

ENERGIZER

A statewide newsletter for Citizens of Georgia Power

2021 State Board

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State President's Message

Mary Norris

Greetings Citizens



Can you believe Fall is here already? With last week's weather, I'm sure you felt the cool breezes each morning as you stepped outside your doors. October is just a few days away and we've almost made it to the end of another year of blessing others, by sharing the love of volunteering that's within our hearts.

To me, one of the most powerful things a person can show to another is LOVE. Many people will say "I love you", but it's all about the action that we show that really says whether it's a noun or a verb at the time. As Citizens you are "LOVE" and all "ACTION". For the past year, you've shown that by continuously doing service projects, and fundraisers to support your chapter.

The love in your heart allows you to have a will and compassion to want to see others smile and be happy. How many times have you received a call, an email or a gift or before there was COVID, a visit that was unexpected? How did it make you feel? Now, we've got 39 chapters that are making a difference. Sometimes, it might seem small, but as I've said before, don't ever let what you do make you feel it was just something that's not that worthy---it's what in your heart and every little bit of love you spread is just like petals in a big ocean that fills and overflows into our communities in such powerful and lasting ways.

With everything that's been going since mid 2020, we have been keeping our masks on to spread that love and joy to our communities; to uplift those when it was needed. You've cleaned up those riverbanks, planted trees/flowers and did landscaping for different areas; fed hospital staff at hospitals and nursing facilities. You delivered meals to the elderly, built bikes for kids with mobility disabilities, painted and reorganized pantries for a transitional home. You delivered bookbags and yes, so much more that it would take pages to break it down. I do hope you get the message. You are an amazing group of people who are to be applauded for all your efforts.

So, let's make it happen. Our annual meeting dates have been set and even though we can't meet in person, let's all try to attend virtually and celebrate together! There are five regional meetings and chapters will have an opportunity to highlight their activities during the year, recognize the Mamie K. Taylor award recipient and much more. The meeting dates are listed below and meeting notifications will be sent shortly. I hope you will mark your calendar for your meeting date and join us. Until then, keep those masks on and be safe!

Mary Norris



Northeast Region: November 9th (10-11:30)
 Southwest Region: November 9th (1:30 – 3:00)
 Southeast Region: November 10th (1:30 – 3:00)
 Northwest Region: November 16th (1:30 – 3:00)
 Metro Region: November 17th (10:00 – 11:30)

Brunswick

Brunswick Citizens fed the students and teachers at Coastal Plains Night School in September. Students attend night school for various reasons. Some are here to complete classes to graduate and catch up, some work to support their families during the day and must attend school at night, others are here because they require more one-on-one attention than a traditional school can provide. Brunswick Citizens members wanted to encourage them on their educational journeys by feeding them a meal. Pictured with site director Andrew Madden, Heather Harp Instructional Coach and one of the students are Alan Volskay, Jesup Local Manager, and Brandon Dowling, Brunswick Chapter President.



Clayton

Hot dogs! Get your hotdogs!! Clayton Chapter members recently worked concessions for the Habersham Central High School Raider game. The chapter was well represented, and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to fellowship with one another while serving their community. Friday night, football, and friends. Great job Clayton!



Savannah

Round 3 of Savannah Citizen's beach clean-up was a rousing success!! The chapter had six volunteers join up with the Tybee Clean Beach Volunteers organization. Several of the normal volunteers were not able to attend because of having to travel out of town for storm duty. Savannah's members managed to fill 6 five-gallon buckets with trash from around the pier in less than 2 hours!



General Office

The 2nd annual "Return of the Quack" Duck Race, hosted by the Citizens of Georgia Power General Office chapter, was recently held at Morningside Nature Preserve. The goal of the race is to raise money for a charity in a fun and creative way. The 19 rubber ducks that participated in the race each represented an employee and a charity that each person chose to support. At the end, the winning duck's charity receives a donation. The winner of this year's race was duck #12, "Goose," who represented Energy Efficiency Manager Stephanie O'Melia and her charity of choice. Thanks to Goose's victory, a total of \$380 was raised and donated to Nicholas House. See video below.



2021 Target Dates and Deadlines



20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE
June 15	Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE
July 9	Summer State Board Meeting
August 12	State Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office
September 9	Call to Annual Meeting TBA
September 23	Committee Chairs application due in State Office
October 6-7	State Officers will go through selection process for committee chairs to serve on State Board during 2021
October 7	Annual Meeting reservations/delegate - TBA
October 7	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting printed program DUE to State Office
November 2	Virtual State Board Meeting
November 9, 10, 16, 17	Citizens Virtual Celebrations
December 9	2022-chapter officer information DUE
December 9	State Office will verify records in uBack for second incentive
December 16	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
December 16	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 2021 Service Hours entered into uBack