

FOURTH QUARTER FCC REPORT OCTOBER 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022

# **2022 Community Affairs Issues FOURTH QUARTER**

- 1. Public Safety & Crime including crime prevention, alcohol and drug abuse, fire safety, and police conduct. Plus, the Coronavirus Pandemic.
- 2. Education including education standards, school safety, budget and alternative schools.
- 3. Minority Issues including affirmative action, NAACP activities, women and Gay Rights and Ahmaud Arbery trial. Plus, how minorities have made adifference.
- 4. Economic Development including business development, employment opportunities, community infrastructure, small business development, and visitor attractions. Plus, the effects of the Pandemic on the economy.
- 5. Terrorism/National Security, conflict in Afghanistan, and peacekeeping. Plus, border security and Veteran celebrations.
- 7. Political Section-including local, state and federal government actions
- 6. PSA's-A list and brief descriptions of Public Service Announcements that ran on WTOC
- 7. Special Programs-A list and description of locally produced programs that aired on WTOC.

# DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

DAY	<u>TIME</u>
MONDAY - FRIDAY	4:30 – 7:00 AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY	09:00AM-10:00AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY	NOON - 12:30
MONDAY-FRIDAY	3:00PM-4:00PM
MONDAY- FRIDAY	4:00PM-4:30PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY	4:30PM-5:00PM
MONDAY – FRIDAY	5:00 - 6:00 PM
MONDAY – FRIDAY	6:00 – 6:30 PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY	7:00-7:30PM
MONDAY – FRIDAY	11:00 – 11:30 PM
SATURDAY	6:00AM-8:00AM
SATURDAY	6:00 – 6:30 PM
SATURDAY	7:00 – 7:30 PM
SATURDAY	11:00 – 11:30 PM
SUNDAY	7:00AM-9:00AM
SUNDAY	6:30-7:00 PM
SUNDAY	11:00 – 11:30 PM
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ALL OF THE ABOVE PROGRAMS ARE LOCALLY-PRODUCED NEWS PROGRAMS PRESENTING A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, SPORTS, AND ISSUE-RELATED FEATURE STORIES AND SEGMENTS. ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAM SEGMENTS ARE USUALLY ONE TO TWO MINUTES IN DIRATION, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

### 60 MINUTES SUNDAY 7:00 – 8:00 PM

THIS IS A CBS PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM FEATURING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES FACING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. THE PROGRAM USUALLY HAS THREE SEGMENTS. EACH APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN MINUTES IN DURATION.

# <u>48 HOURS SATURDAY 10:00 – 11:00PM</u>

THIS IS A CBS NETWORK PROGRAM OFTEN FEATURING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES FACING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. THE PROGRAM USUALLY HAS MULTIPLE SEGENTS. 8-12 MINUTES IN DURATION.

# FACE THE NATION SUNDAY 10:30 – 11:30 AM

THIS CBS NEWS INTERVIEW PROGRAM, HOSTED BY BOB SHEAFER TAKES A LOOK AT POLITICAL ISSUES TIMELY TO EACH WEEK. GUESTS ARE USUALLY POLITICIANS, REPORTS, AND POLITICAL ANALYSISTS.

### JUST THE FACTS SUNDAYS 11:30AM THROUGH 11/13

A POP-UP POLITICAL SHOW COVERING THE LATEST HEADLINES AND ANALYSIS ON THE MIDTERM ELECTIONS. THE SHOW WILL FEATURE TOP NEWSMAKERS AND FACT-CHECKING SEGMENTS. THE SHOW WILL ALSO INCLUDE GRAY TV REPORTERS ON THE GROUND IN VARIOUS BATTLEGROUND STATES AS WELL AS WASHINGTON, DC.

INVESTIGATE TV SUNDAYS 11:30AM-12PM, 1AM-

1:30AM

SHOW FOCUSING ON NATIONAL INVESTIGATIVE STORIES

#### **GA FARM MONITOR SATURDAY 5:30AM-6AM**

SHOW FOCUSES ON FARMERS IN GEORGIA

#### NEWS SERIES ANY DAY WITHIN LOCAL NEWS

MULTI-PART MINI-DOCUMENTARY NEWS SERIES, USUALLY DEALING WITH ONE ISSUE OR A SERIES OF RELATED ISSUES, GENERALLY AIRED DURING THE EVENING NEWS BROADCASTS AND OCCASIONALLY REPEATED ON OTHER NEWS PROGRAMS. THE DURATION OF EACH PROGRAM IS USUALLY TWO TO THREE MINUTES, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. INCLUDES WTOC INVESTIGATES.

### **SKILLED TO WORK TUESDAYS AT 5**

THIS EVERY OTHER TUESDAY 5PM SEGMENT INCLUDES.WORK TRAINING PROGRAMS IN THE AREA THROUGH AREA SCHOOLS.

#### **HOMETOWN HERO MONDAYS AT 7**

THIS WEEKLY SEGMENT INCLUDES ORDINARY PEOPLE DOING HEROIC ACTIONS.

#### **TOP TEACHER**

THIS ONCE WEEKLY SEGMENT RECOGNIZES TEACHERS WHO HAVE GONE OVER AND BEYOND IN THEIR SCHOOL OR THEIR COMMUNITY. THE RECOGNITION IS BASED ON NOMINATIONS FROM PARENTS, TEACHERS OR SCHOOLS.

#### **CBS THIS MORNING MONDAY-FRIDAY 7AM-9AM**

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

#### CBS THIS MORNING SATURDAY SATURDAY-8-10AM

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

#### CBS SUNDAY MORNING SUNDAY-9AM-10:30AM

THIS CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAM OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND PERSONAL INTEREST FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

### CBS NEWS MONDAY – FRIDAY 6:30 – 7:00 PM

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

#### SPECIALS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

WTOC IS COMMITTED TO PRODUCING LOCAL PROGRAMMING RELEVANT TO ISSUES AND EVENTS IN AND AROUND OUR COMMUNITIES. THE LENGTH OF THESE PROGRAMS RANGE FROM THIRTY MINUTES TO TWO HOURS.

# PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

AS THE SOUTHEAST NEWS LEADER, WTOC GIVES TO THE COMMUNITY BY PRODUCING PSA'S THROUGHOUT THE YEAR - INCREASING AWARENESS OF HEALTH REPORTS, FUNDRAISERS, AND EDUCATIONAL ISSUES.

# DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

# PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIME OCTOBER 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022

#### **CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

#### **FACE THE NATION**

10/02/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Senator Rick Scott (R-FL) (2); Deanne Criswell, administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (3); Kevin Anderson, mayor, Fort Myers, FL (4); Ben Tracy, CBS News senior national and environmental correspondent (5); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (6); Lt. Gen. H.R. McMaster (retired), former national security adviser, Trump administration, CBS News contributor (7); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (8) Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (9) 1) a report from Myrtle Beach, SC on the devastation Hurricane Ian caused in Florida

- 2) Topics include: / updating building codes;
- 3) Topics include / water and electricity issues /
- 4) Topics include: personal responsibility regarding evacuating for a hurricane / water and electricity disruptions / rebuilding subjected to newer, tougher building codes
- 5) a discussion on how climate change is making hurricanes stronger and more destructive and managed retreat evacuation

10/23/22

Guests: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (1); Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Speaker of the House of Representatives (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (3); Christopher Krebs, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", "Pivot" (4); Amos Hochstein, special presidential coordinator, Biden administration (6); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (8)

**Correspondent:** Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (5) 3) Topics include: surge among children in Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) infections / new COVID booster and the flu vaccine / advice for protecting yourself against a more aggressive flu season.

11/20/22

**Guests:** Rod Rosenstein, former U.S. deputy attorney general, Trump administration (1); Mike Pence, former vice president, author, *So Help Me God* (2) (4); Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA), member, Committee on the Judiciary, member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (3); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", co-host, "Pivot" (5); Scott Galloway, professor, New York University, co-host, "Pivot" (5); Karen Bass, mayor-elect, Los Angeles, CA (6) 1) Topics include: Attorney General Merrick Garland's decision to appoint a special counsel to oversee investigations of former President Trump; investigation into Hunter Biden; possible political violence / Mr. Trump's decision to not comply with the investigation / concern about the timing, related to the

2024 presidential election

- 5) Topics include: investigation into Sam Bankman-Fried, founder of the cryptocurrency exchange FTX; "Patagonia vest" recession
- 6) Topics include: issues of crime and homelessness / her public safety plan for Los Angeles / hiring more police officers / police reform; gun ownership

11/27/22

- **Guests:** Dr. Antony Fauci, chief medical adviser, Biden administration (1) (4); Representative James Clyburn (D-SC), House Majority Whip (2); Jeh Johnson, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, Obama administration (3); Michael Chertoff, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, George W. Bush administration (3); Governor Jared Polis (D-CO) (5); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (6)
- 1) Topics include: risks for people congregating this holiday season / RSV infections / local decision to close schools / COVID immunity after infection / importance of booster shots
- 2) Topics include: efficacy of the federal gun laws in place, in light of the 3 recent mass shootings / getting President Biden's proposed assault weapons ban done during a lame-duck session of Congress / gun reform after Republicans take control of the House of Representatives; priorities before Republicans take control
- 3) Topics include: prevalence of guns in America / mental health crisis / efforts to combat gun violence / "red flag" laws
- 5) Topics include: / President Biden's renewed call for an assault weapons ban / need to pursue mental health aspect in this and other shooting incidences

12/18/22

- **Guests:** Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (1); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (2); Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX) (3); Keisha Lance Bottoms, White House senior adviser for public engagement, Biden administration (4); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (6); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (7)
- 6) Topics include: "difficult few weeks" amid a tripledemic of COVID, RSV and the flu this holiday season;

12/25/22

**Guests:** Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jeff Pegues, CBS News chief national affairs and justice correspondent (2); Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent (2); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (2); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (2); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (2)

Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (3)

2) annual CBS News correspondents year-end roundtable topics include fentanyl; domestic violent extremism; under-reported stories of 2022; predictions for 2023

#### **60 MINUTES**

10/02/22

60 MINUTES (7:53 – 8:53p)

"What Happened At Grizzly Flats?" – a report on the Caldor fire, one of the worst wildfires in California's history. Residents of Grizzly Flats community, which was wiped out in the fire, feel the U.S. Forest Service is to blame for mishandling and escalating the fire. Includes interviews with Candace Tyler, who lost her home in the

fire; Grant Ingram, a retired fire captain; and Lloyd Ogan, retired deputy fire chief. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott)

**The Last Minute** – the destruction left behind in Florida and the Carolinas by Hurricane Ian. (C: Lesley Stahl)

10/09/22

"After Ian" – a report on Hurricane Ian. While the coast of southwestern Florida was devastated by the category four storm, particularly coastal islands, some communities fared better than others. Includes interviews with Milissa and John Sprecher, whose family fled Sanibel Island; Brian Chapman, owner of Chapman Insurance Group; Bobby Quinn, a former Air Force weather forecaster, pilot and tech company founder; and Syd Kitson, Babcock Ranch creator. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick, Marc Lieberman)

**The Last Minute** – an update to "Albert Pujols", OAD: 04/10/11. (C: Anderson Cooper)

10/30/22

**"Pathogen X"** – a report on the search for the next deadly virus. Scientists are exploring rare wildlife to test animals for Pathogen X, or viruses they fear capable of transferring to humans. Includes interviews with Christine Johnson, wildlife epidemiologist; Benard Ssebide, one of Uganda's top wildlife veterinarians; Tierra Smiley Evans, a UC Davis epidemiologist and wildlife veterinarian; Bukamba Nelson, wildlife veterinarian; and Amy Bond, of international conservation group Gorilla Doctors. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott)

11/06/22

60 MNUTES (7:34 – 8:34p)

"Ready or Not" – a report on the rise of "preppers." These survivalists actively stockpile supplies as preparation for catastrophes. Includes interviews with Bradley Garrett, John Ramey, and Heidi Keller who are all preppers; and Larry Hall, a former defense contractor who now builds prepper homes. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Nathalie Sommer, Jacqueline Williams)

11/13/22

"The Surfside Mystery" – a report on last year's 12-story beachfront condominium collapse in Surfside, Florida, which killed 98 people. Investigators are still unsure of the cause. Includes interviews with Raysa Rodriguez, who lived in the building; Glenn Bell, federal investigator of the collapse; Allyn Kilsheimer, who was hired by the city of Surfside to investigate the collapse; Shannon Gallagher, who lives in a condo next door to the new construction in Surfside; Eric Glazer, who specializes in Florida condo laws; and Robert Lisman, who lives two doors down from Surfside condos. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Guy Campanile)

11/20/22

60 MINUTES (7:48 – 8:48p)

**"Wild Horses"** — a report on the Wyoming Honor Farm. The state operated minimum security prison aims to tame the wild horse population through a program where inmates train the animals. Includes interviews with Jess Oldham, who runs the Wind River Wild Horse Sanctuary outside Lander, WY with her family; Holle Waddell, division chief of the program that oversees wild horses for the Bureau of Land Management; Curtis Moffat, warden of the Wyoming Honor Farm; Travis Shoopman, manager of the farm; and Peytonn Suchor and Michael Davis, inmates. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi — P: Michael Karzis, Katie Kerbstat)

**The Last Minute** – an update on "Back to the Moon", OAD: 03/07/21. (C: Bill Whitaker)

12/25/22

**60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Eat, Drink & Be Merry!"** (8:00 – 9:00p)

"Whither ye Olde English Pub" – a report on the effect of COVID on British pubs. Includes interviews with Christo Tofalli, owner of Ye Olde Fighting Cocks pub; Al Murray, writer and comedian; Paul and Bernice Drew, owners of the Old Star pub; Pete Brown, Britain's leading writer on beer and pubs; Roxy Beaujolais, owner and chef of the Seven Stars pub; Heather and Hugh Macaulay, owners of The Bell Inn; and Clement Ogbonnaya, owner of The Prince of Peckham pub. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael H. Gavshon) (OAD: 10/17/21 on 60 MINUTES; 1st and 2nd rebroadcasts: 60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Cheers", OAD: 02/13/22, rebroadcast: 05/22/22)

#### **48 HOURS**

10/01/22

48 HOURS: "Death Hits Home: The Hargan Killings" – a report on the July 2017 murders of millionaire mother Pamela Hargan and her adult daughter Helen who were discovered by police in their Fairfax County, VA home, after Helen's boyfriend in Dallas, TX, Carlos Gutierrez, alerted authorities. Hours after the bodies were found in separate locations with a rifle near Helen, police informed the family and then went public with their murder-suicide theory. Pamela's other daughters, Ashley and Megan - who along with her 8-year-old daughter Molly was living with Pamela and Helen while her husband was in the military - both described Helen as struggling emotionally. Soon, Helen's autopsy report revealed that someone else pulled the trigger, casting doubt on the murdersuicide theory; further investigation revealed that Megan attempted to steal money from Pamela's account to purchase a home by impersonating her over the phone. In November 2018, Megan was arrested in West Virginia. At her trial, the defense argued that the prosecution's forensics were inconclusive and that Helen shot their mother and then took her own life by pulling the trigger with her toe. In March 2022, Megan Harman was found guilty of two counts of first degree murder; the jury recommended a sentence of life in prison on each murder count. On-screen text graphic: Megan Hargan and her husband divorced. Their daughter Molly is living with her father in another state. Megan Hargan is scheduled to be sentenced on October 28th. Interviewed: Brian Byerson, lead detective; Julia Elliott, crime scene detective; Michelle Sigona, CBS News; Tami Mallios, former neighbor; Erin Roughneen, Helen's friend; Rebecca Wolfe, Megan's friend; Whitney Gregory, prosecutor; Tyler Bezilla, prosecutor; Iris Graff, crime scene reconstructionist, hired by the prosecution; and Matt Troiano, attorney, hired by 48 HOURS to review the file. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Josh Yager, Lauren A. White)

10/15/22

48 HOURS: "The Strange Death of Professor Shockley" – a report on the death of Marianne Shockley, a popular University of Georgia professor. After a day of barhopping, Marianne and her boyfriend Marcus Lillard ended up at the Milledgeville, GA home of former psychologist Clark Heindel, to use his hot tub; all three of them took ecstasy (MDMA). Marcus exited the hot tub and when he returned, Marianne wasn't breathing. Marcus and Clark delayed in calling the police and attempted to perform CPR on Marianne. Sheriff's deputies arrived at Clark's home in the early morning hours of May 12th, 2019; Marianne was pronounced dead at the scene. While deputies investigated, Clark slipped into the house and took his own life. Autopsy results indicated Marianne "died as a result of asphyxia due to strangulation". Within a day, Marcus was charged with his girlfriend's murder. Marcus was formally indicted in March 2021 and charged with four counts; he was ordered held without bond. Largely due to the COVID pandemic, the trial was delayed until April 4th, 2022. Prosecutors maintained that Marcus strangled Marianne during sex and they included the testimony of six

former girlfriends; the case went to the jury on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Marcus was found not guilty on all counts, but the judge found that he violated his probation for his 2015 drug conviction and he was remanded to prison. **On-screen text graphic:** Marcus could remain in prison until October 2030. But it's likely he'll be released sooner. Marianne's children settled a wrongful death lawsuit against Clark Heindel's estate for \$500,000. There was no admission of liability or fault. This story discusses suicide. If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide, please contact the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988. Interviewed: Marcus Lillard; Ayla Crippen, Marianne's younger sister; Penny Dearmin, creator of "Blood Town", a podcast about the Marianne Shockley case; Carson Lillard, Marcus' son; Shakara Maggitt, Marianne's student; Bill Massee, sheriff, Baldwin County, GA; Matt Tucker, defense attorney; Tammy Coffey, assistant district attorney; and Tyisha Davis, juror #11. (Contributor: Jonathan Vigliotti – Producer: Paul LaRosa)

10/22/22

48 HOURS: "The Disappearance of Kristin Smart" (9:00 - 10:00p) the second updated rebroadcast of a report on the 1996 disappearance of a Cal Poly college freshman that had remained unsolved. On Memorial Day weekend of May 1996, Kristin Smart attended an off-campus party alone after parting ways with a friend. According to witnesses, she became very intoxicated and was helped home by two students. However, the next morning she was nowhere to be found. Her friends reported the college freshman's disappearance to campus police who were slow to investigate and eventually turned the case over to San Luis Obispo, CA sheriffs. Suspicion turned to Paul Flores, one of the students who helped Kristin home. A witness saw him with a black eye and scratches on his hands the day after Kristin's disappearance for which he had shifting explanations. Cadaver-sniffing dogs brought to Paul's dorm room all had a reaction, despite it having been cleaned following the end of the semester. Additionally, Paul had a reputation as being aggressive with women. Kristin's parents eventually filed a civil suit against Paul, believing him to be behind Kristin's disappearance and to compel San Luis Obispo sheriffs to look harder at the case. In January 1997, renters of Paul's mother's home found a piece of jewelry in the driveway that allegedly resembled what Kristin was wearing in a photo used in billboards about her disappearance. When the Smart family asked to see it, they learned it had been lost by sheriffs. In March 1997 and then again in June 2000, sheriffs searched the home of Paul's mother, including the yard, but were unable to find Kristin's body or other evidence. The Smart family was allowed to search the property with ground-penetrating radar in 2007, and likewise did not find anything. In 2011, Sheriff Ian Parkinson took over Kristin's case. In 2019, he recovered two trucks that had been owned by the Flores family in 1996. In 2020, simultaneous searches at the homes of all Flores family members were executed. Sheriff Parkinson recovered new evidence that he could not publicly disclose as it was still being investigated. 05/08/21 UPDATE: An important tip came in after a February 2020 search of Paul, Susan and Ruben's properties: four nights later, strange activity was seen at Ruben's house and an evewitness actually documented the fact that throughout the night, there was activity in the area of the underside of the deck. And during that 2020 search of Paul Flores' home, investigators discovered photographs and videos on Flores' computer showing him engaged in sexual activity with at least ten different women, apparently in various states of consciousness. Also found was evidence that a body had been buried there and recently moved. It is alleged that Paul caused the death of Kristin Smart while in the commission, or attempted rape, of Kristin. Because of the statute of limitations, Paul cannot be charged with rape and was instead arrested on first-degree felony murder charges. Paul Flores and his father both pleaded not guilty to all charges at their arraignment.

Ruben Flores was released on \$50,000 bail to his ex-wife and is required to wear an electronic ankle bracelet: Paul is being held on no bail. Original on-screen text graphic: The Kristin Smart Campus Safety Act became California law in 1998. It requires campus and local police to have a joint plan to handle investigations of violent crime on campus. On-screen text graphic for the 05/08/21 updated rebroadcast: The Kristin Smart Scholarship has been established by her family to help other college bound women pursue their dreams. On-screen text graphic for the 10/22/22 updated rebroadcast: On October 18, 2022, Paul Flores was found guilty of first-degree murder. A jury acquitted Ruben Flores of the charge of being an accessory after the fact. Kristin's body has still not been found. Interviewed: Chris Lambert, host of "Your Own Backyard", CBS News consultant (former as of 10/22/22 updated rebroadcast); Lindsey Smart Stewart, Kristin's sister; Anne-Marie Christian, Kristin's childhood friend; Denise Pearce, Smart family friend: Margarita Campos, Kristin's college friend: James Murphy, Smart family civil attorney; Garin Sinclair, James Murphy's wife & office manager; Ian Parkinson, San Luis Obispo sheriff. (Contributor: Jonathan Vigliotti – Producer: Lisa Freed) (OAD: 11/28/20; Updated Rebroadcast: 05/08/21)

10/22/22

48 HOURS: "The Kidnapping of Schanda Handley" (10:00 - 11:00p) - a report on the August 6th, 2017 kidnapping of Schanda Handley, who was taken from her Lafayette, LA home at gunpoint by two individuals posing as deliverymen. About an hour after the kidnapping, Schanda was rescued near Baton Rouge when Deputy Chad Martin pulled over a suspicious white van after a brief pursuit. The two men inside jumped into the Intracoastal Waterway and disappeared; they were later found drowned and identified as Sylvester Bracey and Arsenio Haynes. Schanda implicated her estranged husband, Michael Handley, as the man behind her kidnapping and informed investigators of their once happy but now tumultuous relationship, which included Michael's erratic behavior, threats, stalking and violating a restraining order. After a four-day manhunt, Michael was arrested on August 11th, 2017 in Slidell; he pleaded not guilty to all charges and claimed to have hired Sylvester to move furniture. In March 2018, Schanda and Michael's divorce was finalized. With overwhelming prosecutorial evidence. Michael indicated he was open to a deal hours before the trial was scheduled to start: Schanda accepted his plea of quilty to second degree kidnapping in July 2021. The judge sentenced Michael to 35 years in prison – the maximum penalty – on March 24th, 2022. **On-screen text graphic:** Handley is appealing, saying he was not properly informed of his rights when he pled guilty. He is also arguing his sentence of 35 years was too harsh. Interviewed: Schanda Handley, victim; Isabella Cumberland, Schanda Handley's daughter; Kenny Hebert, prosecutor; Donald Knecht, prosecutor; Chad Martin, Iberville Parish sheriff's deputy; Sid Hebert, former Louisiana sheriff, part of Schanda Handley's security detail; Christine Mire, Schanda Handley's divorce attorney; and Kevin Stockstill, Michael Handley's defense attorney. (Contributor: David Begnaud – Producer: Chris O'Connell, Betsy Shuller, Richard Fetzer)

11/05/22

**48 HOURS:** "The Psychiatrist and the Selfie" (9:00 – 10:00p) – a second updated rebroadcast on the case against Jacob Nolan, who claims his cousin and psychiatrist, Dr. Pamela Buchbinder, brainwashed him into attempting to kill her former lover, fellow psychiatrist Dr. Michael Weiss, during the time the unmarried couple was going through a custody battle for their son. On November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Nolan attacked Dr. Weiss in his office with a sledgehammer and a knife. Weiss fought back. After the struggle, while covered in blood, Nolan snapped a selfie. He was arrested and charged with attempted murder. At the time of the attack, Nolan was living with Buchbinder, who was also treating him for depression, anxiety and bipolar disorder. Dr. Buchbinder was also going

through a nasty custody battle with Dr. Weiss. Today, Jacob Nolan says that Dr. Buchbinder manipulated and brainwashed him to hate Dr. Weiss and that hatred turned into their plan to kill Dr. Weiss. After the attack, Nolan was in a manic state and taken to the ER. Dr. Buchbinder went to the hospital, but was not allowed to see him. Although there is evidence of Dr. Buchbinder purchasing the sledgehammer, she has not been charged with any crime. Nolan was freed on bail and went to live with his parents in Miami. Dr. Weiss was granted custody of his son. Today Nolan seems rational and insists he was not in control of himself at the time of the incident, and even tried to commit suicide in 2015. In March 2016, the trial began. The prosecution insisted Nolan could have rationalized his thoughts and backed out at any time. The defense argued diminished capacity: Dr. Buchbinder had replaced Nolan's free will with a cult-like mentality. The verdict: guilty. Nolan was sentenced to nine and a half years in prison. He says he is genuinely remorseful for what happened and still says Dr. Buchbinder needs to take responsibility too. Dr. Weiss is raising his son alone, and his attorney says he still lives in fear. 12/02/17 UPDATE: Five years after the attack on Michael Weiss, the law caught up with Dr. Pamela Buchbinder. She was arrested and charged with second-degree attempted murder and first-degree attempted assault. The Manhattan D.A. says she was the mastermind behind the plot. She has hired two top New York defense attorneys. After the judge heard arguments, he refused to grant bail. A trial date is expected in early 2018. The star witness: Jake Nolan. Original On-screen text graphic: The New York City Police Department says the investigation into the attack on Doctor Michael Weiss is "ongoing". But a spokesperson would not say whether Doctor Pamela Buchbinder is a suspect. 11/05/22 UPDATE: Pamela Buchbinder remained on Rikers Island for five years through legal wrangling and the COVID-19 pandemic. During a pre-trial hearing on September 7th, 2022, she accepted a deal. One month later, Buchbinder attempted to withdraw her plea; Judge Thomas Farber would not accept it. Dr. Weiss appeared in court to make a victim's impact statement. Judge Farber sentenced Pamela Buchbinder to 11 years in prison; he also issued an order of protection for Dr. Weiss. On-screen text graphic for the 12/02/17 updated rebroadcast: Pamela Buchbinder's attorneys are still trying to get her out on bail from Riker's Island. On-screen text graphic for the 11/05/22 updated rebroadcast: This story discusses suicide. If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide, please contact the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988. Interviewed: Jacob Nolan: Debbie and Jim Nolan (parents): Charlie Haines (former police officer); Dr. Sasha Barded (psychiatrist); Rebecca Rosenberg (reporter, NY Post); Roland Acevedo (Weiss' attorney); Steven Brounstein, Robert Stavis, Allison Stavis (defense attorneys); Yale Shih (alternate juror). Additional interviews for the 12/02/17 updated rebroadcast: Roland Fischetti and Eric Franz (defense attorneys); Joel Seidemann (prosecutor). (C: Peter Van Sant - P: Clare Friedland, Susan Mallie, Chris Young Ritzen, Tamara Weitzman; Producers for the 12/02/17 updated rebroadcast: Chris Young Ritzen, Susan Mallie, Clare Friedland, Tamara Weitzman; Producers for the 11/05/22 updated rebroadcast: Chris Young Ritzen, Murray Weiss, Susan Mallie, Clare Friedland, Tamara Weitzman) (OAD: 12/03/16; Updated Rebroadcast: 12/02/17)

11/05/22

**48 HOURS:** "The Snapchat Clue" (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the July 2021 sudden disappearance of Bart and Krista Halderson of Windsor, Wisconsin and how information found on social media would lead investigators to their killer. Investigators immediately turned to family members for information, including sons Mitchell, who was 24 at the time and worked in tech, and Chandler, then a 23-year-old college student living at home. Chandler was excited about a new job offer he said he had with Elon Musk's SpaceX. Chandler told police his parents had gone to the lakeside family cabin for the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend and never returned. Investigators received a tip from the owner of farm outside of town;

remains later identified as Bart Halderson were found on the farm, 20 miles from the Halderson home. On July 15th, 2021, Chandler was arrested and charged with lying to the police. Investigators discovered that his parents found out Chandler had lied about his college degree and the job with SpaceX. Chandler refused to cooperate with police, but his girlfriend, Cathryn ("Cat") Mellender. allowed them to download her phone. A Snapchat screenshot of Chandler by the Wisconsin River on July 1st led investigators to search the area. Remains later identified as Krista's were found: Chandler was charged with both of their murders. In January 2022, Chandler went on trial for the murder of his parents at the Dane County Courthouse; he was also facing charges for lying to the police and for mutilating and hiding their bodies. He was found guilty on all eight charges. In March 2022, at his sentencing hearing, Chandler made a statement, asking for a lawyer to take an appeal; he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. **On-screen text graphic:** Chandler Halderson has a new lawyer but has yet to file an appeal. Interviewed: Barbi Townsend, Krista's cousin; Adam Duxter, local news reporter, now with CBS station WCCO in Minneapolis, worked in Madison, WI at the time of the murders: Dan Kroninger, Krista's co-worker and friend; Brian Shunk, detective, Dane County Sheriff's Office; Sabrina Sims, detective, Dane County Sheriff's office; and Alex Gravatt, Chandler's friend and former roommate. (C: Erin Moriarty - P: Marcelena Spencer)

11/12/22

48 HOURS: "The "Unsolvable" Murder of Roxanne Wood" – a report on the rape and murder of 30 year old Roxanne Wood in her Niles, MI home and the work done 34 years later to solve it. In February 1987, Terry Wood came home from a night of bowling to discover his wife Roxanne dead on the kitchen floor. Terry called police; his aggressive demeanor on the phone, behavior during the investigation and the discovery of extramarital affairs by both parties made him a suspect. After a few months, the case went cold. In 1999, the small DNA sample from the crime scene was uploaded to CODIS; no match was returned, but Terry still remained a person of interest. In April 2021, Gabriella Vargas, a consultant for Identifinders looked at the case and was able to create a family tree, which allowed investigators to zero in on a suspect: Patrick Gilham. Michigan State Police surreptitiously collected Patrick's DNA from a cigarette butt, which matched the DNA from the crime scene. Patrick was interviewed by police in July 2021; he was arrested in February 2022. In April 2022, Patrick Gilham pleaded no contest to second-degree murder and was sentenced to a minimum of 23 years in prison. On-screen text graphic: Patrick Gilham will be eligible for release in 2040 with good behavior. He will be 86 years old. Interviewed: Det. Lt. Chuck Christensen; Gabriella Vargas, genetic genealogist; Janet Wood, Roxanne's sister; Brad Woods, Roxanne's sister; Det. Sgt. John Moore, Michigan State Police; Det. Sgt. Jason Bailey; Dr. Ashlyn Kuersten, Western Michigan University; Samantha Rogers, student, Western Michigan University; McKenzie Stommen, student, Western Michigan University; Colleen Fitzpatrick, president and founder, Identifinders International; Robert Farag, his wife Maureen survived a 1979 attack by Patrick Gilham in Gary, Indiana: Ryan Codde, trooper, Michigan State Police; Rose Caparell, escaped an attack by Patrick Gilham in South Bend, during the summer of 1987; and Tina Caparell, Rose and Stan Caparell's daughter. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Susan Mallie, Jennifer Terker)

11/19/22

**48 HOURS: "What Happened to the Perfect Child?"** (9:00 – 10:00p) – an update to "The Perfect Child" (OAD: 02/10/00), a 48 HOURS INVESTIGATION on Americans who adopted children from Russia. This report focuses on what ultimately happened to a 9-year-old girl adopted in 1997 by

Crystal and Jesse, a couple from Atlanta, GA. While in Russia, adopting the girl they named Caralee. Crystal and Jesse also adopted a 3-year-old boy they named Joshua. Two years later, the couple came to believe Caralee was dangerous, even capable of murder and claimed she tried to throw her younger brother off a 30-foot-high deck. Troy Roberts, who reported on their story, was present as the American couple returned Caralee to Russia and left her behind in a children's psychiatric hospital. Over the years, Roberts tried to keep track of Caralee, but was unable to find out what happened to her. Last summer she reached out to Roberts and they reunited in North Carolina, where Caralee, now known as Sabrina Caldwell, lives with her husband and four children. During their meeting, Caldwell explained what happened on the family deck with Joshua, her feelings about Crystal and Jesse, how she left the hospital in Russia and was adopted by new parents in North Carolina, and her family with her husband. This broadcast also includes Roberts' own experience with adoption: In 2003, he became certified to adopt and learned about a woman in Djibouti (in East Africa) who was hoping to find an American to adopt her 4-year-old son, because she feared for his safety due to his being mixed-race. Roberts and his son, Jonah Gray Roberts, now 23-years-old, discuss their life together. On-screen text **graphic:** Jonah's mother passed away a few years after his adoption. Interviewed for the 12/04/21 broadcast: Sabrina Caldwell (f.k.a. Caralee); Phil Caldwell, Sabrina's husband; and Jonah Gray Roberts, Troy Roberts' son. Also includes archival excerpts from previous interviews with: Caralee (n.k.a. Sabrina Caldwell); Crystal and Jesse, Caralee's former adoptive parents; Dr. Brian Kennedy, psychiatrist who treated Caralee; and Nina Kostina, Russian émigré who ran the Frank Foundation, an adoption agency. (See also: "The Perfect Child" (48 HOURS INVESTIGATION), OAD: 02/10/00) (C: Troy Roberts – P: Murray Weiss) (OAD: 12/04/21)

11/19/22

48 HOURS: "Last Seen in Breckenridge" (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the investigation into the January 1982 murders of two young women, Annette Schnee, 21, and Bobbie Jo Oberholtzer, 29, near the resort ski town of Breckenridge, CO. Killed on the same night, detectives were initially able to link the two crimes through an orange sock or bootie found near Oberholtzer's crime scene on January 7th, 1982 and a matching bootie sock found on Schnee months later, on July 3rd, 1982. The case went cold until investigators ran DNA recovered from evidence through a public genealogy database and got a match in January 2021: Alan Phillips, who had been arrested for a similar crime in 1973. After police surreptitiously acquired a DNA sample from Phillips, he was arrested on February 24th, 2021. In a bizarre turn of events, investigators learned that Phillips had been rescued by a local fire chief from a snow-covered mountain pass the very same night he dumped the bodies of the two women. On August 31st, 2022, Alan Phillip's double murder trial began in Fairplay, CO. The jury found Phillips guilty on all eight charges on September 15th, 2022; seven weeks later he was sentenced to two consecutive life sentences without the possibility of parole. Alan Phillips maintains his innocence. On-screen text graphic: If you have any information about other possible victims who could be associated with Alan Phillips please reach out to the Park County Sheriff's tip line at 720-248-8378. Interviewed: Jeff Oberholtzer, Bobbi Jo Oberholtzer's husband; Laurie Merlo, Bobbie Jo Oberholtzer's younger sister; Jim Hardtke, former agent, Colorado Bureau of Investigation: Dave Montova, former local fire chief: Charlie McCormick, private investigator hired by the Schnee family; Det. Sgt. Wendy Kipple, Park County; and Cindy French and Karen Riessen, Annette Schnee's sisters. (C: Natalie Morales – P: Chris Young Ritzen, James Stolz, Paul LaRosa, Betsy Shuller, Judy Rybak)

48 HOURS: "The Case Against Michael Politte" – a report on Michael Politte, who was 14-years-old when he was charged in 1998 with murdering his 40-year-old and recently divorced mother, Rita Politte. Rita died after being hit on the head and set on fire in her Hopewell, MO home. In January 2002, Michael went on trial: he was convicted and sentenced to life in prison for the murder. though he maintained his innocence. Michael asked his father, Edward Politte, for help and he refused. Five years after his conviction, the Midwest Innocence Project agreed to take his case and worked on it for years; eventually attorneys Tricia Bushnell, Megan Crane and Mark Emison became involved. Michael spent nearly 20 years in prison before a 2021 bill passed in Missouri made him eligible for parole. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, Michael was released from prison on parole. Now 38-years-old, Michael claims to know who is responsible for killing his mother: his father, Edward, who hired his cousin, Johnny Politte, to murder his ex-wife over the financial terms of the divorce. The investigation into Rita Politte's murder has been reopened. On-screen text graphic: Earlier this month, Washington County Prosecutor Josh Hedgecorth lost his bid for reelection. Separately, the Missouri Supreme Court has temporarily halted Hedgecorth's effort to overturn Politte's conviction. Interviewed: Michael Politte; Tammy Nash, former investigator, Washington County Sheriff's Department; Chrystal Politte and Melonie Politte, Michael's older sisters; Chuck and Patsy Skiles, Michael's uncle and aunt; Josh Hedgecorth, prosecutor, Washington County; Linda Dickerson-Bell and Jonathan Peterson, jurors on Michael's case; Tricia Bushnell, attorney; Megan Crane, attorney; Mark Emison, attorney; Josh SanSoucie, Michael's former friend; and Larry and Carolyn Lee, witnesses who place Johnny Politte near the crime scene. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Stephanie Slifer, Emily Wichick)

12/03/22

48 HOURS: "The Betrayal of Linda Slaten" (10:19 - 11:18p) – a report on the murder of Linda Slaten, who was sexually assaulted and strangled, and how decades later, detectives and a DNA genealogist were able to catch her killer. On September 4th, 1981, 15-year-old Jeff and 12-year-old Tim Slaten were awakened by Lakeland, FL police and told that their mother had been murdered. Investigators collected a rape kit and lifted a palm print from the windowsill where the killer had entered. They questioned a slew of suspects, including her abusive ex-husband Frank Slaten and a boyfriend, but no one was charged. The case went cold. In 2019, nearly 40 years later, advances in DNA technology and a carefully stored rape kit revealed Linda's killer: Joseph Clinton Mills, known as Coach Joe. Prior to and after Linda's murder, Coach Joe would regularly drive Tim to and from football practice. He was a role model for Tim, who proudly hung up his football team photo in his room where Coach Joe stood right behind him. On December 12th, 2019, Joe Mills was arrested and claimed that his encounter with Linda was consensual. To avoid a trial and a possible death sentence, he pleaded guilty to all charges and was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole in February 2022. On-screen text graphic: The Slaten brothers often visit their mother's grave. Jeff burns a candle next to a portrait of his mother every year on the anniversary of her death. Interviewed: Judy Butler, Linda Slaten's younger sister; Jeff and Tim Slaten, Linda's sons; Edgar Pickett, former sergeant and fingerprint expert, Lakeland Police Department, subjected to racism during his career; Brad Grice, former detective who worked on the case for 17 years, Lakeland Police Department; CeCe Moore, genetic genealogist; Tammy Hathcock, detective, Lakeland Police Department; and Russell Hurley, detective, Lakeland Police Department. (Contributor: Jim Axelrod – Producer: Mead Stone)

12/10/22

**48 HOURS:** "The Tree That Helped Solve a Murder" – a report on the murder of Mengqi Ji, who was reported missing by her husband, Joseph ("Joe") Elledge, on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Elledge told Columbia, MO police that on October 8<sup>th</sup>, he had gone to sleep with Ji, but when he woke up the next morning she was gone; he believed his wife may have left him and their 1-year-old daughter for a man she had an online relationship with. On October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019, police executed a search warrant at their apartment and found a muddy pair of Elledge's boots; he was arrested on suspicion of child abuse the same day police executed the search warrant. Charges of murder in the first degree were filed while

Elledge was still in jail on abuse charges. In March 2021, Ji's remains were found buried under a juniper tree; Elledge's boots had several juniper tree needles stuck to the soles; DNA from those needles was linked to the tree directly above Ji's shallow grave, providing prosecutors with the evidence they needed to convict Elledge of her murder in November 2021; he was sentenced to a term of 28 years. Mengqi Ji's daughter now lives with Joe Elledge's mother, but Ji's parents in China are seeking shared custody of the now 4-year-old. **On-screen text graphic:** If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic abuse, call 1-800-799-SAFE or visit thehotline.org. A decision in the custody case is expected by the end of this month. Prosecutor Daniel Knight died unexpectedly on June 4, 2022. Interviewed: Dan Knight, then-Boone County prosecuting attorney; Scott Rosenblum, Joe's defense attorney; Amy Salladay, Ji family's attorney; Yao Li, assistant prosecutor, Boone County; Christine Edwards, plant population geneticist; and Alex Linan, Christine's colleague. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Judy Rybak, Emily Wichick)

12/17/22

48 HOURS: "Chasing Catherine Shelton: Part 1" (9:24 - 10:24p) - For nearly three decades, controversial Harris County, TX attorney Catherine Mehaffey Shelton, now disbarred, has been dogged by mysterious circumstances surrounding the deaths of various men in her life. Never charged with murder, she has been called a murderer, a stalker, a crazy lawyer and more. In 2003, Jenna Jackson produced an edition of 48 HOURS MYSTERY which mainly focused on one of the murder cases linked to Shelton; Jackson has been tracking Shelton ever since. Shelton's life, as well as her proximity to dead or injured men, has perplexed investigators for decades. Starting in the 1970s, one of Shelton's former boyfriends, Dr. George Tedesco, was bludgeoned to death and exboyfriend Ferris Bond's apartment was allegedly set on fire. In January 1980, Shelton shot ex-boyfriend Gary Taylor in the back; she admitted to that but claimed self-defense. Tommy Bell, named with Shelton in a lawsuit was found with a bullet in his head; authorities said he was playing Russian roulette by himself. In the years to come, Shelton's conviction for shooting Taylor was set aside, but she was linked to three more deaths: a young man discovered dead and naked in one of her homes; another man shot dead in his driveway; and another man who died while he was staying with her. Shelton maintains she had nothing to do with any of these incidents. For this broadcast, Jackson and her team reinvestigate many of the allegations against Shelton. (Part two of Shelton's story will be broadcast 05/07/22.) Original on-screen text graphic: To be continued next week. On-screen text graphic for the 12/17/22 rebroadcast: Coming up next: Chasing Catherine Shelton: Part 2. Interviewed: Brian Benken, private investigator, defense attorney, member of Jackson's investigative team and a 48 HOURS consultant; Lisa Andrews, former prosecutor, member of Jackson's investigative team and a 48 HOURS consultant; Lloyd Oliver, attorney; and Robert Pelton, defense attorney. This broadcast also includes prior interviews with: Catherine Shelton (2003 & 2016); Gary Taylor (2003); Lloyd Oliver (2003); Ferris Bond (2003); Kent Ferguson, former FBI agent turned private investigator (2003): Marisa Hierro, wife of the man shot dead in his driveway (2003), (See also: 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Law And Mrs. Shelton", OAD: 10/29/03; Rebroadcast: 06/23/04; and 48 HOURS: "Chasing Catherine Shelton: Part 2", OAD: 05/07/22) (Contributor: Jenna Jackson - Producers: Chuck Stevenson, Gabriella Demirdjian) (OAD: 04/30/22)

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Michael Hierro, shot dead in his driveway; and Sam Shelton - no relation to Catherine, who died in 2017 while he was staying with her. Catherine signed his name on a lease application and has been charged with a felony; fraudulent use of identifying information. Shelton maintains she had nothing to do with any of these incidents. For this broadcast, Jackson and her team reinvestigate many of the later allegations against Shelton; also includes Jackson's 2022 interview with Shelton. Original on-screen text graphic: Catherine's fraud trial is currently scheduled for this summer. On-screen text graphic for the 12/17/22 rebroadcast: Catherine Shelton's fraud trial is currently scheduled for March 6, 2023. Interviewed: Catherine Shelton; Brian Benken, private investigator, defense attorney, member of Jackson's investigative team and a 48 HOURS consultant; Lisa Andrews, former prosecutor, member of Jackson's investigative team and a 48 HOURS consultant; and Tony Leal, former chief, Texas Rangers. This broadcast also includes prior interviews with: Catherine Shelton (2003 & 2016); Richard Shelton, Clint Shelton's father (2003); Clint Shelton, Catherine's husband, serving a life sentence for gunning down the Hierros; Gary Taylor (2003); and Marisa Hierro, wife of Michael Hierro, who was shot dead in his driveway on December 20th, 1999 (2003). (See also: 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Law And Mrs. Shelton", OAD: 10/29/03; Rebroadcast: 06/23/04; and 48 HOURS: "Chasing Catherine Shelton: Part 1", OAD: 04/30/22) (Contributor: Jenna Jackson - Producers: Chuck Stevenson, Gabriella Demirdjian) (OAD: 05/07/22)

12/24/22

48 HOURS: "The Circleville Letters" - a report on the unsolved case of the Circleville letter writer who, beginning in March 1977, terrorized residents in the small town of Circleville, OH. The threatening and anonymous letters, mostly postmarked from Columbus, OH, were received by residents for nearly two decades and exposed alleged secrets about neighbors and friends. The letters first focused on married school district superintendent Gordon Massie and his rumored relationship with school bus driver Mary Gillispie. On February 7th, 1983, Gillispie saw an obscene sign about her 13-year-old daughter on a fence. When she went to remove it, Gillespie noticed it was tied to a string. which led to a box with a gun rigged to go off. The gun was traced to her brother-in-law, Paul Freshour. Freshour's estranged wife Karen Sue, who did not respond to requests for an interview for this broadcast, told investigators he was also the Circleville letter writer. Never charged with sending any of the letters, Freshour went on trial on October 24th, 1983 for the booby-trap. Found guilty, Freshour was sent to prison, but the letters continued, even though he was kept in isolation and not allowed pen or paper. The Circleville letters stopped in 1994, when Freshour was released. Freshour maintained his innocence and fought to clear his name. He claimed his gun had been stolen and suspected his son Mark, who died by suicide in September 2002. Freshour died June 28th, 2012. On-screen text graphic: No one has ever been charged with writing the Circleville letters, but the Pickaway County Sheriff's office says the case is closed. Interviewed: Martin Yant, journalist; Marie Mayhew, podcaster, "Whatever Remains"; sisters June Whitehead and Janet Cassady, grew up in Pickaway County, OH; Pam Stanton, family friend of Paul Freshour; Robin Yocum, author, former crime reporter, The Columbus Dispatch; Mary Ellen O'Toole, former FBI profiler; and Beverley East, forensic document expert. (C: Erin Moriarty - P: Lisa Freed, Richard Fetzer) (OAD: 08/25/21; 1st Rebroadcast: 08/06/22)

#### **INVESTIGATE TV**

#### 10/2/22- EPISODE 3, SEASON 2

Many people use online reviews to help with purchases big and small, but what if those reviews just weren't true. Our national investigative team exposes "Five Star Fakes". Next, we explain how scammers are using deed fraud to steal houses from unsuspecting homeowners. Plus, the team also shares tips on how to protect yourself from phishing attacks.

