friendship, and of accomplishment. Help your chapters celebrate their accomplishments so far this year. You should be proud off all you have done! Be sure to thank those who have given of their time and talents to help at your projects. Don't take for granted all your members who have made your chapter a success.

It's not too late to travel down some new paths with Citizens this year. If you haven't joined or attended a project this year – what are you waiting for? The rewards of service far out weigh the time you give. I encourage you to get involved in your local chapter and Discover the Possibilities of what Citizens has to offer.

Amy Anderson





Tifton Chapter

Sabrina Rouse, Tifton Chapter President, recently presented a check to the Tift County Finance Committee member for Relay for Life, Adam Simmons. The chapter raised over \$1,520 for the American Cancer Society this year. Thanks Tifton.



Metro South Chapter

Metro South Citizens of Georgia Power partnered with Family Life. Family Life is a non-profit organization in Hapeville that has been serving the needy in their community with wrap around services since 1982. Metro South CGP held their general chapter meeting and then worked to complete step two of hosting an event for men in recovery. Items were sorted and counted for future distribution to those in need.

Dublin Chapter

The Dublin Citizens chapter was featured on the front page of the local newspaper for their recent Earth Day project. Great job Dublin!

The Courier Herald

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Citizens of Georgia Power gather to beautify Dublin Railroad Park

SPECIAL TO THE COURIER HERALD

Keep Dublin-Laurens Beautiful's Great American Clean Up Campaign recently had some help from the Citizens of Georgia Power.

The group donated its time, labor and plant materials to restore the beds around Dublin Railroad Park in hopes of providing a welcoming gateway to the community.

"The Citizens of Georgia Power volunteered and pulled together, providing a different kind of energy on Earth Day 2019, joining with many other organizations throughout Dublin-Laurens County to work towards conservation, restoration and awareness, so that future

generations will have a prosperous and beautiful place to call home," said KDLB Executive Director Patsy Baker.

Georgia Power Area Manager Jay Studstill said, "The group's mission is to work to make Georgia the best home for everyone. We do it by helping to preserve our state's economic vitality through our five focus areas of giving - education, arts, environmental, civic and community engagement, and health and human services. Protecting and enhancing our communities for decades to come, we are committed to being good stewards for the local communities we serve."

The Great American Clean Up campaign continued throughout May.



Kris Stovall, Brooks Brown, Mark Lauber, Derek Wilmer, Brad Duke, Kevin Clark, Neil Kyzer, Jay Studstill and Melanie Taylor were members of the Citizens of Georgia Power who donated their time to helping beautify Dublin Railroad Park as part of the Keep America Beautiful national campaign/SPECIAL PHOTO

Augusta Chapter

Augusta Citizens partnered with the Family YMCA of Greater Augusta for an afternoon of baseball with Miracle League. Around a dozen athletes and 30 volunteers participated with the event. The Family Y of Greater Augusta Miracle League is a baseball league designed for both children and adults with physical and developmental disabilities. Chapter President Ty Arrington summed up the day with this: "For me, to see the smiles and to hear the laughter coming from the kids while on the field is such an amazing experience. Just knowing that they are enjoying the moment and forgetting about everything going on in their lives is the reason why we do this event every year. Way to go Augusta!



General Office Chapter

During the month of May, the General Office Chapter members collected household items needed by women of the Atlanta Mission as they leave the facility to live independently once again.

Plant Bowen, Plant Hammond, and Rome Chapters

Plant Bowen, Plant Hammond and Rome chapters joined forces recently and partnered with Keep Bartow Beautiful & Keep Rome Floyd Beautiful for their annual River Clean-Up. A huge "THANK YOU" to everyone who came out and supported the event. It was hot, but an extremely successful day.





General Office Chapter

Congratulations to the Georgia Tech team, the winners of the General Office Chapter's annual Lunch-4-Lunch competition! Together, members of the Company's UGA and Tech Clubs prepared 631 sandwiches for clients of Crossroads Community Ministries, a local agency providing assistance to Atlanta's homeless.



