

Citizens of Georgia Power ENERGIZER

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State President's Message

Betsy Tillman

Citizens of Georgia Power,

July is the month of our CGP Summer State Board meeting. We just finished a very productive meeting with a focus on continuing to reimagine Citizens and all that it can be in the future. With over 60 years of making BIG impacts in our local communities, the future is very bright. One thing is for sure, we will always focus on giving back and making communities shine brighter!

Speaking of making communities brighter – Huge SHOUT OUT to Citizens chapters for recent projects – the General Office Chapter has been busy between the American Cancer Society Virtual relay and the supplies donation to Clifton Sanctuary Ministries for the homeless. Plant Bowen Chapter is all about partnerships – they recently partnered with the local Keep Rome/Floyd/Bartow beautiful groups to clean up some local boat ramps. The Carrollton chapter partnered with the Pregnancy Resource Center by collecting over 2,500 diapers and other baby supplies. The Clayton chapter partnered with the White County food bank to provide food for those in need in the community. The Plant Wansley Chapter recently did a school beatification project. The Columbus chapter recently did a big Legacy project with the Boys and Girls Club. The Customer Care Center Chapter raised money for the Pregnancy Resource Center. Several chapters were involved in environmental impact Earth Day projects. The projects mentioned are just a very small sample of all the wonderful work Citizen's members are completing across this great state!

Our Volunteer Services Staff are our unsung heroes! Chris D'Andrea leads the charge as the Manager over this great team! Jennifer Simon, Krista Pierce, Charlie Ross, and Cindy McLeroy all work together to support a host of efforts including Citizen of Georgia Power, Ambassadors, Club of Hearts, Financials for Charities and volunteerism across the state. While not a huge organization, their impacts are felt in every corner of the State and we appreciate them so very much! One of the ways they support us all is with the [Calendar link](#) of upcoming events. This is a great way to be informed of upcoming volunteer opportunities across the state!

The [President's Youth Volunteer Service Award](#) is a wonderful opportunity for youth volunteers ages 5 – 21 – to be recognized through the President's Youth Volunteer Service Program. It is specifically focused on honoring youth volunteers whose service positively impacts communities in every corner of this great nation. Youth who are dependents of an active Citizens member are eligible to participate. By volunteering and reporting their hours through the Volunteer Services Office, they may achieve either a Bronze, Silver, Gold or lifetime achievement award! Full rules are available through Volunteer Services.

Citizen's Members - Thanks to each of YOU for choosing to serve! For those not yet involved with Citizens, connect with your local Chapter and bring your family along – we would love to have you join!

The world is hugged by the faithful arms of volunteers! Terri Guillemets. Citizen's members are hugs in action! Remember... The Beauty of Service is Virtually Everywhere!

Betsy Tillman

Carrollton

The Pregnancy Resource Center that supports Carroll, Haralson, and Heard Counties put out a plea for help. Man did the Carrollton Citizens step up! In just over a week, they collected 2,544 Diapers, 23 packs of wipes, and a bag of pacifiers, spoons, and other baby items. Patrick Harris, Carry & Chloe Lovvorn, April Hale, Kathi Henson, and Aubree Van Winkle were honored to make the delivery. Great job Carrollton!



Carrollton Citizens members continue to support the Little Free Pantries in Carroll, Haralson, and Heard. They help stock and straighten them up. Even left a birthday cake kit to make someone's day special! Big thanks to Kathi Henson, Patrick Harris, and April Hale for stocking the pantries.



Clayton

Clayton CGP Chapter President, Josh Likins and Clayton Area manager, Brent Edwards recently presented a \$1,000 check to representatives from the White County Food Bank in Cleveland. The donation will provide over 5000 lbs of food for families in need in White County.



Brent Edwards, Jeremy Spradlin and Josh Likins made a check presentation on behalf of the Clayton CGP Chapter to board members of the Historic Clarkesville Cemetery Preservation, Inc. for the 2022 Legacy project in the amount of \$9,075. The grant, provided by the Georgia Power Foundation, will be used to purchase, and install 250 iron crosses on unmarked graves in the historic cemetery. The funds will also be used to purchase a mobile app to guide and educate visitors that tour the cemetery. CGP chapter members along with community volunteers will install the crosses later this summer.

General Office

The General Office Chapter members donated supplies to the Clifton Sanctuary Ministries, and member Chris Newton delivered the items to the facility. Clifton Sanctuary Ministries provides a transformational experience for homeless men through comprehensive life skills training and collaborative community partnerships.



The General Office Chapter continued to support the American Cancer Society by extending its Virtual 5K to benefit Relay for Life into June. Chapter members Kimberly Allen and Wes Singletary completed the virtual 5K despite the record-breaking early summer heat!

Plant Wansley

Plant Wansley Citizens used some Legacy Project dollars from the Georgia Power Foundation along with their sweat equity to spruce up things at Roopville Elementary School. Chapter members worked in the flower beds on the end of the 3-5 grade hall, laid steppingstones for the walkway to the pre-k playground and planted privacy trees and rose bushes. Looking good for the start of school!!



Students of Southern Company – Georgia Chapter

Members of the Students of Southern Company –Georgia Chapter [SoSC – GA] joined forces with HOPE Atlanta to support underprivileged communities in Atlanta. The Wednesday morning service event consisted of packing food boxes for the Atlanta homeless. Participating student employees succeeded in packaging about 8 pallets of food boxes. HOPE Atlanta director Amy Olvey was most appreciative. The SoSC GA Chapter plans to continue their partnership with HOPE Atlanta in the future. Huge thanks to the Volunteer Services team for helping coordinate the service event and all the student employees who took time out of their busy schedules to support the Atlanta community.





DATE	EVENT
20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE
2/9/2022	Virtual State Board Meeting
2/24/2022	Virtual Leadership Summit
3/18/20212	State Office will verify service hours and financials
6/15/2022	Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE
7/20/2022	Summer State Board Meeting
8/12/2022	State Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office
9/9/2022	Call to Annual Meeting TBA
9/23/2021	Committee Chairs application due in State Office
10/6-7/2022	State Officers will go through selection process for committee chairs to serve on State Board during 2021
10/7/2022	Annual Meeting reservations/delegate - TBA
10/7/2022	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting printed program DUE to State Office
11/10-11/2022	State Board Meeting – TBA
11/12-13/2022	Annual Meeting – TBA
12/9/2022	2023-chapter officer information DUE
12/16/2022	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
12/16/2022	All monies must be distributed to bring year-end balance down to \$100 and prepare books for audit and income tax forms
12/30/2022	All 2022 Service Hours entered into uBack