#### 10/9/22 EPISODE 4, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - InvestigateTV looks at a weedkiller that protects some crops while wiping out acres on other farms - hear how Dicamba is dividing the agricultural community. Next, military housing at Fort Gordon is making service

members' families sick. We share their stories. Plus, scammers posing as your doctor's office. We have expert advice to keep you safe.

### 10/23/22 EPISODE 6 SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - InvestigateTV's Lee Zurik reports on a law preventing officials from immediately informing the public about dangerous products. P \( \pi \times \) is \( \j \times \) in \( \times \) is \( \j \times \) in \( \j \times \) is \( \j \times \) in \(

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Consumer Investigator Rachel DePompa explains how hackers are targeting online gamers and using their accounts to access financial information. Plus, a look into doping in horse racing and Consumer Investigator Caresse Jackman warns of banking related scams.

#### WTOC SPECIAL NEWS REPORT

10/12/22-9:48PM-10:13PM-WTOC BROKE IN FOR A TORNADO WARNING

12/14/22-4:16PM-4:26PM-DISTRICT ATTORNEY PRESS CONFERENCE ON CHARGING LEILANI SIMON FOR DEATH OF HER SON QUINTON

WTOC NEWSCASTS

ISSUE 1-PUBLIC SAFETY-ALERTING THE PUBLIC ABOUT CRIMINAL AND UNSAFE **ACTIVITIES IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND HOW THE COMMUNITY CAN CONTACT** THE POLICE IF THEY KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE CRIME. IAN'S IMPACT ON TYBEE ISLAND, MISSING TODDLER QUINTON SIMON LEADS TO MOM CHARGED WITH MURDER AFTER MONTH LONG SEARCH FINDING HIS REMAINS IN LANDFILL, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VIGIL, MCINTOSH CO. DRUG BUST, DANIEL DEFENSE SUED FOR VIOLATING FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT BY MARKETING AR-STYLE RIFLES TO YOUNG AND ISOLATED MEN, HUTCHINSON ISLAND DECK COLLASPE FOLO, DIST 1 ALDERMAN FINDING WAYS TO TACKLE CRIME AFTER TWO SHOT ON 38TH STREET-SAV., GBI USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATION, PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS ON COLD WEATHER, CHD ON PREVENTING SHOPLIFTING, AAA TOW TO GO TO HELP PREVENT DRINKING AND DRIVING, COVID RISING DURING HOLIDAY SEASON, NEW YEARS HOSPITAL SAFETY, GANG MEMBER MURDER PLEA SOURCE: SPD, OTHER LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENTS,

"Before and after storms we also do this kind of research where we will go out before a storm is due to arrive to map the shoreline and shortly thereafter to map the shoreline again to see what a single storm can do to the coast." This is something they've done every few months. When conditions are completely clear to safely fly a drone, they'll go out collect footage and compare the shoreline to what it looked like before the storm. The OCEANOGRAHER data they collect will help the city of tybee prepare their beaches so they are resilient for the next storm -- like where the dunes could start eroding so they can put more sand there.

6AM DAYBREAK SATURDAY

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10/1/2022

6:00:00 AM

ON TYBEE IAN **IMPACTS** 

SPD SPEED 10/3/2022 **CAMERAS** 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **ACTIVE** 

Again - those cameras will be activated throughout the week. There will be a warning period for anyone caught on camera. It will last 30 days and starts Wednesday. Starting November 4th - speeders will get their tickets in the mail.

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WTOCI: **BROUGHTON ROAD RAGE** 

SHTG INDICTMENT

Savannah Police say Williams was in his car when an argument turned deadly around 2:30 a.m. Police say Williams shot and killed 32-year-old Ashton Gibbs. A 30-year-old woman, who was also shot, survived. U.S. Marshals later tracked down and arrested Williams in Ohio.

"Better safe than sorry is the point Mayor Van Johnson wanted to drive home as he says Savannah was well prepared for if lan did hit our area. Because lan took another path, the Mayor says Savannah is a blessed city." "We plan for this all the time." Recognizing Chatham Emergency Management Agency or CEMA's efforts to prepare and keep people informed, Mayor Johnson says the city did everything right. He said he's proud of how the city handled the storm that was threatening our area and that he stands by the decisions local governments made to keep citizens safe. "We should not have evacuated. We should've stayed in place and as a result, that and divine intervention, our community is okay. We're safe." While he is relieved the storm didn't affect our area, some lost their homes and lives in surrounding states. He says the city will be helping people devastated by Ian. "We'll talk about how we can connect with our cities down in Florida and South Carolina about how we can be of help." While this storm has passed, he warns people not to be complacent. "We know that some people were not as prepared as they should've been. We want people to be vigilant and we want them to be prepared. If you need insurance, get insurance." "He says we're not out of the woods yet. It's important to stay prepared as the hurricane season isn't over yet. Reporting in Savannah Camille Syed WTOC News."

SAV MAYOR ON BEING SPARED FROM IAN

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Thanks for joining us on THE News at 5. I'm Dawn Baker. Continuing our breaking news coverage out of Chatham and Beaufort Counties tonight. In Chatham - lots of questions remain...as the F-B-I joins the search for a missing toddler. And in Beaufort - a high BREAKING NEWS school cleared after a call about a threat - a call at least a dozen other schools across SETUP South Carolina got at the same time.

10/4/2022

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6PM OD

**MEMORIAL HEALTH LEVEL 1** 10/5/2022 CARDIAC 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD CENTER

The Georgia Department of Public Health designated the hospital as a Level 1 emergency cardiac care center. This is the first hospital in southeast Georgia to earn this. Level 1 means the hospital provides the highest level of emergency cardiac care services. Those services include open heart surgery, and other cardiac procedures.

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**CCPD MISSING** 

The search has been concentrated near Buckhalter Road in Chatham County. Police are not calling this an abduction or saying there has been any foul play. Police confirmed there haven't been any calls for a missing child from this home in the past and they have been interviewing all parties connected to the child. Neighbors have even stepped in to help police look -- many of them hoping for only a positive outcome.

10/5/2022 7:00:00 PM

7PM OD

20 MONTH OLD

It's been all hands on deck to find missing 1-year-old Quinton Simmon. "We're very concerned about Quinton. We're hoping we can find him safe and bring him home to his parents" Quinton is wearing a blue sesame street shirt and black pants. He went missing near Buckhalter Rd. this morning around 6am-- it wasn't reported to police until 9am. Law enforcement agencies including the FBI have been in the air and on the ground and on horseback to find him Neighbors have stepped in, searching on their own "All in the woods and just about every area we can hit." Some of them did what they could to help after either waking up to or coming home this morning to a crime scene "I was thinking it was a home invasion or something like that and next thing I know it's popping up on Facebook that there's a child missing." The unknown is what has many people uneasy. "It puts knots in my stomach you know..." Neighbors and people from surrounding counties are anxiously waiting for baby Quinton to be found safe "It's heartbreaking. I was telling my daughter before we came out here I couldn't imagine having my child go missing....these are my babies." "I hope they find the child safe. That's the biggest thing.

10/5/2022 11:01:00 PM

11PM OD

**CCPD MISSING** 20 MONTH OLD

That's all I've really thought about"

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CAMILLE: CCPD INVESTIGATION LATEST

"What I want to do is let the investigators do their work today obtain those search warrants, execute those in a timely manner, probably reassess sometime later today and see where we may need to pivot this investigation if anything or any information comes about today that yields us in a different direction."

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"I never in my wildest dreams ever expected anything like this. I went on a three-week job and to come back home and this is what I come home to." Once again, a very emotional time for them. Quinton is the middle child with two other siblings. He and his siblings live in this house with their grandparents, mother and the mother's boyfriend. Chatham County court records show Howell served Quinton's mom and her boyfriend an eviction notice recently

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A quieter scene at the home of 20-month-old Quinton Simon....who's been missing for almost two days \*cries His grandparents emotional - as they wait - hoping to see his smiling face come through their door "We never would've dreamed this would have happened" The grandmother Billie Howell has full custody of Quinton and his 3-year-old brother. "We're here...we're here ready to search." Still no amber alert because police don't have evidence of an abduction They are hoping to get Quinton home to his grandmother and his parents "They're victims. They're dealing with the loss of a child" Quinton's babysitter has been just as close to this as the family "My gut tells me something is very wrong but my heart we're praying he will intervene and he's ok" That's how she felt that morning. She was supposed to watch Quinton the day he went missing but Quinton's mother called her, telling her she didn't have to. She's trying to keep the picture in her mind of a happy baby full of life "He smiled. I kept him the last time two days ago and he kissed me..he's sweet." Those who love Quinton most are hoping they

see him again "Right answers...wrong answers whatever we want something" and they

are not the only ones praying as a community waits with them

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A reminder of the timeline of Quinton's disappearance. Police say he was last seen by his mother's boyfriend around 6 a.m. and Quinton was said to be fine at that time. More than three hours later, his mother called and reported him missing around 9:39. Chief Hadley says family is still cooperating with law enforcement and there's still no sign of foul play. He says they've used some search warrants, some at this home and in the pool in the backyard to do more intensive searches. While the chief is hopeful Quinton will be found unharmed, he says they are being very careful with how they handle this missing person

10/7/2022 4:00:00 PM

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"I was 18 years old when I met I can say the person I believed was the love of my life" Domestic violence can be psychological.... "I was abused for almost 8 years" ...or physical. "Punched me. The person who told me I was ugly. The person who mentioned more than one time that I was not enough" But enduring the pain was the only way MADAI RODRIGUEZ thought she could stay in the U-S as an undocumented immigrant. "I didn't know what to do. I didn't know where to go. My english was broken english" There are so many men, women and children with similar stories And those stories were shared tonight at a vigil remembering domestic violence victims. "Here in the state of Georgia...161 lives cut short" \*NAT POP READING NAMES Candles are lit for each one of them. Last year -- Safe Shelter helped 1,740 victims of domestic violence. 480 were children. Some victims don't make it out. "Madai Rodriguez sharing her story of survival" "629-8888 that's the number that changed my life" But now it's her turn. \*NAT POP READING NAMES "Me helping now latino women and a lot of those are undocumented and they're afraid to stay they're afraid to go to the police...make a report" And letting them know there are safe spaces -- starting with safe shelter. "It takes a lot of courage. A lot. But it's not impossible." And there are victims -- survivors who can help along the way. "I know I can save VIOLENCE VIGIL someone else life."

DAYBREAK 10/8/2022 **SATURDAY** 6:00:00 AM OD

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ALYSSA: **DOMESTIC** 

The Chatham County police department has a new tip number in the search for missing toddler Quinton Simon, who was last seen at his home Wednesday. That number is now **MORNING CCPD MISSING** on your screen. Officials say that this number goes directly to a detective and is only used 10/10/2022 BREAK OD 10 TODDLER NEW for tips in helping find Quinton. They say to leave a message if you get a voicemail. If you see him to immediately call 9-1-1. 9:00:00 AM TIP NUMBER 00:00:23

> Folks from Hadley's department, Chatham Fire, and the FBI have been on scene... it appears that they drained the pool in the backyard of the family's house. They did tell us last week they got a warrant specifically to search the pool. There's no word yet on if they found anything in their search. Since Quinton's been missing, police have not named any suspects nor have they said if they are leaning toward any specific criminal charges in the case- but Hadley says that the potential that a crime was committed is very much part of what they're looking into.

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SHEA: CCPD MISSING KID

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10/10/2022 QUINTON SIMON
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She says she received a text that morning that she wouldn't be needed to watch Quinton MISSING that day, and hours later, he was reported missing. Despite the amount of time that's QUINTON SIMON passed and the few leads police are going off of, McCarta is still hopeful that he'll be brought home safely- but it's difficult to explain the situation to her young grandchildren.

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SAV TERRORISTIC 10/10/2022 THREATS 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD INVESTIGATION Right now-- Savannah Police need your help finding a man wanted for questioning. Police are looking for 32-year-old Eddie Glover. They say he is wanted for questioning in connection to a terroristic threats investigation. If you see him or might know where he is, you are asked to call police or crimestoppers right away.

((SOT)) "It is very frustrating. I know that they're doing their job, but I just wish that they knew something they could tell us. Something about Quinton." "We have to follow obviously an investigative process. We have to follow the law, we have to get search warrants. I know there's a lot interest out there and probably some chatter, 'Why haven't you done this and why haven't you done that?' Well, we have a Constitution to follow, we have the law to follow. We want to make sure we get it right. We want to make sure we do QUINTON SIMON this as professionally and as expertly as we can so if, and I say if, we have to prosecute anyone in this case that we've done it right."

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Many people don't expect to be a victim of theft This \*nat pop is not what the owners of Hemp Leaf CBD imagined it would look like if it did happen You are looking at video of a person coming through the ceiling of the shop-- with a rope "Windows barred, door is locked, everything is cement around us. You think you're fortified and they come through the place you least expect" Cody Smith, partner and co-owner of Hemp Leaf questions whether they were trying to get to them or the pharmacy next door "It all looks the same so how do you know where you're at if you're trying to get to this place" The thief using what looks to be a trash bag grabbed whatever was in reach Totaling close to 1500dollars of products And they fell in not once \*nat pop but twice! "I kinda laughed because it took a lot of work for him to get in here and that was a lot of dedication" He had his laugh but Jay Cooper -- another partner of hemp life -- is uneasy about what happened. "Not necessarily personal but you feel violated." Cooper was actually the first one to see the damage left behind -- which is going to cost the store way more than the stuff that was stolen "For someone to come in and start destroying something we built from the ground up kinda hurts a little bit" The ceilings, floors and shelves will need to be repaired and replaced. And until police catch who's responsible "Next couple days you'll definitely notice your surroundings a bit more" They're keeping an eye out and getting prepared in

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ALYSSA: HEMP SHOP BURGLARY case they try to come back.

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**TIMELINE** 

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SAV WEEKLY UPDATE: VAN 10/11/2022 JOHNSON ON 12:00:00 PM NOON OD QUINTON

"This is tragic. Certainly is sad. And any way that we can provide assistance to Chatham County and the Chatham County Police department as they conduct the search we will help. We're close enough to help. We have advanced resources and some of the best professional available so as asked or requested we will provide those services."

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**BCSO NEEDS HELP WITH** SEARCH FOR

MISSING MAN

Joe Glover was reported missing from his home on Spann Circle in Dale Thursday. The Sheriff's Office says he suffers from Alzheimers. If you see Glover or might know where he is, you are asked to call the sheriff's office right away.

CCPD NEW EVIDENCE ON 10/11/2022 QUINTON

SEARCH

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"It's a sigh or relief that they do know something, but I just want it to be good. I was just his babysitter, but we loved him very much. And we love him. And we are just praying to God that something good."

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CCPD NEW EVIDENCE ON QUINTON SEARCH Meanwhile, people here in Quinton's neighborhood are anxiously awaiting word from police on what the evidence is or even what they think may have happened to Quinton. I spoke with Diana McCarta, who says she's been Quinton's babysitter for the last ten months and was supposed to babysit him the day he disappeared. She says three hours before he was reported missing, she received a text that she wouldn't need to watch him. Since then, she says it's been agony waiting for any information- so this update from police, though vague, is highly anticipated.

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The entire community has been and is still watching as this situation unfolds, holding their breath that little Quinton will be found safe. The feeling in the neighborhood is heavy. I chatted with quite a few people off camera that said they're still hoping against hope and praying that Quinton is out there somewhere, waiting to be brought home. I spoke with one woman who says she cleans houses in Quinton's neighborhood. She says she QUINTON SIMON doesn't know the Simon family personally, but that she did bring them dinner this past

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QUINTON SIMO
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QUINTON SIMON doesn't know the Simon family personally, but that she did bring them dinner this past SEARCH LATEST Sunday. She says like everyone else, she's hoping for a miracle. 00:00:35

Police have not revealed much about their investigation. So, we got to work... and requested as much information as we could get our hands on. Police and court records paint a picture of tense and divided home in the weeks leading up to his disappearance. We know Quinton was living at his grandmothers home off Buckhalter Road with his mom, her boyfriend, and his two siblings. Quinton's grandma had sole custody of him and his oldest sibling. Let's start with this police report - from September 7th. It shows Quinton's mom called police - after a reported fight with Quinton's grandma over laundry.. Quinton's mom didn't press charges. Quinton's grandma told police on scene she was thinking about kicking her daughter and her boyfriend out of the home. The next day, September 8th, she followed-through... filing this paperwork to evict the couple. She says her daughter got that paperwork two weeks later, around September 26th. Separately, two days after that, on Wednesday, September 28th, Chatham County Judge Lisa Colbert ordered Quinton's mom to start paying child support for Quinton and his older sibling. Again, Quinton's grandma had sole custody of both children. That order came exactly a week before Quinton disappeared. Then, on October 5th, police say Quinton's mom reported him missing. Police say her boyfriend was the last one to see him - around 6 a.m. that morning. Chatham County Police have NOT named any suspects in this case. Stay with WTOC for updates.

WTOCI: MAX: QUINTON FAMILY HISTORY

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E. Montgomery Cross Road and Waters Ave. was filled with law enforcment after a man was shot. It had people driving by and walking down the street questioning what was going on.... "Me and my customer were getting ready to leave the barbershop and all of a sudden we heard some gunshots like pow pow pow pow pow and we saw a car that sped through traffic" A barber in the area saw most of what happened "A bunch of kids man...high school age kids jumped out the car and one girl was screaming like they shot my cousin. I saw a guy running around who kept looking at himself he fell to the ground I guess he realized he was shot." State Representative Derek Mallow wasn't there when it happened. He just happened to have an appointment. "I definetly saw the tape and I called and said hey, how can I get to the barbershop to get a haircut today?" It's a scene both the barber and Rep. Mallow have seen to often in this city "Mentally I was like...this is still going on in our neighborhood" "We have a responsibility to work with young people to work with our children to work on conflict resolution to work so they realize a gun is not the answer to any of our problems" The barbershop's owner says the community can also play a bigger role in giving kids options "With certain situations like that I don't know if it's giving these kids jobs or mentoring these kids better, but it's something we gotta do to help out" And Rep. Mallow says gun laws in the state of Georgia aren't helping the problem -- it only limits what police can do "if they see someone with a firearm the ability to stop that person since governor kemp's constitutional carry that is no longer permissible and that's a violation of their rights in the state of Georgia"

ALYSSA: WATERS & EISENHOWER SHOOTING

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Quinton's mom reported him missing around 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 5th, from his home on Buckhalter road. She told police her boyfriend was the last person to see him - around 6 a.m. that morning. They say he was wearing a light blue Sesame Street shirt and black pants. That sparked an extensive search involving multiple agencies. On Thursday - Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley confirmed police had obtained a search warrant for Quinton's grandmother's home - where the family was living. That's when Grandmother Billie Howell told WTOC she recently filed to evict Quinton's mom and her boyfriend... and that Quinton's mom called off his babysitter the morning he went missing. Howell - who was out of town at the time for work - has custody of Quinton and his older sibling. "My mind has thought the worst and it's prayed for the best. You know, I couldn't imagine that she would hurt one of her kids but I can't say the thought hasn't gone through my mind a hundred thousand times." On Friday - Chatham Police released a tip hotline for Quinton's case. The search continued. Chief Hadley said they did not suspect foul play. Fast forward to Monday, police searched the home again, and drained the family's backyard pool. We also learned more than 40 FBI agents are assisting in the search. And on Tuesday, the department announced they had seized evidence they believed would help move the case forward... and that a criminal investigation is possible. WTOC Investigates also obtained records that shed light on a tense, divided home leading up to Quinton's disappearance. That included a domestic dispute last month... and a court order for Quinton's mother to start paying his grandmother child support. That order came down exactly one week before she reported Quinton missing.

MAX: MISSING TODDLER TIMFLINE

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Quinton Simon has been missing for a week. He is one years old. The baby has the eyes of people across the country and a search effort of the FBI along with several law enforcement agencies. "it's very hard not to sense foul play especially when the babysitter gets a text at 5:39 in the morning 6:00 was the last time the baby was seen" It's been an emotional rollercoaster for most watching and waiting to hear what happened. "You would have to sedate me to keep me from going outside and begging for help for my child" "7 days I feel like a baby doesn't vanish into thin air" Quinton's new village of people in Savannah and across the country want answers "I'm out here about Quinton" Holding their candles and hands -- they are doing the only thing they believe they have left. Praying. For Quinton. \*nats praying Some like Kay Hunter have a connection they wish they didn't possibly have to Quinton. "I was a statistic in the system as a child that slipped through the cracks. That's why it effects me." Hoping that isn't the case for him. "I'm still broken but I'm breaking in from a lot of childhood trauma i'm on a childhood trauma healing journey. I've come a long way. I'm 52 today and i thank God for that." For this group they know there's power in prayer and Quinton Simon -- wherever he is -needs it right now. "I keep praying...I pray that he is laying up there in Jesus arms right now not suffering." Until they get an answer to where is Quinton? Many will continue praying from where they are as his village until they know he is ok

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ALYSSA: QUINTON SIMON VIGIL

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Standup Early this morning it's quiet outside young Quinton Simon's home, as it's now officially been a week since he was last seen. Vo Since that time - the entire community and even people all around the country have been keeping up with the latest updates in the case. WTOC spoke with people in Savannah who said they have been following the story since he disappeared and are still praying for the best outcome of Quinton coming home but as we cross the one week mark - they say you can't help but think the worst case scenario. SOT: Jim Faber / Cincinnati "That's not very good, that is a long time." Voice of: Willy Hill / Savannah "It's a little kid you know, everybody just feels for the little kid and no one knows what happened to him, it's a kid." Vo As Chief Hadley says his team will likely continue working 18 hour days through this week, Savannah mayor Van Johnson says the city is looking to help the county however they can. SOT: Mayor Van Johnson / City of Savannah "This is tragic, certainly sad and any way we can provide assistance to Chatham County Police Department as they conduct their search, we will help, we are close enough to help, we have advanced resources and some of the best professionals available, as asked or requested, we will provide those services." On cam tag: Chief Hadley says as his team continues the search for Quinton his team is tired, but determined to bring him home. Reporting from Chatham County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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COLD SOT: WE ONLY GET ONE 5PM OD

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"We only get one shot at this. We're going to do it right." A tragic update from Chatham County Police...who say they now believe 20-month-old Quinton Simon is dead...and naming his mother as a suspect. But how they came to that conclusion...is still unknown today - with Chief Jeff Hadley saying they don't want to jeopardize their one shot at justice for this little boy.

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MAX: WTOCI QUINTON MOTHER & **FAMILY** 

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MAX: WTOCI QUINTON MOTHER & FAMILY

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Many of the thousands of people who have been waiting to hear what happened to 1-yearold Quinton Simon are heartbroken. "It's just a gut punch because even if you're expecting it you're hoping for something else" Police say they have enough evidence to believe the missing toddler is dead. But it's sill unsettling for people who have been watching the case closely because there are so many lingering questions like... Where is the body? Why haven't they arrested or charged the mother -- their only suspect? And what evidence do police and FBI have to believe baby Quinton is dead? Where are his siblings? "It's just really concerning because it goes to show you that there is evil everywhere and it can be just as close as not even five miles down the street where someone could have potentially killed their own child." Some people can't help but be so close to the case. "You never wanna hear anything bad about a child missing or possibly hurt but definitely not in your neighborhood" The last place Quinton Simon was said to be seen -- his home -- was noticeably quiet. With the exception of people driving in and out who looked to be friends and family...and one woman who brought a balloon and teddy bear in tribute to the baby. Some people can't help but think about Quinton's siblings. And their own kids who are about the same age as him. "22 months old yeah...and as I was reading the mother was the suspect he was climbing on my lap and I was thinking children are so precious...it just breaks your heart. It doesn't make sense." They are hoping if the mother was involved that she comes forward with the truth....while investigators still don't know where Quinton is ... they're giving their own a little extra love. "Hug your

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ALYSSA:

TODDLER DEATH babies...close"

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Quinton has been missing since October 5. Although police and the FBI say they have evidence that led them to the conclusion that Quinton is dead ... they said in their press conference yesterday that they still haven't found his body. They say the evidence was gathered through interviews and search warrants. As we made our rounds talking with people who were out walking around the neighborhood or just stopping by to pay their respects ... they all express disbelief and broken heartedness. The questions everybody has now is why do police think Quinton is dead? Where is his body? And why do they QUINTON SIMON think the mother is responsible? Some, who live in the area, say it's unsettling to not know

10/14/2022 6:00:00 AM 6AM DAYBREAK OD

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**MOTHER** 

**CRASH** 

A WTOC update - a mother who was charged in the car crash that killed her teenage son has been sentenced. According to court documents, Madrina McCay will serve 12 years in prison after pleading guilty to 1st degree vehicular homicide. Charges of DUI and another vehicular homicide charge were dropped as part of a plea deal. According to Georgia State Patrol, McCay was traveling north on Johnny Mercer Boulevard last September when the car crashed into a tree on the passenger's side near Turner Rock Road. Her 12year-old son Logan McCay was sitting in the passenger seat at the time and died.

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Chief Administrative Judge Bentley Price signed the order yesterday saying it will now begin January 23rd and last until February 10th. Alex Murdaugh is on trial for the charges he faces in the deaths of his wife and son Maggie and Paul Murdaugh. Both were shot to death at the family's hunting property in Colleton County last June. The attorney general says judge Clifton Newman will preside over the trial. And it's expected to take place at

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MURDER TRIAL DATE MOVED UP the Colleton County Courthouse.

**MURDAUGH** 

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Here you'll see the moments after that hearing ended - Leilani and Billie leaving the courthouse as quickly as they can. As you can see, there was a large law enforcement presence inside and outside of the courthouse. The fathers of Leilani's other children were at the hearing over video chat - as well as other family members. Judge Thomas Cole presided over the hearings. When court was called to session, we asked to have a camera in the courtroom, but Judge Cole denied our request and also sealed the hearing from the public. Cole says he made that decision to protect the privacy and safety of the children involved, though he does understand the public interest in the case. After he made that decision, we had to leave- we were still the only news team outside. The people that stayed in the courtroom are also under a gag order and not allowed to discuss what happened. Again, today's hearing was over the custody of Leilani's other two children - who are around 6 months and three years old. We do know that legally, these hearings have to take place within 3 days of a child being removed from a home under emergency order, or DFCS requesting to remove a child..

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SHEA: QUINTON SIMON

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((SHEA)) Today is the first time we've seen Leilani since Quinton went missing. She arrived wearing a mask and a dress and was sitting just feet away from her mother, Billie Howell- though their lawyers were sitting between them. Billie had custody of Quinton before he disappeared, and still has custody of Leilani's oldest child who is around 3 years old. PKG Here you'll see the moments after that hearing ended - Leilani and Billie leaving the courthouse as quickly as they can. As you can see, there was a large law enforcement presence inside and outside of the courthouse. The fathers of Leilani's other children were at the hearing over video chat - as well as other family members. Judge Thomas Cole presided over the hearings. When court was called to session, we asked to have a camera in the courtroom, but Judge Cole denied our request and also sealed the hearing from the public. Cole says he made that decision to protect the privacy and safety of the children involved, though he does understand the public interest in the case. After he made that decision, we had to leave- we were still the only news team outside. The people that stayed in the courtroom are also under a gag order and not allowed to discuss what happened. Again, today's hearing was over the custody of Leilani's other two children - who are around 6 months and three years old. We do know that legally, these hearings have to take place within 3 days of a child being removed from a home under emergency order, or DFCS requesting to remove a child.. ((SHEA)) We have asked for any records pertaining to today's court hearing, but weren't given them because the hearing was sealed. Just to be clear, this was not a criminal hearing today, and Leilani has not been charged with anything. I did reach out to the Chatham County Police Department for any updates in the search for Quinton Simon- they say they didn't have any new information to give me. Live in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

CUSTODY **HEARING FOR** QUINTONS **SIBLINGS** 

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MURDAUGH **DEFENSE TEAM EVIDENCE REQUEST** 

According to court documents--the new motion lists 15 evidence items the defense says it still doesn't have. That includes any and all testing results of the victim's clothing, gunshot residue testing lab results, as well as cell phone records and complete autopsy files for the victims.

The motion claims the state has already produced two lengthy DNA reports and a gunshot residue report. But, that the reports didn't show results of any analysis of Maggie and Paul's clothing. The document states quote, "If the state has not conducted any such analysis, the state should be required to notify the defense, as this failure to conduct any DNA analysis of Paul and Maggie's clothing would be convincing evidence that the state's investigation has only been solely focused on the defendant since the night of the murders."

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DEFENSE TEAM 10/17/2022 EVIDENCE 10:01:00 PM 11PM OD REQUEST

You can see there is a massive and painstaking search effort underway as investigators sort through nearly two weeks of trash. Quinton was reported missing by his mother on October 5th. While the landfill remains open, Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley says they are searching a specific area. We also learned FBI has brought in a team from its training academy in Quantico and the Atlanta office that has experience searching landfills. Earlier today, the chief explained how the missing toddler ended up there.

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JESSICA: QUINTON SIMON UPDATE

MURDAUGH

I asked for surveillance footage at the nearby gas station and an office from around the time Quinton went missing and was not given access to any footage. Someone living here said FBI agents were out here looking in the woods and through trees in this area hoping

CAMILLE 5P:

QUINTON SIMON to find Quinton but clearly they had no luck. He says law enforcement had dogs searching

NEIGHBORHOOD out here as well.

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"Because we aren't ready to charge anyone yet. We still have work to do. We still have an investigation to do and we're not going to do anything preemptively that would harm future prosecution or I'm standing before you 6 months from now talking about a flawed BO: WHY LEILANI investigation or talking about why we did this and why we didn't do that. I believe inn our investigators, i believed in our expertise that we brought to bear here. We are tracking in the right direction. We're only going to do that when we are ready to do that."

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An extensive search effort is underway inside the Waste Management Landfill off Little Neck Road. Drone video shows investigators sifting through trash using machines and their hands for the remains of 20--month of Quinton Simon who was last seen on October 5th. "We know that this is going to be a physically, mentally and emotionally grueling tasks for our investigators and team." Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley explained how investigators believe Quinton ended up in the landfill. "We believe that he was placed in a specific dumpster at a specific location and it was brought here by regular means of disposal... I have every belief that we will find his remains here at the landfill." Search efforts began this morning. The FBI says they are focused on a specific area of the landfill. Dozens of FBI personnel are involved in the physical search. "This will not be quick. It will not be easy and the outcome is uncertain. As the chief said, we want justice for quinton and we want to find him a proper resting place." It's been 13 days since Quinton's mother reported him missing from the family home on Buckhalter Road. ""Complainant advised her one year old son is missing. She woke up, her door was open. Advising he's unable to open a door, thinks someone came in and took him." As of today, she remains a suspect. Reporter: "Why has no one been arrested or charged?" Hadley: WTOCI: QUINTON Because we are not ready to charge anyone yet. We still have work to do. We still have

SIMON LANDFILL an investigation and we are not going to do anything pre-emptively that would harm future SEARCH

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SAV POLICE **CHIEF SEARCH** COMMUNITY **REPORT** 

According to the city, the report says the survey received over 800 responses. The top 3 qualities in a chief the community said they are looking for are-- -Being willing to hold themselves and the department accountable -A commitment to transparency --for building community trust and confidence. And lastly-- a proven track record in responding to rising crime using data, technology and community-based solutions.

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The recovery and heartbreaking search of a one year old baby is happening Law enforcement no longer believes Quinton Simon went missing -- they are trying to recover his body -- in a landfill "We believe he was placed in a specific dumpster in a specific location and it was brought here by regular means of disposal" The words no one wanted to hear -- disposal. And all eyes are still on his mother Leilani Simon Last publicly seen running out of a juvenile courthouse following a custody hearing for her other two children who are around six months and three years old. The mother being pursued as the primary suspect is a drastic change from two weeks ago when she called the police "Complainant advised her one year old son is missing. She woke up, her door was open. Advising he's unable to open a door, thinks someone came in and took him." Police and FBI specialists from Quantico are now going through trash in the landfill to find the one place they think he is. It's weighing heavily on a community who just learned his name two weeks ago "Little kids...they get your heart...they get your heart." As a memorial for baby Quinton grows -- they can't help but question how someone could throw away their child "It's just a lot of sketchiness" While updates and new information have so many on edge "Standing here six months from now talking about a flawed investigation talking about why we didn't do this and why we didn't do that" Law enforcement wants to have a solid case for prosecution. They know that means the community will be pressing for more answers but their priority is the baby "Our team posted this picture of Quinton here in the wall of this operations center as a reminder of who we are searching for and why we continue to work hard. We want justice for Quinton like everyone else and we want to find his remains so we can give him a proper resting place. " Thousands of people want the same for the baby -- hoping he did not suffer. Praying he gets justice and another day doesn't go by before he's recovered "In the end, I'd rather know than not know. You know? It'll bring closure but it will take a lot of time to heal that pain"

QUINTON SIMON 10/18/2022 LANDFILL 10:01:00 PM 11PM OD SEARCH

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"I have every beleif that we will find his remains here at the landfill." Last wednesday night, a week after quinton simon went missing... Chatham County Police announced they believed Quinton was dead... and named his mom, 22-year-old mother of three Leilani Simon, the "prime suspect." But they did not arrest her - or file charges. "I cannot get into any specifics." On Thursday, Chatham County Police held a press conference - confirming Leilani is the \*only suspect, but not revealing much else. That night, WTOC Investigates detailed Leilani's past criminal history... and reported drug use. On Friday, the department told us there would not be any updates over the weekend. Fast-forward to Tuesday. Police held another news conference. "A short time ago, we began what will be an extensive search of the waste management landfill located here in chatham county." Chief Jeff Hadley told reporters evidence led them to believe Quinton's body was thrown in a dumpster and then unknowingly disposed of. Their search led them here - to the Waste Management Landfill off Little Neck Road in Chatham County. "We want justice for quinton just like everybody else. And we want to find his remains so we can give him a proper resting place."

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QUINTON CRIME

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**PROFESSOR** 

"The news of the disappearance spread really quickly and now the investigation is getting a lot of attention. So, this is the first major case of this sort of magnitude that we've seen in this era where news can spread so quickly and again, this impacts the investigation. It impacts what people know about the case and it raises a lot of questions." Posick also says he believes police are doing the right thing by not going into detail about the evidence they have.

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Counter Narcotics Team Director Michael Sarhatt gave a report to Chatham County commissioners on drug overdose deaths. He says most recent numbers from the Medical Examiners office shows 43 people died from fentanyl from January to July. Sarhatt says they are working with the District Attorney's office to charge distributors of fatal drugs with felony murder instead of distribution.

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CAMILLE: **CHATHAM** COMMISSION

MAX: WTOCI **LEILANI SIMON** 

NC PAST

Leilani was working at a Loves Truck Stop off I-95, north of Fayettville. That's when records show she stole two packs of cigarrettes - a bag of popcorn - and a bottle of lemonade. Police arrested her a week later.

MAX: WTOCI 10/21/2022 LEILANI SIMON 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD NC PAST Fast-forward to May. A Harnett County Judge gave Leilani one year of probation... 48 hours of community service... and she was forced to pay around 400-dollars in fines. She was specifically instructed not to commit any crimes for 12 months. Her son, Quinton, went missing less than halfway through her probationary period.

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6AM DAYBREAK 10/22/2022 SATURDAY 5:00:00 AM OD

MAX: WTOCI LEILANI SIMON NC PAST We have a quick recap for you. Last November, police in Dunn, North Carolina arrested her - and charged her with felony larceny after she stole from her employer. These court documents reveal exactly what happened. This warrant shows a week before her arrest, on October 26th,

"It makes it hard to even process what's going around us. We get to the point where we have to barricade our own home in order to even feel safe in our backyard because we can't even process what happening everywhere else or event have the time to do so. I can't even walk out and appreciate my own son's memorial or put down gifts that I got for him. I can't even go out there and do that without harassment and negligence and everything. It's just devastating to see that this is how the outside world reacts." Leilani tells me that they've put up security cameras around the home as well as floodlights- and that they've had to move Quinton's memorial away from the street to keep unwanted attention away from it.

QUINTON SIMON 10/24/2022 **MOTHER** 3:59:00 PM 5PM OD **SPEAKS** 

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The investigation was dubbed Operation Mc-In-Clean. It started back in July of last year and the McIntosh County sheriff claims they're still looking to arrest 8 people. A monthslong drug investigation coming to a head in McIntosh County. The sheriff's office says they used intelligence-gathering to charge dozens of people with drug possession and trafficking among other crimes. Steve Jessup/McIntosh County Sheriff: "...as a result, 59 persons were identified and the issuance of 272 arrest warrants were executed." Last Monday...the McIntosh Sheriff's Office claims they were part of a multi-agency so called "roundup" of those involved. "During this time, several search warrants were executed that lead to the discovery of multiple firearms and various narcotics." Those narcotics range from marijuana to meth and fentanyl among others as sheriff Steve Jessup says the operation was a massive undertaking. "I think this is our 5th or 6th roundup, maybe 7th since I've been sheriff and it's by farthest the largest we've done. Since I've been sheriff, I know of no other larger roundup in South Georgia." The Atlantic Judicial Circuit District Attorney's Office now aiding in the prosecutions...saying in part... "The District Attorney's Office will continue to work with the McIntosh County Office of the Sheriff to prosecute these drug-related offenses and bring those accused of such crimes to justice. The citizens of McIntosh County, the Atlantic Judicial Circuit & Camp, the State of Georgia deserve a safe, drug-free environment to live, work, and raise their children, and we will continue work toward that goal through diligent efforts to prosecute these individuals in a court of law." Officials from the McIntosh County Sheriff's Office say the operation is part of a larger crackdown on fentanyl and opioid use in the county. The office claiming there have been 42 reported overdoses since the investigation began. LL: Many of the accused are from the Darien and Townsend areas. The McIntosh County Sheriff's Office is warning that if an overdose is linked to a person responsible for distributing illegal drugs...the sheriff's office is prepared to press felony murder charges. Reporting in Darien...FS...WTOCN.

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MCINTOSH CO. 5:30pm OD **DRUG BUST** 

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"I'm here. I've been here every day since this. I'm not running and I'm not hiding. And if something does come up that I am at fault, I will take myself to that police station." Chatham County Police have repeatedly said that though they've named Leilani the prime suspect in her son's disappearance and death, they don't believe she's a flight risk. Leilani says that she and her mother, Billie Howell, spend their days in the backyard of their home- because it's too difficult to be inside with reminders of Quinton- and the fact that he's gone. Leilani: "Every day that goes by it's less tears and more anger, not knowing what happening, if that's even understandable. You wake up every day, angry, hoping that you'll get a phone call, and that phone call just doesn't come." CCPD and the FBI haven't' released many details in the case- and haven't said why they believe Quinton is in a landfill. Police say they're doing that to preserve any potential court cases down the line. Leilani and Billie tell me that they get their new information about the case from watching the news- and that they feel all they can do now- is hope. "We want something great to come out of this, but mostly, we want him not to be found in that landfill. We want him to be found-" Leilani: "Happy and alive. We want him back in our arms, holding us. That's what we want. We're just hoping that he's in somebody's house and they're feeding him and maybe they wanted a baby or couldn't have a baby. Maybe they thought they were his savior. That's our best hope at this point."

SHEA: QUINTON SIMON

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MOTHER AND **FAMILY** CONDENSED

The next day, September 8th, Howell filed paperwork to evict Leilani and her boyfriend. WTOCI: QUINTON She says her daughter got that paperwork two weeks later. Then on September 28th... Chatham County Judge Lisa Colbert ordered Leilani to start paying child support for Quinton and his older sibling. Quinton's grandmother \*had sole custody of both children. A week later, Leilani reported Quinton missing.

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5AM DAYBREAK 4:00:00 AM OD

Byron Booker pleaded guilty to premeditated murder of a member of the U-S Uniformed Services this week. The charge is connected to the brutal June 2020 killing of Specialist Austin J. Hawk. The agreement says Booker slashed and stabbed Hawk at least 40 times. Booker admitted he planned the killing with another man after Hawk reported him for using marijuana. That man is also charged in the case. Jordan Brown is awaiting further proceedings on conspiracy charges and more. Booker is awaiting sentencing in

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QUINTON SIMON **TOMORROW** 

1 MTH

You're looking at the latest pictures released by Chatham County Police and the FBI Friday. They're on the third week of a search of a local landfill...something they say they'll keep doing until his body is found. We still don't know many of the facts of this case, with few details given by police at this time. We do know his mother, Leilani Simon, is still the only suspect in his death and disappearance. No arrests have been made at this time.

"I get up at 2:30 to get ready for work, and I came outside out back, it was right at 3, because I remember looking at my watch to see if I'm on time, and soon as I open the door, you can hear all the yelling, the screaming, the cussing. There were already seven police cars out here and several other cars." As well as, what she and other neighbors describe, as rapid gunfire- which I heard on a video from another neighbor, though the video didn't capture the whole situation. Savannah Police say Massie Ellis shot at them, but wouldn't tell me if they returned fire, and police also haven't said who shot first. One man I talked to says he's lived in the neighborhood for more than a decade- and says he couldn't believe what he was hearing. "I've never met the people that were involved, I've seen them pass and go, but I've been here since about 2002 and we've never had any situations like this around here since I've been here." Massey says he didn't actually see anything, until after the gunfire stopped. "When you hear gunfire, your first thing is to be, cover yourself and try to be in a safe place. Once the gunfire stopped, we were able to go outside and see what was going on." Thats when neighbors say Ellis drove away in his car. Savannah Police say there are no known injuries in the situation... which all the neighbors I talked to can agree - they're thankful for...and they're hoping this story has a peaceful end. Zorn: "I prefer everyone's safety. His too. He doesn't want to be on the run for the rest of his life. Massey: "Everybody has faults, everyone has changes they can make in life, and I just feel like we could correctly fight a problem if we could talk to people before it comes to violence."

SHOOTING SUSPECT 5PM OD SEARCH

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MURDAUGH MURDER CASE **NEW DETAILS** 

According to a motion filed yesterday, prosecutors specify the victims were killed between 8:30 PM and 10:06 PM. The motion is in response to the defense asking for a specific time range for which Murdaugh would have to provide an alibi to show he was not responsible for the deadly shootings. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division had previously estimated the deaths happened between 9 PM and 9:30 PM. The Colleton County Sheriff's Office got a 911 call at 10 PM the night that the victims were found dead. 00:00:30

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New at 5 - the Georgia Supreme Court reversed part of a conviction in the 2004 murder trial of a U-S Army Captain. Deon Jones is serving a life sentence for the murder of Captain Scott Corwin. Jones was convicted of killing Corwin during a robbery near Monterey Square. During the trial for the murder - Jones was accused and then convicted of intimidating a witness. That's the conviction the Court overturned this week...while affirming his murder conviction in the case.

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"Savannah Police have made an arrest in the shooting they say took place here in this area of City Market. A manager at America's Prohibition Museum says she was shocked to hear about this latest shooting at City Market." (sot) "They're doing what they can do but you can't stop every gun violence. You can't stop every fight." While people are out and about in City Market today, Sunday police say a fight is what lead up to this shooting that happened near Jefferson and West Saint Julian St. around 1:45 a.m. 27-year-old Joshua Bowser was arrested and is now facing aggravated assault, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, obstruction and marijuana possession charges. A 26-yearold man and a 22-year-old woman were injured. Police say Bowser got into an altercation with the male victim before the shooting. That shooting taking place just feet away from American Prohibition Museum. While the gun violence caught Manager Ashley Harris of guard, she said she doesn't have many safety concerns because of added safety protocols in the area. "They put a lot of things in place with the bright lights and more police patrol around. I don't feel like it's that much of a concern." "While they've made an arrest in this shooting, the investigation continues. In Savannah, Camille Syed WTOC News."

CAMILLE: CITY MARKET SHOOTING

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"Sometimes I can't even breathe" It's difficult because not only is her father gone, his killer is free. EJ Futch was shot six times and died in a parking lot of a Southside neighborhood in Savannah last year. It's something his family is still trying to process after learning those details during the murder trial. "He was alone, on the ground. No person deserves to be alone for that amount of time." His youngest daughter Zhane, his wife and high school sweetheart Danielle and his oldest son Craig gathered in the court last week for the trial. "I wanted that closure when I came to the trial and I never got it really. It was a lot of confusion." Charlie Sapp - her husband's killer - was on trial for malice murder. "Lots of witnesses." Witnesses told Savannah Police said they heard the two "arguing over gas" in a neighborhood parking lot off Coastal Place. Later they heard gunshots and then saw Futch "on the ground, trying to get up" when Sapp shot him multiple times and "took off running". In court, witness testimony didn't matter. Neither did what Charlie Sapp told the jury. "He says he did it." In self-defense is what his public defender said. That didn't matter either in court. "Not knowing what was going on - I just told my family to connect hands and pray." In a rare decision - Superior Court Judge John E. Morse Jr. issued a directed verdict - which let Sapp walk free on the murder charges. I spoke to Judge Morse over the phone, he explained that the state has the burden of proof. He told me they proved in court that Futch had been shot, but that the Prosecutor assigned to the case didn't prove that Futch was dead, or that his death was caused by Sapp. And for that reason - he had a duty under the law to drop the murder charges. It's the first time he's done that in his 30 years as a judge. Reporter: "Do you feel like your team mishandled the case in court?" DA response: "I don't feel like they mishandled it at all. With the number of cases that we've tried since I've been here. There are cases that go to trial and you lose some cases that you should win and you win some cases that you should lose. I respect the work that was done in the case and the information I got about it and I don't find any fault at all with how my staff handled it." Sapp's public defender Katherine Kelly said in a statement that said the decisions by the judge and the jury "speak for themselves." Futch's family is finding comfort in eachother and their memories of EJ who was known to friends as Shawn. "I was glad that my children got to experience that military life because you're open to new experiences and people." He served his country and was a retired disabled

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WTOCI: MURDER war veteran who served in Iraq. But he was most well known as "Call me Coach DIRECT VERDICT Hamburger, I'm Coach EJ Futch Hamburger." "Any sport that his children was involved in, he was right on the sidelines.

"Today we are encouraging everybody to take a look at their surroundings. You know, at their business, at their home, things that can easily be blown around and go ahead and secure those. We want to make sure there is no flying debris that could cause damage to yourself, your home, or someone else's property. Jones also says this is a good time to check your family emergency kit and plan.

