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## ENERGIZER

A statewide newsletter for Citizens of Georgia Power

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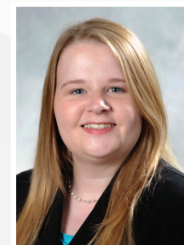
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## State President's Message

Amy Anderson



Citizens,

The first day of Autumn always ushers in a wonderful time of year. While it still feels like Summer, we can begin to anticipate the cooler days ahead. Days that many of us choose to spend outdoors – tailgating at football games, hunting that elusive big buck, around a bonfire with friends, or just enjoying a moment of solitude on a hike in the woods. Henry David Thoreau once said "I took a walk in the woods and came out taller than the trees." Nature has a way of relaxing us, aweing us and leaving us inspired. Enjoy your time outdoors this fall and let it renew your inspiration to do good in this world through Citizens.

As Southern Company System employees, we have a unique opportunity this year to participate in the Southern Company System Week of Service scheduled from October 19-26. All employees, as well as our Citizens Chapters, are encouraged to spend some time during that week volunteering in our community. What a great chance to show our state that we are all truly "Citizens Wherever We Serve"! Be on the lookout for more communication as the time gets closer but start planning what you might be able to do to impact your community during that specific week.

As we are getting ready for our Annual Meeting, the chapters have been asked to provide information so that we might celebrate all of your successes this year. We've also asked for your Maime K. Taylor winner for the year. Maime K. Taylor was a Georgia Power employee and a founder of the organization formerly known as the Women of Georgia Power Company in 1962. Today, that organization is known as Citizens of Georgia Power. As Citizens we are challenged to care with compassion, to give with generosity, to serve with sincerity, and to do it all with dedication and professionalism which is how Maime K. Taylor lived her life. To honor her, an award was named after her to recognize the member of each chapter who best exemplifies the ideals of the organization. To me this award is not only special because of its namesake, but also because the honorees are chosen by their fellow chapter members each year. Please give thought and consideration to the person in your chapter that deserves this great award at annual meeting.

We should all strive to live our lives like Maime K. But we should all also remember to be thankful for those that serve around us. Remember to thank those people who make a difference in your life this week. And strive to be that person for someone else. Sometimes we all need to hear that we are making a difference and that our efforts do not go unnoticed. Around the state you are making such great impacts this year. Let's keep it up and finish strong!

Amy Anderson



## Metro South Chapter

Metro South Citizens participated in the Fayette County Relay for Life. It was a great night to help celebrate and honor those who continue to fight, their caregivers, and those who've been taken from us. It was a hot night, so the chapter's shaved ice was a hit! Young and old alike waited in line. The Metro South team is known for their funnel cakes and fried Oreos and once again they didn't disappoint. Through everyone's efforts the Georgia Power team helped raise almost \$4,000. Metro South Citizens and Ambassadors ROCK! Thank you to all the team members that helped! Teresa Huckabee, David Oden, Patrina Dawson, Kristin Curylo, Lavell Lewis, Bobby Harper, Audrey King, Jason Manley, Josh Stallings, Diedre Addie, Lisa Wilkerson, Diana Chow, Peggy and Garnett Grubb, Cindy Bachelder, Charles and Brenda Dill, Bruce and Helen Helton, Dan and Joan Tillerson and Bobby and Ann Wilson.



## Jefferson Street Chapter

The start of the school year saw Jefferson Street Citizens members deliver 80 stuffed backpacks to Bright Futures Atlanta. Great job Jefferson Street!

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Jefferson Street Chapter worked on their Legacy Project at Fulton Leadership Academy. The project consisted of an expansion and enhancement of Fulton Leadership Academy's Computer Laboratory, which will elevate their STEM activities and motivate their Scholars to achieve even greater heights in their educational pursuits.



## Milledgeville Chapter

Milledgeville Citizens members joined forces with students from Georgia College to support the Animal Rescue Foundation. Volunteers helped clean up the facility and completed several landscape projects.



## General Office Chapter

Again, this year, General Office Chapter volunteers – led by long-time champion Angela Gillis – supported the annual Georgia Artists with DisAbilities art exhibition and sale. Founded by the Pilot Clubs of Metropolitan Atlanta in 1985, this charity identifies talented and creative Georgians who would otherwise have no way of making their dreams a reality. Citizens volunteers worked over two weekends in September to unload and display art, make bubble wrap packaging for each item to travel the state, and celebrate the artists' achievements at a luncheon held at GPC headquarters on September 21st.



General Office Citizens, family and friends turned out in force for their Relay at Adams Stadium. Their efforts raised over \$6,700 for the American Cancer Society. Team captain Debbie Baker said "I Relay because I Hate Cancer! It took my Mom, Dad, and Brother. I honor my sister, a four-year survivor!"



## Plant Bowen Chapter

It was a HOT but beautiful day raising money for Relay for Life at the Plant Bowen Citizens Clay Shoot! A full field of 120 shooters enjoyed a challenging course at this annual event that was held at the Floyd County Wild Life Club. A HUGE "Thank You" to everyone who came and participated and/or purchased raffle tickets. Because of YOU the chapter was able to raise more than **\$22,942!** That brings their total to over \$37,614 for Relay for Life this year! Great job Plant Bowen!



## Heart of Georgia Chapter

The Citizens of Georgia Power Heart of Georgia Chapter won 1st place at the 2019 Dragon Boat races at Lake Tobesofkee in Macon. This event supports Big Brothers Big Sisters. The Georgia Power team raised over \$3,200 for the event. The team consists of ten rowers and one drummer. This marks the 7th year that the Georgia Power team has won this event!

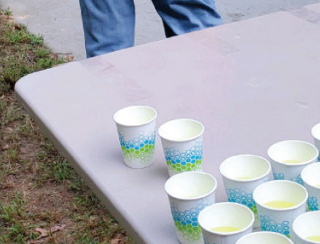


**Congratulations to the Summit Spotlight winner this month – Carrollton Chapter.**



Many children face being hungry daily and rely on schools to fill their tummies. BeJoy Backpacks is an annual event to help food organizations in Carrollton who prepare and deliver backpacks filled with food each week to help feed these children on the weekends. The items were received by Carrollton First United Methodist Church's Glow Children's Ministry. Every Wednesday night the 5th grade class participates in a service project called Dixie's Pantry. The kids pack 45 bags filled with food each week for children to take home on the weekends at Carrollton Middle School. Carrollton Citizens members donated items and money totaling approximately \$220 in food. As you can see, the chapter's shopping cart was overflowing with food!

On Saturday, September 7th, the Carrollton Chapter volunteered for the Inaugural Carrollton Half Marathon. More than 600 runners and over 50 community volunteers participated in this great event. Citizens volunteers ran an Aid Station/Relay Exchange on their adopted portion of the Greenbelt. The event was sponsored by The City of Carrollton, Tanner Health System and the West Georgia Track Club. The Carrollton chapter proudly represented as a "Citizen Wherever We Serve". Congratulations to Joanna Isbell for completing the half marathon and to Mac and Amy Kirby who ran as a relay team!



## 2019 Upcoming Projects

EVENT	CHAPTER	DATE	CONTACT
Plant Bowen Toys for Tots Golf Tournament	Plant Bowen	Fri., October 4	Tari Whiteman tnreynol@southernco.com
Jefferson Street Citizens 5th Annual Cornhole Tournament	Jefferson Street	Wed., October 9	Kimberly Allen kkstarre@southernco.com
Mary Ann Manley Electric Kids Golf Tournament	Gwinnett	Wed., October 23	Regina Sinclair rmsincla@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

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