North Fulton Chapter

North Fulton Chapter volunteered at the Community Assistance Center (CAC) in Sandy Springs for Earth Day filling raised planting beds with soil, planted herbs, vegetables and spreading mulch. These fresh vegetables will be distributed in their food pantry.





Thomson Chapter

Through a raffle and donations, the Thomson chapter raised \$4,479 for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event this year. It truly was a team effort. Thank you to all who helped with the raffle and the day of the event. And congratulations to Aaron Barr, winner of the raffle!



Metro South Chapter

David Oden, Metro South CGP ways and means chair, participated as a panelist during the Military Veterans in Power (MVP) Chow and Chat at Oakley Operating HQ. David served 10 years in the United States Air Force prior to his career at Georgia Power. Metro South is so thankful to have him as part of our team and we are thankful to all the men and women who have bravely served our country.



Congratulations to the Summit Spotlight winner this month – Albany Chapter.

Citizens members from the Albany Chapter invested some serious sweat equity with their Legacy Project with the Randolph County Parks and Rec. Chapter members repaired or replaced bleachers and dugouts so that families can safely enjoy their children’s ballgames. What an awesome example of being “A Citizen Wherever We Serve!”



2019 Upcoming Projects

EVENT	CHAPTER	DATE	CONTACT
Plant Bowen Relay for Life Golf Tournament	Plant Bowen	Fri., June 14	Tari Whiteman tnreyonl@southernco.com
Bowling for Scholars - Fundraiser Bowlathon	Metro West	Sat. August 10	Lisa Santos llsantos@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Car Show and BBQ	Plant Bowen	Sat. August 10	Ashlie Ward ashward@southernco.com
Vidalia Meals on Wheels Golf Tournament	Vidalia	Thurs., Sept. 12	Cliff Wall cwall@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Relay for Life Clay Shoot	Plant Bowen	Fri., Sept. 13	Tari Whiteman tnreyonl@southernco.com
Kylan Warren Golf Tournament	North Fulton and Gainesville	Mon., Sept. 16	Charles Henley cwhenley@southernco.com
5th Annual Valdosta Citizens Golf Classic	Valdosta	Thur., Sept. 26	Dana Fender djfender@southernco.com
Plant Bowen Toys for Tots Golf Tournament	Plant Bowen	Fri., October 4	Tari Whiteman tnreyonl@southernco.com
Jefferson Street Citizens 5th Annual Cornhole Tournament	Jefferson Street	Wed., October 9	Kimberly Allen kkstarre@southernco.com
Customer Care Center 19th Annual Golf Tournament	Customer Care Center	Fri., October 25	Don Martin dvmartin@southernco.com
Clayton CGP Annual Golf Tournament	Clayton	Fri., November 1	Jeremy Spradlin jlspradl@southernco.com
Plant McDonough Golf Tournament	Plant McDonough	Fri., November 1	Tim Van Hagen tvanhage@southernco.com

2019 Target Dates and Deadlines

20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE
July 12	Summer State Board Meeting
August 9	State Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office
September 5	Call to Annual Meeting mailed
September 5	Deadline for Chapter Matching Contribution Request Form
September 20	Committee Chairs application due in State Office
October 2-4	State Officers will go through selection process for committee chairs to serve on State Board during 2020
October 2	Annual Meeting reservations/delegate forms due
October 2	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting printed program due to State Office
November 8	State Board Meeting – Macon Marriott City Center
November 9	Annual Meeting – Macon Marriott City Center, Macon GA
December 3	2020-chapter officer information due
December 6	State Office will verify records in SmartSimple for second incentive
December 13	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
December 13	All monies must be distributed to bring year-end balance down to \$100 and prepare books for audit and income tax forms
December 31	All 2019 Service Hours entered into SmartSimple