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CEMA: PREPS

TYBEE ISLAND PREPS FOR

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I did speak to a couple of locals- who said their biggest concern would be securing any loose items outside their homes. I also spoke with several people that said they intend to come down to the beach and watch the storm.. but Tybee Island officials say the safest thing to do, is just stay inside.

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LANDFILL **SEARCH** SUSPENDED

QUINTON SIMON The 1 year old went missing over a month ago from his home on Buckhalter Road. No arrests or charges have been made in the case yet. But, police have named his mother Leilani as the prime and only suspect in his disappearance and death. WTOC will continue to follow this case and keep you updated.

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SARAH: CEMA ON HURRICANE NICOLE

They are also encouraging you to get your hurricane kits ready to use. While you do that --CEMA is busy meeting with local, regional and state agencies. They have moved their operations to Op Con 3 -- which is the readiness phase. Typically they operate at level 5 but as the storm approaches they dropped down to Op Con 4 and now are at Op Con 3. However, Director Dennis Jones says he anticipates they will stay in this phase for the rest of the storm.

You're looking at photos shared by C-C-P-D on Twitter today - as the search for Quinton Simon continues. You may remember - the toddler was first reported missing at the beginning of October. His mother is the only suspect in his disappearance. No arrests have been made at this time. The search of a local landfill for his body began again today - after it was paused due to the weather. C-C-P-D says there is no scheduled end date for the search of the landfill...and they're still working to collect evidence in this case.

QUINTON SIMON **SEARCH** 

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**RESUMES** 

WTOC will continue to bring you updates as new details are released.

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Standup The Beaufort County sheriff's office patrols... the entire county, but it's not very often they wind up here on Hilton Head with a homicide investigation. That's exactly what's going on right now though. Sot: (Maj. Angela Viens - Public Information Officer, Beaufort County Sheriff's Office) "There was a gentleman closing his business and as he was leaving, he found a man laying in the parking lot and called the sheriff's office." Vo When sheriff's office deputies arrived around 1:30 this morning, they found a young Hispanic man dead with no ID on him and at least one gunshot wound. Sot "We didn't have any reports of gunfire prior to the shooting, but as they were doing their canvas they spoke to several witnesses that said they heard gunfire between midnight and 12:30 in the morning." Vo Having been on site throughout the day, deputies are now speaking with businesses here in the Northridge plaza, to see if they can find video or information about what the man was doing before he was shot... hopefully leading to his killer. On cam tag Stick with us on air and online for breaking details in this shooting as we get them.

TYLER 4 PM: HHI MAN SHOT IN **PARKING LOT** 

Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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LL: Attorneys for Anthony Rodriguez filed a petition for the court to reconsider bond...saving she's been held in isolation which is worsening her mental health. VO: Cameras were not allowed inside the courtroom today. Rodriguez's attorneys claim that she's been in isolation because it's not safe for her to be held with male inmates. They say Rodriguez has struggled with her mental health after being diagnosed with adjustment disorder and anxiety but that she has attempted to seek help. They also say that at the time of the incident...Rodriguez was undergoing a change in her hormone levels. Rodriguez's lawyers say that she was a behavioral therapist for children with autism. Judge Michael Muldrew maintains that the court believes Rodriguez still poses a threat to the community...accusing her of ignoring multiple attempts from officers to stop her while she was driving down the parade route. The judge ultimately denied that bond reconsideration request saying that Rincon was a few steps away from a mass casualty event during the parade. LL: According to an indictment...Rodriguez is being held on 13 counts including aggravated assault and harming a police dog. Her trial is expected to start in January. Rodriguez's parents attended court today. I'm working on a story with more details of what happened in the courtroom for THE news at 6. Reporting in Springfield...FS...WTOCN.

PARADE CRASH SUSPECT IN COURT

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Anthony Rodriguez remains in jail tonight after an Effingham County judge denied a request from attorneys to reconsider bond. VO: WTOC was the only news outlet there as Rodriguez made an appearance in Effingham County Superior Court. She is charged with 13 counts including aggravated assault and harming a police dog. GFX1: We picked up the 8 page indictment today which says Rodriguez drove through parade barricades and refused to stop driving when a police vehicle chased her. The indictment also lists out seven charges of aggravated assault - saying Rodriguez drove towards people including what might have been a whole family. VO: Cameras weren't allowed inside so I'm going to recap some of the key points I heard. Judge Michael Muldrew denied bond once again today saying the court still believes Rodriguez to be a risk to the community. The judge said that Rodriguez faces severe prison time if convicted. I sat next to Rodriguez's parents...who appeared overwhelmed at times. This is video of them speaking with Rodriguez's attorney outside of the Effingham County Judicial Complex. I tried to speak with them after the hearing, but they didn't want to do an interview. SOT: Reporter: "Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez, any thing you'd like to say about today's proceedings?" Mr. Rodriguez: "No." Reporter: "Any comment?" Mr. Rodriguez: "None at all." Reporter: "Is Tony guilty?" Mr. Rodriguez: "Only the jury can tell." Mrs. Rodriguez: "No." VO: For her part Rodriguez did not say much in the courtroom. Her lawyers say they wanted bond reconsidered because Rodriguez has been held in isolation because it's not safe for her to be held with male inmates. They claim she's been diagnosed with an adjustment disorder and anxiety but has tried to seek help and the isolation was worsening her mental health. They also said Rodriguez was undergoing changes to her hormone levels at the time of the incident Her lawyer said Rodriguez never intended to hurt anyone and that this was a mistake made in the heat of the moment. Still the judge maintained this was a deliberate act and ultimately denied that bond reconsideration request. The judge did say the court may reconsider bond for Rodriguez if an inpatient mental health facility is found for her. The trial is expected to start in January. Reporting in Sprignfield...FS...WTOCN.

RINCON PARADE SUSPECT BOND **DENIED** 

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According to Georgia Department of Transportation, the stop light will be active December First on Highway 280 at Oracal Parkway. That's right across the street from where two new manufacturing facilities are set to be built... And across the interstate from the Bryan County megasite. G-DOT says drivers will see signs about the change in the area in the weeks ahead. While activation is set for December First, they say that will ultimately depend on the weather. WTOC will keep you updated.

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SIGNAL ACTIVATION

BRYAN CO. NEW

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It was a scary scene on Highway 80 near JCB when this red tractor trailer flipped and fell on top of this sedan. But before emergency crews arrived, Pooler Fire Chief Wade Simmons says bystanders stepped in, in a big way. "These guys, they had no reason to go over there if they didn't want to but they felt that they could help and they actually did. I honestly believe that they saved her life." "One of my guys ran over to find out if we could help." Nick Giggey was working construction at the McDonalds across the street when the accident happened. "Your day is never too bad to stop and help someone." He says they brought their forklift over and wedged it up under the tractor trailer. "Picked it up 6 or 8 inches to get it off the car and held it until the fire department and everybody else decided what to do." Chief Simmons says someone who works for ABC Supply Co. also saw the crash, pulled over and added his own forklift to the rescue. "They lifted it up and took the pressure off the car, which gave her enough room that she could stay breathing and kept it from crushing her in the vehicle." When crews arrived, Simmons says it was another 30 minutes of work using the jaws of life to get her out to safety. "For the type of accident and you look how severe it is she was extremely fortunate." Chief Simmons says it's amazing what these bystanders did and he's grateful they were in the right place at the right time. "It's kind of amazing, actually, when you see that. You see a lot of the bad stuff that's going on in the world, but we get a lot of good stuff." "I'm just grateful we could help someone. I'm glad she's alive." Chief Simmons says the woman was taken to the hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries. He says the driver of the tractor trailer is also okay. Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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HIGHWAY 80 RESCUE

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"Just in memory of Quinton, because he deserves it and everything's gone quiet. So we're trying to keep his name out there. That's mainly what it's for too, so we can learn all the positives things about him that we don't know." The group says they plan to donate all the toys displayed at tonight's vigil to a local charity in Quinton's honor. They also told us they hope his body is recovered soon. Quinton's mother - Leilani Simon - is the only suspect in his disappearance and death. She did not attend tonight's vigil.

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QUINTON SIMON VIGIL

With that search paused - we want to give you a quick look back at the timeline for all this. On October 5th, Quinton was first reported missing from his home on Buckhalter Road. Over a week later, investigators named his mother as a suspect in his disappearance and death. The landfill search began on October 18th. It's continued every week day from 8 a.m. until 5pm except for when a tropical system moved through our area earlier this

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month. Bringing us to today - when investigators arrested Quinton's mom.

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SARAH: LEILANI 6

Just one week after his disppearance -- his mom, Leilani was names as the prime suspect in his disappearance by police. Over the past month they searched 1 point 2 million pounds of trash in the landfill for his remains -- and on Friday -- a breakthrough in the SIMON ARREST 5 case -- law enforcement found human remains and those have been sent off for DNA testing to confirm those are Quinton's.

Chief Jeff Hadley / Chatham County Police "All of our evidence pointed to his mother being reponsible for his death and disappearance and his remains being found in the landfill. I would like to thank the many people and agencies who worked hard to ensure SIMON ARREST 5 that Quinton was found, that he would have a proper resting place and justice would be

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SARAH: LEILANI

Neighbors near the Buckhalter Road home were not surprised Quinton's mother was charged with his disappearance and death. There has been a lot of conflicting information from her and the family since Leilani reported her son missing about a month and a half ago. This story gaining national attention -- and people near and far are glad to see the first steps towards justice for Quinton.

"Her mother had to make one of the hardest decisions of her life, and call the FBI agents and let them know that she was signing herself out, and that she could not come back here, and that she was going to be a flight risk, because she could not come back here because she was gonna be back on the streets doing God knows what with God knows who." Billie's friend went on to tell me that Billie picked Leilani up from the rehab facility, and took her to have what she suspected was going to be her last meal as a free woman. She then took Leilani to the Savannah FBI office- where just a few hours later- she was arrested and charged with Quinton's murder.

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**QUINTON SIMON** 

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**LEILANI SIMON BOND HEARING** 

**PREVIEW** 

"From A to Z, we were 100 percent committed to bringing justice for Quinton. And to appreciate the amount of human effort, the amount of human emotion that goes in to a case like this and to appreciate, hopefully, that this comes to a conclusion in terms of a conviction and things of that nature, you have a lot of emotions about that." Law enforcement say they are waiting on DNA results to confirm the remains are Quinton's.

((PKG)) Billie Howell's friend tells me that a few weeks ago, Leilani Simon had checked herself into a treatment center, and had been there ever since. But on Monday morning. Billie found out that she was planning on leaving. "Her mother had to make one of the hardest decisions of her life and call the FBI agent and let them know that she was signing herself out, and that she could not come back here, and that she was going to be a flight risk, because she could not come back here and she would be back on the street doing God knows what with God knows who." Billie's friend says that at the request of the FBI, Billie picked Leilani up from the treatment center.. and spent the last few free hours Leilani had with her. Simon family friend: "They asked her to buy some time. So she went and picked up Leilani's belongings from another center, and then she took Leilani to have her last free meal." After that, the Simon family friend says Billie took Leilani to the Savannah FBI office, where Leilani was later arrested and charged with Quinton's murder. There's been a strong reaction to the arrest.. including from Diana McCarta, who says she babysat Quinton for 10 months before he went missing. She says she keeps thinking back to that morning, when she received a text that she wouldn't need to babysit that day. "You wonder what he had to endure from the time that he left my house, to the morning when I got the text. I can't even imagine and I don't want to think about it because it drives me crazy." Folks from everywhere- all across the country.. have been calling for Justice for Quinton... and feel, that maybe, we're one step closer to that. McCarta: "I just don't know how any mother could hurt their child. I don't know what could be going through their head for them to hurt their child. I am happy that justice is going to be served, because Quinton needs that." Family friend: "We want justice served for this precious baby, no matter what it is, no matter who it is. At the end of the day, all the protestors, and the family all wanted the same thing. We wanted justice for this precious baby."

**BABYSITTER &** FRIEND OF GMA **SPEAKS** 

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CAMILLE: QUINTON SIMON CASE LATEST

"Just knowing you're searching for an infant that somebody just discarded and discarded like trash, literally, sadly. For those that found him, I feel for them. I feel for all of them but for the individuals that did find him personally, that's going to be a tough one to get over. I can't even imagine. In the search that we were in, we didn't find him." He also says he was very surprised law enforcement found remains of any kind because he says it's very rare. He's relieved Quinton will be able to have a proper final resting place.

We've heard several times how extensive and emotional this search going on since October 18th has been for law enforcement that went through loads of trash at this landfill looking for the 20-month-old. Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley thanked Chatham County Police, sheriff's deputies, Department of Natural Resources and FBI agents for their help in the search. Today, I spoke to James Stroh who says he served in the Army National Guard and helped with a very similar search in a Chicago landfill. He says that search was for a 5-month-old that lasted for nearly two months. He says he will never

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forget how grueling the process was. He says although he wanted find the baby, he will never forget how terrified he was to be the one to discover the child's body or remains.

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**BO: NO OTHER ARRESTS EXPECTED** 

Leilani's bond hearing is set for 11-o-clock this morning. Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley says the department does NOT expect to make any other arrests in the case. 00:00:10 "We're in the matter of the state vs Leilani Simon" Judge Joe Huffman said he would not be givng Leilani bond because his recorder's court does not have the authority to grant a bond request in a murder case. While Leilani was represented by the public defender's office today, that attorney, June Fogle, said she may not be her defense attorney moving forward. Leilani was first named the only suspect in her son's disappearance and death on October 12th. But, she wasn't arrested by Chatham County police until this Monday. She is charged with murder, concealing a death, false statements, and false report of a

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LEILANI COURT

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"I'm here, I've been here, every day since this. I'm not running and I'm not hiding. And if something does come up that I'm at fault, I will take myself to that police station." Three and a half weeks after making that statement- Leilani was arrested and charged with murdering Quinton Simon. That came three days after Chatham County Police found what they believed to be Quinton's remains in a Chatham County landfill. In a news conference held shortly after Leilani's arrest, I asked if she did turn herself in. Shea (in presser- will title on video) "Leilani made a statement to me that she would turn herself in. Was there any talk of giving her that opportunity?" "No." After Leilani made that statement in the interview that she was willing to turn herself in- her mother, Billie Howell, also jumped in. Leilani: "I will take myself to that police station." "And I will walk with her." According to a family friend I spoke with on Tuesday, Billie did take Leilani to the FBI office, where Leilani was arrested and then transported to the Chatham County Detention Center. That detail matches what I was told by a law enforcement source familiar with the case. Simon family friend: "They sat there for four hours yesterday until- I'm assuming it was for them to get the warrant, so, come and picked Leilani up and took her to jail." Weeks ago in the interview, Leilani also told me that she didn't know what had happened to Quinton.. but cut off her mother to say she hoped he was alive. Billlie: "We hope he is found..." Leilani: "Happy and alive. We want him back in our arms, holding us, is what we want. We just hope that he's in somebody's house and they're feeding him, or hoping that, you know, they wanted a baby or couldn't have a baby. Maybe they thought they were his savior. That's our best hopes at this point."

SHEA: LEILANI INTERVIEW REVISIT

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A lot has happened since Quinton went missing seven weeks ago today. "Leilani Simon reported her 20-month-old son Quinton missing on October 5th. Not even a week later on October 12th, Police named Leilani as their only suspect in Quinton's disappearance and presumed death. Over a month after that, she was arrested after law enforcement found remains that they believe are Quinton's this past Friday. Fast forward to today, Leilani pleaded not guilty on multiple charges including the murder of her son and she was denied bond." "This court will not consider bond. We don't have the authority or jurisdiction to do so." Quinton lived with his 22-year-old mom Leilani and his grandmother Billie Jo Howell. Howell, who had custody of Quinton, filed an eviction notice on Leilani and her boyfriend on September 26th. A little over a week before Quinton goes missing. In between Quinton being reported missing and Leilani's court hearing, Chatham County police and FBI agents scoured through a landfill for exactly one month until they found what they believe are Quinton's remains last Friday. Leilani, who is currently in jail for killing her son Quinton, has two other young children. Neither were in her custody before she was arrested. While Leilani is behind bars, many questions remain. We still don't know what led up to Quinton's death or what evidence law enforcement has that leads them to believe Leilani murdered her child. As we learn more about this case, WTOC will bring you the latest. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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CAMILLE: TIMELINE OF CASE

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Thanksgiving is different for Lavania Smalls this year. It has been since 2020 when her son Kareem Smalls was shot and killed. "It's a sad day but it's bittersweet." Known as "Free Lunch Baby" -- Smalls fed up to a thousand children and inspired them to go after their dreams. "He wanted to relate to projects because when you come from the projects everyone gets free lunch... everyone got free lunch. Even I did in my days when I was growing up so I knew exactly what it was about. It meant something and he had a passion for it. He had a passion for people." This thanksgiving -- Smalls is thankful the man responsible for taking her son is behind bars serving a life sentence. "God is in front of everything we do and he has his hand on everything. I know justice is gonna come. I know it's not gonna bring him back but I'm relieved that guy is not on the streets" She is trying to KAREEM SMALLS make it a tradition to bring the community out to celebrate Kareem. Saying they killed him but not his dreams. "He is not in vain and he is not forgotten." Giving she says is a part of who her son was and he wouldn't want his legacy continued in any other way. "Do what he would want you to do. Keep on running free lunch baby he'll smile down on you."

**CELEBRATION** OF LIFE **PREVIEW** 

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Meanwhile, Leilani Simon is still being held at the Chatham County Detention Center, after no bond was set at her arraignment. I spoke with her mother, Billie Howell, today. Billie was the one who drove Leilani to the Savannah FBI office to be arrested, and she says that she hasn't seen or heard from Leilani since then. She tells me that other inmates at the jail have been calling her to update her about Leilani's condition, but she hasn't been able to personally talk to her. Billie says that Leilani has been placed on suicide watch.

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But then, Murdaugh's attorneys say the story changed. Court documents show that same expert - asked to see the shirt \*again. SLED agents insisted on hand-delivering the shirt for further examination. The defense claims \*that was part of a plan to convince the

Photoshop to filter the t-shirt's colors.

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MURDAUGH NEW forensic expert - to change his mind. They also claim the expert's team later used MOTION FILED

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HAYLEY: HOAX

Mayor Johnson also says - the spread of rumors and misinformation about what's going SAVANNAH HIGH on... fed into the fear of the day. While it turned out to be a hoax, Mayor Johnson says moments like today... are still alarming to the community.

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"It's very scary for parents. I think we thank God that it wasn't true. We hug our children a little tighter, and we'll be able to move on. I think that obviously there's a larger investigation that the FBI and hopefully Savannah Police will be involved in about who started it. We have to make sure that we are very clear that that type of behavior is absolutely unacceptable." The FBI field office in Atlanta has stated - they're aware of the

HAYLEY: 11/30/2022 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD HOAX

SAVANNAH HIGH threats made against several schools today, and they're supporting local law enforcement as needed.

"We actually activated that plan based on the information that we got from Savannah Police and EMS and that plan worked perfectly. We were up and ready to receive a large number of causalities. We had the resources on hand. We had the beds available. We had the ORs available. I was very pleased with how our staff responded. He mentioned having beds available because in mass casualty situations, they clear as many beds as possible by safely discharging people. They also hold their operating rooms so they have about 10 to 12 operating rooms ready for use.

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**MEMORIAL HEALTH ON** HOAX

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Before it was confirmed that everything was a hoax, Dr. James Dunne (DONE) says they got a call from law enforcement to be prepared for several injured victims. According to Dunn, they did just that with more than 50 people ready to help at the main and children's hospitals. While today turned out to be a false alarm, he says their plan went exactly how it should.

"I'm not going to take and put her in general population. I mean, if I did that, I would have a disaster on my hands. People have the wrong ideas about things, and a lot of people will say, 'Well, she's guilty of this, she's guilty of that', and it's not my job to determinate that. That's up to the courts to do that." While inmates are in the Detention Center, Wilcher says that it's his responsibility to treat everybody humanely and keep them safe- from others, and in some cases, from themselves. In addition to being in protective custody, he tells me that after Leilani was brought to the jail, a mental health professional determined she needed to be placed on suicide watch. When an inmate is under suicide watch-they often stay in a padded room and wear a smock instead of regular clothes. Wilcher: "If they got their clothes and they try to hang theirself with them, and you know, if they're in a room with a sink or a toilet, they'll try to break that and harm theirself or whatever. So you know, you have to take all the precautions you can to make sure they're taken care of." Wilcher says, at the end of the day- he and everyone at the jail treat each inmate the same- regardless of who they are or what their charges may be. Wilcher: "We could care less what the charges are or anything. We're just a holding facility. We treat everyone in this jail the same. And that's the way it is."

CHATHAM CO. 11/30/2022 SHERIFF ON 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD LEILANI SIMON

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COMMAND SITE TAKEN DOWN

LANDFILL

New tonight - the last piece of the command center near the landfill where investigators were searching for Quinton's remains is now gone. The FBI command trailer pulled away this morning after police announced last week that their search was over after finding Quinton's remains. To read all the past stories we've covered on this case---head over to our website WTOC dot com.

Today, a judge ordered Johnson to appear for an arraignment on December 29th. Johnson is charged with hindering the police investigation into the 20-20 killing of Arbery. It'll be her first appearance since she was charged. She's accused of using her office to protect two of the men now convicted of killing the 25-year-old as he ran past their home. One of them - Greg McMichael - worked for Johnson as an investigator. She's denied any wrongdoing in this case. The Georgia Attorney General's office is prosecuting this case.

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**JOHNSON** ARRAIGNMENT

**JACKIE** 

Stick with WTOC for updates as this case moves forward.

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NO ARRESTS IN 11/30/2022 SAV HIGH 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD THREAT YET

WTOC has gotten several questions about a person police briefly detained at the school. They tell us they matched a vague description given in the hoax phone call. Investigators determined the person had nothing to do with the hoax and was never arrested.

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"We are looking for two witnesses's that were closely related to Maria Telles-Gonzalez. This gentleman, Hispanic, possibly from Columbia, South America, lived in the Kissimmee Flordia Area back in 1995 and and was closely associated with Maria Telles-Gonzalez. The next person we're looking to identify and interview. Her name maybe Patricia. She was a military dependent, a military wife. She was stationed with her husband in Hawaii for a while and live in and around Kissimmee Florida in 1995 at the time of Maria's disappearance. She has been labeled as Maria's best friend, so we need to find her and have a conversation with her." The sheriff's office says they have contacted Maria's children and family. They now have attorneys. Investigators says her cause of death was strangulation.

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BEAUFORT CO COLD CASE They now know she was married with three children and living in Kissimmee, Florida. Police say she was killed one day after returning from a trip to Puerto Rico. She was last seen by her husband at their home. The Sheriff's office is now looking for two people in connection to this case.

LL: I talked with neighbors today who say shootings are not common in this area. They were particularly shocked when they found out a 15-year-old was the victim in this incident. VO: And we're learning more about the person accused of shooting the teen. 43year-old Jimmy Arturo Paiz was arrested following the incident. Neighbors I talked to today say they'd see him sitting on his porch and waving to people passing by. One man I spoke to off camera says Paiz might've felt threatened. I did notice several security cameras and high fencing at the home where the shooting happened. One neighbor I spoke to says he saw the aftermath of the shooting when he was driving home last night. SOT: "Nesbitt": "We came back, I went to Kroger and I come back and this little, young boy been in the corner with bullet in his leg. And Jimmy, they took him to the police car. We have never had this. Never." LL: I checked in with Savannah police who tell me they don't have any reason to believe this shooting was politically motivated. Senator Warnock was actually in town today for a campaign event. I'm working on a story with what he had to say about this shooting ahead on THE news at 6. Reporting in Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

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FLYNN: DANIEL

In a statement posted to Twitter Friday...Daniel Defense's founder...Marty Daniel says, "To imply that images portraying the heroic work of our soldiers risking their lives in combat inspires young men back home to shoot children is inexcusable." The statement goes on to say that "Daniel Defense has been committed to promoting responsible firearms ownership..." The lawsuit was filed this week by Everytown for Gun Safety on behalf of Sandra Torres...whose daughter..along with 20 other people..was killed in that Texas school shooting at Robb Elementary. Daniel Defense is located in Bryan County.

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FLYNN: DANIEL

**DEFENSE** 

PKG: (BERNETTA LANIER, SAVANNAH ALDERWOMAN) "This is very upsetting." Loved ones remembering the two people who were killed in senseless acts of gun violence with candles and balloons. Savannah Police are still searching for their killers. On Sunday in addition to a 35-year-old being killed, a 23 year old man was shot on West 38th and Bulloch streets. A 39 year old woman was grazed by a bullet during that same shooting. Both are expected to recover. This area isn't a stranger to crime. District 1 Alderwoman Bernetta Lanier says she's gotten several calls about crime in this area. "It's either the loitering or some type of illegal or unwanted activities." She says she discussed with city staff several ways to tackle crime in the area including adding lights and cameras in the coming weeks. She also says there will be more police in the area but they won't only be riding around in cars. She says officers will be on foot talking to people about what they need to improve this community, as a part of SPD's violent crime task force. "We've got a lot of suffering tonight from families who are dealing with this tragedy here. I will be looking for every opportunity to increase police presence in the area and to put any other tools over there that's going to change the behavior of the activity that continues to occur in that one particular area on that corner."

WEEKEND 38TH STREET SHOOTINGS **FOLO** 

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((PKG)) This is where Wesley Thomas' trailer was before it burned down with him inside of it. The Effingham County Sheriff's Office have arrested and charged two men with Thomas' murder- two men that he believed were his friends. "Know who your friends are, I guess. Because you know. Wesley thought they were friends of him. But they weren't." Thomas' family say they were told that he was killed before his trailer was burned down on November 6th. Richard Knaust and Dusty Hamilton were both charged with murder, aggravated assault, and arson within 48 hours of Wesley's death. Thomas' sister tells me that both men were friends of his, and that Knaust was actually living in the trailer at the time of the murder. Saxon: "We were shocked, really. We had no idea that- I mean, I didn't think he was capable of doing anything like that. I guess you just don't know how to read people sometimes." Both Knaust and Hamilton are still in jail after their lawyers decided not to ask for bond. Thomas' family tells me they just received confirmation last week that the remains in the trailer belonged to him- and things aren't getting any easier for them. Saxon: "It was just upsetting. We knew it was him, but it was upsetting finally getting that in. My mom is having a terrible time. I want justice served for sure, and I want everyone that's been involved to pay." An Effingham County Grand Jury was in session today but Knaust and Hamilton weren't presented. Jason Bragg, the County Clerk of Courts, tells me that their case will likely go before a Grand Jury within the first few

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**EFFINGHAM FIRE ARRESTS** 

months of 2023. ON CAM:Reporting in Effingham County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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Take a look at the damage to this deck on Hutchinson Island taken soon after it collapsed in mid-June. "We're learning from Chatham County engineers it was bad soil that caused this deck on Hutchinson Island right next to the convention center to collapse. You used to be able to see the damage through here but now they have a gate surrounding this area as construction workers are getting ready to rebuild." Here's what it looks like now after they've demolished a portion of the deck. The county had a study conducted that revealed what caused the damage. Many have been wondering if an earthquake felt the same day caused the collapse. County engineer Suzanne Cooler says it probably did play a role. "That morning that it collapsed there was an earthquake that probably shifted the soil in certain areas, and pushed more soils towards the wall." The deck collapsing has left the Chatham Area Transit Ferry with only one dock to transport passengers. Cooler says engineers will start rebuilding the structure of the deck next week. She's not sure how much repairs will cost in total but Cooler says so far the county has spent \$4 million on demolition, materials and design. But Cooler says they haven't picked a design yet, which is their next step. "We're still working on the best design to rebuild in a way that will last longer and be more structurally sound." While bad soil is cited as the cause of the deck collapse, they say the other structures near the deck, like the convention center are stable because they are built on different foundations. "We haven't seen movement in those. We have monitored that throughout our demolition and we're going to through construction." "She's not sure when the deck will be back up and running but she estimates it should COLLAPSE FOLO sometime next summer. In Chatham County Camille Syed WTOC News."

**HUTCHINSON** ISLAND DECK

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CROCKER 12/8/2022 DEATH PENALTY 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD **HEARING** 

Today's hearing was for the three people facing murder charges in the deaths of Mary and Elywn Crocker. Elwyn Crocker senior, Mark Anthony Wright and Kimberly Wright are the ones facing murder charges. Today's hearing was to argue a motion to dismiss the trio's grand jury indictment. Coming up on THE News at 5 - WTOC's Camille Syed explains why that didn't happen.

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"Elwyn Crocker senior, Mark Anthony Wright and Kimberly Wright, all accused of killing Mary and Elwyn Crocker Jr. were scheduled for court so their lawyers and state attorneys could discuss their grand jury indictment. That discussion was continued for a second time after a heated debate between councils." All three could face the death penalty if they're found guilty for killing Mary and Elwyn who were just teenagers. The defense attorneys representing the trio filed a pre-trial motion to dismiss a grand jury's decision indicting them for the murder of Mary and Elwyn Jr. because they said composition of the grand jury was unconstitutional. They subpoenaed the Effingham County Clerk of Court Jason Bragg close to midnight on Friday -- asking for documents within six days. Bragg's lawyer asked Judge F. Gates Peed to continue this hearing because they couldn't get the documents to the defense in time. Lead state prosecutor Matt Breedon said this was a strategy by defense. "I think the court should deny this request from the clerk's office which was designed to continue this hearing because they had every day, months to request these things from the clerk and they were requested six days before this hearing. There was no need to wait that long." Crocker's defense attorney and state capital defender Jerilyn Bell took offense to Breedon's comments. "He accused all council in here of intentionally utilizing a lawful service of subpoena to not only impede the investigation of this case, of this issue but also to try and strategically delay this case. I find that deeply offensive." This discussion was already pushed back from October to today.. "They'll revisit this motion and a motion about DNA findings in this case on January 26 and 27th where all three defendants will be in court again. In Effingham Camille Syed WTOC News."

**CROCKER CASE PRETRIAL** 

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CROCKER CASE

They were arrested, along with Roy Prater and Candice Crocker after the bodies of Mary and Elwyn Crocker Junior were discovered in 2018. All 5 adults in this case are related to the Crocker children. Prater and Crocker both entered guilty pleas and will testify when this case goes to trial.

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**SETUP** 

You are looking at video from earlier today as City of Savannah crews worked to trim tree branches in Pulaski Square, surrounded by crime scene tape. Chatham EMS says the man was in critical condition when an ambulance crew took him to the hospital last night. We do not know his current status. A city spokesperson also confirms someone was injured in the square last night and a tree limb was involved, but the city does not know the extent of the man's injuries. The city did not provide any additional information. But we do know Pulaski Square is city owned and maintained property. We will continue to follow this story and you bring updates as we learn more.

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**BRANCH IN PULASKI SQUARE** 

MAN HIT BY

I spoke with a woman who says she was Swan's longtime girlfriend. She didn't want to go on camera, but did tell me that she and Swan both live in the Gateway Apartments. She was in bed when she heard what sounded like fireworks- but she said she had a bad feeling and started calling Swan. She says eventually someone - who was just a bystander- picked up his phone and told Swan's girlfriend where he was. Swan's girlfriend says that she went outside and that Swan was on the ground outside the leasing office-

and that he had been shot three or four times.

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SHOOTINGS

SHEA: WEEKEND

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According to a police report- Savannah Police first responded to a call on Saturday morning saying there were at least 10 gunshots in the area. When they arrived, they saw the same video you just did- and according to the report, they also saw a portion of the video where a man in a tan hoodie comes to the passenger side of the car and tries to wipe away fingerprints. Both men left the area before police arrived. Multiple houses and cars were damaged by the gunfire, and one woman's mailbox- destroyed in the second violent incident on the block in four months. In September, 17-year-old Devoin Bates-Carrington from Pooler was shot and killed on the same street. "My initial thought pattern was, 'Oh no, here it goes again.' The last few months we've had a couple of acts of violence in this area, mainly by people from outside the area. But yeah, it's kind of surprising but times are tough now." Savannah Police tell me they did later find an adult man near East 67th Street with non-life threatening injuries from this shooting. After this incident, Roberts says that communities need to do their own work to stop gun violence. Roberts: "We moved from midtown Memphis. There's a lot of violence there, I was used to neighborhood watches, and same kind of situation we have here. You can't expect the police to stop it, and it's hard to get the politicians to stop it. The way to do it is community activities." No arrests have been made and the investigation into this case is ongoing... in the meantime, some of the people I spoke to in the neighborhood-including Roberts- say they feel unsafe, and are considering moving out of Savannah altogether. Roberts: "Deep down inside, there's a fear about it. I'm thinking about moving. I don't know. I wasn't thinking about that before, but it seems to be more lately."

SAVANNAH WEEKEND SHOOTINGS

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"Well to be honest I wouldn't be standing here before you if I wasn't confident about the evidence that we have. We have more than sufficient evidence to bring charges. We presented it to the grand jury and they believed us and returned a bill of indictment, I'm confident about that. What makes me more confident is we get to rely on the hard work and evidence and investigation of Chief Hadley, his team, law enforcement agencies, they collected a lot of evidence and because of their fine investigative work I feel fine about the position that we're in today."

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LEILANI SIMON INDICTED

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"When any person, particularly a child of tender years, is murdered, harmed, victimized, or goes missing in our community, it's a matter that calls our very humanity into question. These are the cases that keep us up at night. These are the cases that deserve justice." Authorities spent a month sifting-through trash at a Chatham County landfill before they found Quinton's remains. Jones says she is confident her office has enough evidence to convict Leilani Simon.

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QUINTON SIMON PRESS BRIEF

Under count 4... concealing the death of another... it says Leilani put Quinton's body in a dumpster at Azalea Mobile Home plaza in Chatham County. The indictment later says QUINTON SIMON Leilani \*falsely claimed she was just throwing away, QUOTE, "normal household

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LL INTRO: Hinesville Police say the shooting happened here in the 100 block of Hall Street and neighbors say they heard it all happen. "It was two shots, three shots? That's not okay." Deborah Griffin lives right across the courtyard from where this morning's shooting happened... "All we really saw was a truck pull up, shoot shoot shoot, then, gone." Griffin says... this is out of the ordinary for her neighborhood. "To see a shooting right in front of your door where the babies play, that's definitely unusual." The shooting happened here at Green Meadows Apartments... blocks away from the Bradwell Institute. Hinesville Police Officers say the school wasn't placed on lockdown, as they weren't made aware of the shooting until the man arrived at the hospital. "There's normally students walking through here around 9:00. It's testing time. They test, and then they leave. They walk deliberately through the grass through the openings. Anything could've happened, anyone could've gotten hurt." Griffin says she's still shaken up. "I have a teenager, I have to worry about these kinds of things now. It's nerve wracking." Officers have not released the name of the victim yet. The investigation is ongoing, police say they believe this to be an isolated incident, with no immediate threat to the community at this time. LL TAG: No arrests have been made at this time. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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SETUP: INDICTMENT NUTS & BOLTS Leilani Simon faces charges of murder and more in her son's death...and the people we talked to say the new details we're learning about little Quinton's final moments make this case even more shocking.

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That's when they say he barricaded himself in the home and officers called SWAT for backup. State investigators say officers kept trying to contact Stanton...but were not successful. They say the SWAT team used gas inside the home..and then Stanton shot at officers...hitting police cars and nearby homes. After several hours - SWAT went inside the home and found Stanton holding a gun. They say he ignored officers and resisted arrest. Officers used "less lethal" weapons to get him in custody. Shortly after that-SWAT noticed he was unresponsive. They attempted first aid, and Stanton was taken to the hospital where he was pronounced dead. The G-B-I is waiting on autopsy results. Investigators say no officers fired their guns during this incident...and state agents are running a separate use of force investigation.

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GBI USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATION

The South Carolina Attorney General's Office says the charges stem from tax years 2011 to 20019. Alex is accused of failing to report almost \$7 million dollars of income earned through illegal acts. The Attorney General's Office says Murdaugh owes over \$486thousand in state taxes. And in total--through 19 indictments containing 99 charges against Murdaugh, the State Grand Jury has indicted Murdaugh for schemes to defraud victims of almost \$9-million-dollars and almost half-a-million-dollars to the State of South

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MURDAUGH TAX **EVASION** INDICTMENT

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**INCREASE FOR** TEEN HOMICIDE

**REWARD** 

The reward is now \$15-thousand dollars. It was originally 5-thousand dollars. 15 year old Desaray Gilliard was shot and killed in Yamacraw Village in May of this year. Police say ever since, they have been getting some information but not enough to make an arrest yet. Desaray's mother spoke today about her daughter's death. She says she wants justice.

With temperatures dropping in our area, the Chatham Savannah Authority for the Homeless is putting boots on the ground, going around the community, and making sure that people experiencing homelessness know what their options are as things continue to get colder. ((VO)) Jennifer Darsey, the Executive Director of the organization, says that area shelters, like Inner City Night Shelter, Old Savannah City Mission, Union Mission, and the Salvation Army will be opening up additional bedspace as temperatures drop. CSAH is also in contact with the Chatham Emergency Management Agency and the City of Savannah's Risk Management department about the possibility of opening up additional shelters if temperatures dip below freezing. Darsey adds that there is a day shelter currently open at Union Mission. The CSAH is also accepting donations of things like sleeping bags and handwarmers to give to those experiencing homelessness, as they contact those people about available resources. ((SOT)) "Our team here at CSAH can absolutely put a person on our van and take them to a shelter, if a person reaches out to our organization and says, 'Hey, I'm cold.' Our team will also be checking on known areas of the community wehre people are living in places not meant for human habitation consistently throughout the holiday season, to say, 'There are shelter bed opportunities here, here, and here- would you like to go?" Shea: It's important to note that the hours of homeless shelters in the area might vary on Christmas and around New Years, so if you have any questions about where you can to and when, you can contact the Chatham Savannah Authority for the Homeless. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC

SAV HOMELESS **AUTHORITY ON** COLD WX

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A Savannah man is facing several charges in connection to a violent crime spree. Adaunte Kimble is charged with two counts of aggravated assault and armed robbery. police say Kimble was a suspect in 3 cases. The first happend December 13th. A man was taken to the hospital after being shot. On December 15th another man was robbed of his belongings. Kimble was brought in for questioning and then arrested on Friday. He VIOLENT SPREE was also charged with a murder in connection to a homicide.

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"People have been coming in and picking those up. Those numbers have increased. People saying well we want to test before you know we get with Grandma and that's very wise to do so those are at no charge. They can pick those up at any of our locations." You can walk in or make an appointment for both your flu and covid shot at Bryan County Health Department locations. As a reminder they only offer covid-19 vaccines on

**BRYAN CO:** BIVALENT COVID **BOOSTER** 

Thursdays. WTOC's Flynn Snyder will have more on what health officials are seeing in our area. He's working on that report for The News at 5:30 We'll have more news after the break.

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LL: With holiday gatherings around the corner...officials at the Coastal Health District are urging parents to get kids updated on their vaccinations as respiratory illnesses are still running high across the Peach State. PKG: Children aged 6 months and up are now eligible for bivalent Covid vaccines through the Coastal Health District. "If they've completed their primary series. They still have to complete the two dose primary series and then they're eligible for the bivalent booster." The updated vaccines target the original Covid strain plus two more recent omicron subvariants... But...nurses at the Bryan County health office don't expect a big demand to vaccinate the youngest residents. They say only 2 percent of kids aged 6 months to 4 years old in Bryan County have received at least one primary dose of the Covid vaccine. "The people that we see have done their research, they've read about it, they've had family members affected by it -- whether it was someone very ill or someone that passed away. So they still take it very seriously." Despite the expected low turnout in Bryan County...the Coastal Health District says demand for flu shots has remained strong since Thanksgiving. The call to vaccinate comes ahead of expected holiday gatherings at a time when the C-D-C reports high flu activity in Georgia. The demand for pain and fever reliving medicine for children now so high that even national chains like CVS and Walgreens are limiting the amount people can purchase both in store and online. "Keep your vaccines up to date, keep your hands washed, keep your distancing if you are having any symptoms of cold, flu or strep." LL: Mehlhorn says that if you are concerned about your child's fever to contact their primary

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CHD COVID VAX & KIDS MEDICINE care physician. Reporting in Pembroke...FS...WTOCN.

Data from the Savannah and Pooler Police Departments, however, actually shows a drop in shoplifting activity. I looked into why that might be- and in talking with store owners in

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SHOPLIFTING SPIKE

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the Savannah area, they told me that there are likely a lot of shoplifting incidents that go unreported, or they just don't know about. They also told me that stopping people from shoplifting can raise safety issues- so they've turned to preventative methods so they don't get to the point of confronting a shoplifter, or having to get the police involved.

Vo While some hospitals around the country are struggling... Covered Sot "There's a lot of respiratory stuff out there right now." Vo One here in the Lowcountry isn't seeing the same tripledemic impacts. Sot: (Dr. Kurt Gambla - CMO, Beaufort Memorial Hospital) "So knock wood, so far locally we've done pretty well." Vo Dr. Kurt Gambla is the Chief Medical Officer here at Beaufort Memorial. Sot "We're pretty comfortable right now with our capacity in the ICU and on the floors." Vo Researching data elsewhere... Nat Vo He knows they're fortunate. Sot "Our marker is how many patients we're admitting and while we're seeing an increase from the last two weeks over the two weeks before, the numbers are not crazy." Vo Although he's comfortable now, he knows holiday travel Nat Vo And the big gatherings that with it are about to pick up... Sot "I'm a little concerned. Again we've seen an uptick the last couple of weeks in the Covid cases and the holiday milieu is sort of a recipe for more exposure." Vo He's clear this isn't an emergency situation, just something to be aware of as you get on the road to visit loved ones. In the spirit of the holidays, Dr. Gambla found a silver lining for your gatherings too. Sot "The good news I guess, if there could be good news about it, you only have to remember one set of rules and it's the same set of rules that we've been talking about." On cam tag Of course you know what those are at this point. Hand washing is huge and you'll be more at risk crowded in an indoor space than spread out around an outdoor one. Dr. Gambla also says if you're looking to get your immune system a holiday gift, flu and Covid vaccines are ILLNESS LATEST a great way to go. Reporting from Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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((PKG)) (GFX) Take a look at the numbers- at this time last year, the Chatham County Police Department had 227 incidents of shoplifting. But their latest numbers show this year, they've recorder 405 incidents of shoplifting... 178 more than last year. Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley tells me there could be several reasons for that.. "Certainly around Christmastime, you know, people that may not have the means to provide for their family, that could be it, or there's so much activity in the stores, there's so much going on, that you know, even on the best of days, an establishment's abilities to recognize shoplifting or have enough staff to, asset protection, or whatnot, that they're just not gonna be able to get everybody." Dale Jackson, the manager of the Berwick Ace Hardware, tells me that he has noticed an uptick in people attempting to shoplift- so he and his staff have had to get wise to it, fast. That includes adding anti-theft devices to items they notice disappear often- and installing lots of security cameras. "It comes with a tremendous expense. Unfortunately, it's very time-consuming when we know there's a thief in the building, we have to attempt to try and prevent them from taking anything from us an protect our assets. But more importantly, the bottom line is affected pretty bad when these guys come in here and take anywhere and upwards of 200, 300, 1000 dollars or more at a time." Jackson adds sometimes, things still catch him and his staff by surprisebecause there's no way of knowing who might have bad intentions.. Jackson: "A little, senior citizen lady that looked like somebody you would've seen sitting next you in church, stuffing rolls of wire up her skirt." Jackson says that woman did get away with stealing, and when that happens, he puts that person's photo up on a wall in his store, and he calls the police every time. Which is exactly what Chief Hadley recommends you do. Hadley: "Please call us. I wouldn't recommend somebody confronting someone or putting themselves in a dangerous situation. At the end of the day, someone stealing a 50 or 100 dollar item isn't worth anyone getting injured.

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SHEA 6P: **PREVENTING** SHOPLIFTING

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We're expecting freezing temperatures this holiday weekend, This comes as we are under a state of emergency for Georgia. And Georgia Power has some safety tips for you if your power goes out. They want you to first Make sure you have a flashlight, portable phone charger, and spare batteries. They also say you should be cautious using a fireplace or space heater to avoid an accidental fire or injuries. and If you have an emergency generator, never use it indoors and always follow the instructions. Finally make sure you have an emergency supply kit for your home \*and\* your vehicle. They also BREAK OD 12 GA POWER COLD have some tips on saving money on your energy bill during cold temperatures. You can find that information on our website, wtoc dot com.

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(sot) After more than a decade in the making, the light at Highway 67 in Denmark is finally up and running. (vo) This sign might be the best early Christmas present ever for drivers in this area. Many have lobbied for years to had a traffic light here - mainly for drivers trying to cross traffic from the highway. Locals say they've seen accidents here for years, even before the state four-laned the highway. (sot) It takes forever to get across. Now, this light will make it so much easier for people who live here, going through here with less accidents and stuff. (vo) Georgia Department of Transportation announced plans for the light two years ago. The project included widening the road approaching the intersection and turn lanes as well as the poles and lights. (sot) The state will leave those message boards in place for a while as drivers get used to a light here. In Bulloch County,

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BULLOCH CO. TRAFFIC LIGHT

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"It's going to be pretty cold this weekend so we thought we would get a fire pit setup out there and maybe it'll be warm enough that we can still enjoy that family time outside gathering around the fire." One Savannahian says he hopes it will be at least warm enough to continue his family's tradition of sitting in the yard around a fire. WTOC went to

Ace Hardware to see how people are preparing for cold weather. Most people we heard

12/23/2022 LOCALS PREP 5PM OD FOR WINTER WX from say they're not doing much...other than grabbing some extra firewood. 4:59:00 PM

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JACKSON JOHNSON 12/27/2022 HEARING 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD DELAYED Jackie Johnson is charged with violating her oath of office and hindering police investigating Arbery's killing. She was indicted over a year ago...and hasn't appeared in court yet. That first appearance was scheduled for Thursday, but court records show a judge ordered it be held later. The judge has not set a new date. We have more details about Johnson's connection to the case in this story on WTOC dot com.

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Johnson is charged with meddling in the investigation of Ahmaud Arbery's death. By violating her oath of office and hindering police from investigating Arbery's murder. She was indicted over a year ago and hasn't appeared in court yet. The judge has not set a new date.

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SAV **ENCOURAGES** AFTER FREEZE

The City of Savannah is encouraging people to check their water lines now that the weather is starting to warm back up. You may start to notice leaks once the outdoor pipes under your home and your sprinkler systems thaw-out. If you have a waterline break, call 3-1-1. The city's water and sewer team can come and isolate the leak.

