

Beauty Abounds at Pine Tree Flower Show

The Annual Pine Tree Flower Show was held April 26 and 27, and this year's theme was *The Times of Your Life*. There were one hundred ninety-five entries in three divisions, and the Center was radiant with the many beautiful flowers and arrangements.

Congratulations to Ginny Smith who won the Joyce Harrison Award which goes to the overall flower show winner.



DAC CHAPTER MEETS AT CENTER

The St. Philip's Parish Chapter Daughters of the American Colonists held its quarterly meeting at the Center April 16. The largest DAC Chapter in Georgia, it was chartered in 1955 in Statesboro. The group's objective is patriotic, historical, and educational. Members research and publish the history of the American Colonists and commemorate deeds and events of colonial interest.

LOCAL STUDENTS GATHER FOR LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Forty amazing young people recently took part in the first Fulford Youth Leadership Academy. The day-long event welcomed juniors and seniors from David Emanuel Academy, Emanuel County Institute, and Swainsboro High School.

The program offered students the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills through a mix of engaging presentations and interactive activities. Marnie Dekle and Wade Parker, both with the University of Georgia Extension Service, presented the "Real Colors" training which provided students with an effective tool for understanding human behavior and improving communication skills.

Elizabeth Gilmer, East Georgia State College's director of external affairs, gave an informative session on personal finance for teens. To conclude the day, a session on how to get to college and make the most of it was provided by Taylor Edenfield, East Georgia State College's assistant director of student life. The academy will become an annual spring event at the Fulford Center.



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OUR MISSION

By providing an environment where learning opportunities take place and community relationships are enriched, the Sudie A. Fulford Community Learning Center will develop individual capacity and improve the quality of life for Swainsboro and Emanuel County.

OUR GOALS

Education
Civic Engagement
Hospitality



JEAN D. SCHWABE,
DIRECTOR



Happy Spring!

Message From The Director

It's been a very busy spring at the Center. We've welcomed over 1000 students for planetarium shows and celebrated local student achievement through a variety of programs.

We have a super line-up of summer camps, and the Fulford Center is the place to be this summer! We are very excited about our fourth year of summer camp. Our camps will provide plenty of hands-on activities, will open new horizons and will create great memories. We look forward to seeing you this summer. Feel free to contact us for more information.

UPCOMING
EVENTS

- May 1.....2nd Grade Experience
- May 2..... ECI PREP Visitation
- May 5..... Reidsville Middle PREP Visitation
- May 7, 8, & 19 ...MMGYSTC Teacher Training
- May 8..... Emanuel County Family Connection Meeting
- May 8..... Johnson Co. Elementary Visitation
- May 9..... Georgia Southern Rural Healthcare Initiative Meeting
- May 12..... David Emanuel PREP Visitation
- May 13-15Swainsboro Elementary 4th Grade Visitation
- May 16..... Collins Middle PREP Visitation
- May 19..... Carver Elementary Visitation
- May 20..... Candler Co. 4-H Visitation
- May 21..... Emanuel Retired Educators Association Meeting

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR SUMMER CAMPS!

- Camp Adventure IIIJune 9-12.....Rising Grades 3-5
- Gizmos and Gadgets Mini-CampJune 18Rising Grades 5 & 6
- 'Sounds' Like Fun Mini-CampJune 18Rising Grades K-1
- Advanced Chess CampJune 23-26
- Camp Exploration.....July 7-10.....Rising Grades 1 & 2
- Beginner/Intermediate Chess CampJuly 14-17
- Camp Invention.....July 21-25.....Rising Grades 3-6

Contact the center at 289-2464 or 289-2094 for more information or to register.



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2ND ANNUAL EGSC SCHOLASTIC CHESS INVITATIONAL HELD



The 2nd Annual EGSC Scholastic Chess Invitational was held Saturday, April 19. Twenty-six individuals competed. Top honors went to 3rd place- Jared Drake of Swainsboro, 2nd place- Chris Rios of Swainsboro, and 1st place- Noah Caplinger of Statesboro. Section winners included top college student Bryan Cameron, top high school student Rhys Gribbin, top middle school student John White, top elementary student Samuel White, and top third grade and younger student Jose Hernandez, all of Swainsboro. Mike Lisenby and Jay Youngblood assisted in coordinating the annual tournament.

OUTSTANDING STUDENTS RECOGNIZED BY GOVERNOR DAVID EMANUEL-ADAM BRINSON DAR



Members of the Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held their annual Student Recognition Awards Ceremony on April 10. Emanuel County students were awarded the DAR Good Citizen Medal, the American History Essay Award, the DAR Citizenship Award, and the JROTC Medal. Chris Rios, DAR Good Citizen for Swainsboro High School and Emanuel County, was recognized for being named Georgia DAR Good Citizen.

EMANUEL COUNTY PRE-K STUDENTS ENJOY VISITS TO CENTER

240 Emanuel County Pre-K students visited the center over six days in April. Students were provided a delightful introduction to the sky with the *One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure* planetarium show. Erin Youmans, Magnolia Midlands GYSTC Coordinator, also provided a fun, hands-on activity related to animals and the tracks they make.



EMANUEL COUNTY 2ND GRADERS HAVE A BLAST AT VISITATIONS

Over 275 second graders invaded the Fulford Center and East Georgia State College for their annual 2nd Grade Experience. Students enjoyed a planetarium show, a variety of hand-on science and art activities, a picture and visit with Bob, the EGSC bobcat, and the EGSC Homecoming Queen, Jalesa Carroll, as well as activities with EGSC Head Men's Basketball Coach, Leroy Jordan, and several of his star basketball players.