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THE year of 2022 has seen a fet of change. I form devastation and receivery to growth and development To comebacks And new beginnings. Before we head into the new year, let's flip the calendar back and take a look at some of the stories that shaped our community this year. WTOC brings you: 2022 Year in Review. As the year of 2022 comes to a close, WTOC is taking a look back at some of the stories that impacted the coastal empire and lowcountry. We begin with a local tragedy that reached across the nation. The death of 1 year old Quinton Simon. Our Shea Schrader has been covering Quinton's case since day 1... she has a look at how the case developed. On October 5th- Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley stood here- outside of Quinton Simon's home on Buckhalter Road.. and described what a baby boy was last seen wearing... in hopes that someone might know where he is. "Quinton was last seen wearing a light blue Sesame Street t-shirt and black shorts or black bottoms.." Quinton was first reported missing by his mother, Leilani Simon that morning.. "We got here as quickly as we can, trying to assess the situation, trying to determine the nature of why Quinton was missing." Multiple agencies, including the FBI, helped police in a ground search for Quinton for days with strangers even volunteering to help look for him.. "I felt it in my heart that it was the right thing to do to some down here and help with the search party, at least." but there was still no sign of Quinton. A week after he was reported missing.. CCPD announced they believed he was dead... and named Leilani as the prime suspect in his disappearance and death. (nats: Why hasn't she been arrested?) "We will only do that when we feel we have everything that we need to. We only get one shot at this, right? And we're gonna do it right." The investigation continued.. and the CCPD kept their cards close to their chest, in an effort, they said, to protect any future court cases. Then, on October 18th.. a huge break in the case.. Chief Hadley announced they believed Leilani had put Quinton in a dumpster.. and that his remains were in a landfill in Chatham County. That day, the CCPD and the FBI launched an extensive- and grueling search- to find Quinton's body. "This will not be quick, this will not be easy, and the outcome is uncertain." Outside Quinton's home, a memorial began to grow.. protestors, set up there too... calling for Leilani Simon to be arrested. In an exclusive interview with WTOC on October 24th, I spoke to Leilani... she told me she

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"Because these guys behind me are going to be out looking for that this weekend I can NOW THORUGH
assure you. For the service... You can call the number on your screen. Tow-to-Go is active until 6 AM on Monday, January 2nd.

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Several homes were damaged in its wake. Our Flynn Snyder looks back on the storm and updates us on where the recovery stands today. PKG: \*nats of storm video\* A powerful storm...caught on camera. This was the moment an EF-4 tornado...packing powerful 185 mile per hour winds...tore the roof off this Ellabell golf course club house. Many other area buildings met with the same fate. SOT Burst: "There are houses that are literally just slabs, when you see it, it's gut wrenching. " The tornado...touched down just after 5 p-m on April fifth...west of the Bryan County Courthouse in Pembroke...leaving a 13-mile path of destruction before stopping near I-16. SOT: "I felt like the Lord just had my hand and pulled me to that vault, because had I been sitting here, I feel like I wouldn't be standing here right now." In all...50 homes were destroyed...mainly in the Park Place and Homestead Drive neighborhoods. The county complex and nearby recreation complex...also severely damaged. The tornado...claimed the life of 66-year-old Belinda Thompson. We spoke with her husband in the day's following the storm. "Man, you just don't know what's going to happen. I lost everything but I'll be ok. " Amid the devastation, an outpouring of community support. The nearby elementary school...flooded with donations for those who lost everything. Nearly nine months later...many Park Place homes are starting to be rebuilt. Crews at Hendrix Park are hoping to soon welcome back athletic teams. As this small town works to overcome a large tragedy. "The people that have come out to help, the amount of people from other counties and other towns, it's just wonderful the way everything worked out afterwards."

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"As the weeks of December went by, COVID 19 cases constantly rose. Take a look at the Georgia Department of Health's website. On December first they tracked about 154 COVID cases. Fast forward to December 28th we're looking at 309 cases and health professionals say they wouldn't be surprised if that number continues rising." "It really began in mid-November and continued to creep up since then." Ginger Heidel with the Coastal District says people gathering for the recent holidays is likely to blame. While another holiday weekend is ahead, she doesn't think there will be a COVID outbreak like what we saw around this time last year. "Omicron really sent the numbers sky high and while we're seeing an increase, we're not seeing anything quite like that. We're just going to have to wait and see what January brings but now is a great time if someone has not gotten vaccinated or hasn't gotten their Bivalent booster, now is a great time to do it." She says they haven't seen enough people getting the new Bivalent vaccine that protects against multiple variants. She says only 4 percent of children in Chatham County have any vaccine at all. Vaccinated or not, Heidel encourages people to test for COVID ahead of time before a large gathering for this New Year's. You can do that by going to one of their kiosks, a testing site or asking for a free at home test inside the health department. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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CAMILLE: COVID UPDATE

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"They say almost one third of all car crash fatalities is related to alcohol." For many, New Year's Eve is filled with excitement and a few drinks. (nats) But doctors like Jay Goldstein at Memorial Health are worried people will get behind the wheel drunk, which can be life threatening. While the legal alcohol limit is .08 when driving, Dr. Goldstein says it's worth using a ride share app and not driving at all if you drink any alcohol. "We would say one drink you probably shouldn't be driving these days. We see a lot of instances where folks are much lower than a .08 limit and they still have issues related to car crashes or boating accidents." He knows just how important it is to handle alcohol carefully whether you're driving or not..first hand. "I would say most of the instances we see on the weekends in downtown is related to and fighting related to alcohol." So with the holiday falling on a weekend, he says his emergency room is prepared to be swamped. "We know with New Year's comes drinking but it also comes with people setting off their own fireworks. Dr. Goldstien says it's important you handle them carefully as they see several people on new years eve come to the emergency room with injuries." "The main concern is actually the fireworks people hold and they throw and as we've seen some more black market fireworks occurring what you're seeing is kind of a higher power and high gun powder that's occurring and we're seeing significant injuries to the hands. We're actually seeing some amputations and things of that nature." Dr. Goldstein says he's also seen injuries with bottle rockets and especially sparklers that could catch your clothes on fire. He says when lighting a firework stand clear and to go to the hospital or urgent care when it's necessary. "If you have more than a palm sized burn then that's a significant burn and something that needs to be address very quickly." So when celebrating with fireworks (nats) or having a drink remember your safety and the safety others. Camille Syed WTOC News.

**NEW YEARS HOSPITAL** 

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Right now -- Cases of the coronavirus in Chatham County are rising. According to the CHATHAM CO. Georgia Department of Public Health, cases have doubled since the beginning of this 12/29/2022 **COVID CASES** month. Taking a look at the numbers--the department of health says they tracked about 154 COVID cases December 1st. 2 weeks later-- 309 cases were reported yesterday. 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD RISING 00:00:20

> CHATHAM CO. **COVID CASES**

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"Omicron really sent the numbers sky high and while we're seeing an increase, we're not seeing anything quite like that. We're just going to have to wait and see what January brings." She says they haven't seen enough people getting the new Bivalent vaccine that protects against multiple variants. They are encouraging you to get your vaccines, boosters and to take a covid test before gathering for the New Year's holiday.

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GANG MEMBER MURDER PLEA

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ISSUE 2-LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND NEW LAWS -LETTING THE PUBLIC KNOW ABOUT ISSUES THAT FIRE. POLICE AND OTHER MIGHT HAVE THAT INCLUDE BUDGETS, HANDLING OF PRACTICES AND NEW ADDITIONS INCLUDING BUILDINGS AND STAFF AND PROGRAMS IN DEPARTMENT. EFFINGHAM FAITH AND BLUE COMMUNITY OUTREACH, EFFINGHAM CO. LAW ENFORCEMENT HELPING THOSE AFFECTED BY IAN IN FLORIDA, OFFICER FIRED FOR FATAL OIS., EFFINGHAM CO. SHERRIFF OFFICE RECRUITMENT, CLAXTON POLICE NEW HQ, GA POLICE TRAINING GRANTS, NEW BEAUFORT EMS, DETENTION AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMPLOYEES RECEIVE BONUS, NEW SAVANNAH FIRE CHIEF, NEW SPD BIKE TEAM, CCPD STAFFING SHORTAGE INCLUDING QUINTON SIMON CASE MAKING IT WORSE, SPD HOLIDAY SAFETY, 911 INTERUPTIONS IN BEAUFORT WITH LONG WAIT TIMES IN CHATHAM, SCHOOL HOAX THREAT SENDS MULTIPLE LAW ENFORCEMENTS AGENCIES TO SCHOOL AND MEMORIAL HEALTH ON STANDBY. CHATHAM CO. LEGISLATIVE LUNCH ON FIXING EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIME, POOLER CLICK IT OR TICKET IT, POOLER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HONORING FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS, GARDEN CITY INSURANCE FOR OFF DUTY COPS, SENATOR WARNOCK CAMPAIGNER SHOT, EFFINGHAM SPEED TICKET SCAM, TYBEE AND **BLUFFTON NEW POLICE CHIEF, LYONS CO RESPONDER EMERGENCY** PROGRAM, CCPD USE OF FORCE POLICIES, STATESBORO POLICE'S OPERATION SAFE DISPOSAL PROGRAM. SHOPPING WITH SHERIFF AND SHOP WITH A COP PROGRAM, LYONS PD SOCIAL WORKERS HELPING WITH CRISIS SITUATIONS, MAYOR JOHNSON ON DA PLEA DEALS, NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM, GA FIREWORKS SAFETY, NEW SPD POLICE CHIEF **SOURCE: LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES** 

Looking ahead- the Effingham County Sheriff's Office is having its Faith and Blue Community outreach this weekend. It's a way to bring together the community and law enforecement. It's happening Saturday from 10 A-M to 5 P-M at the sheriff's office. There will be raffles, food trucks and something new this year- the Deputy Duck Derby. The

event is free and open to the public.

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EFFINGHAM: **FAITH & BLUE** OUTREACH

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And in Effingham County - the Sheriff's Office is having its Faith and Blue Community outreach this weekend. It's a way to bring together the community and law enforcement. It's happening Saturday from 10 A-M to 5 P-M at the sheriff's office. There will be raffles, food trucks and something new this year- the Deputy Duck Derby. The event is free and open to the public.

During the day, the Sheriff's Office also held the Deputy Duck Derby. People raced rubber ducks in a 'homemade' river, and the top five finishers in each race won a prize. The race doubled as a fundraiser for the Georgia Sheriff Youth Homes, which provides full-time residential care for at-risk children. Sheriff McDuffie says there are five campuses across the state- and the proceeds of the fundraiser goes towards helping kids that stay there.

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(PKG)) The Effingham County Sheriff's Office held their local Faith and Blue event today, which Sheriff Jimmy McDuffie says is meant to build relationships with the people that his department, and other emergency services agencies, are there to protect. "Law enforcement in general, when they leave the house every morning, their idea is to go out and keep people safe. Make the streets safe for people to enjoy and have a good time, not to lock up people or make them not speed, just keeping people safe. We're people just like everybody else is, and we have friendships and we have relationships that we want to build." And there's no better way to do it... than by having a little fun. At Faith in Blue, members of the Sheriff's Office took turns sitting in a dunk tank.. there were bounce houses, ponies, K-9s.. all things that law enforcement and civilians alike could enjoy together. It was also a great opportunity to get children familiar with law enforcement, one man who brought his children to the event says. "More of our younger youth need to be more involved in learning the history and what the law enforcement, what the fire department, and EMS, it's just not law enforcement. It's all the services that protect us every day." Sheriff McDuffie says his office is happy to serve Effingham County- and events like this highlight why it's such a special place to be. "I tell people all the time, it's the greatest county in the greatest state in the greatest country. I'll argue that point with anybody. But it's really important for us to do this, meet the community, meet the folks that's out there, and get them knowing us." Shea: There was also a prayer said every half hour during the event, which McDuffie says just brought everyone closer together. Reporting in Effingham County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

10/8/2022 11PM SHEA: FAITH & 11:38:00 PM WEEKEND OD BLUE

RINCON PD 10/12/2022 HURRICANE 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD RELIEF ITEMS Multiple law enforcement agencies in Effingham County are teaming up to help residents in need who were greatly impacted by Ian in Florida. And you can help with the relief efforts! They are collecting donations at the Rincon Police Department and Effingham County Sheriff's Office. You can drop of items from 8 AM to 5 PM. Some of those essentials include water, toilet paper, toothpaste and brushes, soap and more.

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"As your children trick or treat or even enjoy spooky festivities, law enforcement officers are reminding the community it's important to be aware of your surroundings and make sure candy is safe to eat." A chief deputy with the Chatham County Sheriff's Office says it's best for those trick-or-treating to stay in groups. He recommends kids only go to houses with their porch lights on. For added safety, he says all law enforcement agencies in the county will have extra patrols around neighborhoods. Police also say candy wrappers are very important to pay attention to this year. Director of the Counter Narcotics Team Michael Sarhatt says it's best make sure your child's candy is not opened before they eat it. He says if the candy wrapper looks off to you, throw it away. "If I'm the parent, how would I handle this? I think I would be with my kid and I would take them to the houses that I know the people in there. That would be one very easy way to get around that but sometimes as they get older they get off and you just got to check on that stuff." If you prefer a one-stop-shop for candy this Halloween, the sheriff's office and narcotics team is hosting a trunk or treat this Thursday. More information will be on our website WTOC dot com. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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CAMILLE: HALLOWEEN SAFETY

"As a memorial sits here for Saudi Lee on Gwinnett St. with signatures like we will get justice, people who knew Saudi and live in this area say they're relieved Ferguson is no longer an officer." While Ernest Ferguson is no longer an officer, people who live near Gwinnett Street where Lee was shot and killed on June 24th are still looking for answers. "We wouldn't mind some charges." No charges have been brought against Ferguson for killing Lee. The last we heard, the case was in the hands of a Grand Jury. I reached out to the District Attorney's Office today and asked if they are planning to present this case to a Grand Jury or if a Grand Jury has already heard the case and returned a verdict. I haven't heard back. As for Ferguson's record before Saudi was killed, WTOC's Investigates got a copy of Ferguson's disciplinary history with the Savannah police department that's on your screen. Ferguson was disciplined for three use of force complaints before Lee was killed. He received one complaint in April, one in May and another on June 6th, Lee was killed by Ferguson not even three week later on June 24th. People living in the Carver Village community tell me Ferguson repeatedly harassed neighbors by stopping them for no reason. Romel Waldburg says it's been quieter around the neighborhood since Ferguson was put on administrative leave because of the officer involved shooting. "It's great to hear that he won't be able to be on the streets and bother people for no reason no more but like they say he was fired for reasons unrelated to the shooting but it's good news." Even though it's unrelated, Saudi Lee's sister tells me she feels like Ferguson's

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termination is a step towards justice for her brother. I'm working on that story for THE

News at 6. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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The Beaufort County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Department is working with the Sheriff's Office to host a take back event. That's happening two locations. In Beaufort - it's at Law Enforcement Center on Duke Street. On Hilton Head Island - it's happening at the Sheriff's Office on Cove Lane. Both events are open from 10 a-m to 2 p-m. They'll only accept pills.

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It's a lawsuit that's gone after national opioid manufactures, distributors, marketers, area pharmacists and a doctor who wrote the prescriptions. "But that's not really just the end of it because there's another set of pharmacies and they just happened to be owned by one of the richest men in the House right now in the United States Congress and that's Earl Buddy Carter." On Oct 19th, Savannah-based attorney Mark Tate filed a legal request to add Georgia Congressman Buddy Carter and his previously-owned pharmacies to the pending lawsuit. He's accused of contributing to the regional opioid crisis by receiving a large amount of opioid prescriptions. In a statement, Representative Carter said "These baseless, meritless accusations were withdrawn, meaning there is no case to respond to or speak of. He also pointed to his bipartisan work on the Empowering Pharmacists in the Fight Against Opioid Abuse Act. Carter is running for re-election. We asked Tate if the timing was a political stunt since he filed the legal motion during the first week of early voting. "This is not a political maneuver in any way. It's just based upon the actual facts and what happened here." What is undeniable is the large number of opioid drugs shipped to Carter's Pharmacies during the height of the opioid epidemic. WTOC Investigates reviewed the data released by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and processed by Virginia-based economic consulting firm SLCG. The data tracks opioid shipments to hospitals and pharmacies between 2006 and 2014. A closer look at Chatham County data shows Carter's three pharmacies were in the top 10 for opioid drug shipments. A spokesperson for Carter says his clients primarily were hospice and nursing homes in the region and end of life care is opioid intensive. That data and the connection to an opioid distributor who has settled in the lawsuit is why Tate says Carter should be held responsible. "His three pharmacies contributed to the general community's addiction to opioids," Tate said.

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SO HALLOWEEN **REPORT** 

EFFINGHAM CO. The sheriff says any offenders on probation or parole will have to report to the Sheriff's office by 6 p-m Monday. They'll be required to stay until 9 p-m. The sheriff says deputies will be following up at the houses of those reporting this weekend.

"I told him that I had been in a shooting situation and been struggling with that for over two months and I made a bad mistake." Ernest Ferguson made these comments after his arrest on September 11th . Ferguson was pulled over by Liberty County deputies for going 94 mph in 55 mph zone on East Oglethorpe Highway. In dash cam footage obtained by WTOC Investigates, he told officers he was coming from his mothers house... but that was not true. (ERNEST FERGUSON, FORMER SAVANNAH POLICE OFFICER) "When the deputy asked you had you been drinking, what did you tell him? I told him no. Would you consider that cooperative at that moment? Not at that particular moment, no." That's not the only thing he lied about, he later admitted he went downtown for drinks with other Savannah Police officers "I had one shot of Jager and probably 8 or 9 beers." Georgia State Patrol was eventually called for backup. A breathalyzer test showed Ferguson's alcohol level was .129. The legal limit is .08. In the recording while he was being questioned, Ferguson went into detail multiple times about his drinking problem after the shooting he was involved in. "Obviously I messed up and saying that after the fact doesn't help but I have really been struggling with it."

CAMILLE: 10/28/2022 **FERGUSON** 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD **FIRED** 

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With Halloween falling on a Monday this year, one Port Wentworth city councilwoman took it upon herself to give kids some Halloween fun over the weekend, and do some community building in the process. "I've been a 13 year resident out here, trying to bring in infectious change, trying to make sure we have opportunities for our youngest citizens to get to be kids out here." That's why putting on an inaugural Trunk or Treat just made sense. Local vendors, as well as the Port Wentworth Fire & Departments, came to the parking lot of City Hall and passed out candy to kids in costumes. Some parents say this format is a safer alternative to traditional Trick or Treating. "It's out in the open. You don't have to go up and knock. To have young kids that I have, it's nicer to be out in the open with other kids the same age." Hunt also says it's fun for her kids to get a better look at other kids' costumes... or adults' costumes. Port Wenworth City Manager Steve Davis and his wife threw on some costumes for the occasion, because it's important, they say, to show kids that adults like to have fun, too. "We've got all kinds of staff from police, and fire, adminsitration, public works, all that are all here, doing the Trunk or Treats, dressing up, and I think it's great! It's community involvement to the next level." Nelson: "We are trying to bring our families in, make sure that our community knows we're appreciative of everyone. Children included." Shea: Nelson says attedance says attendance for this year's inaugural Trunk or Treat was what she was hoping for, and she intends to put it on next year. Reporting in Port Wentworth, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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"We want to give the community and the citizens of Jasper county a safe environment where they can come out and enjoy themselves knowing that we're going to have a bunch of law enforcement officers out here as well. You want to make sure that those houses that you're visiting are safe or those neighborhoods that your visiting are safe neighborhoods. We're going to have patrol officers driving around through all these

TYLER: JASPER TRICK OR

neighborhoods this evening."

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> On the night of Halloween kids in Bryan County took their spooky baskets and costumes to Henderson Park for one thing -- "Because I can get candy" \*DROP LOWER\* "Getting candy" "I like candy" That was Dash...but we also had some princesses "I am a nunja...a nunja?" A ninja...and a fire fighter "He is all about fire trucks and ambulances so it's what he wanted to be" Some families even followed their own theme -- like the Incredibles! "That's jack jack" "I am like a killer clown but you can call me any kind of clown" And the one that wanted to be different. This is the first time in several years since Bryan County Emergency Services has been able to have the event "It's our first year taking him trick or treating because he's only 2" With a weekend full of trunk or treating "Glow sticks...I got lots of gum" plus what the kids got tonight "I don't know...I don't know what we're gonna do. We're gonna be at the dentist office if we don't put it away" It's made for a successful Halloween night "Happy Halloween"

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EFFINGHAM CO. 10/31/2022 SHERIFF OFFICE 10:01:00 PM 11PM OD RECRUITMENT

It's happening Thursday from 9 to 1 at the Worksource Coastal Effingham Job Center.

EFFINGHAM CO.

That address is on your screen now. There will also be other employers including Fedex

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Savannah. They ask that you bring your resume and you must be 18 years or older to

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**GA POLICE** TRAINING 5:30pm OD **GRANTS** 

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Three local sheriff's offices - Bacon, Liberty and Long will all get a slice of the pie. So will the Chatham County Board of Commissioners. 57 groups across the state were selected. Combined - the grants total more than 4 point 6 million dollars. The governor's office says programs with an emphasis on school safety were prioritized for this round of grants.

Georgia State Patrol says one man was killed and another was injured trying to cross Highway 25 at Gamble Road. It happened around 2:30 a-m Saturday. The driver left the scene. Law enforcement officers found the car later -- but they're still looking for the driver.

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CHATHAM FATAL GSP says 24 year old Manuel Lopez Godinez was killed, and his 26 year old cousin was

PED AX UPDATE injured. Troopers say their next of kin in Guatemala have been notified.

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CLAXTON 11/1/2022 POLICE NEW 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD HDQ The department received funding from a local nonprofit to build the 2 and a half million-dollar facility. Officers say the new building will give them more security...better access to parts of the city...and a new courtroom. Claxton's police chief says his officers are ready to start work at the new headquarters.

In Evans County Claxton police have moved into their new headquarters. The department received funding from a local nonprofit to build the 2 and a half million-dollar facility. 5AM **CLAXTON** Officers say the new building will give them more security, better access to parts of the 11/2/2022 DAYBREAK POLICE NEW city and a new courtroom. Claxton's police chief says his officers are ready to start work at the new headquarters. 4:00:00 AM OD HDQ 00:00:23

"We're here for the long haul, until we determine that we don't need to be here anymore. I have every belief that we will find his remains here at the landfill. " Today- two weeks after that news conference- Chatham County Police said on Twitter, "We knew going into this landfill search, the odds of recovering Quinton's remains were low." In the next tweet, QUINTON SIMON they said "Most landfill searches do not end in a recovery due to many factors, including

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DISAPPEARANCE volume of trash to search and compression of the debris."

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"In a political environment when you know...you have defund the police and people are very critical of them we wanted them to know there's a large part of the community still supporting them." The company is recreating something they've done for a few years in EVANS 200 CLUB Atlanta. The money raised will support officers if they or their families have an emergency. Evans General Contractors says this will be an annual luncheon as they

continue to partner with the 200 Club.

11/3/2022 **POLICE** 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD LUNCHEON

New at 6--- A special thank you for police officers today in Savannah. Evans General Contractors hosted a luncheon to thanks for all that they do. The company is raising money that will go to the 200 club of the coastal empire. The 200 club helps support **EVANS 200 CLUB** families of first responders who have either died in the line of duty or are dealing with a medical emergency. Today, Evans General Contractors were able to raise more than

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**POLICE** LUNCHEON

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Standup: Through an initiative that officially kicked off on November 1st, new employees signing on to work for Beaufort County EMS, Sheriff's Office or detention center will receive a \$7,500 signing bonus. Sot: (Virginia Marshall - Public Information Officer, Beaufort County EMS) "We have had voids as far as EMTs and paramedics go but we have seen an increase in people seeking employment, but we still have some vacancies so hopefully this sign on bonus will be an initiative to have more people work for our department." Vo It's no secret the last few years have been tough on front line workers, she's hoping this helps bring people back into the career. Sot "The pandemic has hit everybody in the health care field, just with the increase in call volume, the increase in patients being sick so hopefully this will be something that people appreciate." On cam tag: As we're only one week into this program so far we're going to have to wait and see if this new incentive brings in the amount of staff the county is hoping. Reporting from Beaufort county, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

TYLER: BEAUFORT CO. **BONUSES** 

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You may remember - the county started forming a volunteer panel a month ago to work through the applications. Groups can now apply for the 1 million dollars being awarded to

BEAU CO. OPIOID the county from a national opioid settlement. Grants will be limited to county

11/10/2022 GRANT departments, cities, public housing authorities, and 501-C-3 non-profits. Groups can

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"It gives us the ability to be more versatile when patrolling particular crimes such as package thefts, burglaries. And then, it allows us to be more in touch with the community, more approachable being that we're not in a vehicle. We're out. We can be in the elements." Also, when they are responding to calls, officers say the bike unit will help

SPD POLICE BIKE them maneuver through crowds of people during big event. It will also be easier for them TEAM LAUNCHES to ride through alleyways and squares downtown.

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"Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley told County Commissioners during their meeting that they're short 37 police officers. He asked them to consider improving benefits for county employees to help with the problem." Chief Hadley says the extensive search for 20-month-old Quinton Simon's remains that has gone on for a month, as of today, in a landfill is stressing their officer shortage even more. Taking some officers off their patrols... "The detectives that are clearly 100 percent focused on the Quinton Simon case, a normal case load that they would take are getting shifted to the other detectives that aren't on the case." Which is straining other officers and their policing abilities. "So their handling more cases. Their not getting back to victims as quickly as we'd like." While vacancies are up, crime is down nearly 16 percent since last year. "We're staffing out beats, we have adequate coverage. We really try to draw from many areas the department so not any one division was adversely effected." In effort to fill some of those vacancies, Chief Hadley asked the county commissioners to decrease the vesting period for county employees' retirement plan from 10 years to five years. Hadley hoping this will help them compete with the Savannah Police Department that he says has a five year vesting period. "It's an employees market right now. It's not an employers market. We got to kind of be competitive in all aspects of our compensation packet. Not only starting pay pension, benefits, health care." County Commissioners debated over the vesting period decrease but it eventually passed in a 5 to 2 vote with Commissioner Aaron Whitely absent. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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CAMILLE: CCPD STAFFING

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"Each precinct has a neighborhood resource officer, let them know you'll be out of town incase we do get that alarm call. It triggers for us to say ah I remember that address, they called and said they won't be there. So it helps us in an investigation." CPL. Lewis says if you do call they can also try to patrol by your house. While they can't guarantee any extra watch, he says its still a good idea to make the call.

"During the luncheon, Chatham County Commissioner Aaron Whitely, who also serves on the Chatham Emergency Services board, gave suggestions to legislators in the state house and senate on how they could go about fixing the problem of emergency vehicles being stuck at hospitals, delaying ambulance response times." Wall time is the amount of time an ambulance is at a hospital waiting to transfer a patient to the hospital's care. At the luncheon, Emergency Management Agency Director Dennis Jones said an ideal wait time is 15 to 30 minutes. Over the past two years, ambulances with Chatham Emergency Services have waited 1 to 2 hours at hospitals. "We have at times had upwards of four or five vehicles at our hospitals and unable to actually answer to calls." Aaron Whitely mentioned staffing issues are apart of the problem at hospitals and Chatham ES. He asked law makers at the discussion to consider reimbursing Chatham ES for ambulance visits for Medicare patients that don't result in being taken to a hospital. This way they generate more money to hire more staff. "Just trying to find ways to lessen the overhead burden of our ambulance services to were they can free up some cash or capital to pay for more EMTs." State Senator for the second district Derek Mallow says law makers are working with hospitals on this issue. "We're going to have to work with the general assembly to address this. We know that it is a major issue." He hopes expanding medicaid services could also help with the wait times. "We know that Medicaid expansion is a portion of this and could alleviate some of the burden. It will not alleviate it all but it will help move us forward as we look at people who could get preventative routine care to reduce those who have the demand on the emergency room." Lawmakers will introduce new laws they want passed during the legislative session in January. Camille Syed WTOC

CAMILLE: CHATHAM CO. LEGISLATIVE LUNCH

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Today the Georgia State Patrol along with the Pooler Police Department kicked off their 'Click It or Ticket' campaign. Parents are asked to make sure their child's safety seats are correctly installed before starting their trip. Drivers are also reminded to slow down and POOLER CLICK IT put down their phone. One officer who was recently in a crash stated how his seat belt

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saved his life.

"You have to make sure as the driver your passengers are buckled up. You have to make sure that children are restrained properly. That they are in the proper seat for their height and weight and that it is installed correctly." Troopers also want to remind everyone to follow the speed limit... stay off your phone while driving... move over for emergency

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**GSP HOLIDAY** 

DRIVING SAFETY vehicles... and to never drink and drive.

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Right now-- Law enforcement officers are getting ready for the Thanksgiving travel rush. And they're reminding everyone to buckle-up before you hit the road. It's all part of the national 'click-it or ticket' campaign. According to the Georgia State Patrol, 26 people died in crashes during the holiday travel period last year. 65-percent of those people were

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**GSP HOLIDAY** DRIVING SAFETY NOT wearing seatbelts.

You're looking at photos shared to the Sheriff's Office Facebook page. They're crediting them with busting up a Thanksgiving Eve "protest" and restoring use of the road. Okay maybe not a real protest - but the department did have some fun - naming the bigger guy you see here Tom. The deputies worked to get the wild turkeys off the road in the Tony Branch and Carlos Cowart area in Ellabell last night. Despite the trouble - the department

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BRYAN CO. SO WILD TURKEYS

sent some well-wishes to the birds for a safe Thanksgiving.

This was the scene as supporters from surrounding agenices gathered for one final sendoff for K-9 Mac. The sheriff's office says he was diagnosed with Lmyphoma earlier this week and has taken a turn for the worst. The K9 had been with the department for FLYNN: CCSO K9

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Army overseas in Afghanstan. Deputies call K9 Mac a hero.

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rithed for probably on fillinates to get a 5 f ripperator, and even get somebody to earl me back, and it never happened." Stroh tells me that he did eventually get a call back from the 911 Center... but when he answered the call, no one was on the other end. He says his frustration grows as he thinks what might have happened if the situation had gone from threats to physical violence... while he could not get any help. Stroh: "Thankfully he didn't have any weapons, he didn't have anything that was going to hurt others or himself. But what if he did? I didn't know that at the time. I didn't know what he's got. I was extremely worried and not getting ahold of somebody intensified that feeling of helplessness." Chatham County 911 Center Director Diane Pinckney says that situations like Stroh's come down to understaffing and high call volume. She says they'd like to be able to answer each call immediately and the average wait time in Chatham County is 14 seconds. However, it can take longer during what she calls "peak times", which happens when they get a lot of calls very quickly-like after a bad car accident. Operators also don't just answer calls- they sometimes offer life-saving medical advice to callers until emergency crews get there. "If you're doing that, then that kind of takes you out of the loop of being a call taker until that ambulance arrives on scene, which could be quite a bit of time." Pinckney says they're actively recruiting new operators by offering competitive pay. They need 28 more than they currently have- but the training process can be take a long time because of how important and tough the job is. Pinckney adds that part of the issue is folks calling 911 and clogging the phone lines with things that aren't emergencies. Pinckney: "While we're handling non-emergency calls, that's taking up that same operator that would be calling the 911 calls. So it would help us out a lot if the public would get to know those non-emergency numbers. When we are utilizing the 911 system for things that aren't emergencies, it's going to utilize our resources in a way right now that we don't need it to right now, especially with our staffing challenges." In the meantime- Stroh says he's frustrated by the lack of reliability of such an essential service.. and would like to see the County look into it. Stroh: "Reading those comments of some of the situations people were in, I think the County, the County Commissioner, whoever it may be, needs to look at SHEA: CHATHAM those comments, needs to listen to their constituents, and be like you know what? We do

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911 WAIT TIMES

have a problem here. You can't blame the police and you can't blame the dispatchers

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"We cannot be too cautious. We have to respond and today we responded appropriately. Let me tell you something. I have with me District Attorney Shalena Jones. We're taking this very serious. For those that are responsible for it, we are going to work along with the district attorney's office. We have homeland security, the FBI. WE have all of our collaborative partners, Savannah Police Department. Every department. WTOC has gotten several questions about a person police briefly detained at the school. They tell us they matched a vague description given in the hoax phone call. Investigators determined the person had nothing to do with the hoax and was never arrested.

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CAMILLE 5P: **INVESTIGATION** 

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HOAX SETUP

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DAYBREAK REP. BURNS
OD STATEMENT

Newington State Representative Jon Burns echoed a message of support for those feeling mixed emotions right now. The Republican Speaker of the House Nominee wrote in a statement, "While these threats thankfully resulted in no physical harm, he is disgusted by this attempted hoax and the unnecessary anguish it caused for so many children, teachers and concerned families. Burns also said he remains remain committed to providing all necessary support to bring the perpetrators of this hoax to justice.

Assistant Police Chief Tiffany Hayes is set to take over the position. That's after former chief Bob Bryson retired last month. Hayes is a native of the island. She has worked for the department for 26 years and was the first person to hold the title of Assistant Police 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD POLICE CHIEF Chief. Hayes will start on January 1st of next year. 00:00:19

4:30AM 12/2/2022 DAYBREAK 4:30:00 AM OD POOLER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AWARDS The Greater Pooler Area Chamber of Commerce held their annual State of the Chamber and Awards Ceremony last night with a festive spin. It was at the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force. They celebrated and gave out awards for Police and Firefighter of the Year, Business of the Year, and for the first time- the Community Cornerstone Award. Some members say that last night was an amazing opportunity to bring people together.

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4:30AM CHAMBER OF
12/2/2022 DAYBREAK COMMERCE
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"It's very important for us to recognize these people because they're in our community every day, and they're making a difference everyday. Our police and our fire keep us safe, our businesses constantly donate, and step up, and sponsor things in our community, and then our community cornerstone- we think its really important to recognize businesses that have planted themselves here and made Pooler their home, and have been here for a very long time. A total of 4 awards was given out- with an appreciation award given to the Pooler Police Department.

A letter appearing to be released by Effingham County Sheriff Jimmy McDuffie is making the rounds on social media- claiming that 800 traffic tickets have been accidentally issued. But the Effingham County Sheriff's Office says that's not true, and the letter is fake. ((VO)) The letter- which spells Sheriff McDuffie's name wrong- includes fake quotes from McDuffie- encouraging people to pay traffic tickets issued in error from school zone speed cameras. One of the fake quotes attributes McDuffie as saying, "We are thrilled that our diligent efforts to keep our roads safe have resulted in such a high number of traffic tickets being issued." Brian Bailey from the Effingham County Sheriff's Office says that it looks like the letter originated on Facebook. He says there were some issues recently with school zone speed cameras issuing tickets in error- but those issues have been resolved. ((SOT)) "The tickets that were being mentioned in the letter had been corrected. Obviously there was an issue with one of the cameras, and that has been corrected, so we just wanted to jump ahead and just kind of let the public know that did not come from us, did not come from the Sheriff's Office." Shea: If you ever have any questions about any communications appearing to be from the Effingham County Sheriff's Office, they want you to know you can always call them and make sure that it's real. Reporting in Effingham County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

EFFINGHAM SPEED TICKET OD SCAM

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GC INSURANCE FOR OFF DUTY 12/5/2022 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD **OFFICERS** 

The pay rate is going up to 50-dollars-an hour... it was between 40-45 dollars before. With tonight's vote, a company called Off Duty Management, Inc. will take over monitoring overtime, getting the payments to the officers on time and making sure they all have insurance coverage. Off duty officers are like independent contractors so the police chief says they needed the added protection when they're not on official duty.

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"Now the officer knows they're covered. That's to me a big sigh of relief because that's a concern of mine if an officer is injured and not covered but thinking they're covered because they're wearing this uniform" The agreement will also insure the city's equipment. When the partnership is all set-up -- there will be a link on the city's website to Off Duty Management for those wanting to request an officer. In addition to the 50-dollaran hour rate. You'll pay an extra 6-dollars for company fees and 4-dollars for the city.

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In Lyons - Shameeka Kent is taking on the role. The department says she'll work as LYONS & VIDALIA needed with law enforcement for mental health crises. And in Vidalia - Jada Williams will PD SOCIAL

take on a similar role. This comes about four months after Toombs County said they

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> The pay rate is going up to 50-dollars-an hour... it was between 40-45 dollars. With last night's vote... a company called Off Duty Management, Inc. will take over monitoring overtime... getting the payments to the officers on time and making sure they all have insurance coverage. Off duty officers are like independent contractors so the police chief says they needed the added protection when they are not on official duty.

With Christmas right around the corner, the Chatham County Sheriff's Office gave around 40 kids one of the best gifts you can ever get today: a shopping spree. (nat pop) "Different organizations give money to them to help them, so it's a free and clear thing for them. We're just having a good time helping the kids get something they'll have for Christmas that they wouldn't have." Members of the Sheriff's Office doubled as personal shoppers at the TJ Maxx complex in Pooler, helping kids pick out nail polish.. clothes.. and toys- really whatever they wanted. Wilcher: "I'm a lot older than the kids. I would pick out baseball cards. I love them, and football cards. But each kids got a different mindset about what he or she wants." No matter what the kids picked out... the experience was a good one for both the kids themselves- and those that got to escort them around. It's always good to give back to the community, you know. To see a kid's eyes on Christmas morning, if you can see them, how they light up, it's a great thing. It's a great thing to be passionate enough to help them." Shea: Between all 40 kids, they were able to spend SHEA: SHOPPING around 4,000 dollars on whatever they wanted today.. but according to those that actually organized the events, the smiles on their faces was priceless. Reporting in Pooler, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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"If we had a drum, we'd do a drum roll." It was one of the most exciting days of the year at the Ronald McDonald House. "We received 8-thousand dollars." That 8 thousand dollars being split between ten families for a surprise Shop with a Cop shopping spree. "Just watching their faces. I mean if you were a Grinch your hearts going to grow three times to six times the size." Which is exactly what hooked the Dewitt Tilton Group and iHeart Radio into helping raise the funds. "We got involved in this because the children's needs tug at our hearts. The family's needs tug at our hearts. This is something we really wanted to do." "We're able to provide them with a Christmas they otherwise wouldn't have been able to have. It's kind of one of those things where you've been blessed so why not try and bless others." After a quick police escort, families and their law enforcement shopping buddies were set loose to shop to their heart's content. "It's awesome, you know, it's a true holiday wish come true." For families like the Muszalls, who spent 89 days at the Ronald McDonald House after their daughter Charlette was born 11 weeks early...it couldn't have come at a better time. "Between hospital bills and just having a toddler, everything's expensive. Having this extra money to spend on Christmas to not only treat Charlette but treat the family is a game changer." But it's not just the families who walk away with something special from a day like this. "I'm a huge child myself so I'm happy to be in the toy aisle with the kids." And maybe for just a moment...in the toy aisle at Target...everyone found exactly what they were looking for this Christmas. "To be able to come out here and see the kid's eyes just light up and have a great time with our officers just means the world." "It's amazing to see the little things you do that put a smile on families faces." "Christmas is the most amazing time of year and we have an amazing SAM: SHOP WITH community that has helped reinforce that message with these kids and families."

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".....Thank you and Merry Christmas."

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It all started just-after 1 o'clock Tuesday - when Chatham Police say they were called to this home off Fort Argyle Court for a report of a man having a mental breakdown. According to their policy, Crisis Intervention Officers are supposed to handle calls involving mentally ill people with great sensitivity... because violence can occur. Neither Chatham PD nor the GBI accounts of what happened that day mention whether Crisis Intervention Officers were on scene. WTOC also followed-up and asked them... but both have said they will not answer the question. The PD's policy goes on to say if a Crisis Intervention Officer is NOT available... they should take several extra steps to get someone with that training on-scene to help. We also looked at the department's Use of Force policy... after they said the man shot at them. Police responded with pepper balls. It says pepper balls may be used if it is unsafe for officers to approach a subject... and also to control a suspect who is trying to assault an officer. It goes on to say that if pepper balls ARE used... EMS \*may need to be called... and that the person hit by pepperballs

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Bluffton has a new police chief. The town announced today Joseph "Joe" Babkiewicz will take over the department before the end of the year. The new chief is coming from the private industry...but has 20 years experience in law enforcement...including 13 years at the Bluffton Police Department. The town says they're excited to welcome him back. His first day is December 29th.

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**BLUFFTON NEW** POLICE CHIEF

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HINESVILLE SHOP A COP 5PM OD PREVIEW "100 percent of the funds contributed go to the children. One dollar contributed is one dollar towards a child. Any overhead costs, any advertising, food, t-shirts, anything else like that is either donated or paid for by the officer." Officers are taking the kids selected for the program shopping this Saturday at the Hinesville Walmart.

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? (sot) Empty boxes from new TV's, game systems or other valuables sitting at the curb can be a engraved invitation to crooks. Statesboro Police have an alternative to waiting for the trash truck to come. (vo) It's called Operation Safe Disposal. Each December, the city puts out empty bins for folks to drop off the tell-tale boxes of those expensive gifts. Police say leaving them by the curb for pickup may be convenient, but it telegraphs what's in your home to crooks who might be casing the neighborhood. (sot) Cruising down the road and looking for a house that would seem to be a good target, \*that\* one is going to be a whole lot more attractive than the one that seems to have nothing. (vo) The containers are set up at Statesboro Police headquarters and elsewhere. They ask you not to drop household garbage or other ordinary trash. (sot) They have four of these bins around the city. We'll include the locations in this story on our website. They'll be set up through the holidays. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

STATESBORO 12/16/2022 XMAS TRASH 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD BINS

"Shameeka just shined brightly. I mean, with her qualifications, her experience and her knowledge of the community." "She's going to be the gap for the community. The gap between the community, the police and our mental health." Shemeeka Kent and Jada Williams will work alongside their respective department to help the police force in crisis situations. Situations the Lyons police chief says are challenging for his officers. out here on these calls and they're scratching their head and they're calling me a lot of times. 'What do I do here?'" But Kent and Williams' work doesn't stop just after the initial call. "Even though the officer may be able to deal with them right then, the breakdown is when that person may go off and come back to the community. No one is following up with that, this program is going to be able to do that." Kent and Williams will be responsible for making sure that they're linking people to the services that they need to get back on the right track. "I just truly believe that it's my God given purpose to serve others and that's all I've been doing." "We just have to have empathy and the respect for every individual here in the city." Police social workers aren't common in the state of Georgia, specifically in our southeast area. The only other department to have a program like this is in Gainsville. "It is huge. I can't say how huge it is." "I'm so glad to be here. I know this is a progressing city, so I'm just glad to be a new addition here to help out the officers." Sheriff Alvie Kight says Kent and Williams will serve as people all of the agencies can call out to, to help them determine a course of action for people when jail isn't the best answer. "When they don't get help they get in trouble and then they end up in jail. They don't need to be in jail, but they go out and commit crimes. This way, maybe we can get on the front-end of it and stop them from going to jail." The two will be heading out to Gainsville soon to shadow their social worker and get more insight on the program. Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

LYONS PD 12/19/2022 SOCIAL 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD **WORKERS** 

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ALYSSA: US **ATTORNEY INTERVIEW** 

Her role is to help the US attorney prosecute on a federal level. The focus -- violent crimes. This can be bank robberies, illegal possession of a firearm, trafficking -- those offenses will reach their office. The US Attorney's Office for the southern district of georgia says they have around 20 prosecutors, that cover 43 counties, so the new AUSA will be able to focus only on helping prosecute cases out of savannah and chatham county.

Makeia Jonese started a few weeks ago after a four-month search. Her role is to help the U-S attorney prosecute on a federal level. The focus is on violent crimes. This can be crimes like bank robberies, illegal possession of a firearm, or even trafficking. All those offenses will reach her office. Jonese is only focused on prosecuting cases from Savannah and Chatham county.

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"The focus here is to make savannah safer for everyone...so that's the difference to me is that violent crimes decrease within the city."  $\!\!\!/\!\!\!/$  "For the last five years, the office has federally prosecuted more than 800 defendants on firearm charges primarily with possession of a firearm by a prohibited person. That's a lot of cases and now having me in Savannah focused solely on this area I think that's a tool to alleviate the work of other AUSA's in this office who cover the other counties within the southern district of Georgia.

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**US ATTORNEY** INTERVIEW

Our months-long investigation found there have been more plea deals this year than the 12/22/2022 DA'S OFFICE past five years combined. Most of those deals included reduced charges and lighter 4:30PM OD 4:29:00 PM **ARGUMENTS** sentences, including probation in several cases. 00:00:13

> "It's about making a child smile. Somebody who might not be able to get any smiles in this year. This is their time to smile because we're here to give and give and give."  $/\!/$  "The kids are loving it. We've got little ones coming out grabbing the baby dolls, we've got basketballs for the big guys. It is a fun time. It is something we enjoy doing each and every year." Cpl. Lewis says this is the 10th year the Savannah Police Department has put on the event.

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Today - police officers doubled as Santa's helpers as they toured Savannah in trolleys filled with toys. You're looking a video from that event. Many of those toys were donated by you when you dropped them off right here at WTOC. CPL. Barry Lewis with SPD says they are just happy to see the smiles on kids faces.

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Savannah Mayor Van Johnson made his position clear when it comes to his support of the Chatham County District Attorney. "I need her to win because if she loses, we lose as a community and I think I've done everything I can possibly do." That includes sending this letter back in May to address any issues with District Attorney Shalena Cook Jones. "... telling her if there are any of our officers impededing you doing what you need to do. Let me know. I've never heard from her regarding that, so the fact that you're telling me that is news to me." In our interview with the D.A. that we brought you earlier this week, she blamed the Savannah Police Department for not providing more evidence in the murder case against a Derek Gallop Jr. It's one of the reason's she said her office cut a plea deal for manslaughter that allowed him to get out of jail and go home to serve the rest of his 20year sentence on probation, despite his violent past. "We found that perhaps there was more evidence that could have been obtained early on in the investigation, like the triangulation of phone records and that kind of information, and unfortunately that wasn't done. That's not the fault of the DA's Office - that has to do with the investigators." Mayor Johnson, who is a former Chatham County Police officer and certified police instructor, said the way the system works is the police department does the preliminary investigation. And from there, hands over the case to the D.A.'s office who has a team of investigators to assist. She can also ask the police department to do the work she needs done. He said he sent the letter to D.A. Jones after he heard about issues with that process. "To make sure that they were clear about our willingness to be a part of the solution, our willingness to help and my insistance that the city of Savannah wasn't going to be a part of the problem and if there was a problem that I was going to go ahead and deal with it." Jessica: "Do you think there's a problem?" Mayor Johnson: "I want to see people prosecuted that pull triggers in Savannah."

WTOCI: MAYOR JOHNSON ON DA PLEA DEALS

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"The office of neighborhood safety and engagement just moved into their new home off waters avenue this week -- but that didn't stop them from working with at least 500 kids this year... what they told us back in january still remains true-- they are trying to get every citizen to be a piece of the puzzle -- pieces of the solution to curbing gun violence." The previously vacant city-owned shopping center on Savannah's eastside is where you'll find John Bush and his staff. With crime happening too often in the city -- they've had a busy year. "We have a neighborhood here that I can identify that had about 1400 gun shots in one year...just imagine if you live in that neighborhood and you come to school the next day and you haven't slept...you come to school the next day and you still see all the lights of the police officers, the body being carried off and those things going through your mind...how are you going to act at school that day?" That's why this program -- with the help of all their community partners -- has tried to reach as \*many kids as they can. Kids, who otherwise may not be given a second chance. "The kids we see, deal with and our partners deal with these are the kids that get left off the field trip roster. These are the kids that get removed from the classroom... they don't get all the opportunities or insight." Bush says they've been able to have about 5 community events this year. "Regardless of whether all the youth were there...most of the youth were there...or a good portion of the youth were there...we didn't have any youth violence in the city." Kids coming out to engage with them, Bush says, can sometimes be their only release. "They're not in fight or flight response mode here. There's no guns, no weapons, no violence. Just youth gettting a chance to be youth" Bush says they plan to do \*even more next year. They will unveil a new curriculum in Savannah-Chatah schools - at juvenile court - and the department of juvenile justice. They'll also be rolling-out an anti-gun pledge. We'll be checking-in with them and following their progress.

ALYSSA: NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY & **ENGAGEMENT** 

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DA'S OFFICE **ARGUMENTS**  Mayor Johnson -- a former police officer and certified police instructor, understands the criminal justice system first-hand. He says -- after hearing about issues earlier this year between the D.A.'s Office and the Savannah Police Department -- he contacted the D-A and the judges to offer the city's support.

"I'm not interested in excuses, which is why I reached out to say if there's an issue let me know because we will clear those issues." Mayor Johnson did provide copies of the letter he sent to the D.A. and judges when we spoke with him. Since then, he says the city's support for the criminal justice system includes the city's recent hiring of a federal prosecutor to pursue violent gun charges.

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TROOPER TOY

**GIVEAWAY** 

Check it out! An annual tradition of spreading holiday joy in Darien continues. Georgia State Patrol Trooper Major Thornell King held his annual "TK Toy Giveaway" today. Each year, he collects toys from different people donating and hands them out to children all over Mcintosh and Liberty County. This is the 11th year he has done this. And around 500 children were able to go home with a toy today. Major King says it's all about seeing the smiles on the kids faces.

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12/29/2022 GA FIREWORKS "There will be zero tolerance this new years for it. So once again, just be responsible and 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD LAWS make sure that you use the right or safe measures to get from where you're going." 00:00:10

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He writes in part, "Chief Gunther has already made meaningful adjustments at the

will have more on the appointment, coming up on THE news at 6.

Savannah Police Department that have increased morale, improved recruitment and

retention, and most importantly advanced our ability to fight and prevent crime." WTOC

(sot) If you've got boxes stacked up from a new TV or gaming system and you're ready to just throw them to the curb and let them wait for the trash truck, Statesboro Police say you could become a crime statistic and they have an alternative. (vo) The boxes in this container might tell the story of a Merry Christmas, but police say post-Christmas grinches canvas neighborhoods to burglarize homes. They often look for boxes like this. (sot) If you're looking from the perspective of somebody who's going to burglarize a house, STATESBOR what's a more glaring sign of "hey, we've got this!" than a stack of trash and stack of boxes. (vo) Even if you drop the boxes here, police urge you to peel the address labels off first. City of Statesboro has containers at the police station and three other city department sites. (sot) The city has these containers around town and they'll be out

through the holidays. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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"We ask if somebody's having a private event at their home or if they're hosting something that they just be responsible as well and make sure their guests are acting accordingly. If SPD NYE SAFETY they see someone that seems like they've had a little too much. They go over and address that person and try to make accommodations for them."

LENNY GUNTHER

12/29/2022 NAMED NEW SPD "I'm committed. I'm all in. I'm all in. I know the posts of the Savannah

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According to the city--- Chief Gunther joined the police department back in 2001 as a LENNY GUNTHER patrol officer. He moved up the ranks to assistant chief in 20-19. Then eventually NAMED NEW SPD became interim chief over the summer. Now, he's officially the permanent chief. The city CHIEF says they will announce a public swearing in ceremony next month.

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City Manager Jay Melder releasing a statement about his decision. It says in part quote, "...one candidate stood out as the right chief at the right time for Savannah. Chief Gunther LENNY GUNTHER is a proven leader who is committed to installing proven policing strategies, technology, NAMED NEW SPD and practices to SPD..." For more information on the announcement take a look at our past interview with chief gunther-- head to our website WTOC dot com. CHIEF

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"It's not safe for several reasons and of course we've had the fire." For some 20 years, people have been living here under the bridge in a homeless camp on President Street. A recent fire in the camp shedding light on the dangers of people living here. "It's not only the safety below but it's the safety above." The City of Savannah is evicting the approximately 35 to 40 people living under Truman Parkway on President Street. They have until this Thursday to leave the place they call home. The Chatham Savannah Authority for the Homeless has been here helping out since the fire happened at the beginning of the month. "It's not safe to be under the Truman any longer and so it's vital and important for us as a community to recognize these are people." "We want to treat them with respect, we're not throwing anybody away." "And he says several organizations like the Savannah Chatham Authority for the Homeless are coming together to provide resources for people living here under Truman Parkway." The Salvation Army and Union Mission are opening 30 more triage beds for people needing to relocate. The day center that is expected to open at Union Mission in November should give people somewhere to go, according to Darsey. "So you'll have night shelter emergency crisis bed space at night for different shelters and then you'll have actual day centers for people to go get respite care, do their laundry, take a shower, get hot meals." People can also get free Greyhound bus tickets to reunite with family and Renegade Paws Rescue will take in pets that also living under the bridge. "we need to give them some options and some choices, some safety to go to so that they can self determine what their next steps in life are going to be." storage. The city will be sending crews to clean the area once it's vacated. "With efforts being taken to provide for better visuals surveillance going forward." Camille Syed WTOC News.

CAMILLE: TRUMAN HOMELESS EVICTION

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A heads up for Chatham County drivers - Burnsed Boulevard is now reduced to just two lanes. That's from Highway 80 to State Route 25. That started today so the Georgia Department of Transportation can continue construction. They're working on a four lane highway that's expected to be done in the spring of 20-26. The reduction means the road will be one lane in both directions. The road will open back up to four lanes once you get

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BURNSED BLVD will be one lane in both of REDUCED LANES through the intersection.

Some of those symptoms include high fever, aches and chills, a wet cough with congestion, and excessive tiredness. He says that typically, the goal is to get people vaccinated by Halloween because flu season usually doesn't start until November but with cases already coming in -- he says don't wait any longer. The majority of the children he's seen haven't gotten the flu vaccine, but as a reminder -- all kids older than 6 months are eligible.

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Dr. Lawton Davis with the Coastal Health District says this is an extremely early start to the flu season, as cases typically don't pick up in Georgia until late November or early December. TAKE MAP While exact flu case numbers aren't directly tracked at the county level, this map using CDC data shows the level of flu activity in the state... with Georgia coming in as one of the highest in the country. As you can see, several counties in coastal Georgia are experiencing high levels of activity. Dr. Davis says area hospitals are seeing a lot of flu cases, primarily influenza A, but most of them do not require inpatient care. We checked in with Memorial Health in Savannah. Hospital staff say they have four flu cases in the hospital. From October 1st through 15th, they had 234 positive flu cases. Davis adds that since flu are already so high, it's hard to tell what's ahead. "If we don't get changes in the flu virus during the winter here, if there's no new variants, or mutations don't crop up, it may be that we have an early, hard flu season, and maybe we'll be spared later in the year, but I can't really say that will happen." Davis adds that if you haven't gotten your flu shot yet, now is the time. It takes about two weeks to become effective within your immune system. The Coastal Health District is hosting a drive-through flu vaccination clinic at the Georgia Tech Savannah campus on Wednesday. In Savannah, HB WTOC NEWS.

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Children's Hospital is experiencing the highest volume they've seen in recent years." Director of the Children's Hospital Dr. Michael Bossak says there are about 3 to 4 kids coming to the hospital daily with Respiratory Syncytial Virus or RSV and 2 to 3 kids with the flu. He believes the COVID pandemic is to blame for the uptick in RSV cases. "I think we're seeing a revisit to where we used to be and so RSV has just fleeted from the mind of the public over the last two years as we have been masked and children have not been around one another." He says he expects RSV to become a year around virus to look out for with several peaks a year. "Now we are seeing that on top of the Flu, on top of COVID and therefore it's becoming this issue of bed capacity and space for everyone." While children are getting the Flu very early in the Flu season, so are adults. There are four hospitalizations at Memorial. And with Georgia having the most Flu cases in the nation, Dr. Tim Connelly says we haven't reached a peak in cases. Doctors are expecting the uptick to get worse. "Typically the Flu will peak in February. Sometimes there's two peaks in a year. However, it's likely to get worse before it gets better." He's worried people will get multiple viruses like the Flu, COVID, and RSV all at once. "I'm very concerned about people that have no immunity, meaning they've either not been vaccinated or not been exposed to the virus in the past few years and then they get multiple respiratory viruses at

one time. That almost always leads to a very bad presentation and a very high severity of illness." He continues to encourage people to get vaccinated against the Flu and COVID.

He says the Flu vaccine takes two weeks to get in. Making it best to get the shot sooner

than later. Camille Syed WTOC News.

"As children continue getting sick with the Flu and RSV, doctors here at Memorial say the

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CAMILLE: FLU AND RSV

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Savannah Police say make sure you plan out your route before you leave the house -also, talk with your kids about a meeting spot incase you get seperated. They also recommend tying up any loose fitting parts of the costume to reduce tripping hazards. Also, buy some reflective tape or glow sticks to put on the costumes or their bags to make DURING SPOOKY them more visible. And lastly, once you get home, make sure to sort through the candy before letting the kids eat any of it.

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**SEASON** 

Barry Lewis / Savannah Police Department "Candy that is homemade, stuff that is unwrapped, if you can discard of it, unless you know the person that is giving you candy, I would not recommend that you take candy that is homemade or unwrapped or anything of that sort because we have issues out there where the candy may get laced or tainted so we want to make sure you are safe and throw it away." There is also concern with drugs DURING SPOOKY that might look like colorful candy -- including fentanyl which cna be dangerous. It's best to just hand out and let the kids eat commercially wrapped candy.

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JASPER CO. TRICK OR **TREATING** 

Ahead of the fun - they shared a few safety tips with WTOC... - wear reflective clothing. -80:00:00 and parents - check your kids candy before they eat it.

GA SC FLU CASES ON THE 5:30pm OD **RISE** 

The C-D-C puts Georgia in a slightly less active category than South Carolina...but the percent of tests coming back positive is higher. Flu cases have nearly doubled in Georgia when you compare the two latest reports...with nearly 25 percent of tests coming back positive. The most updated numbers are from the week of October 22nd. 2 people have died from the flu in this season.

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Sot: (Dr. Andrew Krieger -- Emergency Medicine Physician) "The flu season came early this year: it came about six weeks earlier than what we would usually expect." Vo This is the CDC influenza map; with the dark purple you see over South Carolina indicating the highest level of activity in the U.S. Dr. Andrew Kreiger at Coastal Carolina Hospital says that advanced schedule has combined with a few other factors. Sot "Compared to previous years our flu vaccine rate is much lower than where we would be at this point in the year." Vo Of all the charts and numbers from state or federal agencies, he says a comparison to the average year tells this story best. Sot "We would expect around this time in the year to average about 3.6% of health care visits to be related to a flu like illness, around this time right now we're averaging around 11%." Vo The emergency physician says other countries have made it through their peaks quickly, which should be a good sign for us. He also has recommendations that may sound familiar, on how you can keep you and your family safe. Sot "Make sure that you're covering any sort of a cough, wash your hands, but the best thing you can do is get the vaccine." Vo Here at Hilton Head Regional, he tells me this year's vaccine is well matched to current strains of influenza and should prevent severe illness in 40-60% of cases. Reporting, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

SC FLU
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LL: This past weekend alone...staff here say they had 12 positive flu cases. And while that might seem like a relatively small number...doctors say it's enough to put a strain on this rural hospital. VO: Evans Memorial's ER director says this flu cycle has been busier than past seasons. He says the ER has seen an increase in those testing positive for RSV as well. Even though people of many ages are coming in sick...staff say more children are testing positive for RSV. They're urging you to get vaccinated and boosted for Covid before gathering for the busy holiday season especially if you're visiting those in high-risk groups. The call for vaccines comes as Evans Memorial doctors continue to fight this surge. "Our volume is up easily 10, 15, maybe even 20%. Most of that is going to be the viral RSV, the flu that we're seeing here in town. If you take our volume, and 20% of those are positive for flu, that's a decent uptick for us." LL: Doctors here say, fortunately, many of the cases they've seen haven't been severe, but they do expect to see un uptick in cases after Thanksgiving and this wave of illness to last through January. In Evans

FLYNN: EVANS MEMORIAL FLU & RSV

County...FS...WTOCN.

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(sot) Slowly but surely, you see the pieces of the puzzle coming together to install the light at Highway 67 and Brooklet-Denmark. For many neighbors, it's the "slowly" part that has them frustrated. (sot) A snail could move quicker than what they're doing!!. (vo) Drivers have waited for this light like they wait every day for a clear spot to cross...wondering if it will ever come. Construction started more than a year ago. (sot) I mean..they do a little bit of work. It stops, then they do a little bit of work. (vo) Georgia Department of Transportation added the red light project after the contractor four-laned this 13 mile road in 2020. They admit it's seen its share of challenges. (sot) The major delay with this project was a utility conflict. So we had to wait on the utility company to come and resolve that conflict. (vo) Crews have widened both sides to add a third lane for right turns and have finished paving on one side. Nagel says the final steps will be striping the road and hanging the lights. That will be welcomed news to drivers like Marci. (sot) I think everybody in this community and who passes through here is ecstatic that we're going to get the light. It's just "when?" (vo) Nagel says they'll post message boards about two weeks before the lights go online. She expects that to happen in December. (sot) And

we'll continue to bring you any updates. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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BULLOCH CO. NEW RED LIGHT

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**DOWNTOWN** UNDER BRIDGE

Right now-- The Factors Walk Bridge in downtown Savannah is closed. The City of TRUCK STUCK IN Savannah says a truck got stuck underneath it this morning. Fortunately, no injuries were reported. The bridge is on Lincoln Street and East Broad Street. Residents and visitors we spoke with say they are shocked something like this could happen.

It may feel like every time you turn around, someone around you is getting sick. With the holidays around the corner, doctors at Memorial Hospital say they've seen more people coming to the Emergency Room with some kind of sickness. "We are seeing a decrease in influenza but a big increase in the common cold but also, unfortunately, an increase an increase in people getting ill from COVID-19 again." Dr. Tim Connelly says they have 6 people in the hospital with COVID. He says on a scale doctors use to measure the severity of the FLU from 1-13, our area is at a 10. Dr. Connelly says some people are getting multiple viruses like COVID, Flu and Respiratory Syncytial Virus or RSV at once. "and that's when it becomes serious." "And here at St. Joseph's Hospital doctors also say they're seeing a lot of people coming in sick especially with the Flu." Dr. Jeff Kenney says their ER has had wait times because of the high volumes and his staff has had to make changes to keep up. "It started out with a big surge in RSV which has tapered off a bit and flu A is what we're seeing a lot of right now." The big question...why are we seeing so much illness spreading? Dr. Kenney and Dr. Connelly have their theories. (Connelly) "As time goes on there is an unattended consequence for being too good and masking too well and social distancing too well and our immune system forgets these common viruses that we see. So now our immune system is trying to play catch up and we are seeing a lot of illnesses as a result." "Unfortunately, I think people are tired kind of burnt out on it they gave up on staying home from work and school when they are sick and they gave up on getting vaccinated so we have seen relatively poor levels of vaccinations this season which has hurt us." If you test negative for COVID, Dr. Kenney says it's important to make sure you don't have anything else you could spread to others. If you're traveling for the holidays, doctors also say you should mask in tight quarters when around people you don't see often. Camille Syed WTOC News.

DR. SPEAKS

12/13/2022 **ABOUT WINTER** 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD **ILLNESSES** 

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5AM SARAH FLU **CONCERNS** 

**SEASON** 

Dr. Ben Spitalnick from pedatric associates of Savannah is urging parents to take their kids to the doctor after a day or two of not feeling well, that way they can get tested for all the three major respitaory illnesses going around. He says they have had a majority of kids testing positive for influenza A this year -- while they look miserable with chills, aches and a fever -- they are recovering well after supportive care.

(Dr. Ben Spitalnick/Pediatric Associates of Savannah) "The last three months pediatric offices, emergency rooms, urgent care centers have been overwhelmed, we've been busy, it has been a lot of illness. Fortunatley most kids have done very well, the hospital has been full but we've done very well with flu, RSV and COVID and we hope there is light at the end of the tunnel." He says typically a break in school is helpful because the kids are not around each other as much and spreading all of those germs and they see numbers start to fall..

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New at 4:30 - a warning from officials on Hilton Head Island. Take a look at your screen. Shore beach services say if you see something that looks like this please avoid it. They're called man o' wars and while it may look pretty, it will hurt if you touch it. The jellyfish-like creatures are said to have one of the most powerful stings out there. They wash up on the islands beaches a few times a year. Shore beach services say they found around 300 MAN O' WARS ON yesterday on Hilton head island. That's more than they usually get... They also say they

found over 30 of them them again today.

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5AM SARAH FLU

**SEASON** 

**CONCERNS** 

so far this season, we are seeing flu is coming un spikes and waves and you'll see pockets of people coming down with the flu. It's typically after the holidays, after people have gathered. I recommend everyone get their flu shot because now is the time to get it, before the holiday gathering. As we all gather for the holidays, groups of people are an easy way for the flu to spread and just having the immunity built up before those events happen, before we're gathering in close quarters would be the best way to do it. The people who you let your guard down with the most are the ones who are going to likely be the ones to give it to you, which is why hand washing, keeping your distance, wearing a mask if you are in large groups and you're concerned about your health are all good things to do to continue to slow the spread of the flu virus. Holiday travel can also contribute to the spread of flu. With a lot of people close together inside of terminals or on planes - even personal cars - it is easier for the virus to be transferred.

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MORNING SEASON AND BREAK OD 12 THE FAMILY 20 GATHERING

TIM: FLU SEASON AND THE FAMILY GATHERING Dr. William Knight of SouthCoast Medicine says holiday gatherings are a main spreader of the flu virus - and people could be even more vulnerable this year because it has already been an active flu season. He advises everyone to be aware of common symptoms - fever, chills, body aches - and to be careful in crowds, even if they it is family you are gathering with.

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Vo While some hospitals around the country are struggling... Covered Sot "There's a lot of respiratory stuff out there right now." Vo One here in the Lowcountry isn't seeing the same tripledemic impacts. Sot: (Dr. Kurt Gambla - CMO, Beaufort Memorial Hospital) "So knock wood, so far locally we've done pretty well." Vo Dr. Kurt Gambla is the Chief Medical Officer here at Beaufort Memorial. Sot "We're pretty comfortable right now with our capacity in the ICU and on the floors." Vo Researching data elsewhere... Nat Vo He knows they're fortunate. Sot "Our marker is how many patients we're admitting and while we're seeing an increase from the last two weeks over the two weeks before, the numbers are not crazy." Vo Although he's comfortable now, he knows holiday travel Nat Vo And the big gatherings that with it are about to pick up... Sot "I'm a little concerned. Again we've seen an uptick the last couple of weeks in the Covid cases and the holiday milieu is sort of a recipe for more exposure." Vo He's clear this isn't an emergency situation, just something to be aware of as you get on the road to visit loved ones. In the spirit of the holidays, Dr. Gambla found a silver lining for your gatherings too. Sot "The good news I guess, if there could be good news about it, you only have to remember one set of rules and it's the same set of rules that we've been talking about." On cam tag Of course you know what those are at this point. Hand washing is huge and you'll be more at risk crowded in an indoor space than spread out around an outdoor one. Dr. Gambla also says if you're looking to get your immune system a holiday gift, flu and Covid vaccines are

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SC WINTER

ILLNESS LATEST a great way to go. Reporting from Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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Once a month Ashley Krahwinkel (CRAH-WINKLE) brings her 4 month old daughter Maddie to SouthCoast Pediatrics to receive a treatment that lessens the risk of getting Respiratory Syncyctial Virus or RSV. "We had a little bit of a scare of RSV I would say about a month ago now." That's in part because of an uptick in RSV cases over the past month according to pediatricians. "We probably see RSV in the office every single day." The symptoms are kind of like the Flu. You may have a runny nose or fever but infants like Maddie are at higher risk of getting RSV with more severe symptoms, according to Dr. Amanda Hendricks. "An infant is much more at risk to develop that bronchiolitis syndrome that we talk about with RSV where they get a lot more inflammation in their smallest airways. produce a lot of mucus." And Maddie was born prematurely, so her doctor says it's even more vital she gets the treatment to lessen the chance of getting RSV. The treatment is only available to high risk patients. "We obviously want to do everything to prevent her from getting it because if she were to get RSV I think it would be very terrifying for us." Hendricks says if a baby is breathing 60 or more times a minute that's a sign to see a doctor or go to the hospital. She also says RSV may spread even more now... "With the holidays coming up more people traveling and getting together my suspicion is we may see another sort of rise in cases or outbreak of RSV." "And as the holidays are already here and you may be visiting family and friends or their coming to see you, they both say it's important to put the health of children and babies first." "Ask people to wash their hands before they hold her. Don't touch her hands. Don't kiss her. If you really want to do anything, touch her feet, touch her belly." And it never hurts to wash your hands frequently and stay away from others if you're coming down with a cold. "Just think about them first" Camille Syed WTOC News.

**RSV CASES RISING AHEAD** OF HOLIDAYS

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Last week, we talked to the folks here at the Beaufort Jasper Water Sewer Authority to get some tips for you about avoiding any pipe problems the cold temperatures brought over the weekend. Well today, we wanted to check back in with them to see how their customers did." Sot: (Pam Flasch - Director of Public Affairs, BJWSA) "We're estimating that we saw around 3000 folks with leaks." Vo That comes out to about 5% of their customers, as BJWSA serves around 60,000 Lowcountry homes. Sot "That led to some low pressure system areas and so we're monitoring those right now and we're asking customers to check for leaks, shut off their valves if they suspect they have leaks." Vo She says if temperatures drop below freezing again, there are still precautions you can take. Sot "Tonight again, drip those lines make sure your pipes are insulated and do everything you can to avoid any of this tomorrow." On cam tag They tell me the warmer temperatures on the way throughout the later part of this week will certainly be a welcome site, as they say the high fluctuations in these weather patterns shouldn't cause you any more problems. Reporting from Beaufort County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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TYLER: FOZEN **PIPES** 

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Beth Grubbs / Chatham County Health Department Rabies Program Manager "We don't have the animals to test all the time so it is kind of hit or miss, some years are heavier for coming back positive, some years are less so I've been doing this for a long time and you just never know." If you don't have the animal for testing -- the emergency room is the only way to get post exposure rabies treatment. Experts say you should always report bites to animal services or the health department.

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5AM SARAH: RABIES TESTING **AWARENESS** 

Rabies is usually 100 percent fatal - so it is something to take seriously. When it comes to pets - get them vaccinated. When it come to kids-- it all starts with a conversation. Experts recommend teaching your kids to love your own animals and leave all other animals alone. Chatham County Health Officials say there are a lot of high-risk animals in our region -- which includes raccoons, bats, foxes and bobcats. Also - feral cats since they are eating from the same source as the other animals. The most recent case in the county - where they were able to actually test the raccoon is rare because they don't

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RABIES TESTING **AWARENESS** 

always have access to the animal after a bite.

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The Georgia Department of Transportation is making it easier for travelers on the roads over the holiday weekend. Lane closures for construction on Georgia state roads and interstates will stop at 5 A-M tomorrow morning. The D-O-T says they will not return until Monday at 5 a.m.

ISSUE 4-FIRE SAFETY-ALERTING THE COMMUNITY OF FIRES IN THE AREA MAKING THEM MORE AWARE OF PREVENTING FIRE IN THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES. HOMELESS CAMP FIRE, POPEYES FIRE ON 1-95, FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL, BULLOCH CO. NEW FIRE CHIEF, CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY, CHATHAM FIRE FEE BILL EXPLAINED, FIRE DEPARTMENTS SEND A LITTLE HOLIDAY CHEER WITH SANTA TO LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD KIDS, HARDEEVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT ISO RATING, OLD SAVANNAH TROLLEY FIRE SOURCE: FIRE FIGHTER, SAV. FIRE DEPT AND OTHER AREA DEPTS

According to Savannah fire, a some tires with clothes in them caught on fire just before noon. The fire caused dense smoke over Truman Parkway. Savannah Fire was quickly able to put the fire out. There were no injuries reported- but both lanes of the Parkway between Henry Street and President Street are closed for now. The bridge must be fully inspected before reopening.

10/1/2022 SAT 7PM HOMELESS 7:00:00 PM 8BRK OD CAMP FIRE

MINI: \*nats of fire trucks\* Firefighters say they battled heavy smoke and flames at this multi-family home in Savannah. Oscar Garza/Displace by fire: "My bathroom is messed up, and everything is like, really messed up." Oscar Garza lives in the building and will have to find another place to sleep tonight as the fire forced him and three others out of their home. \*nats of scene\* Garza says he heard screaming from his roommates and thought they were arguing... Oscar Garza/Displace by fire: "...but then I see the smoke and I see people knocking the door. So I'm like, 'the smoke is black so that's weird." He says firefighters arrived on scene quickly. Oscar Garza/Displace by fire: "The guy was like, 'Hey, get out, get out," because there's something happening there's smoke outside. So I went outside and I saw the fire." Firefighters say the flames started on a back porch on the second floor and spread in the apartment, through the floor and into a unit below. William Handy/Savannah Fire: "The fire had gotten in between the floors into the attic so they had to cut a hole in the roof to help get access in the vent for the heated gases and smoke." Firefighters were eventually able to put out the flames preventing them spreading even further. As for what caused the fire...? William Handy/Savannah Fire: "We're going to look into it. We just know it was on the back area, back side of the home so we're going to look into a little further." With the flames now put out...Garza says he's not sure how to process what happened. Oscar Garza/Displace by fire: "I don't know how to explain it, it's just weird to me." Savannah Fire says no one was injured The Red Cross will assist those displaced. In Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

10/1/2022 SAT 7PM FLYNN: EAST 7:00:00 PM 8BRK OD HALL ST. FIRE

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Staff at restaurants in this Richmond Hill travel center were cleaning up the damage after an earlier Sunday morning fire. "We're still fairly early in the investigation. At this point, we haven't made a determination on the actual cause of the fire. But it does appear that the origin was in the office area of the Fudruckers restaurant." Firefighters say the fire happened at 2:45 in the morning Sunday. "It did advance through the attic space and once we got all that knocked down, there's extensive damage to the two restaurants which are Popeyes and Fudruckers." The Richmond Hill Fire Department says neighboring agencies were called in to help put out the blaze. "We had to get up on the roof and pull some of that roof lining to get to the fire. There's damage to the business part, some of the offices. And there's extensive water, smoke and heat damage." As investigators now work to determine a cause. "You have to look at all the information that's available from video, photos. You examine the fire patterns inside the actual area where the fire occurred."

RICHMOND HILL POPEYES FIRE FOLO

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"We will continue our work with our partner agencies and our new inter-agency council on homelessness to really find long-term solutions that address the situation, that does not move the situation. And we want to make sure long term that we have solutions to be able to keep our citizens - and they are our citizens - and keep them safe." Luckily no injuries were reported because of this fire.

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FLYNN: SAV 10/9/2022 WKEND FIREFIGHTER 6:30:00 PM 6:30PM OD MEMORIAL A procession of first responders layed roses at the Fallen Firefighters Monument outside Savannah Fire headqarters. The annual ceremony memorializes the 27 firefighters from four area counties who died in the line of duty. Savannah Fire's Interim Chief says the ceremony aims to recognize those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

It starts with the reading of name. \*nats of names being read\* Then is followed by the ringing of a bell. \*nats of bell ringing\* And is finished with a rose-laying. Samantha Simmons/Attendee: "I'm here honoring my father. It's so important that we come here every year to make sure to keep his memories alive and let no one forget about him." Samantha Simmons says her father...firefighter Norman Simmons died in 1991 after battling a church fire. She was among other families that laid a rose at the base of the Fallen Firefighters Monument. Fire officials read the names of the 27 firefighters from four area counties who have died in the line of duty throughout department history. Samantha Simmons/Attendee: "I'm walking and I'm thinking about him. I'm seeing him in my mind and just his sacrifice." It's part of an annual ceremony hosted by the Savannah-Chatham County Fire Chief's Association that brings together departments from across the area to recognize the service of fallen firefighters. Elzie Kitchen/Interim Fire Chief: "There's an importance that we put on to honor the people that lead the way for us and that gave their life to the fire profession. That's an honor that, as firefighters, we put a lot of pride in." Firefighters say the ceremony provides a way to gain support. Elzie Kitchen/Interim Fire Chief: "When things happen, we give an outpouring to any department in the area and they do the same for us. It's a brotherhood that you can't describe in words. And for Simmons... it's a chance to keep her father's memory alive and share his sacrifice with her family's younger generation. Samantha Simmons/Attendee: "He didn't get a chance to meet his grandchildren. And so, that's what I'm thinking about when I'm walking up there and saying, 'Daddy, I'm going to represent you every year." A community coming together...giving the last bell... \*nats of bell\* ...to those who gave their communities so much.

10/9/2022 11PM FIREFIGHTER
11:01:00 PM WEEKEND OD MEMORIAL

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SAVANNAH FIRE DEPARTMENT 2021 AWARDS CEREMONY was held today at the City of Savannah Cultural Arts Center. Firefighters who make the most significant contributions to the department are nominated by their peers to receive the honors. A number of current and retired firefighters were honored. Including The 2021 Fire Officer of the Year, Capt. Joshua Homan, who was honored for his effort to automate the department's workflow process.

?(sot) Bulloch County's newly-named fire chief says he's honored with the selection but also knows it comes at a critical time for the department and the community. (vo) Ben Tapley changed his email signature to drop the "interim" part of his title. He's been filling in for the job for the past six months, but now it feels more permanent. (sot) Now I have a purpose and I know where we're going. And I have the support of everyone around me. (vo) As a 30 year career first-responder, he'll oversee a crucial transition as the county continues to add career firefighters to a department that's traditionally been volunteer. He's also bringing new equipment and staffed fire stations too. (sot) We have a five to ten year plan that we're currently working on. Ben is familiar with that plan and is implementing aspects of it. (vo) And the county continues to grow, with likely more homes and businesses on the way. Tapley says his job now goes beyond reacting and responding, but planning and preparing too. (sot) We need to get ahead of this growth and prepare and make sure we can deliver all the services... (vo) He says he's grateful for the chance to lead the department toward the future. (sot) In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady

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DAL: BULLOCH FIRE CHIEF

WTOC news.

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GLYNN COUNTY, Ga. (WTOC) - Evacuation orders for the surrounding neighborhoods have been lifted after a fire was extinguished at a chemical plant in Glynn County on Monday. The Symrise Chemical Plant was evacuated after multiple explosions were reported Monday morning. One initial explosion and two subsequent explosions happened. Firefighters had to pull back as the 1.3-million-gallon water supply on scene started to run out. The sheriff's office had evacuated Hickory Bluff, Sanctuary Cove, Satilla Shores and Royal Oaks neighborhoods. Two schools were sheltering in place. In total, officials believe about 100 households were evacuated. Minor injuries to one firefighter have been reported, according to a post on the Glynn County Commission's Facebook page. That firefighter is stable as of late Monday morning. No civilians have been injured. Glynn County fire crews confirmed the chemical they were dealing with is hydrogen peroxide pinene. This chemical is used for things such as fragrance in mineral oils. Helping Glynn County included crews from Camden County, Nahunta, Brunswick, Jekyll Island, Jacksonville, Fla., and Savannah Fire. There were also staff from Glynn County Emergency Management, Department of Natural Resources as well as officers from Glynn Cunty Police Department, Glynn County Sheriff's Office and Camden County Sheriff's Office. A Hazmat team from Jacksonville also responded. The state fire marshal's office has been called to investigate the cause of the fire and explosions.

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GLYNN CO. CHEMICAL FIRE

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**SAVANNAH** APPOINTS FIRE CHIEF

Kitchen says in a statement that the offer is an honor, writing in part, "My selection shows other City employees that you can start in an entry-level position and make it to the top of a department." His appointment is effective immediately.

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It took hours for fire crews from Garden City and Savannah to put out two buildings engulfed in flames at Azure Cove Apartments. "People came home to their entire apartment complex gone their belongings lost and many of them asking how did this happened? Some of them who were in that building when it happened are thanking God their lives were saved" One of those people was James Outland "I was laying down basically I smelled the smoke and thought someone had been in their cooking. The upstairs neighbor came down banging on the door got me out and said it's fire it's fire I saw the smoke" He only had seconds to try to process what was happening "I was scared I didn't really know what was going on" A garden city council member on the scene says a company was doing electrical work -- they saw the sparks and flames - But they waited 10 minutes to call police because they were trying to put it out themselves "I can't do any school work, my school stuff was in there my school clothes...do you have anywhere to go? probably my grandma's house" Tonight the people in those two buildings like Outland will have to find shelter -- and eventually try to replace what they've lost. "At Azure Cove Apartments Alyssa Jackson WTOC News"

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AZURE COVE 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD **FIRE** 

"This has been devastating for people living here. Take a look at the damage to a building at Azure Cove apartments here in Garden City. You can see just how much damage happened and you can see some scattered belongings as well. People say they've lost everything." "I instantly went to panicking." Panicking after Nevaeh and Calvin Williams got a call no one wants to receive..their apartment was up in flames. Several people living here in building 800 told WTOC they have been without water for a while now. "It was off since last week Friday." They say a contractor was working on fixing the water problem when the fire erupted. They say there was a delay in calling 911 because workers were trying to put the fire out themselves. The Williams were excited to finally come home to running water but instead came back to ashes. "It hurts for real. My grandma's stuff was up there. I don't know how to feel. It's unbelievable." We haven't been able to confirm how the fire started yet with Garden City Fire or Azure Cove officials. A firefighter did tell me getting water to put the fire out was not a problem when firefighters arrived. The president of Garden City's neighborhood association, Donna Williams, said Azure Cove management told her more than 40 people are displaced including nearly a dozen children. She and faith based organizations are providing several necessities to those who are now without the basics because of this fire. "From underclothes, because they literally have the clothes off their backs, shoes and one family said hey I need a jacket this is all I have." Donna says Azure Cove is offering those displaced room in a shelter in the meantime. We did ask the property owners for a statement and have not received it yet.

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**GARDEN CITY** APT FIRE FOLO

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Camille Syed WTOC News.

"There are several that are still in hotels. The property owners were able to relocate some of the displaced families to other properties they own. In addition to working with other apartment communities...their competitors, to relocate them into those properties. Red Cross is actively working with displaced residents they've issued debit cards for assistance with supplies and other things like that." The city manager says the red cross has placed the fire victims into a longer term program for assistance. Jesus First Community Church is also accepting donations for kids and adults. Fire crews did tell WTOC the next day they do not believe the fire was arson.

11/17/2022 4:30:00 AM 4:30AM DAYBREAK OD

**AZURE COVE APARTMENT** FIRE UDPATE

"We're all going to be struggling to pay it." "Some property owners living in unincorporated Chatham County are paying more than double what they used to for fire services. Take a look at these two bills from John Randall. The first one is for \$137, that was back when it was a subscription. Now, he has a \$300 bill to pay for fire fees." In May, Chatham County officials decided the fee would be calculated based on the square footage of all structures on your property plus a \$100 flat fee. The Chatham County Commission decided to implement fire service fees after they learned 1/3 of unincorporated Chatham County residents weren't paying their subscription to Chatham Fire, which is a private company. John Randall says this is the highest his bill has been for the 22 years he's been living here. "I'm not one that wasn't paying but now I 'm the one that's getting punished by the payments that other people didn't make." Randall has two properties. His other bill also went up more than a hundred dollars. County officials have said in the past some would see an increase and others would see a decrease in the fee. "Everybody I've talked to around me has bills of \$300." In a statement, a Chatham County spokesperson says they do not have a payment plan for the bills. They say in part, while the fees do have to be paid in 30 days, county staff is working with the Board of Commissioners to give property owners an extra 30 days to pay the bill. Randall says it will be a struggle even with extra time. "Especially at this time of the year, we just paid our taxes in November on all our property. Now here it is right at the end of the year at Christmas trying to come up with an extra \$300 per property and most people on fixed income don't have it." You can appeal the fire services fee if you can't afford the bill, the link for that will be on our website WTOC dot com. In Chatham County Camille Syed WTOC News.

**CHATHAM FIRE FEE BILLS EXPLAINED** 

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(sot) You can see the damage behind me where fire crews believe this fire started. They say it spread up, spread over, and spread out to all 16 units. (vo) The entire building at Raymonia Apartments remains closed off after a fire on Sunday. Christopher Bryant lives with an uncle and got here while it burned. (sot) When I came over here, I saw everything lit up and my uncle said that the apartments here caught on fire. (vo) The fire spread to at least partly damage all 16 units, on both sides of a fire wall down the center. For some, it's strictly water and smoke. But even that's substantial. Fire crews are thankful everyone got out safely. (sot) Knowing that everybody is home on the weekends, we enlisted the police. EMS was helping get people out of their homes. (vo) He's thankful for the local agencies that helped families with hotel rooms for finding them a temporary place to stay. But at least some of the homes will need major repairs for families to return. (sot) ...a whole lot of people lost all their stuff and have to start all the way over. (vo) Then crews had to come back Sunday night to deal with two separate fires in other apartments...something they want the fire marshal to check during the investigation. (sot) While firefighters wait for details from the fire marshal, they're working with local agencies to help these families. In Vidalia, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

**VIDALIA APARTMENT FIRF** 

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(sot) As you start looking for your perfect Christmas tree, one grower I spoke with says you need to do a little homework before you come shopping. (vo) Gary Weaver started raising Christmas trees almost a decade ago and now has several varieties across six acres. He says some people come shopping without an idea of the size they need or where in their house it's going. (sot) ..definitely know your ceiling height. Because a nine foot tree won't fit a seven food ceiling. And stick with that. If you've got an eight foot ceiling, you don't need more than a seven foot tree. (vo) He says knowing your space can help you decide how tall or how wide a tree you need. He also reminds people they have water and maintain the tree or they risk having a fire hazzard. As a retired fire chief, he knows all too well how quickly trees and other decorations can burn. He says a few basic steps can reduce the risk. (sot) Of course, anytime you can eliminate an extension cord, do that. If you do need one, use one that's large enough to accommodate the lights you have on the tree. (vo) He suggests unplugging the lights from their power source when you go to bed or go to work. He also says keep trees and other decorations away from fireplaces and other heat sources. (sot) He also suggests you go online to the Georgia Christmas Tree Growers Association because they have plenty of helpful informaiton. In Screven County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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**CHRISTMAS** TREE SAFETY

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Here's a look back at year's past. It starts tomorrow at 6 p-m. The agency says they'll keep going until Santa has visited every street in their service area. Santa's schedule will be posted on Burton Fire's Facebook page...along with any updates. They say any streets missed will be made up...so keep an eye out for the big red fire trucks...and the man in the big red suit throughout the holiday season.

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**BURTON FIRE** SANTA VISITS **TOMORROW** 

Standup: The Insurance Service Organization rates departments like the Hardeeville Fire Department behind me on their safety practices on a scale of 10 to 1 with one being the best score you can get. Recently they improved the score of the Hardeeville Fire Department, but what does that mean for you? "It will save residents along with investors and future investors money here in the city." Vo He says the department's achievement will save folks a variety of dollars depending on your insurance provider with extra incentives for commercial and industrial customers. They've been bumped to a class 2 rating... meaning not just good things for your wallet, but the city as a whole. Sot "Class two departments make up about four percent of the departments in the nation right now." Vo Clearly it's a prestigious club, so I asked what goes into this distinction. Sot "A lot of paperwork with hydrant flows, building inspections, with equipment, with training, just making sure that we're keeping up with our end of the bargain for the adequate protection of structures in the city." On cam tag Chief Rowell says when this goes into effect in March all you have to do is go to your insurance provider and let them know this has happened at your local fire department, from there they'll make the price adjustments

**HARDEEVILLE** FIRE DEPT. ISO

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necessary for your rate to drop. Reporting from Hardeeville, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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Throughout the month of December all divisions will be escorting Santa through neighborhoods throughout the county. This week Wilmington Island will be able to catch a glimpse of Santa. First responders will have the siren and the lights flashing on fire trucks. And they'll be throwing out candy. This will happen today and tomorrow. We caught up with lieutenant Carl Sapp before this weekend. He told us this weeks detail will be special.

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ARIA: SANTA 4PM OD **DETAIL** 

LL: Richmond Hill firefighters say that out of all the calls they respond to during the year, this operation is one of the most important. PKG: \*nats of cheering\* For most kids this time of year...a visit from Santa is at the top of their list. It's a meeting the Richmond Hill Fire Department helps put on each year. "This is by far one of the best days of the year." Dubbed "Operation: Presents Under the Tree," the department welcomes in over 100 students with disabilities throughout the holidays. For a visit with the big guy himself...and to receive a gift. \*nats of Santa laughing\* Using the roughly 15-thousand dollars donated through their annual Spring Fling event...firefighters provide help to those of all ages in need. Whether it's giving toys to kids...or helping adults find housing...chief Brendon Greene says the need this year is greater than ever. "At this point, only being in the middle of December, we're already at an annual high, this is the most we've ever had." And for these students...a small...scaled down event is the best way to spread holiday cheer. "Typically...a big party for them...having to see Santa can be very overwhelming. So...they make it very small...very easy going for our kids." And some not able to contain their excitement. \*nats of laughing\* "To have something special to look forward to is so important." Firefighters answering a very \*spirited\* call to serve this holiday season. LL: If you want to help, there is still time. The department will be hosting a community breakfast Saturday morning here at station 1. They'll be accepting donations for kids in need this holiday season. In RH...FS...WTOCN.

RICHMOND HILL FIRE XMAS **PARTY** 

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The department held their annual Breakfast with Santa community event this morning. Firefighters cooked up sausage, pancakes, potatoes and eggs for people to enjoy.. there was also a couple of bounce houses and a snow machine for the kids. And of course, kids were able to meet Santa & Drs. Claus. The breakfast is a tradition for the Richmond Hill Fire Department, which Chief Brendon Greene says they always look forward to.

"Typically, we see people on incidents in some of their worst moments. So to be able to spend some good quality time with them, get to know them, let them get t know some of our firefighters, it's a tremendous building event. Not only for the community, but for our team as well. Our team truly enjoys these events where we get to mix and mingle with the community, get to introduce each other. It's just a really well built event that we're really able to spend some quality time, enjoy the holidays." The breakfast was free and open to the public, though everyone was encouraged to bring a toy to donate to the department's Operation Presents Under the Tree initiative.

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WEEKEND OD SANTA

12/17/2022

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**BREAKFAST W** 

PKG NAT The sirens were loud for everyone to hear as Santa and his helpers, from the Lyons Fire Department, made their rounds delivering Christmas cheer. NAT It's the fourth year of the Santa Train. "I always thought about it and I got with our guys at the fire department and they were all in for it." At each stop ... NAT ... gifts and treats were handed out to kids of all ages. NAT – "Mystery machine!" NAT- "I got Scooby-Doo!" Fire Chief Darel Corley says the department collects dozens of toys all year, from barbie dolls to puzzles. He says their goal is to not only bring smiles to everyone's faces, but to make sure that no kid gets left behind this Christmas. "This is what it's all about. These kids here that don't get anything, some of them do, some of them don't, but the ones that don't you can tell when you're out here doing this the ones that wouldn't have been getting anything." "Oh my goodness! Hey! Merry Christmas!" With toys in hand, it was time for a photo opp with Jolly Ol' Saint Nick. "Merry Christmas!" Mariah Congedo .... NAT .... WTOC News.

12/17/2022 11PM MARIAH: SANTA 11:25:00 PM WEEKEND OD TRAIN

7AM 12/18/2022 DAYBREAK RINCON 7:00:00 AM SUNDAY OD EXPLOSION Rincon fire responded to a reported explosion early Saturday morning. It happened at 400 Governor Treut-len Drive where officials discovered an oxidizer tank fully engulfed. They were able to put it out and no injuries were reported. The D-R-T America plant safety team is investigating.

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Covered Sot "Best time of year, absolutely." Vo That's something we hear a lot during the holidays... especially from people who love the season enough to go allIllI out with lights, lights and more lights. When you get this far into it... Covered Sot "Well at this point it's too big to fail, we can't stop." Vo There's no turning back. Covered sot Sot "I think 10,000 strands was last year and we're probably around that same number, but it takes a lot of time, energy and effort to put up all these lights." Vo As we all know these amazing displays are typically at a house or two... but here on Hilton Head... it's a firehouse instead. "We've got seven stations around the island. This station is the Christmas station." Vo Station 3 on the island goes all out... starting their decorating in October and taking nearly two months to complete the whole drive through display. Sot "It really took off probably around 12 years ago. It started as a competition between the seven stations." Vo Ferguson, who's been here for 21 years and captains the station, says it really wasn't much of a competition. Sot "All the other stations were like 'oh we can't beat them, so we're just going to let station three have all of that." Vo Normally, they're acting like Prancer here... but he says these lights bring extra smiles into their difficult days... and no I'm not just talking about the ones on these inflatables. Sot "We get to see the people that we interact with on an emergency call, we get to see them in a non emergency situation." On cam tag He tells me the lights and inflatables will all be up until January 1st so you've still got a few days to come out and see them. He says at that point the firefighters here at station three will start taking them down strand by strand. Reporting from Hilton Head Island, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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HHI FIREHOUSE LIGHTS

Pembroke Fire worked through the day and night to put out the massive house fire. The 80 year old homeowner is being called the true hero though. Firefighters say the smoke woke him up. He had to pull his wife out of the fire through a window. Since he didn't have a phone, the man drove to fire station to wake up firefighters. Crews fought the blaze through the morning. The home is destroyed, but luckily the couple was not hurt.

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11:01:00 PM 11PM OD BRYAN CO FIRE

LL: Staff here at this Parker's gas station say they got quite the scare when they were on their regular shift, looked out the window, and saw a trolley engulfed in flames. PKG: This cell phone video shows the Old Savannah Tours trolley fully engulfed . Firefighters say it was a mechanical fire. Parker's staff say they were checking out customers when the blaze started. "Next thing we know, someone off of the tour bus, which I believe was one lady, ran in and said, 'there's a fire, there's a fire." We spoke to the trolley driver. She didn't want to go on camera but said she came to the Parker's gas station to fill up her tank after dropping off a wedding party. The driver...said the trolley started filling up with smoke. She says she then pulled out into the road...away from the gas station. That's when the trolley went up in flames. The driver says she was the only person on the trolley when the fire broke out. Parker's staff say the fire started quickly. "It was very big. We were very nervous, but we got the pump shut off. It definitely was within minutes before the tree next to it started to light up too." This isn't the first time an Old Savannah Tours trolley has caught fire. Back in May of 20-19.... there was an engine electrical fire on an Old Savannah Tours trolley near Forsyth Park. We tried to talk with Old Savannah Tour staff on scene...but they declined comment. Parker's staff say they shut off the gas line following this fire and said the situation could've ended worse with flames so close to gas pumps. "Had she been a few feet closer, it could've been very dangerous." \*nats of shoveling\* Once the flames were out...crews switched to clean up efforts...before the trolley was towed away. LL: Savannah Fire says no one was injured in the blaze. There is no threat to surrounding gas stations or businesses. Reporting in Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

FLYNN: SAVANNAH TROLLEY FIRE

12/30/2022

12/21/2022

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## DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

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#### **FACE THE NATION**

12/25/22

**Guests:** Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jeff Pegues, CBS News chief national affairs and justice correspondent (2); Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent (2); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (2); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (2); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (2)

Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (3)

2) annual CBS News correspondents year-end roundtable topics include: student loan

forgiveness;

#### **60 MINUTES**

12/11/22

**"College of Magic"** – a report on the College of Magic in Cape Town, South Africa. The nonprofit organization aims to teach students about magic while fostering community. Includes interviews with Sinethemba Bawuti, a teacher and graduate; David Gore, the dean and founder; Michael Barta, teacher; Duma Mgqoki, Nakhane Ntame, Mylo Dreyersmith, and Lulo Stofile, students; and Belinda and Shawn Stofile, Lulo's parents. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael H. Gavshon, Nadim Roberts)

#### **INVESTIGATE TV**

### 10/16/22-EPISODE 5, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - This Week on InvestigateTV: We cover the nation's patchwork of special education requirements, the challenges families face qualifying for these programs and reveal states are getting short changed on federal special education funding. Next, as homeschooling numbers remain high post-pandemic, we uncover parents teaching their kids at home with the help of taxpayer money. Plus, scammers find a new way to catch you with your guard down, as con artists now target teachers during the school day.

## 10/30/22 -EPISODE 7, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - THIS WEEK ON INVESTIGATETV: Public universities are firing losing coaches, paying millions of dollars to buy out their contracts. The national investigative team breaks down the big spenders – and looks at the finances of college sports.

## WTOC SPECIAL NEWS REPORT

#### 11/30/22-9:48AM-10:50AM-

WORD OF SCHOOL SHOOTING TURNED HOAX AT SAVANNAH HIGH.

WTOC NEWSCASTS

ISSUE 5-SCHOOL SAFETY-HOW SCHOOLS ARE PROTECTING THEIR STUDENTS AND WHAT MEASURES ADMINS HAVE TAKEN. HOW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE PLANNING TO KEEP KIDS SAFE WHEN THEY GO BACK TO SCHOOL. BENEDICTINE RAISING AWARENESS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SPD SPEED CAMERAS, ROTC TEACHER COURT HEARING, SCHOOL THREAT CALLS, METTER PRANK WAR WARNING, DHEC IMMUNIZATIONS FOR MILITARY KIDS, SCHOOLS CLOSING FOR TROPICAL STORMS, STATESBORO HIGH CANCELS GAME AGAINST JENKINS FOR THREAT, MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER ARRESTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, SUSIE KING SPEED CAMERAS, SCCPSS OPOID AWARENESS, SAVANNAH HIGH SHOOTER HOAX WITH OTHERS IN STATE, DRIVER PLOWS INTO GSU DORM LEAVING 40 TO RELOCATE, SCCPSS MEETING DISCUSSING BETTER WAYS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION TO PARENTS AFTER SHOOTING HOAX, BULLOCH CO. SCHOOL ADMIN BATTERY ARREST SOURCE: CAMPUS POLICE, DR. ANN IEVETT BEAUFORT AND OTHER CO. SCHOOLS, GSU ETC

10 years ago on Halloween night ... 36-year old Melithia Singleton was killed by an ex-boyfriend. Her eight-yearold son is the one that found her ... and thought it was a terrible Halloween prank. "My sister pulled the cover, and there was like puddles of blood everywhere, scratch marks on her face, stab marks and I'm like, 'dang' so I go downstairs, I leave, still thinking it's a prank... and I go 'whats wrong, like is everything alright?' and she said, well your mom, she passed away and I looked, I turned around and looked at my uncle and looked outside and then I just broke down in tears." Lamont Mitchell is no longer that little boy ... he's a young man now and senior at Benedictine Military School where he is part of their championship football team. "The only reason why I started playing football is really for her, and really to get my anger out." Mitchell helped identify the man responsible for his mother's death to police. He is currently behind bars ... but Mitchell said he went through some really hard years following that night. "They would kind of make fun of me in third grade because I was saying 'dang my mom died,' they was like, 'you got held back, your momma died, you got held back,' and I was like, dang, that's crazy so I kept crying every night. I wanted to do a whole bunch of things. I wanted to commit suicide, everything, because I didn't like it." Fast forward several years ... Mitchell is a student at BC ... a place he says helped save him. "He has grown a lot. Really he's matured so much, you know, as a young man. You know, when he first got here, sometimes if things didn't go his way, he'd get really, really flustered and didn't know how to handle it, and I have seen that change into a young man and now he knows how to handle it." Last season, Mitchell wore a towel that said "Rest in Peace Mom" when he would take the field ... but he wanted to do more. He went to Cadets Head Coach Danny Britt and asked if they could do something in October for domestic violence awareness month. "I said 'of course, buddy, I'd love to- how can we help?" The team wore purple ribbon helmet stickers ... the color for DV awareness ... but also his mom's favorite color. They sold wrist bands to benefit SAFE Shelter. "I just kept telling myself, yeah Lamont, you need to help these kids that don't have parents, because I understand when people don't have parents, but people don't understand it the hard way like I understand it." This year, Mitchell was poised for a break-out senior season ... but an ACL tear the first game of the year ended his high school football career. "He had worked really, really hard. Was going to be an intergral part of our team and had opportunities to play at the next level, so for him to go out like that is just heart-breaking, but I'm so proud of him still. He's handled it. He's coming out and supporting the team and still being a leader." With everything he has gone through ... Mitchell said an injury isn't going to set him back. He says he considers himself the 12th man out there ... and couldn't imagine NOT being at practices and games ... rememering a lesson his mom taught him years ago as a kid. "She said 'pain is temporary, but quitting is forever," Mitchell lives with his aunt and uncle ... and still has his dad, sister and cousin in his life ... but he says he has no longer has anger toward the man who took his mother's life. "You've got to forgive and forget. I mean I forgive and forget-- I don't forget the situation, but I forgive the man who did what he did." Mitchell ... in addition to being a student, starting a t-shirt business and holding a job is in the midst of helping to plan this year's Domestic Violence Awareness Game ... and he says he hopes to see the stands filled with people wearing purple for his mom. IN SAVANNAH, LYNDSEY GOUGH, WTOC SPORTS.

6AM BENEDICTINE
DAYBREAK DV

10/1/2022 SATURDAY AWARENESS
6:00:00 AM OD GAME

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11PM 10/1/2022 WEEKEND GSU ARMED

**ROBBERY** 

11:01:00 PM OD

Thanks for joining us on THE News at 11. I'm Hayley Boland. Georgia Southern University police are investigating tonight after an armed robbery at their Statesboro campus.

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11PM 10/1/2022 WEEKEND

10/1/2022 WEEKEND GSU ARMED 11:01:00 PM OD ROBBERY It happened around 8:15 at the Southern Courtyard. The witness has descibed the suspects as 3 males. One is in custody and the other two fled on foot towards the University Villas Construction site. One male was last seen wearing a white hoodie with black pants. Anyone with any information is asked to call the number on your screen.

CHD TEEN VAX The clinic is happening at Windsor Forest High School in Savannah. Space is limited, so you'll CLINIC need to make an appointment online or over the phone with the health department. The health RESCHEDULE department says they will bill your insurance if you have it...but there will be no out-of-pocket costs regardless of your status.

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SPD SPEED **CAMERAS** 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD ACTIVE

10/3/2022

10/3/2022

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10 school zones will have the cameras...from Garrison School of the Arts to Windsor Forest Elementary. Officers say the zones were selected after a speed study. All ten of the ones getting cameras had an excessive number of speeders during school hours.

"The former JROTC instructor at Beach High School, Harry Drayton Jr., facing child molestation charges has entered a plea of not guilty." Appearing before Judge Penny Haas Freeseman at the Chatham County jail, Drayton is also charged with criminal attempt to commit a felony. His case will be going to trial. WTOC obtained a notice of termination mailed to Drayton from the Savannah Chatham County Public School System on January 6th. In part, the notice says there are several video recordings of Drayton using expletives that shoudn't be used with students. It says he told the student how "fine" she is and he took part in sexually suggestive conversations with the student. When the district found out about the possible incident with the student, Dyaton was assigned to another location with no student contact. Drayton resigned on January 19th and turned himself in July. "With this case going to trial, his next appearance in court will be status hearing. There has not been a date set for that hearing at this time. We'll continue to keep you updated on air and online. Reporting in Chatham County, Camille Syed WTOC News."

**ROTC TEACHER** 10/4/2022 COURT 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **HEARING** 

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**SCCPSS SCHOOL** 

10/4/2022

5:53:00 PM 6PM OD

Police placed cameras at 10 different school zones throughout the city. You're taking a look at the list now. They then conducted a study during school hours for a five-day period to see how many drivers sped through the zones. Police say during the study, there was an excessive

CAMERAS UP amount of vehicles found speeding. 00:00:19 "Children don't always use the best judgement sometimes they run out, sometimes they want to go see their friends and they run out into traffic, the whole idea is you are going slow enough that you are able to stop your car. If you are going 10,15, 20 miles per hour over the speed limit, you are not going to be able to stop your vehicle, you are going to end up hitting a child." Starting tomorrow, drivers will receive a warning if they speed in those school zones. After the 30-day warning period is over, violators will receive a ticket they will have to pay in the mail. The cameras will be enforced on school days starting one hour before school starts until one hour after the end of the school day.

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SCCPSS 10/4/2022 **SCHOOL** CAMERAS UP 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD

SCCPSS 10/4/2022 **SCHOOL** 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD **CAMERAS UP** 

The data we obtained from SPD shows-- 12 percent of all vehicles traveling through the school zone in the morning were speeding. 9% were speeding in the afternoon. And only 2% of vehicles were speeding mid-day. Savannah Police spoke today about why this study was so important.

**GSU ARMED** 10/4/2022 **ROBBERY** 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD ARREST

Another was arrested shortly after...and they found the gun used in the robbery. The third suspect was arrested Monday afternoon. University Police identify him as 17-year-old Jayden Carswell from Ridgeland, South Carolina. The other two were only identified as juveniles. All three face armed robbery charges in this case.

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**SPEED** DAYBREAK CAMERAS

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10/5/2022

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Take a look at the 10 school zones that will have speed cameras up -- starting this morning -- the SCHOOL ZONE goal is to eventually have all the school zones in the district with cameras -- but this is the first phase. The speed study done shows that in these areas -- 12 percent of cars were speeding in the morning and 9 percent of cars were speeding in the zones in the afternoon -- Police hope to reduce those numbers by 90 percent with the new cameras.

Asst. Chief Robert Gavin / Savannah Police "We're still going to be enforcing the speed limit but these cameras give us the ability to spread that out and slow people down. This is not a gotcha SCHOOL ZONE moment, this is not trying to be sneaky about it, that is why we are talking about it and giving warnings, we are telling you it is there." Even though they start today -- speeders will just got a warning for the first 30 days -- after that it is a ticket for 75 dollars the first time and 125 dollars for the second offense.

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"He's alright we just got him. It was a long wait but we thank god that everything worked out for the best." "Arriving here some people were freaking out and it's like, you can't do anything. We have to stand here on the sidelines, let's law enforcement do their job." "My method is stay calm, let's get the facts. There's really, by the time I get there, nothing I'm going to be able to do so you just stay calm and hope for the very best." As you just heard, a mix of emotions and reactions from parents out here at Beaufort High today. Some I talked with commended law enforcement on the organization of the reunification process and others were critical of how long it took for parents to be notified that this was all happening.

10/5/2022

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HIGH SCHOOL **THREAT** 

**BEAUFORT** 

**SPEED** 

**START** 

DAYBREAK CAMERAS

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WINDSOR **FOREST** 10/5/2022 WEAPON ON 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD CAMPUS

"What is that kid would've pulled the trigger and the bullet ricochet off the floor, what if he turned around and shot the principle or somebody caught a stray bullet. It's just like if the parents have to go through the metal detectors, the kid should as well." Savannah Chatham County public school officials say they are dedicated to keeping students safe.

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WTOC is following more breaking news out of the Lowcountry - A young person is being questioned after Hampton County 9-1-1 got a call about a possible shooter at Hampton HAMPTON CO. Elementary. That happened around 2:15 this afternoon. Law enforcement cleared the school and located the phone used to make what they're calling a prank call. No shooting took place.

Again - a juvenile is being questioned after this call.

10/5/2022 **SCHOOL** 

THREAT

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD

SC SCHOOL 10/5/2022 THREAT

LATEST

5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD

The state's attorney general says he's "disgusted" by the fake reports, tweeting out earlier today -"False claims aren't a joke and prosecutors across the state will not treat them as jokes."

Lowcountry reporter Tyler Manion will have more on this story coming up on THE News at 6.

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Sot: (Andrew Legree - 11th Grader) "We are in lockdown, this is not a drill and he sounded like he was scared so I said oh my god." Sot: (Grant Schwerin - 11th Grader) "The cops did a really good job, I felt very safe." Sot: (Angel Legree - 9th Grader) "I was crying I was just so scared and then they told us we were good so I was like phew." Sot: (Hunter Kerney - 12th Grader) "It wasn't that scary, I couldn't really hear much but the cops did come in our room and pat us down and everything."

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**BEAUFORT** HIGH THREAT **FAKE CALL** 

"People in the background started screaming gun, gun. I feel like they should be using metal detectors. Today just shows why. The fact that a kid was able to bring a gun into the cafeteria and pull it out in a fight, anything could have happened. The kid could've got shot. The kid could've turned around and started shooting other kids. Anything could have happened." A spokesperson for the school district tells me there are metal detectors and wands on sight but they are only used on students during random administrative inspections and for events where security screenings are used.

BATTERY CREEK &

**INCIDENTS** 

BEAUFORT HIGH

10/5/2022

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Police say the reports came from Beaufort High School and Battery Creek High School. Police say no weapons were found on either campus. Police tell us a student taken into custody at Beaufort High has since been released. One person at Battery Creek High remains in custody. There is also no word yet on if these two situations are connected.

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STATESBORG STADIUM WALK 10/6/2022 SHOOTING 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD ARREST

STATESBORO In a separate update - police arrested a woman for shooting her sister in Statesboro. 28-year-old STADIUM Amber Frazier is facing charges including aggravated assault and a gun charge. The shooting happened yesterday afternoon at the Stadium Walk Apartments on Lanier Drive. Police say the victim was shot in the back and taken to the hospital. Police also believe there was a fight between the two sisters before the shooting happened.

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BN: WHALE BRANCH MIDDLE SCHOOL THREAT

10/6/2022

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD

We just learned that the call came in around 3:30, close to dismissal time. School officials and law enforcement are working to get students released while also conducting their standard sweep of the school. This is the third threat called into a Beaufort County school today. The other 2 incidents happened at Beaufort High School and Battery Creek High School. Police say no weapons were found on either campus today. One person at Battery Creek High remains in custody after police found evidence the student had a weapon yesterday.

(sot) Metter Police say the last thing they want is to stop some harmless, good clean, fun. But when it it involves damage to property or injury to people, that takes it to a whole 'nother level. (vo) The rolls of paper return each year for Metter High's Homecoming week. It's part of an annual war of pranks between juniors and seniors. Police say the majority of students keep things in check with displays like this that will clean up quickly. However, some go to far with paint and other materials...or they bring the pranks to people who aren't taking part in the first place. (sot) Sometimes, when it's just toilet paper and stuff, we can make the kids go back and clean it up. But if they start damaging property and stuff like that, then we have to criminally charge them. (vo) He says a minor issue this week prompted a talk between police, students, and school leaders and things have stayed reasonable since then. (sot) Chief Shore says a simple rule of thumb should be...if you wouldn't want it done to you, don't do it to others. In Metter, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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**METTER** 

CHD MENINGITIS BOOSTER CLINIC

10/14/2022 5:29:00 PM

5:30pm OD

A quick reminder - the Chatham County Health Department is hosting a clinic for a shot needed by all high school juniors. A meningitis booster clinic is happening tomorrow at Windsor Forest High School. The state requires all 16-year-old students in 11th grade to get the shot. You'll need to make an appointment online or over the phone before you go. The health department says they'll bill your insurance when available...There are no out-of-pocket costs for the shot.

Previously-- schools could only accept records from D-HEC's system. Medical providers on the state's military bases do not use the same system. This created a barrier for children to get enrolled in schools. The new decision now removes that barrier and allows schools to accept IMMUNIZATION signed federal forms. State law requires children attending nursery, preschool or any public and FOR MILITARY private school to be up to date on certain shots. Officials say this is only temporary until a solution can be found to allow the different systems to interact.

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**KIDS** 

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EVANS CO. BB Evans County Charter School System says administrators were told about the toy gun on **GUN AT** Tuesday. They immediately contacted the Claxton Police Department. Police found the weapon **SCHOOL** and the student was disciplined by the school. The incident has been turned over Claxton P-D. 00:00:16 Kids fighting -- teachers and an officer trying to break it up ....it was chaos at Johnson High School yesterday That ended with at least one student arrested and another still processing what happened after a teacher put his hands on her. "Someone came behind me and grabbed my hair...and the hoodie I had on and threw me down and I'm thinking it was like a student but when I looked it was a teacher" This is the moment it happened. You can see the teacher coming through the door grabbing the student. The next -- throwing her down. Her father wants accountability from the district and teacher responsible "This someone twice her age jumping on the girl" The teacher is shown right here on top of the student trying to restrain her -- she gets up and he throws her back down "I defend myself got up and I swung on him and my cousin...that's a grown man so he swung on him" Savannah Pendergraph's daughter has been in the juvenile detention center since the fight yesterday and according to her, given felony charges for assaulting an officer. "Just to know you're so close but too far away to do anything." She says she talked to the officer -- and according to Pendergraph, the officer didn't know who assaulted her -- but they only took her daughter away "Handcuffs...take her to jail..for what?" Both parents want the school to handle these situations better -- before it even gets to this point "They failed my baby. She wasn't protected" "we lay in the bed and wonder is our kids really safe when they leave to go to school?"

**JOHNSON** HIGH SCHOOL **FIGHT** 

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Continuing coverage after Statesboro High school has canceled their football game against Jenkins as they investigate a threat they believe was made against the team. Bulloch and Savannah Chatham County Schools say they are investigating a message sent on the social media app SnapChat. They say multiple students and some faculty of reported seeing the threat.

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JENKINS GAME **FORFEIT** 

The schools do say however, they have not been able to confirmed the threat... But they do

believe canceling the game is best for everyone's safety.

SCHOOLS REMOTE

**THURS** 

11/9/2022

7:00:00 PM 7PM OD

BEAUFORT CO Schools across our area are also preparing for the weather. Beaufort County Schools will move online tomorrow. The district sending an email to families this afternoon. They say all district buildings will be closed for the day. Friday was already a scheduled holiday for the schools in

recognition of Veteran's Day.

MCINTOSH COUNTY

11/9/2022 **SCHOOLS** Mcintosh County Schools will also be closed tomorrow and Friday due to any potential impacts 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD **CLOSING** from the storm. We're told as of now, the football game is still set to be played Friday.

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LIBERTY CO

11/9/2022 SCHOOL The Liberty County School System says schools will be closing tomorrow and Friday. This also 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD CLOSURES includes after school activities.

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**JASPER** 

11/9/2022 COUNTY Jasper County Schools will move to eLearning tomorrow and Friday. The district says all after 5:00:00 PM 7PM OD ELEARNING school activities and sporting events are canceled.

HAMPTON 11/9/2022 COUNTY E 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD LEARNING

Hampton County Schools will also be learning virtually tomorrow and Friday. Students will have up to 5 days to complete their assignments.

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NICOLE: 11/9/2022 SCHOOL 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD CLOSURES Here's a look at the districts with changes. Some of them are canceling school completely...while others are asking students and families to do online learning. We have the full list of changes posted right now on WTOC dot com. Just look for this story on our homepage.

**PARENTS REAX TO** 

11/15/2022

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SCCPSS "We're supposed to send them to school and not have to worry about them for that six hours that

they're there but more and more we're having to worry and that's disturbing to me." WTOC's **TEACHER** 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD

PORN ARREST Camille Syed will have the full report coming up later tonight on THE news at 7. 00:00:15

> "It's terrifying. It terrifies me." "When Tina Wilson's son, who's an eighth grader at Mercer Middle School, came home on November 3rd he told her something no parent wants to hear. His teacher was arrested for having child pornography." "His classmate found him on the Chatham County website and then he showed us the screenshot of it." Chellathurai was actually arrested twice once for having child pornography on a electric device on November 1st and a week later on November 10th for charges including child molestation "I was very concerned and upset and immediately started asking had he noticed anything inappropriate." Thankfully, her son said no but... "My main concern is there's other children in this class. My child might be safe but what about the other kids." Wilson said she sent the principal of Mercer Middle this email on November 4th, the day after she find out on ,asking why parents hadn't been notified. "I just sent him an email expressing how upset I was that I had to find out through the students in the class and not from the school. He did apologize and forwarded my emails to the Board of Education Police Department." Two days later on November 6th, parents of eighth graders were sent this email informing them of the 8th grade teacher's arrest. Saying he wouldn't be returning and the students would have a substitute. "We're usually on the back skirts of it and don't know what's going on until our child comes home to tell us and by then we should have already been notified." A Savannah Chatham County Public Schools spokesperson says there was a delay in informing parents because school administrators had to determine how his class would be covered. They

**PARENTS REAX TO SCCPSS TEACHER** 

say they wanted to inform parents of those arrangements at the same time they were informed about the teacher not returning. Chellathurai is still employed by the district and was placed at a site with no student interaction while an investigation into the crimes continues. Camille Syed

7:00:00 PM 7PM OD PORN ARREST WTOC News.

SUSIE KING **SPEED CAMERAS TMRW** 

A reminder for driver's to slow down in school zones - Savannah Police will start a 30-day warning period tomorrow as speed zone cameras are activated outside of Susie King Taylor Community School. The Bull Street school zone is the latest one to have the ticketing technology. It's part of a city-wide effort to make nearly a dozen school zones safer. Again - the warning period starts tomorrow. After it's over - you'll get a ticket in the mail when you get caught speeding.

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11/17/2022

5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD

Also breaking in the last few hours - Police are investigating after a middle schooler was sent to the hospital last night. Evans County Charter Schools says a fight broke out in the parking lot. They say two teens from Statesboro assaulted a Claxton Middle school student. One of the teens used a knife to severely cut the younger student. She was transported to the hospital and later SCHOOL FIGHT released to her parents. The district says there were metal detectors and a bag check at the game... and there will be increased police presence at future games. No one has been charged in the case. The Claxton Police Department is investigating.

INVESTIGATIO 11/18/2022 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD

EVANS CO.

New at 4 - Parents have a chance to look inside a teenager's bedroom to spot the warning signs of drug abuse. The interactive tour is part of an awareness campaign on display in Savannah. R-X Abuse Leadership Initiative and Code- 3 have an interactive trailer open to the public. The trailer is designed to look like a teenager's bedroom. Your job is to spot the hidden warning signs of substance misuse. The trailer is open until 7 P-M tonight. You must be 21 years or older to take a tour. To take the tour, go to The Front Porch facility in Savannah.

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SCCPSS 11/28/2022 OPIOID 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD AWARENESS

"It was set up by mostly parents who lost kids to opioid misuse. So, a lot of the things that they told us they saw, things they would pass on to other parents, are things they saw daily and they didn't know what they were. They had suspicions but they were talked out of those suspicions. So we like to walk educators and parents through the trailer so they can speak from a position of strength when confronting their children." The trailer is open until 7 P-M tonight. You must be 21 years or older to take a tour. To take the tour, go to The Front Porch facility in Savannah.

SCCPSS 11/28/2022 OPIOID 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD AWARENESS SET UP: 11/30/2022 SAVANNAH 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD HIGH HOAX "They just put us in lockdown, had us sit in a classroom, and after they had cops knock on the doors say we okay the cops came in an escorted us out." A scary situation brought a wide-spread response. Savannah high school evacuated after a threat was made against the school... Officials saying it was a HOAX.

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CAMILLE: SAVANNAH HIGH HOAX

11/30/2022

4:00:00 PM 4PM OD

"I immediately started praying. I was just thanking God for waking me up this morning but also praying that he protects me and my brother. Making sure my brother was okay and just praying for all the students that were inside the school. Praying for the families with students inside the school."

Look at the more than a hundred police cars on campus today around 10 this morning. I spoke to Savannah High Student Nevaeh Gadson as she was reunited with her mother and brother. She tells me police were banging on their classroom doors—coming in and making sure students were safe. While Nevaeh is grateful no one was hurt, she says seeing a SWAT team and FBI agents at her school was a terrifying moment for her. After hearing the rumors, she began doing the first thing that came to mind.

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"They yelled it was a lockdown, and teachers started barricading the room.. You saw the cops sweep through, there was some running and yelling, there was a scream at one point. I don't know what was going on." Savannah High Sophomore Hayden Barnett... says this morning's lockdown... was both frightening... and confusing. "I didn't know what was going on. It was so quick, something unreal." Meanwhile, he was trying his best to keep his parents updated. "He had texted me earlier this morning, he said mom, we're all barricaded in our room, we're having a lockdown. They're saying there's an active shooter." And some anxiety-ridden moments followed. "He went silent after that. It spooked me. I was scared. Those were the longest moments of my life." Luckily – after learning that Savannah Chatham school officials said they believe the situation to be a hoax... it was a relief... but some parents are still uneasy. "He's not going back to school tomorrow." The parking lot across from the school... serving as a waiting area for friends and family... eager to see their students. "It's a huge, huge relief. I can't even imagine that

it would be any different. Just a huge relief that they're okay."

SAVANNAH HIGH HOAX PARENTS &

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**HIGH HOAX** 

11/30/2022

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11/30/2022 PARENTS & 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD STUDENTS

SAVANNAH 11/30/2022 HIGH THREAT 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD **SETUP** 

This was the scene at Savannah High this morning - as law enforcement sprang into action over reports of an active shooter. This happened in several counties across Georgia - you can see those highlighted on the other side of your screen. Those thankfully turned out to be false. While no one was hurt...local school leaders say that \*doesn't\* mean there wasn't damage done today. 00:00:22

SCCPSS LATEST

District Superintendent Dr. Ann Levett praised the response we've seen all day, writing, "We all play a role in school safety, and while this hoax was terrifying and incredibly reckless, we saw firsthand the collective responsibility that exists in our community when it comes to protecting our

11/30/2022 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD STATEMENTS children." 00:00:18 "They velled it was a lockdown, and teachers started barricading the room., You saw the cops sweep through, there was some running and velling, there was a scream at one point. I don't know what was going on." Savannah High Sophomore Hayden Barnett... says this morning's lockdown... was both frightening... and confusing. "I didn't know what was going on. It was so quick, something unreal." Meanwhile, he was trying his best to keep his parents updated. "He had texted me earlier this morning, he said mom, we're all barricaded in our room, we're having a lockdown. They're saying there's an active shooter." And some anxiety-ridden moments followed. "He went silent after that. It spooked me. I was scared. Those were the longest moments of my life." Luckily - after learning that Savannah Chatham school officials said they believe the situation to be a hoax... it was a relief... but some parents are still uneasy. "He's not going back to school tomorrow." The parking lot across from the school... serving as a waiting area for friends and family... eager to see their students. "It's a huge, huge relief. I can't even imagine that it would be any different. Just a huge relief that they're okay."

CAMILLE 6P: COMMUNITY

11/30/2022 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD REAX

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"He had texted me earlier this morning, he said mom, we're all barricaded in our room, we're having a lockdown. They're saying there's an active shooter." A fake report of a school shooting caused chaos -- triggering a large law enforcement response until there was an all-clear. This doesn't seem to be an isolated incident though, experts say it's happening across the nation "The calls seem to be coming from the same source or similar source. They seem to be very coordinated" This trend is something mental health expert and licensed social worker Phylicia Anderson says should be taken just as seriously as if it were real "Individually and as a community don't dismiss the impacts of what this event has caused to so many" And experts say first responders, school resource officers, who tend to be the closest in the moment, need to have a similar approach "Law enforcement agencies have to respond to that as if it's happening" Anderson is also the director of a mental health program that supports savannah high...she says parents, students, staff will need the support "Try to get to a calm space because our bodies

probably went into fight or flight mode" With all the videos and social media posts that have been

going around all day, she says adults should make sure students aren't overwhelming themselves

Parents and loved ones ran to their children Wednesday morning hoping they were not in danger

MENTAL HFAI TH **EXPERT ON** 

11/30/2022 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD HOAX ....it's ok to take a break "Please give yourself grace and others around you if they are experiencing some of these troubling emotions" 00:01:30

New at 11 - Newington State Representative Jon Burns echoed a message of support for those feeling mixed emotions tonight. The Republican Speaker of the House Nominee writes in a statement, "While these threats thankfully resulted in no physical harm, I am disgusted by this attempted hoax and the unnecessary anguish it caused for so many children, teachers and concerned families...I remain committed to providing all necessary support to bring the perpetrators of this hoax to justice."

11/30/2022 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD REP. BURNS **STATEMENT** 

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OTHER DISTRICTS And again, it's not just Savannah dealing with the fallout from a hoax call tonight. Investigations are open in at least twelve Georgia counties...similar to calls made to several South Carolina schools last month. As our local law enforcement looks into where the calls came from, we know

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WITH THREATS federal investigators will be involved as well.

5AM 12/1/2022 DAYBREAK FBI ATL 5:00:00 AM **STATEMENT**  The Atlanta Field Office of the FBI issued a statement in response to the hoax calls, saying quote, "The FBI is aware of the numerous?swatting incidents wherein a report of an active shooter at a?school is made. FBI agents across Georgia are working alongside our law enforcement partners in identifying the source of the hoax threats."

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"I really am mad at the school for not even emailing me." Savannah Chatham County School spokesperson Sheila Blanco tells me they were first notified about what they thought was an active shooter situation at 8:45 a.m. ..and parents were sent a call at 9:33 a.m. through a system called power school Blanco says there was a delay because she had to go to the scene and get through several police lines to find out what the situation was. She says she sent initial information for approval at 9:09 a.m. ..and the call to parents went out around 20 mintues later. "I mean come on this is my kid." District three school board member Cornelia Hall representing Savannah High and Early College says parents have told her they're happy with communication and she is pleased as well. "What I think was done well was to wait until we had some verifiable information so we could tell parents exactly what was going on and what to do." Savannah district three alderwoman Linda Wilder Bryan says there were parents and students frustrated over a different situation unfolding at the scene. She says the original plan was to send parents to the Pennsylvania Rec Center or PARC.. "The parents were supposed to go to the parc but when they jumped the fence that created a different chaotic scenario so they had to go to plan B." She says parents and students were not treated fairly but she doesn't point blame at any agency. She just wants better communication just in case a similar situation arises. "The test run...we fell short but it was amazing to see everybody pull together for this community." "I've been on the board ten years now and this is the first time anything this traumatic has happened but I am very pleased with the whole community's response."

SAV HIGH HOAX: LEADERS ON

12/1/2022

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **RESPONSE** 

LONG CO. 12/1/2022 SCHOOL 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD THREAT The sheriff's office says an online post, made yesterday caused concern among school officials. Investigators got more information from the social media company where it was posted. The sheriff's office says they wrapped up their investigation this morning with the help of family members of the suspect. All school activities resumed as normal.

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According the Savannah-Chatham County School System, Savannah Police were notified of the call at 8:36 A-M. They say a school resource officer was already inside the school and the first Savannah Police officer arrived on the scene just two minutes later at 8:38. They say security

camera video backs up this timeline. The first notification went out to parents at 9:33 through

12/1/2022 HIGH SETUP:

SAVANNAH

their emergency alert system.

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD TIMELINE

"Reference to a 53 (shots fired) at Savannah High School, BOE has been notified. Caller advised that an active shooter was on the second floor of the school, possibly 6 students injured..." Police responded two minutes later... just a short time later it turned into this massive response from law enforcement. Savannah Chatham County Public Schools spokesperson Sheila Blanco tells me they first got a heads up about what they thought was an active shooter situation at 8:45 a.m. ..the same time that WTOC called Blanco to ask for information about what was going on. Here's a dispatch call from police a minute later... "Command, we don't need any other teams inside, we have multiple teams searching, we're doing room-by-room now, we've done the preliminary clear." Blanco says she arrived on scene at 8:56, went through several police lines and sent the initial information back to their communications office at 9:09 for approval and parents weren't called by a system called powerschool until 9:33. But according to dispatch calls - the all clear from law enforcement was already given at 9:04. "All rooms, stairwells, storage closets, bathrooms and classrooms have been cleared." All clear but there was still panic by many parents hoping to be reunited with their children. "We have no victims. We have no gunshot victims at this time. So whoever that parent is hold them back." (nats) Take a look at video of Karryn Cooper, Travia Evans-Peek's daughter sitting on the ground, scared. She says she didn't get a call from the school district until 10:56 a.m. That's despite SCCPSS officials saying they put calls in at 9:33. Blanco says the powerschool system could take 10 to 15 minutes to get to all the parents. "I'm really appalled about the fact that it was so late and I don't know it's just scary. That whole situation was just crazy." "Thank God nothing really happened but what if those kids didn't have phones and something did happen? None of the parents would have know what was going on until it was too late." In a statement SCCPSS officials say they're happy with their response but there's always room for improvement. And that district staff met to discuss their response and what went well and how they can improve.

SAVANNAH HIGH 12/1/2022 SHOOTING 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD HOAX FOLO

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District officials says email notifications were sent out to parents at 9:33am and their parent notification system called Brightarrow delivered audio messages soon after. They add that their Brightarrow report shows that all calls were made to parents by 9:34am and a voicemail was left if a parent didn't pick up the call. The district says Campus Police say the final "All Clear" was given for the school at 10:18am. You can find all of this information on our website WTOC dot

12/2/2022 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD SCCPSS HOAX UPDATE

com. Just look for this story.

A driver faces charges after their car plowed into the entrance of a Georgia Southern dorm. A university spokesperson says it happened around 2am when a car struck an entrance to Centennial Place. Statesboro police say they arrested the driver and DUI and other charges are pending. The university evacuated 134 students from the building and put them in hotels overnight. All but 40 are being allowed back into their apartments. Those 40 students will be relocated long term during the repairs.

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"If you have a number in the system and we dialed you. We can tell you what time it came whether you answered and what time we dialed again so please know all of these numbers all of those things were done so we can ensure that those messages were sent. We try to always communicate facts. We can't control social media." BOE Police say they were at the high school just two minutes after they got the hoax call. Chief Enoch says this scary situation had teachable moments and they'll continue do what worked and improve where they see fit just in case they're

faced with a similar situation. 00:00:34

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**MEETING** 

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12/7/2022

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(sot) Patrick Hill has served across Bulloch County schools for nearly 30 years. He was taken into custody last week after accusations from an incident mid-November. (vo) Hill faces a charge of simple battery charge. A statement from Bulloch County Schools describes "potentially inappropriate actions taken by an administrator at Mattie Lively Elementary School during an attempt to discipline a child. They added "Based on firsthand witness statements and a review of available surveillance footage, the superintendent did decide to seek termination." Hill posted bond and was released shortly after his arrest at the Bulloch County jail. (sot) Hill has a hearing before the board on December 16. We'll keep you updated as this story develops. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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You're looking at dash-cam video from the responding officer. You can see a fire in the front of the car that crashed into the building. 134 students had to evacuate - and spend the night in hotels. All but 40 were allowed back in their apartments. No one other than the driver was injured. He was treated for minor injuries.

5AM 12/8/2022 DAYBREAK SCCPSS 5:00:00 AM OD MEETING Some parents said they weren't notified by the district in a timely manner while the incident was happening. Last night, School Superindendent Dr. Ann LeVett responded saying they reached out to everyone they possibly could and they have proof to show it.

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5AM 12/8/2022 DAYBREAK SCCPSS 5:00:00 AM OD MEETING "The safety of every student and every staff member in our school will never waver. We spent countless hours hours training, investing in school technology, implementing response protocols. Every school is trained to effectively lock down, secure the campus and ensure students and staff are safe."

ISSUE 6 – SCHOOL SYSTEM PROPOSALS AND POLICIES-THIS ISSUE REFLECTS ON PROPOSALS IN SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN THE COMMUNITY. THIS ISSUE ALSO INCLUDES MEETINGS, TESTING, TEST SCORES, SCHOOL AND PROGRAMS TO BETTER EDUCATE A STUDENT AND EDUCATION STANDARDS. SAT SCORES, PRE-K PILOT PROGRAM, TYBEE MARITIME ACADEMY STEAM CERTIFICATION, BEAUFORT CO. NATIONAL REPORT CARD, GSU ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAM, SCCPSS LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES INCLUDING AGE WHEN TO START AND FINISH SCHOOL, SCPSSS SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 23-24

**SOURCE: SCHOOL DISTRICTS,** 

New numbers from the state department of Education put the Class of 20-22 24 points above the national average for the college entrance exam. The data also marks a return to a normal we haven't seen since the pandemic. Those same numbers also show more students taking the test compared to the year before. That's after pandemic waivers on it expired. More than half of the Class of 2022 took the SAT...compared to 38 percent of the Class of 20-21.

GA CLASS OF 10/3/2022 2022 SAT 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD SCORES

The Little Acorn Academy is a 3 year old pre-school program funded by the Equity In Education grant from Georgia Power. For their pilot year -- they enrolled 22 students -- who learn in the SARAH PREK 5AM classroom at Gould Elementary. The district says this is a great option to not only get the 10/4/2022 DAYBREAK PILOT students in the classroom sooner but also to ease some fo the burden of daycare cost and 5:00:00 AM OD **PROGRAM** availablity -- and instead send them to school.

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5AM 10/4/2022 DAYBREAK PILOT 5:00:00 AM OD

SARAH PREK **PROGRAM** 

"So the students they learn their abc's, they learn their colors, they learn how to spell, so it is a regular school day for these 3-year-old students, so they have an advantage next school year when they enroll in a pre-k program. Enrollment for the Little Acorn Academy is the same at the lottery process for the 4 year old pre-k students.

Today -- the Savannah-Chatham Public School System is introducing the community to its new program -- Little Acorn Academy. The Little Acorn Academy is a 3 year old pre-school program funded by the Equity In Education grant from Georgia Power. For their pilot year -- they enrolled 22 students -- who learn in the classroom at Gould Elementary. The district says this is a great option to not only get the students in the classroom sooner but also to ease some fo the burden of daycare cost and availablity -- and instead send them to school. Enrollment for the Little Acorn Academy is the same at the lottery process for the 4 year old pre-k students. They are still working out the logostics but plan to open up the lottery for 3 and 4 year olds sometime in early

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Check it out - Georgia's state school superintendent stopping in the Coastal Empire today to hand deliver three banners - representing months of hard work. These photos are from Tybee Island Maritime Academy as they received their STEAM certification banner. Richmond Hill Middle and Heard Elementary also got a visit today. All this representing work to integrate learning that boosts Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math in our local schools.

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It's that time of year... academic report cards out and not for students, but instead, individual districts and schools across South Carolina. The Beaufort County School District with its 21,000+ students, 1700+ teachers, and 30+ schools for the most part pleased with their performance. "It took everyone to pull ourselves back together after the pandemic and it was an all-hands approach and we're getting that done." Vo She says of all the data in the report card, a specific area the school district would like to see improved is math. Here you see 41.6% of students met or exceeded grade level in that subject, higher than the state average but still lower than they'd like to see... She says this was the subject most affected by the pandemic. There were positive takeaways as well, like here at Beaufort Elementary as they received the highest rating a school can get. The school's principal credits their personalized approach for the success. "I was really I think a targeted approach that we took in recognizing what each of our students needed." Vo Elsewhere in the district, not every institution scored so highly. The breakdown goes like this, 2 schools were unsatisfactory, 5 below average, 11 average, 9 good, and 7 including Beaufort elementary... excellent. Sot "Every single person in this building believes that every single child can grow and learn, and when you believe that and when you expect that to happen that's what you teach to and that's what the students rise to." Vo She says it's great to have hard work recognized, but it doesn't mean that work stops. Sot "We're moving on, right. We're in a whole new year, we have a whole new set of data to look at and we've got more growing to do." Vo Reporting from Beaufort County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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Vo There's a lot of categories and data to look through with these annual report cards, as school districts in our area know these evaluations carry a lot of weight for parents and board members. Sot: (Dr. Ronald Wilcox - Superintendent, Hampton County School District) "We consider the report card something that is significant for us and we want to have good test scores." Vo The first category we want to focus on is academic achievement, something one principal describes to me as the most crucial statistic of the bunch. BAM 1: The data here shows the percent of students at or exceeding grade level in reading, the top half, and math, the bottom half, for all three of our Lowcountry counties. For both subjects all three districts improved over last year's numbers, with Beaufort county you can see here at 48.7% and 41.6% respectively being the only one to be above state average. Vo As you may remember from earlier in the week, individual schools are evaluated as well. In Hampton County 2 schools came in below average, 5 at average and, and 1 as good. Over in Jasper 2 schools were rated unsatisfactory, 1 below average, and 1 average. For the Beaufort County specific breakdown head to our website wtoc.com, but back to district wide statistics I'm told there's another that educators focus on. BAM 2: As you can see these are the graduation rates for all three of our Lowcountry counties. I want you to keep this in mind, state average in this category is 83.8% so as you can see here as Beaufort and Jasper counties both hit 86.2%, they're exceeding that number. Interestingly though, Jasper county is the only district of our three to improve on last year's results. Vo The Hampton County Superintendent says the pandemic contributes to those scores and says he's proud of how his district has improved since getting back to in-person learning. Sot "Are we happy? No, we'd like to see them do a little better, but they did as well as they could under the circumstances." Vo Reporting from Hampton County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"The analogy that I always use is the concept of a bucket. If you just open the faucet up and try to fill your bucket without taking into account why there's holes in the bottom of the bucket and why water's leaving it, then you're never really going to be able to fill the bucket." More than 500 South Carolina teachers who left their jobs completed this exit survey near the end of last school year – and nearly half of them said they would still be teaching this year – but in a new district. Looking at \*why teachers say they left their jobs – the top responses were discipline problems at their former school ... and personal life reasons – with only about a third of them saying it was because they weren't paid enough. But for those teachers who left the profession – the top reason 80-percent of them said they'd considering returning to the classroom was if they got paid more. I also spoke with Emily Mayer – who worked several years as a special education teacher before leaving this year for a job in a different profession. She says a pay raise wouldn't bring her back to the classroom. "You could tell me that you would offer me \$100,000, and I would say that my mental health was worth more at the end of the day, and I don't think I'm alone in saying that."

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Standup: Dr. Christina Gwozdz, who leads the school board, tells me this evaluation is more rigorous than it was a few years ago as they take a in depth look at the performance of superintendent Dr. Frank Rodriguez. "He did extremely well. He was rated highly effective overall." Vo The scores are out of 4 for each of these five general categories. As you can see, Dr. Rodriguez earned at least a 3.7 in each, with specifically high marks in instructional leadership... but what does that mean? Sot "He's put a lot of effort into addressing learning loss, such as partnering with the community to help like with churches having after school programs, things like that." Vo She says he also was rated highly because the school district's budget was well spent and he increased staff salaries and resources. Sot "Dr. Rodriguez has been here now for a full three years and has done very well on each of the evaluations." On cam tag: Dr. Gwozdz says BEAUFORT CO. this performance is especially impressive through the pandemic, as not only did schools have to

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SUPT. RATING adapt but so did this evaluation. Reporting from Beaufort county, Tyler Manion, WTOC News. 00:01:06

... Dr. Tim Connelly had enough challenges to adding an MBA to his medical degree. Getting to class didn't have to be another one. "I had flexibility to get the work done at my convenience. But I was able to get it done. The meetings were great and it worked really well. Connelly discovered virtual learning unintentionally - the way most people did during the Covid-19 crisis. He entered the Georgia Southern Online Degree Program in 2020 - and it was the only way Memorial Health's Pandemic doctor would have been able to complete his studies in the middle of a pandemic. "Sometimes my best work time was 6 am The GSU online program made it possible for Annalee Ashley to complete her Masters when relocating for work required her to leave the inperson program she had started at another school. "My professor would post a lecture that I could then watch and I could then engage with my professor, the would post office hours and I would engage with them on a 1 on 1 basis or with a group. But I was able to complete the bulk of my work load at a time that was convenient for me and that's what students are looking for. Convenience was a necessity when Katie Powell decided to return to school for a Masters of Arts in Teaching through the GSU online degree program. "as a teacher and a mom with kids in high school, I don't have time to go sit in a classroom from 9-4. I have other responsibilities. So, being able to do it online allows me to pursue those things and pursue further education myself ... the flexibility as someone going back to school with other commitments and other responsibilities, it made it much more of any opportunity. It made it more doable. An estimated 92 million students worldwide are now studying online. The average age of those students is 32. But Ashley sees traditional students using distance learning too. The job she relocated for was to become the Chief of Staff in the Georgia Southern University President's Office. And she says the school offering dozens of degree options online is a sign of a new time in higher education. "the norm has completely changed on that and it's just as valued as sitting in the classroom ... it increases the value of my degree when we have these incredible students coming to Georgia Southern and I can recommend these programs to my friends who are in Atlanta, who are in South Georgia, who are outside of the state because they can pursue this program. And it's really opened the

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doors for access for a bunch of students who didn't have it otherwise. LIke Dr. Connelly at the busiest time of his career. "I gave 110% to my patients. But when I came home at the end of the

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education funding, more ways to support students, and investing more in teachers and transportation. Board member David Bringman says funding historically hasn't been there from the state for their youngest learners in pre-k and their teachers. He says over the years, their school system has used more than \$1 million in local revenue instead of state funds to pay Pre-K teachers. "If the state were to fully fund Pre-K for all students, we would have those students earlier, to work on math and reading earlier." Another issue they feel needs to be addressed, the age when students are required to start school. In Georgia, kids aren't required to start school until they're in first grade at 6-years-old. That's something they want to change by requiring kids start getting their education in Pre-K and Kindergarten. Elected State Senator Derek Mallow representing our area agrees. "We know that the sooner children are educated and prepared for kindergarten, we can make sure they have a much brighter future ahead of them. You may already know kindergarten isn't even required in the state of Georgia and we've got to focus on education and what we can do related to do increasing outcomes." The board also wants lawmakers to change to the minimum age requirement for students to attend school at 16 to 17. (Bringman) "Being able to hold students and keep them in our system to learn either pathways to become college, career or military ready is definitely a massive initiative and those students in our

school system is the only way that we're going to make those gains." There are several more

issues the board wants addressed like more funding to retain and recruit teachers. Those topics

will be discussed at their Board's Legislative Breakfast this coming Monday. Camille Syed WTOC

Savannah Chatham school board members say they want legislators to look at early childhood

**SCCPSS 2023** 

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After summer break students are set to head back to the classroom on Thursday August 3rd. They will have four e-learning days including one on November 7th which is also election day next year. That's a change from this years schedule. Notes from the Superintendent's report show that change is related to security concerns for schools that are polling sites on those days. The school year will end on May 22, 2024.

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ISSUE 7-STATE AND LOCAL BUDGETS FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS.
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10/14/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD BULLOCH ESPLOST ON BALLOT E-SPLOST is back on the ballot. Voters will decide whether to continue the one-cent sales tax when they head to the polls. The school district says it would raise about 110 million dollars for improvement projects across the district. That's money the district says it needs to keep up with growth throughout the county.

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LL INTRO: Liberty County School System officials say while the proposed millage rate is technically an increase in the suggested rollback rate, it's actually a decrease compared to millage rates in years prior. This graph shows the millage rates in Liberty County over the past eight years... the Board of Education has proposed a millage rate of 15.25, which is lower than last year's rate of 15.902. A rollback rate is the tax rate that would keep the amount of tax money the same as the year before — as property values go up, the county can charge a lower rate to keep the tax bill the same. So if your home went up in value, you could still pay more in taxes even though the rate went down. "Based on the value of your property, if you did see an increase in the value of your property, you could potentially see an increase in your taxes, but we're not taxing it at a higher tax rate than we did in previous years. It's actually a lower millage rate we're proposing." Homeowners whose property has a fair market value of \$175,000 would see an increase of around \$26. If the Board of Education votes to pass the new rate, it will be in effect for the 2022 tax year. LL TAG: The final public hearing for the proposed millage rate will be on October 25th at 8:30 a.m. here at the Liberty County Board of Education. In Hinesville, HB WTOC

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LL: Bryan County Middle High School is wrapping up renovations to many of their athletic facilities. It's a move that both staff and players here say puts them on a level playing field with other area teams. Bryan County Middle High School is finishing what will be 5 point 2 million dollars' worth of athletic facility renovations...paid for by ESPLOST funds. "Just look at it, they're pretty amazing. We have a new raiders course, a new, state of the art weightroom, as well as a new track." Athletic director Blaine Ennis praises the district's Board of Education for the renovations. "These are one of the best facilities, I would say in the state of Georgia. So we are very fortunate to have this, especially our athletes here so we appreciate that." The upgrades also include new fields for baseball and softball and new lighting. \*nats pop: "So this is the new addition"\* Ennis says before...facility constraints restricted the school from being able to host certain athletic events. "We will finally be able to host a high school track meet for our students, so we're really excited about that. Now we have a designated field for varsity baseball, varsity softball and we still have that combo field for middle school softball and baseball." Players say their performance has improved. "Last year, I'm pretty sure we won, what? 2 games? Now we're 4-2. So that's a substantial difference from last year." And while they credit hard work for that improvement...they say the upgrades don't hurt. "I like the fact that we actually have a home field now. Last year we didn't have a home field, we had to practice and play at a rec ball field. And then after that, a tornado came and swept us out so we had to practice in someone's backyard." As they say, the new facilities have also brought along more fans. "It's more of a mental thing just knowing that we're coming on a nice field and being able to play night games at home, it's a real confidence boost." LL: Ennis says more work still needs to be done before the work is complete.

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FLYNN: BRYAN She credits the new facilities with boosting pride and morale among the school community. In Bryan County...FS...WTOCN.

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Some Liberty County High School students are traveling around the world without leaving their classroom this year - because their teacher has gone a great distance for them. "to make sure I give them the best real-life experience that I can, I apply for grants outside the school system and within associations and clubs I participate in. And this year, Nakisia Sims was successful in obtaining a \$2,500 grant from the National Scholars Association to buy supplies that help bring the world inside her special education classroom. "The kids are currently in Italy right now. I provide them with a passport. They do certain events and things do they can earn their sticker to say they've finished that country. Money from the grant buys supplies specific to each country Sims' class studies - bringing the country into the classroom and the kids in to the country through hands-on lessons and activities. "They learn the government, they learn the food, they learn the sayings. "it takes it beyond just the teacher standing up and lecturing them because with the ipads and the cultural meals that we do, they actually get involved firsthand in seeing what the cultures are like and experiencing what it is like to make the foods. "Right now, we're in Italy, so we'll be doing a family setting, so they'll be able to sit and we'll have lasagna and different foods. So, that is what the grant is helping me do, give my students the hands-on experience and something to look forward to for every class. The NAHHSS grant for Diversity, Equality and Inclusion education came to Sims' program because general education students participate in the special ed class. "It feels like it helps us connect with them more, understand what goes on in the classroom, it just helps us understand them better to make them feel a part of what we are and help them just to fit in with us as well. "We get to experience what it's like to be in their lives and get to help them out and give them part of our lives too. I feel like it's good for everyone. Especially the students getting to see, taste and experience the whole world right in Liberty County. "My most favorite part is when we started doing different countries. The main reason why is because not only are we going to learn about it but we also study food and the history. "I think it's the most wonderful thing in the worLd. I've always believed that education should come out of the text books and out of the common frame of how we have traditionally structured it and it should be more realistically based. "I pray that I can do it every single year and bless these kids with all they need and more.

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TIM: TEACHER **GRANT** 

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The Superintendent of schools here in Hampton county tells me right now they've got 31 buses all running on diesel, but recent action from Congressman Jim Clyburn could not only change how many buses they have, but what fuel source they use to run. "We've been told that we're going to get eight electric buses." Vo Over three million dollars will be sent here as part of the 58-milliondollar package being spread out for buses in 16 South Carolina districts. Those numbers are the only details we have at this time, so there are questions inside the Hampton County office... about everything from charging station logistics, to costs, and how locals will respond. Sot "We'll have to see which bus drivers want to try the electric bus first, and I'm sure some of them will want to do that." Vo To see how drivers would feel, I asked one. "I'm going to say I'm number one. I would love to drive an electric bus, because I'm not a very young man I'm kind of up in age a little bit, before I leave this world. I would love to drive an electric bus." Vo This job is an 18-year passion for him... Covered sot "And love driving school buses." Vo And he's ready to change with times. Sot "Well, it's an experience for me, something that I never dreamt about doing." We should be getting more details on the logistics of this clean bus program from Congressman Clyburn's office sometime next week and when we do, we'll make sure to update you on air and online at

SC ELECTRIC **BUS MONEY** 

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LOCAL IMPACT wtoc.com. For now though reporting from Hampton County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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Covered sot "Christmas came early to Hampton County students." Nat "You will receive a free laptop" Nat Cheering Vo The reactions say it all. Each of the 690 high school students here in Hampton county, surprised with the gift of technology thanks to Comcast's Project UP. "Our focus is really about bridging the digital divide and providing digital equity... we're able to do that today." Vo Before all these laptops were given away inside the gym, a boost to the areas broadband was announced outside. "Rural communities need as much investment and should have as much respect as urban communities." Vo An 8.3 million dollar expansion will bring internet to over 2,100 families in this area. Lack of service is a problem these leaders say was exacerbated during the pandemic, as it was difficult for the people of Hampton to work or learn from home. They say that won't be a problem anymore. "Rural South Carolina, Hampton South Carolina, District 122 is going to be connected from here on in." Vo The school district's superintendent is ecstatic for his students, and says this new broadband will help the entire area... far beyond this gymnasium. Sot: (Dr. Ronald Wilcox - Superintendent, Hampton County Schools) "This is just one of those things that will help us to attract industry here and help the

current industry." Vo Reporting from Hampton County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"Of course, we found out that 3.6 million in recreation funds had been misspent by the county council." Vo Since then, new council members have won elections and voters approved a referendum for school funding. "We can have a new high school: I think voters spoke." Vo Community members tell me it's the start of a turnaround in Hampton County, and the school district is wasting no time. Sot "Board of education met this week and they hired LS3P to be our architects for that venture." Vo Here is a Tennessee high school that'll be used as a protype for the new one coming to this plot of land in Hampton, freeing up the current high schools for different uses once construction is finished. Folks here aren't waiting for that to come up with ideas though. Sot "Our board of trustees has been approached by members of our community, a community group that's trying to promote Hampton County." Vo Randy Vaughn is part of that group, and he brought up something pretty obvious about Wade Hampton High School. Sot "There's already a softball field, a baseball field, a football field, track." Vo None of which will be in use a few years from now thanks to the newly funded and on the way comprehensive high school... but Vaughn has a plan to repurpose the land and its facilities. Sot "I began thinking about that that might be a site... a site that could save the county money and also provide a recreation complex." Vo It's an ahah moment that may just bring a rec area to Hampton County after-all. At least, that's what he's hoping, as he's brought it to the school board and the trustees will be very willing to help it become a part of improving our community." Vo For now,

HAMPTON CO. MISSING **MILLIONS** 

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Superintendent believes a meeting to discuss it is on the horizon. Sot "I think our board of we'll wait on that meeting to be set and keep you posted on this story if anything changes. Reporting from Hampton, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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**GA LOTTERY** 

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The governor says his team is "mindful of the direct impact," writing in a statement the programs, "serve an essential role in educating the next generation, and this record-breaking quarter will ultimately benefit those students the most."

"State representative and former Savannah Mayor Edna Jackson tells me she brought up concerns during a legislative meeting that Savannah State may have to cut some programs. She says low admission rates may be to blame." Representative Jackson made the comments during the Savannah Chamber of Commerce Eggs and Issues Legislative Breakfast. Savannah State's provost sent recommendations to the school's President, Kimberly Ballard-Washington. WTOC requested information for more details from Savannah State.. specifically what programs could get cut.. and have not received any documents at this time. Savannah State officials sent WTOC a statement saving quote. "The President is in receipt of recommendations from the Provost, but no decision to cut academic programs has been made at this time." We've also reached out to several members of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to explain the process a university must take to drop programs. We are waiting to hear back. "We'll keep you updated on these possible program cuts here at Savannah State as we learn more. Camille Syed WTOC News."

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"Savannah State is a very powerful institution to this community." A letter sent from Savannah State's provost Yolanda Page to the university's President Kimberly Ballard-Washington shows low enrollment in programs in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences or CLASS. In Spring 2022 only eight people were enrolled in the Africana Studies program. 21 people were enrolled in English, Language and Literature and seven people were enrolled in the history program. Otis Johnson also used to be the dean of these programs. While disturbed to hear about the cuts... "I clearly understand why the decisions that the dean and the department chairs have made." If these programs are dropped, students will still be able to take classes on the topics. In a document titled Strategic Realignment Recommendations dated October 28th, a dean also mentions cutting adjunct professors would save them hundreds of thousand of dollars. He stated cutting the programs would save the university over 900 thousand dollars in total. Johnson says there are questions that need to be answered to help with the university's funding. "Why do we have an \$11 million deficit? What can we do to reduce that deficit? What is the regents (Board of Regents) going to do to help Savannah State." Mayor Van Johnson wasn't happy to hear Africana studies may be one of the programs getting the short end of the stick. The dean of the college report notes the major has many positives but there just aren't enough annual graduates. Mayor Johnson says Savannah State needs more state funding. "These are state universities and they need state help. We have the money. We have the money." Otis Johnson says the lower the enrollment, the less funds the school can receive "If the budget is going to be based on student enrollment, they've got to increase their student enrollment. There are a number of things that need to be addressed, examined." Otis says alumni, community, state legislators and the state's Board of Regents need to rally for Georgia's first historically Black college. "How we can raise more money for scholarships and other things that are needed to recruit students."

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If these programs are dropped, students will still be able to take classes on the topics. In October, a dean also mentioned cutting adjunct professors would save them hundreds of thousand of dollars. Mayor Van Johnson wasn't happy to hear Africana studies may be one of the programs getting the short end of the stick -- he says Savannah State needs more state funding. The dean of the college report notes the major has many positives but there just aren't enough annual

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"These are state universities and they need state help. We have the money. We have the money." "If the budget is going to be based on student enrollment, they've got to increase their student enrollment. There are a number of things that need to be addressed, examined." Otis says alumni, community, state legislators and the state's Board of Regents need to rally for Georgia's first historically Black college. We did receive a statement from Savannah State saying the president received these recommendations from the provost and no decision to cut these academic programs have been made at this time. We also requested the university's enrollment

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numbers and should have them next week.

It's called the Georgia Creative Communities k-12 fund...and it will be funded through the PEACH Education Tax Credit. It's a dollar-for-dollar credit on state income taxes for people and corporations that donate to the public education system. The Georgia Foundation for Public Education says the money will be used to create direct grants for schools. Schools will be able to apply for that money focused on film, animation, video game production, creative writing and music production. The foundation - which is run through the state education department - says it will get in contact with schools as that money becomes available.

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ISSUE 8- SPECIAL PROGRAMS ENLIGHTENING A STUDENT'S FUTURE IINCLUDING SCHOLARSHIPS. REMEMBERING LORI BRADY, A FORMER DISTRICTY 6 BOARD MEMBER AND COUNTY COMISSIONER, GSU TO HOST 2023 GOVERNOR HONOR'S PROGRAM, FIRST TEE GOLF PROGRAM BACK IN SCHOOLS, BUILDING BLOCKS COMPETITION, SCAD FILM FEST, GA SOUTHERN HONORS VETERANS, WILLIAM JAMES MIDDLE SCHOOL VET PROGRAM, GSU GIVING TREE, TRIO ORGANIZATION HELPING 1ST GENERATION STUDENTS WITH COLLEGE, ELKS LODGE NAMED HOMETOWN HERO AFTER HELPING SCHOOLS WITH SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE, OGEECHEE TECH FILM CLASSES, HIGH SCHOOL MED PROGRAM FEATURE, VOCATIONAL TEACHERS MEETING WITH BUSINESS INDUSTRY LEADERS TO HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED, HELPING GIRLS TO CODE THROUGH STEAM PROGRAMS

SOURCE: LOCAL COLLEGES, LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS, ORGANIZATIONS

Remembered as a lady who fought for what's right... (sot) "Chatham County will probably never know another politician and true public servant like Lori. She put her heart and soul in it." Known for her service to Chatham County, Lori Brady served as District six representative for the Savannah Chatham County board of education for 16 years. After being a voice for students in district 6, she served one term as Chatham county commissioner for the same district. Making a mark on her community, Brady died at the young age of 61 and after fighting a long illness. "I was shocked." Serving with her for four years, current county commissioner Dean Kicklighter says Brady always put her community first and was never afraid to speak up for what she believed it was right. "Lori was a hard worker. She fought her district, fought for our county, fought for her children, first then went on to fight for everybody. She did it with happiness, enthusiasm. She was a character like no other and she's going to be missed." To continue her legacy, family members are asking those who want to remember her to do so by donating to your favorite charity in Lori

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G LORI BRADY Brady's name. Camille Syed WTOC news.

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LL INTRO: Mrs. Becky Busby has been bringing space to her students right here at Frank Long Elementary. That's exactly why she's received special recognition from the Air and Space Forces Association. \* Mrs. Busby... doesn't keep her learning to the confines of her classroom. She's even done experiments on a zero-gravity flight with NASA. "I got to work for a solid year with my students, with the Air Force Association, with Civil Air Patrol, and with the military to design different types of experiments that we flew in microgravity. Just to see what would happen with that experiment versus what happens on earth." Busby's students say.... She takes learning to new heights. "Science is mostly my favorite because of Mrs. Busby. She makes it fun and entertaining and makes it a cool way to learn. We've done a lot of projects." This is why... the Savannah Chapter of the Air and Space Forces Association is recognizing her as their teacher of the year. "This chapter covers Augusta, Savannah, Brunswick, and Statesboro, so it's a fairly large area of Georgia. Mrs. Busbee was picked as our winner, and she's a STEM teacher extraordinaire." Busby says... teaching her students about space - encourages them to reach for the stars. "A lot of our kids have never been out of our zip code. They have very limited access to resources, they have very limited access to things going on outside of our community. My goal is to give each and every one of our students, even students who are not in my classroom inspiration." Inspiration – that lives on in her students. "I'm going to be an astronaut for Halloween." "If I don't get into space myself, I'd rather be teaching STEM like that." LL TAG: LL TAG: Mrs. Busbee says she plans to continue her passion for teaching not just students, but also

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interview process in the spring. (sot) At Georgia Southern, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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Colin Crawford is not the typical golf instructor. "my dad tried to get me into golf but I didn't like it, I wasn't good at it. But that doesn't mean I'm not going to teach it. That makes the Richmond Hill Elementary PE teacher like a growing number of teachers in the Coastal Empire who are incorporating First Tee curriculum into their lesson plans. And it's what has expanded the impact of the First Tee of Savannah in its second year since restarting here. "This is only my second year teaching, so any free equipment I can get to get the ball rolling, I'm super excited. The First Tee's national initiative is to create greater access to golf. One way of doing that is getting into schools as they now are doing here. So far, 15 public schools in Chatham and Bryan County are using the program - introducing almost 8,000 kids to the game. "I like it. it's an activity and I love activities. "you get to play physical games, but not like tag. The First Tee is also a child-development program and their in-school games are designed to teach more than golf. "we always start with a warmup and all kinds of different exercises. We get in different teams, so they're learning the social aspect of teamwork and cheering for teammates ... they're going one at a time, working on holding that club correctly, swinging and keeping the club close to the floor. You've got to stay safe at all times. Maybe that's the only lesson these kids will learn in their new golf class ... "to be TIM: FIRST TEE careful. To make sure you don't hurt anyone or hit anyone. But the hope is that at least some of them discover an interest in school that they eventually pursue outside of school through the First

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Tee. "students don't get that exposure to different sports like golf. So, it's good that I can do this.

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Check this out! Local students putting their building skills to the test with legos! The 10th annual block kids building competition was held at Hodge Elementary yesterday in Savannah. It was BUILDING hosted by The National Association of Women in Construction Coastal Georgia. 4th graders from Hodge Elementary all took part. They were only allowed a specific amount of lego blocks. Prizes were given out to the top three.

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"It's all about getting kids to understand that there's a lot of job opportunities in the construction

BUILDING world that they might not know if we didn't come in and do this with an elementary school." The

BLOCKS competition isn't over for the top 3 winners. They will now advance to regional competitions. And

COMPETITION then that winner will go to a National competition.

This festival is an annual event for SCAD and is celebrating it's 25th anniversary this year. It highlights both professional and student filmmaking while also welcoming some big names from the acting world. Among the guests expected here tonight...Academy Award winner Eddie Redmayne and actress Jenny Ortega among many others. And while there is a lot of excitement FILM FESTIVAL among many in the SCAD community for the festival many of the students here are also taking it as a learning opportunity.

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LL: Excitement outside of the Trustees Theater as actors walked the red carpet behind me with students and locals looking on. PKG: \*nats of crowd cheering\* Star power in Savannah Sunday as stars like Eddie Redmayne walked the red carpet on day 2 of SCAD's annual film festival. Karen Cobe/Film Festival Attendee: "It's exciting to have people experience Savannah, particularly the actors since you get to see them walk around." The festival is expected to draw 60thousand people over 8 days as movie lovers wait in line for screeenings of professional and student made films. \*nats of crowd\* Students also getting the chance to sit in on masterclasses from industry insiders. Engels Perez/SCAD Student: "We just came out of a talk with Ron Howard, where he just gave a lot of wisdom about what it's like to be a director, how to break into the game and it's really great for us, as we're coming into the industry to see all of those things." Director Ron Howard also visiting local businesses says this chocolate shop employee. Charlotte Licata/Film Festival Attendee: "He was very excited to buy some packaged stuff. I was all, 'Who was that you were talking to this whole time?' They were like, 'That's Ron Howard!' I'm like, 'oh.' But it wasn't all about catching a glance at visiting celebrities...as some students use the festival as a source of inspiration in an industry that they say can seem unreachable at times. Heide Barber/SCAD Student: "...and these people come and talk to us it feels like it's not. It's a learning curve and it's going to take a while but it's not crazy to achieve." LL: The festival runs through October 29th with stars like Miles Teller and Machine Gun Kelly expected to attending Reporting

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They are just excited to be back, back in person. Our students are not only here during the festival supporting us, but they also help us review films, they help us get these beautiful theaters ready. During the festival we have about 600 students that work for us, so you'll see them everywhere in their red shirts and their excited to be here doing anything from popcorn, to ticket tearing, to the VIP section, so you'll see them everywhere. The festival runs through this Saturday. Stars being honored this year include Ron Howard, Miles Teller, and Janelle Monáe. You can find the festival's schedule on our website, wtoc dot com.

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(vo) This team may not where cleats or shoulderpads, but they're practicing for competition. Construction students from Statesboro High get ready for their next meet in such skills as plumbing, electrical, masonry and more. Evan Smith says he found his niche. (sot) I was intrigued as a kid with building things. Then I learned there was a construction pathway and I wanted to try it out. In my first year, I got hooked! (vo) Instructor Josh Hall says vocational pathways were once looked down on, but not anymore as companies need a new generation of skilled builders. (sot) Now, I see a lot of kids who're excited about skill trades and construction trades, and the idea of not spending four more years in school. // They literally and figuratively grab it and run with it. They love it and they can make a lot of money at it. (vo) The team competes on the regional and state level for individual and group honors. That's even more incentive for students like Evan. (sot) It's fun and interesting to meet new people and compete against them and see who's the best. (vo) The judges at these competitions come from the WORK: SBORO business world and also recruit students for internships and even jobs. (sot) ...that's what a lot of companies do. // Is it almost like a job interview? // Sort of. You could think of it that way, yeah. CONSTRUCTIO (vo) Hall says the satisfaction comes in seeing students find something they enjoy and can turn

that to a career by being Skilled to Work. Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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((SHEA)) Today was a special one for kids at Richmond Hill Middle School. Instead of reading from a textbook in science class, they were able to build and race their very own hydrogen cars. ((VO)) This activity is part of a partnership that Hyundai has developed with the Bryan County School District. Richmond Hill Middle School is one of 17 STEM certified middle schools in the State of Georgia- and they say they try to put a big emphasis on hands on learning. When Hyundai reached out with the idea of teaching students to build hydrogen cars, Dr. Elizabeth Bennett, the principal, says they jumped at the opportunity. Hyundai sent several people to the school, to explain how to build the cars and to help the kids while they built them. Dr. Bennett says she's grateful for the opportunity, especially in an evolving educational landscape. ((SOT)) "Kids learn by experiencing, and we believe that whole-heartedly here. So for us, it's a no-brainer for them to experience the actual building of things, not just reading about it." "I really enjoy, like, doing, like, the creative, like, thinking about it, and like, trying to work with people to like get big things done." ((SHEA)) Though nothing is set in stone for the future, Dr. Bennett tells me she's hopeful they'll continue to get to do hands-on activities like these in collaboration with Hyundai in the future. Reporting in Richmond Hill, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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The Oglethorpe Driving Club is raising money again this year for the schools scholarship fund. CARS ON THE Michael Short with the club says their goal is to beat lasts years amount of \$18-thousand dollars. 10/28/2022 3:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD BURN He says you don't have to know about cars to enjoy the free show. 00:00:15

> "You don't have to have the most expensive or the nicest or the fastest car, you're just enamored by somebody else's and what they've done to their car." Shortt says they're expecting over 200 cars at tomorrows event. If you'd like to enter your car in the show it's \$20. But to walk around and enjoy is free for everyone from 7:30 to 11 A-M.

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Some Liberty County High School students are traveling around the world without leaving their classroom this year - because their teacher has gone a great distance for them. "to make sure I give them the best real-life experience that I can, I apply for grants outside the school system and within associations and clubs I participate in. And this year, Nakisia Sims was successful in obtaining a \$2,500 grant from the National Scholars Association to buy supplies that help bring the world inside her special education classroom. "The kids are currently in Italy right now. I provide them with a passport. They do certain events and things do they can earn their sticker to say they've finished that country. Money from the grant buys supplies specific to each country Sims' class studies - bringing the country into the classroom and the kids in to the country through hands-on lessons and activities. "They learn the government, they learn the food, they learn the sayings. "it takes it beyond just the teacher standing up and lecturing them because with the ipads and the cultural meals that we do, they actually get involved firsthand in seeing what the cultures are like and experiencing what it is like to make the foods. "Right now, we're in Italy, so we'll be doing a family setting, so they'll be able to sit and we'll have lasagna and different foods. So, that is what the grant is helping me do, give my students the hands-on experience and something to look forward to for every class. The NAHHSS grant for Diversity, Equality and Inclusion education came to Sims' program because general education students participate in the special ed class. "It feels like it helps us connect with them more, understand what goes on in the classroom, it just helps us understand them better to make them feel a part of what we are and help them just to fit in with us as well. "We get to experience what it's like to be in their lives and get to help them out and give them part of our lives too. I feel like it's good for everyone. Especially the students getting to see, taste and experience the whole world right in Liberty County. "My most favorite part is when we started doing different countries. The main reason why is because not only are we going to learn about it but we also study food and the history. "I think it's the most wonderful thing in the worLd. I've always believed that education should come out of the text books and out of the common frame of how we have traditionally structured it and it should be more realistically based. "I pray that I can do it every single year and bless these kids with all they need and more.

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LL: 76 years. That's how long Pecan Grove has been home to Claxton High School football. The school is planning a special halftime ceremony during Friday's game to say goodbye. VO: Claxton High School will welcome back alumni dating all the way back to the 40's. They will be recognized during a ceremony that will showcase the generations of students...athletes and performers that have called Pecan Grove home. There will also be artwork and commemorative clothing raffled off. School leaders say the ceremony will be bittersweet. "It's beloved in our community. It's also hard to say goodbye to it. We do plan for our soccer team to continue competing in the Pecan Grove and our flag football team. So, we're not saying goodbye to the Pecan Grove. There are still some good moments to have. But it'll be tough. It'll be a transition. LL: The team plans to move to a new facility next season. You can catch the sendoff to Pecan FLYNN: EVANS Grove when the Tiger's take on Bryan County High School Friday night at 7:30. Reporting in

11/1/2022 3:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD PECAN GROVE Claxton...FS...WTOCN. ? (sot) For these high school students, this might be about competition today..but also possibly meeting your first boss as well. (vo) (nat) More than 200 students from 22 schools went toe to toe in skills competition. (sot) When I walked in, I was kinda nervous. But my nerves have kinda calmed down now. Yeah, it feels "official". (vo) This regional skills competition helps them show the vocational skills they're learning in high school. These programs help students explore interests in trades like this as an alternative to a college degree. Local contractors say they're only seeing one person enter this line of work for every four retiring from it. (sot) We've lost two generations in the skill trades. So we've got to work in overdrive to fill those voids. We're doing everything we can to get these kids started even younger. (vo) Banners like this help remind students of the wages they could earn in a trade career. In some cases, the competition puts a student on a sponsor's radar and leads to a job after graduation. (sot) In Bulloch County, Dal

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"The holiday helper tree here in Georgia Southern is a bit different this year. You can still donate to children and families in need this holiday season in Chatham and Bulloch Counties but this year it's all virtual so can scan a QR code or visit the link to the website and take a look you'll be able to choose exactly who you want to bless with a gift this year." It's a small Christmas tree with a huge impact. GSU leaders say their goal this year is to have 792 tags picked to reach those people in need of gifts for Christmas. Georgia Southern partners with several local organizations like the Salvation Army and Georgia Regional. They say over the past two years they've had a smaller turn out than usual because you could only participate virtually. The website shows you exactly what would brighten up the person you're helping's holidays. "Just the joy and the happiness and the excitement that comes on not only the children but the adults too. Just feeling invested in, feeling seen and feeling heard, feeling wanted. That's what's so important." Anyone in the community can donate. "The last day to ship your gifts is on December 2nd. Camille Syed WTOC News."

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(sot) University leaders hope dozens of ribbons like this help call attention to the thousands of students with military backgrounds. (vo) They gathered to call attention to Veterans Week activities on all three campuses. The list included receptions, cookouts, and other things to show those students how many others share their background - directly or indirectly. (sot) At Georgia Southern, we are a military-connected institution. We have over 3,500 students who are connected-either by being a veteran, active duty, or the spouse or child of somebody in the service. (vo) They feel veterans deserve more than just one day of recognition, but a full week to thanks them for their service and remind them of the support they now have as students. (sot) At Georgia Southern, Dal Cannady WTOC news.?

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"Being the first one in your family to go to college is no walk in the park but for sophomore Michaela Porter it's about setting an example." When she first got to this campus as a freshman, she knew she was excited to be independent and make a difference in her life. "I was adopted at age 11 from my grandmother." She says despite coming from a low-income family, she wanted to pursue her dreams on this campus of helping others through sonography. "I think it's challenging for like coming from a low income family, like financial stability and to work on that and be independent from not being at home." But for her the challenge is worth it. "I showed my siblings that you can overcome your childhood and be brave and be resilient and go to college." And an organization for first-generation, disabled and low income students called Trio, out of Georgia Southern's Student Success Center, has helped with those challenges. "Mentoring, they have amazing workshops, they help you do FAFSA." And one day all of her hard work will make that difference when she walks across the stage in 2024. "It was just the perfect path for me." Camille

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(sot) The Veterans Day program here at William James Middle School also marked the return of something these students had never been a part of here. (vo) (nat) Oooooh say can you see..... Students gathered for not only the first Veterans Day program since the pandemic, but the first school assembly in just as long. Veterans like Jerry Glisson were glad to see the tradition return. (sot) It's important for them to realize that things in this country really aren't free. You have to stand up for what's right. Sometimes you have to fight. (vo) Their speaker - retired airmen and educator Eddie Ball- spoke about his career and the importance of those from different generations who've defended our country. (sot) All veterans are not 70,80,90 years old. Veterans JAMES MIDDLE are also 18,19, and 20 year old brothers and sisters. (vo) It's a message of appreciation they hope students take with them beyond just one day a year. (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news

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"you name it, we give it out to the community. Our motto is Elks Care, Elks Share. And we share everything we get in this lodge. And Savannah Elks Lodge 183 was sharing even more than usual when they brought back the school supplies donation program they have operated with to Largo Tibet Elementary the last five years. "this year, we invited Windsor Forest Elementary as well as Largo Tibet and instead of just delivering supplies to the school, I decided to talk to the grant committee and the members of the lodge to vote and we decided to do a back to school here at the lodge where we're brining the kids and the parents from these schools for a free hot dog lunch and to give out the school supplies to the teachers so they can take them back to their classrooms and have what the students need. The first in-person supplies event at Lodge 183 built upon the relationship the Elks share with the school they adopted as a community school. And it will continue to help in classrooms throughout the rest of the school year. "These are two Title 1 schools and they have a hard time getting supplies from anywhere ... the families take away that we're here for them, we're here to help the schools, we're here to help the community. We give to so many different places with all the money that we get. The Elks Lodge is a non-profit organization that gives away any more it raises in-house. But the school supplies for last week's event were purchased through a grant from the national headquarters - another of the grants these WTOC Hometown Heroes have been sharing with the community for years. "The grants are my passion. I want to make sure we get every penny we can to give back to the community. That's what we all want, helping the community any way possible.

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A Turkey Trot Fun Run and Walk for Adaptive Students. The student hit the track at the School of Liberal Studies at Savannah High School earlier today. Organizers say students practiced life 4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD TURKEY TROT skills by registering for the event and learning race strategies during PE.

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It was a fun day out of the classroom for middle school students in Effingham County Thursday. "Today the staff of the US Fish & District Service at the Savannah Coastal Refuge Complex is out here at Ebenezer Middle School and we're helping build some raised beds for the school." Students getting their hands dirty helping prepare the ground...and build the beds themselves. "It's important because we get to learn to build things more hands on." An opportunity Ag Teacher Hannah Turner...couldn't wait for. "I was absolutely ecstatic. I said, 'can you come now please?" It is of course a fun change of pace...and a great educational opportunity. "A lot of times it's hard for them to see grade wise, you know, if they get an 80 vs a 90, but if they're able to see, 'hey, I planted that. I put that together, I watered it,' then they get to actually pick something from their labor it's impactful for them." But what makes this more than just your typical school project...is hiding in plain sight. "This wood that they're working with actually has a story that goes all the way back to Brazil." See this wood, called Ipe or Brazilian Walnut didn't come from a store. "It had actually been confiscated from the Ports." The wood had been illegally shipped and was picked up by the US Customs and Border Protection...and from there. "Once it's processed through the courts it has to be given out to a non-profit, it cannot be sold." In this case it was donated to the school...for educational purposes Oh, and if you're wondering Ipe, isn't cheap. In fact, it's high quality wood. "It is very dense; it grows very slow. It's bug resistant, fire resistant and so it makes for a long-lasting wood for us to make these boxes because it will last a long time." And for wood that has quite the interesting past....it would seem the best part of its story is still ahead of it. "I just hope the students had a great time and students in the future can enjoy it and one day these students can look back and remember today."

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(vo) "Lights, camera, action". Those words can the start of a career in film or television production. Starting in January. Ogeechee Tech will offer an online course in partnership with the Georgia Film Consortium. (sot) We're having an Introduction to Film Post-Production course that allows students to get their foot in the door to get familiar with the kinds of programs producers use in post-production work. (vo) The Georgia Film Academy intro course helps students achieve industry certification in a shorter time period compared to a four year college degree. (sot) So, if you're interested in starting a career in film, it gives you the opportunity to do that without having to travel to a major agency or a production site. (vo) Payne says it wasn't long ago that careers like this meant moving to Hollywood or New York City. But the industry now brings more and more production to Georgia. (sot) ..with Savannah and Atlanta, between the two there's a ton of filming that's happening. (vo) He says they're approaching capactiy for their alloted spaces in the class, but they'll request more if they need them..helping students move a step closer to being Skilled to

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"The average age now is like 48 to 52 for service techs. So we're in dire need of service techs." Dennis Adams has spent decades crawling in attics or under homes to service central heating and air conditioning units. Now he's training future techs to do the same. "Generally about six months or two semesters, a student can come here and learn the refrigeration cycle and the electrical side of the air conditioning systems and generally get out in the field and start making around \$20 an hour." As students train, local businesses are actively recruiting. (Dennis) "There's companies out there offering signup bonuses just like you know three to 5000 our signup bonuses, your own vehicle, vacations insurance packages." Tristen Ingram is one of those students training now. "I did my research on it and it seemed like a great trade to get into have like family friends that have businesses and I got to experience go out there and work with them experience how the field is and I enjoy it." Ingram is one of 28 winners of a Trane Technician of the Future Scholarship, to work toward a technical education to prepare for the field of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning. He started dual enrollment at Savannah Tech during his senior year at South Effingham High School. But was overwhelmed when his A/C class started. "I came in here first day and I looked at some of this I was like, I don't know what I'm doing. But throughout the semester I've learned and learn learn how to do stuff properly." (Dennis) "When they really grasp it, it's that light bulb you see it in your head and just like Wow, Mr. Adams I figured it out. You know, it's really rewarding." And the student's reward is on the way. When they

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MAINTENANCE walk out the door and put those skills to work. In Savannah, Kyle Jordan, WTOC News.

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"Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock." Check it out - Savannah Chatham County Students spread cheer in our area yesterday. Their teacher say the kids picked it up pretty quick.

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12/7/2022 DAYBREAK SCCPSS 4:30:00 AM **CAROLING**  "For the songs that had movement to it, it kind of like, came naturally for them to want to move to it. The song Elfie Selfie, they all came up to me like 'Miss Hill, if Hairspray was a Christmas movie, this would be the song at the end of Hairspray'."

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"To be able to say you work at a hospital at 19, that's like the best thing to say." Not long ago in April, Taliyah Jackson was a student at Beach High school helping out at their on campus health clinic overseen by St. Joseph's Candler staff...fast forward after graduating and look at where she works now "I love it here" She's been in this lab at St. Joseph's hospital since December, doing something many people her age aren't, handling specimen and taking blood as a certified phlebotomist. "That's something she says she wouldn't have been prepared for if it wasn't for working at that Beach High School clinic." "It prepared me for patient contact, it prepared me for handling specimens in a way that a lot of people don't understand." Making her a catch in this field, when hospitals are facing staffing shortages.e "We don't have time to train somebody from the beginning. She came in with everything she needed to get her ready to work." While she loves what she does she now, she says she wants to be a forensic nurse in th future so this is her stepping stone to her dreams. "My favorite part is being apart of something that people would say I'm too young to do. You're never too young to do something, If you want to be successful, you can be successful at a young age." Young with quite a future ahead. Camille Syed WTOC News. 00:01:17

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**FEATURE** 

(sot) Graduation from college is a milestone enough, but especially for these students going to school in unprecidented times. (vo) More than 2,000 Georgia Southern students received diplomas during Fall commencement. For school leaders, it's an accomplishment some could not have imagined two years ago. (sot) Today is a testament to these students. During two years of going to college, they went through a pandemic. They adjusted their schedules and how curriculum was delivered. (vo) Southern alum and keynote speaker Liz Crisafi says the skills these students have learned outside the classroom will serve them well. (sot) That alone will help students when they go out to their careers. Because you have to change and navigate so much uncertainty in the world today. (vo) That's true for those getting their first degree or for professionals like Lisa Ariella Ward who's getting her doctorate, almost fifty years after getting her first degree. (sot) I can do more with a doctorate and more opportunities will open up, along with my passion for people and for public health. (vo) For families, it's a moment they'll remember forever. (sot) One graduate is not out there on the field. Coming up later in THE News, I'll show you where he is and how folks recognized him there. At Georgia Southern, Dal Cannady WTOC news ?

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? (sot) Most graduates-to-be would take a personal day from work, or even a sick day or just play hookie, to be at their own commencement. But most aren't Mr. Barrow, who has a classroom of students himself to educate. (vo) Hoops and hollers took the place of Pomp & Dops amp; Circumstance in this graduation for one. William James Middle School surprised Zach Barrow with his own ceremony. (sot) I saw chats getting deleted in our group chat and people were acting weird. But I didn't expect anything like this. (vo) Barrow came here as an education major and fell in love with the school. Bulloch County Schools hired him back in the fall- before he graduated - after meeting with his professors. (sot) We look for rock stars. If we don't hire the rock stars, someone else will. So we could not let this opportunity pass us by. (vo) A second generation educator, he says he GA SOUTHERN didn't want to forego his students or ask his parents to do it either..just for a ceremony. (sot) My life isn't about what I did at Georgia Southern. It's about what I do at William James in my classroom and on the football field and basketball court and the kids seeing me in their lives.....

**SBORO GRADUATION** 

**TODAY** 

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(sot) At Georgia Southern, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

"I researched the first two American tribes in the state of Georgia...is Cherokee and Creek. So I thought, you know it's always nice to pay homage to the native indigenous people who are here. So that's why, this part, the curvy ones are inspired by the creek patterns designs in their tradition and the other side you can see there are a lot of diamond shapes so those are taken from the traditional designs of the Cherokee tribe." She says the the colors used are some of her favorite to work with but she also wanted to incorporate the navy and yellow which represent the school colors. The project took more than 100 students, faculty, and staff to complete.

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Take a look! The program falls under SCAD Serves where students get out in the community and share their creativity. This project involved creating full scale mural that brings to life the court at Coastal Middle School. The lead artist for the project says there's meaning behind the lines on the court

12/14/2022 SCAD PARK 4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD PAINT (sot) Most of us think of vocational education as carpentry, plumbing, electrical and more. But Metter Middle School students are learning the proverbial "soft skills" and hope to take them to the next level. (vo) Students went through everything from a pretend job interview to handling an irate customer in a restaurant. The sixth, seventh, and eighth graders had no idea the simulations they would face. (sot) Not knowing any of this, we all walked in the door all surprised. Seeing everybody in here was great, but it was also nerve-racking. (vo) The Ron Clark Academy started The Amazing Shake as a competition for students to improve thee personal skills they need to work with other people. (sot) Oftentimes students come equipped with the hard skills needed for a project, but not the soft skills (vo) Local business people evaluated students in each of the drills. They also look at them as potential employees in the "not so distant future". (sot) They have the talent, but they miss that soft skill of how to greet people, how to thank people, how to speak in public or even how to write letters. (vo) I even got the chance to grade them on public speaking from a script on teleprompter. (sot) The top ten finishers in this contest move to the next round of interviews nicknamed "the circle of doom". Ultimately one student will represent Metter at the Ron

DAL: METTER 12/15/2022 **SKILLS** 

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TRIBE Savannah, a new after school program for kids and adults, is kicking off the holidays with a dance party this week! It's happening this Wednesday from 10 to 12. There will be a hot chocolate bar, holiday crafts, dancing, and more- with Santa making a special appearance! Everyone's invited. Tickets are 20 dollars for the child and their guardian And it's 5 dollars for

12/19/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **HOLIDAY** 

DANCE PARTY each additional guest. We have where you can buy the ticket and more on our website.

(vo) Vocational teachers and counselors met with many of the business and industry leaders they talk to on a regular basis. (sot) We have a lot of phone calls from employers, especially looking for seniors as they're leaving high school. (vo) As part of an economic development partnership, many of the school vocational instructors communicate with local companies to know what skills students need as they enter the local workforce. (sot) ...having a vital supply chain of workforce is good, but also a skilled work force. (vo) The school district just debuted a new website careerreadybulloch.org. It shows students and parents the programs available and the companies looking for workers. Program leaders say they're teaching students the vocational skills, but also stressing work ethics and more. (sot) A lot of employers say they need the soft skills and if students are willing to work, they can teach them what they need them to do. (vo) It's part of a focus to help students be either enrolled, enlisted, or employed when they graduate and help them find the path that best suits them. (sot) What's important is that we're helping students find what they're good at, what they enjoy, and help them be good at it and productive at it. (vo) They hope the website's information and the range of programs offered, they can help guide every student toward success and the chance to be Skilled to Work. Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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"Lots of support from the community to really make sure that all girls are learning to code and have that opportunity to pursue high-wage jobs in the future, that are tech-related." BUTTED TO: "For the people that want to learn code - you shouldn't give up, because it's something that takes skill, and when you get to harder codes like Phyton and C Plus Plus and just other types of codes, it takes memory." Creative Coast says they'll serve about 150 kids through coding and STEAM programs by the end of the year, but they need some help to keep it going. The group says they're looking for local teachers to help with some of these programs in the future.

GIRLS WHO CODE

12/22/2022 CODE 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD SHOWCASE

# DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

# MINORITY ISSUES OCTOBER 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022 CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING

#### **FACE THE NATION**

11/06/22

Guests: Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News correspondent (1); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (1); Keisha Lance Bottoms, former mayor (D-Atlanta, GA), senior adviser, Biden administration (2); Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH) (3); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Laura Meckler, national education writer, "The Washington Post" (5); Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, board member, Pfizer (5); Emily Oster, economist, Brown University (5); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (6); Caitlin Huey-Burns, CBS News political correspondent (6)

2) Topics include: voter turnout in Georgia / issues impacting African-American voters /

11/20/22

**Guests:** Rod Rosenstein, former U.S. deputy attorney general, Trump administration (1); Mike Pence, former vice president, author, *So Help Me God* (2) (4); Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA), member, Committee on the Judiciary, member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (3); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", co-host, "Pivot" (5); Scott Galloway, professor, New York University, co-host, "Pivot" (5); Karen Bass, mayor-elect, Los Angeles, CA (6)

11/27/22

**Guests:** Dr. Antony Fauci, chief medical adviser, Biden administration (1) (4); Representative James Clyburn (D-SC), House Majority Whip (2); Jeh Johnson, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, Obama administration (3); Michael Chertoff, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, George W. Bush administration (3); Governor Jared Polis (D-CO) (5); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (6) 5) Topics include: recent mass shooting at Club Q in Colorado Springs / potentially expanding "red flag" laws / possible hate crime and anti-LGBTQ rhetoric /

#### **60 MINUTES**

10/02/22

60 MINUTES (7:53 - 8:53p)

"Captain Kolisi" – a profile of Siya Kolisi. As the first Black rugby captain of South Africa, he discusses apartheid, inequality in sports and his goals as a role model. Includes interviews with Tendai Mtawarira, a retired professional rugby union player and friend of Kolisi; Francois Pienaar, former Springbok captain; and Rachel Kolisi, his wife. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael H. Gavshon)

11/27/22

"Grave Injustice" – a report on lost African American cemeteries in Clearwater, Florida. Archaeologists and residents are working to excavate and reclaim these forgotten graveyards. Includes interviews with Diane Stephens and Eleanor Breland, who grew up in the Heights; O'Neal Larkin, who says he saw a construction crew dig through the site of a "relocated" Black cemetery in 1984; Rebecca O'Sullivan and Erin McKendry archeologists for Cardno who were hired by the city to map the desecration; Antoinette Jackson, an anthropologist who leads the African-American Burial Ground Project at the University of South Florida; and Zebbie Atkinson, head of the Clearwater NAACP. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Nicole Young, Kristin Steve)

# INVESTIGATE TV 11/6/22- EPISODE 8, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV and Pro-Publica report on efforts to help low-literacy voters cast

their ballots. Plus, minors in the custody of metro Atlanta's Division of Family and Children services are running away, falling victim to sex trafficking. We investigate the dangerous situations they end up in when on the run.

# WTOC NEWSCASTS

ISSUE 9- HOW MINORITIES AND WOMEN HAVE BEEN AFFECTED IN THE COMMUNITY AND HOW COMPANIES AND ORGANIZATIONS ARE HELPING THEM THROUGH ENCOURAGEMENT AND MENTORING. 100 MEN PRODUCED PLAY ABOUT THE STRUGGLE OF A BLACK MAN IN AMERICA AND THE JUVENILE LEGAL SYSTEM, SAVANNAH NEW SQUARE NAMED YAMACRAW PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE AREA'S AFRICAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY SOURCE: MLK ORGANIZATIONS, 100 BLACK MEN, ETC.

"... thought they had me all figured out but didn't know jack about the the struggle of a young black man in America. The play "Broken Wings" has a message ... "some of us never get the chance to fly. All I ever wanted to do was fly. ... and Savannah keeps asking to hear it. "we knew it was going to be an enlightening play and an engaging play and knew it was going to be something that would engage the audience and that's what has happened. 100 Black Men of Savannah produced Tim Wright's story about issues in the juvenile legal system as another activity the mentoring program could use to reach young people in the community. But they ended up reaching - and teaching - wide-ranging audiences. "I think the youth in the juvenile justice system are often forgotten and a lot of people don't know this is a thing, a juvenile detention center, a jail I call it, filled with kids from 12 years old to 21. Broken Wings will get a third run tomorrow with a performance requested by juvenile court officers. "the show has a really good message, all the kids in the system don't necessarily deserve to be there. Even if they do, there's a point in their life when that could have been prevented. "the person I wanted to be is gone. The person I'm going to be was created the day I was locked up. The plot of Broken Wings is heavy, but also inspiring to the local high school students in the cast. "what you're going through now is not what you'll be going through forever and that's what I think speaks to me. It shows how people can change. "I want them to know that there's always something more to it, always something deeper than what you actually see. And they have enjoyed sharing that message with audiences as much as they have performing on stage and in rehearsals. "I think it probably helps them realize that some of the issues are still there and there's something they can do about it. And it also probably helps them remember some of the things they did when they were younger. "At the end of the day, the kids in the juvenile system are just kids. Eventually, they are going to grow up and eventually they are going to do bigger and better things.

TIM: BROKEN WINGS ENCORE

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ISSUE 10- HOW MINORITIES AND WOMEN HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY. BOWLAPALOOZA, LOWCOUNTRY DOWN SYDROME SOCIETY BUDDY WALK, OGEECHEE SEAFOOD FESTIVAL RIDES ADJUSTED FOR SAVANNAH PRIDE PARADE AND FESTIVAL, TYBEE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE DAY, MLK DRUM MAJOR AWARDS INCLUDING FATHER OF AHMAUD ARBERY, MARCUS ARBERY. SQUARE TO BE RENAMED SUSIE KING TAYLOR WHICH WILL BE THE FIRST BLACK WOMAN OR ANY WOMAN IN SAVANNAH, TYBEE ISLAND CELEBRATING KWANZA SOURCE: AMBUCS, SSU, GULLAH ORGANIZATION, SAV. HISPANIC CHAMBER, ETC.

This year, Savannah AMBUCS pulled together a roster of 22 celebrity bowlers and five high school teams. Since July each bowler worked to raise at least \$5,000. In the meantime they put together their own team that would hit the lanes with them at Bowlapalooza. Sarah Winkelmann and I (Hayley Boland) joined Mariah on Team WTOC. Savannah AMBUCS is all about inspiring mobility and independence for people with different abilities in our community. President Kevin Sheehan (SHE-HAN) says they set a lofty fundraising goal this year of \$200,000 and thanks to the hard work of the

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BOWLAPAL bowlers they surpassed it by more than \$12,000! 00:00:35

> The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society has put on their annual Buddy Walk for the past 16 years.. though the last two years, it's been virtual because of COVID. Today, the 17th Annual Buddy Walk was back in person 00:00:13 at Forsyth Park.

((SOT)) "Down Syndrome is a genetic condition, it's a copy on your 21st chromosomal pair. We can't cure it, but what we can do is embrace it, love it, and use the strength of that to make us all better." "It's a celebration of life for them. They are living life every day just like the rest of us, and they want a chance to overcome those challenges and overcome those obstacles that we place on them. We can do anything." Event organizers also spoke about the language people use around folks with Down Syndrome- they're trying to move away from the term "special needs" and instead use "differently abled." The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society plans to have another Buddy Walk

next year. 00:00:39

\*nats of carnival rides\* It's a place that can be overwhelming for kids with special needs. "He usually won't do things, especially if it's a lot of people around." Lawrissa Baker's son Nicholas has autism. She says she usually wouldn't bring her son to this type of event. But organizers adjust during the festival's Friday afternoon hours to help kids like Nicholas. "They slow down the rides, they don't turn on a lot of the noise so that they can have fun for a bit this morning." \*nats of carnival rides\* Organizers say it's a chance for these students to experience the fun...just like everyone else. "A lot of these students can't handle the noise and a lot of stuff like that and just the crowds. It's very overwhelming. So we want to give them an opportunity to come with their families because otherwise, they probably wouldn't come to the event at all." And for Baker... \*nats of cheering\* ...seeing Nicholas enjoy the festival meant the world. "They allow them to come out and enjoy the festivities OGEECHEE without the crowds, the lights, the noise and they can have fun. And the fact that he got to ride the rides and go around and enjoy it was everything to

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But people have been celebrating out here since 5 p.m. this evening with a DJ and live music... as well as tons of Vendors. Organizers expect more than 30,000 people to attend over the two day event... It's the first one since the pandemic, and everyone here is excited to have the important event back. October is LGBT History Month, and organizers say Halloween is a holiday significant to LGBTQ culture.... Adding to the significance of

Savannah Pride this weekend. 00:00:27

"For over a century back to the Harlem Renaissance and Castro in San Francisco in the 1960s... Halloween became the holiday that was the biggest celebration on the Gay calendar. And in America's most haunted city, we celebrate pride." Again—everyone is excited for the parade to kick off in just 00:00:18 a few minutes here...

Tonight -- they are kicking things off at Starland Yard with what they call a Masqueerrade ball. Then Friday they will be set up in Ellis Square before the parade at 8 p.m. And Saturday they will be back in Ellis Square to continue the celebration with entertainment, food, drinks and booths to learn more about First City Pride. The event is free and they welcome anyone who would like to participate. 00:00:24 Lawrence Appenzeller / First City Pride Center "Especially in Savannah, Savannah is such a bubble, a wonderful bubble of LGBTQ acceptance and I think making sure that is visible to the community and making sure people who don't know about the center and happen to be in downtown can see us and know this is a place where LGBTQ plus people can be supported and safe." The last time they held the festival in 2019 -- they estimated about 30 thousand people took part over the weekend.

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"Pride is a protest. It's a movement to demand that we are fully included in this country." Friday night marked the start of a 2-day celebration of the LGBTQ community in Savannah. "This is the first time I've celebrated pride in Savannah... I've celebrated it with my brother in Atlanta." A long awaited return... people involved say is a display of acceptance. "It showcases the inclusivity that Savannah has. I haven't been here very long, but the inclusiveness that I feel here is just really great. It's a welcoming and loving environment." Organizers say celebrating pride during Halloween weekend has an added significance. "For over a century back to the Harlem Renaissance and Castro in San Francisco in the 1960s... Halloween became the holiday that was the biggest celebration on the Gay calendar. And in America's most haunted city, we celebrate pride." The action-packed weekend includes numerous performances, live music, and vendors. Friday night's main event was the pride parade - all recognizing the importance... of gathering once again. "it gives people a sense of belonging. It helps people come out of their shell, be more expressive, and just show them that they are loved and supported."

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Even though the day itself was celebrated across the country in October ... Tybee's MLK organization decided to push their celebration back a few weeks and they're looking forward to a great turnout. VO For many, they learn that Christopher Columbus was credited with discovering America. However, in recent years there's more acknowledgment of the people that were here first, recognizing that Indigenous history is American history. Members of Tybee's MLK Human Rights organization say there were two different tribes that lived on the island ... the Euchee and the Guale. Tybee's Indigenous Peoples Day celebration will include live music, food, presentations, storytelling, and a dance demonstration. This year's Chairwoman Laura Moonwoman says people should come if they're interested in learning about the island's history in a fun way. SOT "There were two different tribes here on Tybee Island. One was more of an agricultural community; one was more of a potter community. It's very interesting how they got here and it's a little bit sad how they ended up leaving. The whole history is quite interesting, and a lot of people don't know that they were here." If you're interested in coming, it's being held inside here at Hotel Tybee on Saturday starting at 3:30. It's free and open to

everyone. On Tybee Island, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

TYBEE INDIGENOU S PEOPLE DAY

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The event recognizes figures from many different communities for the path they have made for others. You may recognize a few of the recipients. They range from Mary Davis, to Tyrone Brown. Ahmaud Arbery's father, Marcus Arbery Sr., was also recognized tonight. State Representative Carl Gilliard hosted the event. He explains why he feels it's so important.

"We got to get back to the basics of Doctor Kings preface. It's not just that he had a dream, he talked about the drum major instinct and how people want to lead and these are leaders in their own right. That took up the... of leading in entertainment, sports, and humanity. Marcus Arbery, he lost his son, and leading leading the charge for justice across the nation, so it's a very important award." Gilliard says more than 130 people were honored this

MLK DRUM 11/18/2022 **MAJOR** 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD **AWARDS** 

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MLK DRUM

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gathered for the unveiling of the new square which also underwent an art restoration process. "Thereby providing it with the full measure of dignity, value, and care as regarded with the city's other 22 squares." \*nats of fountain\* The new installations feature fountains creating a welcoming spot for visitors...that even drivers can see from bordering Bay St. \*nats of cars\* In the middle...a plaza with plaques paying tribute to the area's African-American and Native American history. The square is just north of First Bryan Baptist Church...which city leaders say is one of the country's oldest African-American Baptist churches. "It is within this plaza that residents, informed, inspired, empowered can take pride in sharing the abudnant history to be found here." The call for restoration came when a member of a tour group noticed the then Yamacraw Art Park's need for maintainence. "We began to see that the plaques were basically being vandalized. We saw that the slates were now being vandalized, we saw that the fountain was not functioning." Then...in March of this year...Savannah city council unanimously voted to change the name to Yamacraw Square...investing approximately 100-thousand dollars for repairs. "We replaced missing granite blocks on the wall. We cleaned the plaza. We restored and enhanced the landscape and the turf." The square lies within Yamacraw Village. The Savannah Yamacraw Association is in a legal battle with the city's Housing Authority to stop a proposed redevelopment plan for the public housing complex. Some city leaders now saying the square will be a key asset in Yamacraw's future. "I challenge us to become more purposeful about where

\*nats of unveiling\* City leaders and Yamacraw community members

11PM FLYNN: WEEKEND 12/4/2022 11:38:00 PM OD

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YAMACRAW it is that we plan to take this community based on where it is we have come from." As the square now aims to commemorates the past.

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12/2/2022 5:29:00 PM	5:30pm OD	SUSIE KING TAYLOR COALITION	making history. I think it allows them to be able to see that change can happen and if you can continue to work for towards change it could occur." If the square is named after Taylor, it will the first square named after a Black woman or any woman in Savannah.	00:00:20
12/26/2022 11:01:00 PM	11PM OD	TYBEE ISLAND KWANZAA KICKOFF	Kwanzaa officially kicked-off tonight! And it was a very special celebration on Tybee Island as Savannah's Kwanzaa Krawl expanded to the island, for the first time! Dozens gathered earlier this evening at North Beach Bar and Grill. The Krawl brings people together all 7 nights and also highlights various black-owned and African-inspired businesses across our region. More than anything, organizers, including Tybee's MLK Human Rights Organization and Alderwoman Kesha Gibson Carter, say it's a chance to bring people together from all walks of life. Every night of Kwanzaa has a different them. Night one - is you-MO-juh Umoja or, Unity.	00:00:38
12/26/2022 11:01:00 PM	11PM OD	TYBEE ISLAND KWANZAA KICKOFF	"Our first principle of tonight, unity, is represented in this room. We wanted all people from across Savannah to go to these restaurants and help them to not only survive, but to thrive." "It's all about, how do we lift up one another? How do we remember those who came before us? Remember our culture, our heritage, our history. And how do we come alongside each other, and practice the principle of unity." Grant-Baptiste says - tonight's event was the first-ever *public Kwanzaa celebration on Tybee Island. The Krawl continues tomorrow night at 2 Chef's Southern Kitchen in Savannah.	00:00:34
12/26/2022 4:59:00 PM	5PM OD	KWANZA KRAWL	The Kwanza Krawl is takes place at various restaurants throughout the city. Tonight's celebration is at Kreole Kitchen in Savannah. The event will showcase local restaurants, artists, and vendors who help make the Savannah African-American culture one-of-a-kind. The celebration has been expanded to Pooler and Tybee Island restaurants this year- as well as Savannah breakfast and dessert locations. The last day of the Krawl is January 1st, the last day of Kwanzaa.	00:00:28

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## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** OCTOBER 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022

#### **CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

#### **FACE THE NATION**

10/02/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Senator Rick Scott (R-FL) (2); Deanne Criswell, administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (3); Kevin Anderson, mayor, Fort Myers, FL (4); Ben Tracy, CBS News senior national and environmental correspondent (5); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (6); Lt. Gen. H.R. McMaster (retired), former national security adviser, Trump administration, CBS News contributor (7); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (8) Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (9) 2) Topics include: Hurricane Ian / need for emergency supplemental aid / flood insurance / rebuilding in places at risk for extreme weather 3) Topics include: how a community or an individual recovers / rebuilding in locations at risk for extreme weather; commitment to provide assistance and

- support to all communities
- 6) Topics include: challenges facing Puerto Rico and Florida after hurricanes;

10/09/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1): Kari Lake, gubernatorial candidate (R-AZ) (2); Katie Hobbs, Arizona secretary of state, gubernatorial candidate (D-AZ) (3); Scott MacFarlane, CBS News congressional correspondent (4) (5); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (5); Peter Baker, chief White House correspondent, The New York Times, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Susan Glasser, staff writer, The New Yorker, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6): Mohamed El-Erian, chief economic adviser, Allianz, president, Queens College, Cambridge University (7)

Guest Moderator: Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent 3) Topics include: comprehensive plan to address inflation and the economy: 7) Topics include: volatility in the U.S. stock market / mistakes made by the Federal Reserve regarding inflation; OPEC Plus's decision to cut oil production / inflation predictions / this week's jobs

10/16/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1); Pete Buttigleg, secretary of transportation, Biden administration (2); Betsey Stevenson, professor, University of Michigan, former chief economist, United States Department of Labor, Obama administration (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Oksana Markarova, Ukraine's ambassador to the United States (5); Rachael Bade, "Politico", author, Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump (6); Karoun Demirjian, "The Washington Post", author, Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump (6); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (7) 2) Topics include: inflation as a concern for voters / Biden administration's efforts to combat inflation; paid leave; infrastructure / frustration expressed by local governments over securing funds

3) Topics include: inflation's impact on the current state of the economy / consumer worry; childcare and caregiver shortage / female employment and the return to workforce / upward wage pressure

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Guests: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (1); Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Speaker of the House of Representatives (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (3); Christopher Krebs, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", "Pivot" (4); Amos Hochstein, special presidential coordinator, Biden administration (6); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (8)

**Correspondent:** Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (5) 5) CBS NEWS: EYE ON AMERICA: ELECTION INFLUENCERS: "Pressured Parents" focus group – a discussion with three voters who feel post-pandemic stress over finances and kids and are deeply impacted by inflation and the issues influencing their votes in the midterms

6) Topics include: release from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) / upcoming European ban on Russian crude imports / OPEC's decision to cut oil production; potential deal between Israel and Lebanon that would allow offshore drilling

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**Guests:** Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA), chair, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, majority committee member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jamie Dimon, CEO, J.P. Morgan Chase (2) (5); Bahareh Shargi, wife of Emad Shargi (3); Ariana Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Hannah Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Fiona Hill, former National Security Council senior director for European and Russian affairs (4); Christopher Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4);

- 2) Topics include: America's position in a tumultuous global economy / economic impact of Russia's war in Ukraine / energy costs;
- 5) Topics include: community banking program / home ownership / mortgage rates

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Guests: Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (1); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (2); Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX) (3); Keisha Lance Bottoms, White House senior adviser for public engagement, Biden administration (4); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (6); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (7)

- 1) Topics include:; worker shortage in West Virginia /Inflation Reduction Act / energy independence;
- 5) a report from Atlanta on how U.S. consumers are watching holiday spending despite hopeful economic indicators

#### **60 MINUTES**

10/16/22

60 MINUTES (7:41 - 8:41p)

"The Power Of Grimsby" – a report on Grimsby, England. The old fishing town is home to the world's largest offshore wind farm, a massive source of clean and renewable energy which powers millions of homes a day in the U.K. Includes interviews with Bridie Salmon and Captain Peter Broughton, who service the turbines; Benj Sykes, vice president of Offshore Wind at Orsted; and Dennis Avery and Bob Formby, former fishermen. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Ashley Velie)

**The Last Minute** – This past Monday, former Federal Reserve Chairman, Ben Bernanke, was named winner of the Nobel prize in economics, a prize shared with two other American economists for their work in how societies deal with financial crises. ("The Chairman", OAD: 03/15/09 and "The Chairman", OAD: 12/05/10) (C: Scott Pelley)

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"American Prairie" – a report on American Prairie. The nonprofit, run by CEO Alison Fox, aims to restore and conserve a large region of central Montana as a nature reserve. Includes interviews with Alison Fox, CEO of American Prairie; Conni and Craig French, who operate a cattle farm; Daniel Kinka, a wildlife biologist who runs Wild Sky; Lance Johnson, a fourth generation Montanan who runs a cattle ranch with his family; and Mark Azure, former president of the Fort Belknap Reservation's tribal council. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman)

11/20/22

60 MINUTES (7:48 - 8:48p)

"The Panini Sticker Phenomenon" – a report on Panini stickers. Created before the 1970 World Cup by the Italian Panini brothers, the collectible trading stickers have made a resurgence for the World Cup in Qatar. Includes interviews with Francesco Furnari, the biggest official Panini distributor in the United States; Antonio Panini, Giuseppe Panini's son; Laura and Lucia Panini, Giuseppe Panini's nieces; Antonio Allegra, Panini's Marketing Director; Marcella Mannori, Panini's project manager overseeing image control; Gigi Buffon, soccer player; and Giani Bellini, who is considered the most prolific Panini collector in the world. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Draggan Mihailovich)

12/04/22

60 MINUTES (7:37 – 8:37p)

"Return to Gorongosa" – a report on Gorongosa National Park in Mozambique. After three decades of war, the country aims to restore the historic park's wildlife and environment. Includes interviews with Greg Carr, an American entrepreneur and philanthropist; Antonio Paolo, park veterinarian; Larissa Sousa, who runs the Girls Club; and Mercia Angela, veterinarian. (See also: "Gorongosa", OAD: 10/26/08) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster, Sarah Turcotte)

12/18/22

60 MINUTES (7:36 - 8:36p)

**"Litigation Funding"** – a report on litigation funding. The new business in which investors fund lawsuits for a part of the profit is growing with few laws in place to help regulate the industry. Includes interviews with Craig Underwood, farmer; Christopher Bogart, CEO of Burford Capital; Maya Steinitz, a law professor at the University of Iowa; Donald Sefcik, former NYPD officer; and Michael Barasch, Sefcik's lawyer. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On, Jinsol Jung)

**The Last Minute** – after decades of disappointing experiments, The Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory has achieved a nuclear fusion reaction that produces more power than it consumes. (C: Bill Whitaker)

#### **CBS NEWS SPECIAL**

12/28/22

THE GIFT: #KindnessGoesViral (10:00 - 11:00p) - a CBS News special examining how a person's act of kindness can create a ripple effect that causes real and positive change, often far beyond their own communities. Includes: (1) Katie Steller of Minneapolis, MN, hairstylist and founder of the Red Chair Project, which provides free haircuts and friendship to the homeless; (2) Brittany Berry of DeWitt, IA, on how the financial challenges she faced to adopt a child led to the creation of The Adopted Closet, which helps families that need assistance pay adoption fees; (3) the impact of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, which began in 1904, including Steve Hartman's experience as a big brother and a reunion with his former mentee; (4) 15-year-old Ruby Chitsey of Harrison, AR, whose work with nursing home residents led to the creation of a national foundation where young children fulfill the wishes of nursing home residents; (5) a visit to the Dixie Diner in Houston, MS, where a chance encounter in 1971 served as an inspiration for the original "Secret Santa"; (6) Curtis Jenkins, a former Dallas, TX-area school bus driver, on what inspires him to give his students attention they might not get at school or at home and his new career as a leader who motivates others to use kindness to help; and (7) the story of a crime reporter at the Mansfield News Journal in Ohio, who reported on a family that was taking their daughter, Lizzy Myers, to an observatory to see the stars before she lost her vision to a genetic disorder and how the public's reaction led the family to create a foundation to help other children losing their sight. This broadcast also features the work of Peko Hosoi, an MIT professor who agreed to help search for a formula that can quantify what it takes for one act of kindness to spread and change the world. Also includes interviews with: Mary McFee, nursing home resident (4); Joe Miniscalco, executive director, Student Services (6); and Jose Gonzales, Lavlah Gonzales' father (7). (Correspondent: Steve Hartman, Producers; Mervl Gitter Michon, Resa Matthews, Roxanne Feitel. See It Now Studios / Executive Producers: Susan Zirinsky, Terence Wrong)

#### **INVESTIGATETY**

10/9/22 EPISODE 4, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - InvestigateTV looks at a weedkiller that protects some crops while wiping out acres on other farms - hear how Dicamba is dividing the agricultural community.

#### 10/23/22 EPISODE 6. SEASON 2

Consumer Investigator Rachel DePompa look at ways to offset the recent inflation spike.

#### 11/6/22 EPISODE 8, SEASON 2

Also, homeowners losing their houses to unpaid taxes, but why is the county the top purchaser? Finally, Consumer Investigator Rachel DePompa talks to an expert about the importance of getting a will.

ISSUE 11-HOW THE ECONOMY AND OTHER SOURCES SUCH AS THE CORONAVIRUS ARE AFFECTING BUSINESSES. HOW BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED DURING THE CORONAVIRUS, POPEYES/FUDDRUCKER'S ON 1-95 FIRE, OGEECHEE SEAFOOD PRICE INCREASES DUE TO INFLATION, REBUILDING 6 MONTHS AFTER BRYAN CO. TORNADO, PORTAL TURPENTINE FESTIVAL BACK AFTER 2 YEARS IN PANDEMIC, SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES AT THE AG EXPO, BROUGHTON WORK TO BE DONE BY

HOLIDAYS, SOUTH GA PEANUT HARVEST, POOLER TREE LIGHTING AFTER 2 YEARS, COTTON CROP CONDITIONS, PHARMARCIES BACKED UP DUE TO SICKNESS, DIESEL FUEL SHORTAGE LOCAL IMPACT, BROUGHTON STREET CONSTRUCTION UPDATE, CITRUS CROPS CLIMATE CHANGE, TYBEE FREE PARKING THROUGH HOLIDAYS, BRIDGE RUN AFFECTING TRAFFIC, HOLIDAY INFLATION, RICHMOND HILL PHARMACY MEDICINE SHORTAGE, KRISPY KREME CLOSED ON SKIDWAY AFTER MANY DECADES HIGHWAY 67 TRAFFIC LIGHT, SICKNESS AND THE HOLIDAYS, SAVANNAH MALL BUSINESSES GIVING EVICTION NOTICES, GSU FAN EXPERIENCE WITH BUSINESSES IN MONTGOMERY FOR CAMELIA BOWL, HOW CITY MARKET BUSINESSES WILL BE AFFECTED BY NEW OWNERS, SHRIMP DOWN FROM 5 YEAR AVERAGE

SOURCE: CITY OF SAVANNAH, US GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS OWNERS, ETC

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"It's a quieter Friday night than usual on Hilton head island... as many restaurants like this one closed down ahead of lan's arrival. Ian brought strong winds and rain here to the island. But, other than some downed trees, the island seems to have come out relatively unscathed." "Nothing's open. Because they're ready." If you walked around Hilton Head Island Friday night - you were bound to come across signs like these. Closed, waiting for hurricane lan to pass. And, while many of those bars and restaurants \*stayed closed Friday evening... a sense of normalcy, returned. Just hours before, after lan passedthrough, people flocked to the beach. "I'm like, I'm going to go down to the beach! See how it looks, what came up on the shore." Otter Aghazarian came up from Florida - right as lan was about to hit. "And they're like, 'It's going to hit Georgia. It's going to hit South Carolina.' And I'm like, 'uh-oh, it's coming right toward me!' So I bought a bunch of water, food. I was ready to hunker down." Kathy Van Dyke and her husband met in Hilton Head Thursday... iust ahead of the storm. "It's kind of a new adventure. We like to do adventerous things... I think our biggest fear was that the water was going to surge and bury the car." But, as of Friday night, we haven't heard any reports of injuries - or major damage. Something people on the island are grateful for. "Very lucky. When I was watching the news, and looking at some of the devastation, some of the people that have died... I was like, 'Whew! I got really lucky here.' The whole island got lucky." On HHI, Max Diekneite, WTOC News.

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((PKG)) Emergency crews were battling a blaze all morning here at the Popeyes, Fuddruckers, and TA Travel Center off of I-95 and Coastal Highway. Richmond Hill Fire was the responding agency, and they say as soon as soon as they got on scene, they knew they were going to have to call in some other agencies for help. "We made entry through the front door and immediately called for mutual aid from Savannah, Chatham, and Liberty County, which they all showed up on scene to help out. That was a lot of help for us." The fire was reported around 2:45 on Sunday morning. Evans says that they put out the fire on the inside of Popeyes- but that was only half the battle. There were also parts of the roof burning- a stubborn fire to put out. The fire crew stayed on scene for a couple hours after the initial blaze- just to make sure everything was safe. Evans: "Sometimes you end up with hot spots in the roof, and we want to make sure everything's completely out. We don't want any rekindles. We don't like coming back to things like this." Bryan County EMS says that one person at the scene was treated for injuries- though they couldn't say what the injury was or whether or not the person was in one of the buildings. No firefighters were hurt while battling the blaze. They were able to contain the damage, with the TA making away with just minor smoke damage. The same can't be said for Popeyes and Fuddruckers. Evans: "We've got roof damage, we've got water damage, and guite a bit of fire and smoke damage in the back of the building, so I would imagine it's gonna take them a good while before they can get reopened." Shea: There's no word yet on what may have actually caused the fire. We'll be sure to update you when we get that information. Reporting in Richmond Hill, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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While final preparations are underway...organizers say that rising costs due to inflation could impact the menu prices you see at this year's festival. From gas to groceries and now...seafood. "The cost from last year to this year has gone up tremendously." The head of Richmond Hill's Chamber of Commerce which hosts the festival says inflation is now having an impact on the event. "A lot of our food vendors unfortunately have had to go up on their prices, but the cost of everything has obviously gone up. You'll probably see that reflected in the menu pricing." Johnson says the overall costs to put on the event have also gone up...but says the chamber is working with vendors to expand seafood options at this year's festival. "We've really made sure that we have as many seafood options as possible through those vendors, but they provide those menus and serve what they like and make really well." If you don't want to shell out more for some shellfish...Johnson says there's something for everyone...including live music and entertainment at this festival that supports the chamber. "It really is to give back to the community, enable us to do our jobs here to support local businesses and also to just bring people to Richmond Hill so they can see what a great town that we have here." Despite the rising costs...Johnson says there's nothing fishy about the fun expected at this year's festival. "We have a lot of returning vendors, but we also have some new food vendors as well. So, hopefully we'll have a really OGEECHEE big turn out and the weather will hold out for us, and we'll be good." The festival runs the weekend of October 14. Be sure to stick with WTOC for updates as the event approaches.

SEAFOOD 10/3/2022 FEST PRIC 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD INCREASE

SEAFOOD weekend of October 14. Be sure to stick with WTOC for updates as the event approaches. FEST PRICE For more information on the seafood fest...just look for this story on our website...that's INCREASE WTOC.com. Reporting in RH...FS...WTOCN.

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(vo) Rusty Williams and his family have been farming for three generations. (sot) This was my grandpa's farm. I was fortunate enough to get it from my aunts, uncles, and my dad. (vo) In addition to their usual peanut, cotton, and hay crops they added corn this year, but not the kind you eat but the kind you navigate...a seven acres maze. The idea came from their son. (sot) ..he took his kids to a corn maze in North Atlanta or North Georgia. He called and said "dad, this is something great for y'all to try." (vo) Friends helped them plot it, complete with an Eagle image in the middle. They open it on the weekends for people to explore and learn about farming. (sot) Besides adding a source of revenue, they say this also helps educate the next generation about where their food comes from. (sot) ...because 90 percent of them don't know where their food comes from. (vo) More and more farms now feature some form of Agri-tourism as a way to bring visitors and income. (sot) With the way the economy has gotten, all the taxes you have to pay..you have to do something to suppliment your income. (vo) He says the reward comes from seeing families come out and enjoy themselves. And that makes the whole family "Proud to be a Farmer". In Bulloch

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County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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We first introduced you to Andrew and Joselyn Clayton just days after the tornado left their home in ruins. Andrew and Joselyn Clayton stand on the foundation of what was once their house as they look at other damaged homes still remaining from the storm. Andrew Clayton: "It honestly doesn't seem like 6 months." Joselyn Clayton: "It took us a while to process that that even happened to us." It was April 5th when the tornado through parts of Pembroke...Ellabell...and Black Creek with 185 mph winds...killing one person. The couple was one of many who lost their home in the Park Place subdivision. This is what their house looked like in the days after. Joselyn Clayton: "It took us a little bit to realize, 'Oh, I don't have this. I don't have that,' With help from their insurance company...the couple was able to find a rental home...as they worked to make plans for rebuilding. Andrew Clayton: "... we come back to talk to a contractor or to do some kind of legal thing over here and then you kind of remember everything that happened and the reality of the situation. \*nats of walking\* Now the couple is now ready to rebuild. They plan to start the framing for their new home 6 months to the day the tornado hit. And they didn't do it by themselves... Andrew Clayton: "We saw such an overwhelming amount of just help, cooperation from everyone, just the love people showed to us and it really made us treasure what we had." With dogs alongside them every step of the way. The couple says that while they lost so much in the storm...they gained a bigger appreciation for each other. Joselyn Clayton: "we're very thankful that we have each other and our dogs are with us and that's what TORNADO 6 matters the most honestly. "We're definitely homesick and ready to start construction and head back to our house." In Bryan County, Flynn Snyder. WTOC news.

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7AM 10/9/2022 DAYBREAK PIRATE 7:00:00 AM SUNDAY OD FEST

Pirate Fest returned to Tybee Island yesterday afternoon... making its first return since the pandemic. You're looking at video from the parade... This year, there were some changes to the celebration -- like making live music one of the main focuses. They also had a costume contest. Organizers say this year was a bit of a scaled back celebration after COVID cancellations in prior years... but it should be back in full force next year.

(vo) Ryne Brannen says his family has been farming for as long anybody can remember. (sot) I know and can name names five generations back. Some people tell me it goes further back. (vo) They grow roughly 3,500 acres of peanuts and cotton. He says they've had enough rain to make a good peanut crop this year and a good harvest.... (sot) ...until it rained last night and that's shut us down. (vo) This time of year brings the pressure to get the crop harvested. Every extra day it sits in the field takes away a little quality that will show up at market. This year, they've battled elements beyond the weather. Parts and supplies have been hard to find, to the point they second guess whether to return a shipment of the wrong part. (sot) ..the guy was like "I don't know if I'd do that, because you have two tractors that take that part..and that's the last one of those in the United States of America." (sot) Ryne says the supply chain challenges this year remind him of the tales his grandpa told him about rationing in World War II. (vo) While circumstances might be different, the lesson remains the same. (sot) ..don't spend money you don't need to spend. Don't buy things you don't need. And do as much as you can yourself. (vo) He says it's DAL: PROUD almost a divine calling he and his family feel and that makes them Proud to be a Farmer.

TO BE A **FARMER** 

10/10/2022

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(sot) ..it's what we were made for, at least that's what I think. (vo) In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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Located just over 30 minutes from River Street and Downtown Savannah in Bloomingdale, GA lies Ottawa Farms. The oldest farm in Chatham county. - "We been in the cattle business all our life, We would run about 200 a head of beef cattle over here. We did alot of cotton farming here, soy bean farming, corn farming over the years, and got into picking strawberries, and picking black berries, and pick blue berries. We fixing to plant some satsuma oranges and some grapefruit." Being a third-generation farmer, Mr. Pete uses his experience to accomplish his true passion. - "I enjoy people... and I enjoy having people come to the farm. I enjoy having children come out here, see where their food is grown and that it doesn't come out of Piggly Wiggly. Food comes out of the Soil, and we have about 2000 children in the spring and 2000 in the fall come out, and I enjoy the adults coming out because you got alot of adults that don't know anything about farming believe me." For this reason, Ottawa farm hosts its fall festivals and its own rodeo, which will be happening over the next few weekends. where they will have ... Anything form bull riding, bronco riding, calf roping, bull riding, the whole 9 yards. Everything that goes on at a rodeo, we'll have at a rodeo. and before the rodeo, we'll have our cow train rides, hayrides, our bronco slide, we'll have our pumpkin patch and pig races along with it. All with the goal of improving and educating the community with some small-town farming fun, reporting from Ottawa Farms with one of Chatham counties proudest farmers, I'm Dylan Smith WTOC News.

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**FARMER** 

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VAN "We need to get this done. We're talking mid-November now. this has to get done. I mean JOHNSON: I'm not trying to do any more delays. We have to get to the finish line. We need to get this BROUGHTO over with." WTOC's Camille Syed will have more about the timeline of the project coming Up on The News at 6.

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Taking a look at construction still taking up a good bit of Broughton street right in the middle of several businesses. The Broughton Streetscapes Project began in 2020. Many businesses in the past have told us they saw sales cut in half during construction. As the BROUGHTO construction is set to come to an end next month before the holidays, business at The Paris N WORK TO Market on the corner of Broughton Street didn't slow down much during construction. But

10/26/2022 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD BE DONE BY general manager Rebecca Zerby says she's happy they can bring their outdoor seating HOLIDAYS back.

(vo) Say the word "turpentine" to many people these days and its just something smelly you get at the hardware store. They don't know that it spawned an industry in the rural south that got a generation through tough economic times. (vo) The annual Turpentine Festival went on hiatus for two years due to the pandemic and postponed three weeks due to Hurricane Ian. Organizers say the festival helps preserve living history about the ways people harvested pine gum from trees to distill it into turpentine in the early to mid 1900's. (sot) That was during The Depression and nobody had money. Everybody was looking for a way to make a living for their family. (vo) Portal has one of the oldest operating stills in the South. They'll have local historians on hand to explain to future generations how their community and others survived. (sot) The day kicks off with a parade that starts at 10am TURPENTIN and carries all day long with live entertainment, food, and more. In Portal, Dal Cannady

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> The supply chain issues are still very much a factor. Our exhibitors have done a great job of overcoming those issues as best they can. (vo) 2022 has brought its own host of challenges for exhibitors here, just like it has for farmers across the nation. In addition to supply chain issues - record prices are impacting every part of the process it takes to get food on the table. While there were obstacles to put the Expo together this year, organizers say the know those challenges make it even more crucial. Blalock and others know new products - large and small - could be the difference for some market to stay in business or fall behind the curve of a changing economy. Back in the 80's when we had a difficult time, diversification was the answer to that challenge. The answer to this challenge is going out and taking on these new technologies that fit your farm. (vo) It's the farmer who has to weigh the cost of new equipment versus how much it will help their operation's efficiency. But they also know their bottom line helps drive their community..and in Georgia, the whole state. It's such a diverse agricultural economy - even though it's our number one industryit's very diverse as well. We're seeing a lot of urban farming and other things that are transforming....tourism, agritourism. All of those things help keep agribusiness...our state and even our nation...going.

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AG EXPO 10/28/2022 **SUNBELT** 6:30:00 PM AG EXPO OVERVIEW

**PORTAL** 

"It is capable of looking at the future weather forecast, so, you know, if you're thinking oh I might need to water today, Cropx might, depending on how much moisture is in the soil, might tell you, you know, there's a 90 percent chance of rain tonight, maybe you can hold off for a little bit." From sensors that check the forecast for you...to massive sprayers with precise targets... "The see and spray technology actually uses cameras to detect the weeds as its going through the field." There's two goals for most of the technology on display this year at the expo - make farming economically and environmentally sustainable. "Instead of a traditional sprayer that just broadcast sprays throughout the whole field, this one's actually just going to individually pick up and spray the weeds as it's going through the field, saving a lot on chemical application costs for our customers." "If you look, the population of the world is just booming, and so the question is, how do we feed those people, how do we clothe those people...you're not finding new land to grow crops on, so how do we make the most out of have, and that's what Cropx and Reinke are trying to come up with ways to optimize the yields people have in their fields." And that's what Georgia's Ag commissioner says this show is all about. "When that transaction's taking place, when that explanations going from the manufacturer to the potential customer, boy

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that's the sound of freedom. That's a free economy that's alive and well and the heartbeat's

strong, so there's still a great role for Sunbelt in that area."

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The official supply alert issued by Mansfield Energy states "Poor pipeline shipping economics and historically low diesel inventories are combining to cause shortages in various markets throughout the Southeast." In turn, Commissioner Black says we're seeing a rise in diesel fuel prices. "When you see tighter supplies, you're always going to see higher prices. And when those higher prices for basic inputs: fuel, labor, those kinds of things that we've seen escalate over time, the natural result of economics is that that's going to be reflected in the retail price that you and I pay." The cause of the shortage, Black says, doesn't boil down to just one thing. He says the war between Russia and Ukraine has undoubtedly contributed to the shortage- as well as issues here in the United States. Black: "We're down about 11 or so refineries in America since COVID. Some of the less efficient ones were casualties of COVID. That's reduced our productive capacity to actually produce product." When it comes down to it- Black says the shortage won't just affect one specific group of people- and that everyone across the board needs to prepare to see prices rise as we near the end of the year. Black: "All of us consumers, we head towards Christmas, the shipping, trucking, all the things for consumer goods, our food, it's really a much broader area of concern for all of us." Shea: Commissioner Black did add that local company, Colonial Oil, a major supplier of oil in the State of Georgia, is operating all of their refineries. I did reach out to them to discuss the diesel shortage and see what they're expecting in the

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months to come, but I haven't heard back yet. We'll be sure to update this story on WTOC.com if I do. For WTOC News, I'm Shea Schrader.

(sot) Cotton farmers I spoke to say this might be their best crop in years, but the part that's still in the field could certainly be damaged as Nicole passes our way. (vo) The bands of wind and rain started midday, stirring cotton plants still in the fields. Colby Deal says they've picked three-fourths of their crop. But roughly 150 acres remains and this storm has him concerned. (sot) It takes a pretty big toll on it. It could lay a whole stalk over or you see a whole bunch of cotton laying on the ground. (vo) He says this storm comes late in the Fall, and late in the cotton season too. (sot) ...we've got it sprayed so it's exposed and open, nothing really to protect it from this weather. (vo) He says the fiber can withstand a little rain, but takes sunshine to dry it again before they can harvest. Wind, can separate it from the boll. A combination of the two can be costly. (sot) You can lose up to 100 pounds an acre, according to the wind and the rain. (vo) He says they'll be disappointed to have such a good crop all season, only to lose the last part of it at the very end. (sot) They just want Nicole to come and go as quickly as possible. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC

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LL: The annual Christmas tree lighting is a tradition that Pooler has not been able to have since 2019, but that all changed tonight with the lighting of this tree. Mini: \*nats of tree lighting\* The pandemic had forced city officials to put the lighting on pause for the past two years...but Covid proved not be a Scrooge this year. Organizers say they were excited to welcome back the community.: "We're getting back to some normal which is nice for us as a community to get back to being a part of a community and not in seclusion and some of those things like that." The 44 foot tall tree isn't real, but was shipped in from Texas.o Those looking to get in the holiday spirit also enjoyed music, smores and of course a visit from Santa who traded in his sleigh for a Pooler fire truck. Pooler's mayor says that by lighting the tree...she hopes those getting in on the holiday spirit will also get a jump on their holiday shopping. "Small businesses, certainly will make it during this time of the year, plus the larger ones that we have. It looks exciting. People were buying at Tanger last night at that tree lighting so we hope it'll bring better economics to the area." LL: City staff say it was important for them to be able to welcome people back for this tradition. So much so, that they wanted to light the tree as early as possible. In Pooler...FS...WTOCN.

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(sot) Good weather has helped farmers make a good peanut crop this year and get it to market. Now, in the home stretch, they need more of the same to get it finished, (vo) Trucks dropped trailer after trailer in the dump bins at Birdsong Peanut's buying point outside Brooklet. Farmers started bringing in this year's crop back in late September. (sot) ..so we're seven weeks in and we're about 90 percent complete. (vo) Rushing says weeks of clear weather and sunshine gave farmers long days to harvest peanuts and bring them here. He says sunshine today and over the weekend help dry out fields from Nicole's rainfall, (sot) A quick harvest is good for farmers so that they can get their crops in before hurricanes or sporadic weather starts coming in. (vo) They now face two challenges with fewer hours of daylight to harvest and rain in the forecast at least for tomrrow. Rushing says this year's crop has been good- in quality and quantity. He hopes farmers can get every ton they can to market. (sot) They just need any rainy weather this week to come in

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and get out quickly. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news. 00:01:03

"It's been on backorder since October. That's when we've been having a big uptick in bronchitis and RSV and everything, so the demand for it is so high that people aren't able to keep up with supply." That can pose a problem, particularly for children. Dr. Ben Spitalnick, a local pediatrician, says that he's seeing more respiratory infections in children right now than he has in the last five or so years- and amoxicillin is the most commonly used antibiotic to treat things like strep throat and bronchitis in kids. "It is really inexpensive, and it gets the job done without overtreating, without putting a child on something stronger than needed so they don't develop a resistance." Because the antibiotic is in short supply, Spitalnick says he sometimes has to prescribe other medications, that aren't as ideal. Dr. Ben: "Preferably, you would use a milder antibiotic to treat an infection than you need to. You don't want to use something too strong and develop resistance, but there are other antibiotics available when amoxicillin can't be found." Generally, Spitalnick and Patel agree, insurance will cover different antibiotics so there shouldn't be a big difference in cost. The wait time to actually get the medicine, however, could be longer. Patel: "Someone comes in, doctor's offices usually close around 5:00, so if they come after 5:00 and we're completely out of that antibiotic, it's kind of hard to reach the doctor's office. PHARMACIE We won't hear anything from the doctor's office until probably the next morning, if we can

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change the antibiotic to something else." Dr. Ben: "Even though there is an amoxicillin shortage, this is no reason to panic. Most of the infections we're seeing are viruses, so SICKNESSN antibiotics aren't always needed. and should an antibiotic be needed, there are other

options available." 00:01:46 "This is one of the busiest areas and tourist spots in the city of savannah. We have been watching closely with all of the delays and completions since it started. You might still see some of broughton street closed behind me but the city says that construction should be over tomorrow." Businesses like Namaste Savannah have been directly impacted by the Broughton Streetscapes Project. Opening during the pandemic, then staying in business during construction has not been easy for them. "It's been a long time coming and I'm hoping they finish it on time." The broughton streetscapes project started in 2020. Businesses took a direct impact while the city worked on the roads in the area, some saying their sales were cut in half. Last holiday season, the city put a short pause on contruction so businesses could get a break. While Broughton Street will reopen to traffic tomorrow evening, contruction will still continue on some parking areas and sidewalks "working till the 11th hour, so I'm hoping they'll get it together and of course when they finish it will definetly look better and we all can't wait to see how it looks after that." There are still some holes in the ground and a lot of manuevering to get around the road closure blocks, but soon those will be gone. And hopefully, you can celebrate the beautification of a newer broughton street just in time for the holidays. The end to the construction comes in businesses over here rely on the holiday money. The city says een the equipment will be removed later tomorrow. On Broughton St., Alyssa Jackson, WTOC News.

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BROUGHTO time for Black friday and small business saturday -- it's the time of the year when

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While they hope to have the road back open today -- there will still be lane closures and some construction crews out here for the next 2-3 months. This project has been ongoing since 2020 on Broughton Street -- but specifically has been closed in front of Kayak Kafe for the past 11 months. The owner -- Monique Siles says they rely on foot traffic and with all of the construction -- they have felt the impact with fewer foot traffic and dropping revenue. BROUGHTO They have been there for 16 years and have seen Broughton Street change a lot so she is excited for the updates but at this point – she is not only hoping construction wraps soon

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but also that the final product is worth the long wait...

(sot) A discussion about global warming might seem strange on a 32 degree morning with frost on the ground. But Joe Franklin says his citrus crop in South Georgia makes the case that something is changing. (vo) Franklin started his farm a dozen years ago after a career in the family restaurant business. Part of his research came from living in this region all his life. (sot) I knew from my childhood that it was colder in my childhood than it is now. I noticed how is seemed to progressively get warmer every year and our winters were shorter. (vo) An online article about his emerging crop caught the attention of CBS Sunday morning. A crew came and talked to him about his thoughts on how local temperatures have changed and now help citrus thrive here when they were once limited to areas further south. He calls it a simple matter of fact. (sot) Climate change has been happening since the beginning of time. I don't know whether the human race has added to the hastening of it in any way or not. (vo) He waits to see how his portion of the story weighs into the climate change debate. He just knows it's something he sees every season, and will see for seasons to come. (sot) And you can see the story Sunday morning here on WTOC. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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Sot: (Christopher & Dargers Employees) "Oh if it's done that'll be great because this has been affecting our buisness here just on this street for so long now. We've seen plenty of mom and pop shops close over it too. There was a shoe store that was about a block or two over that got bought out by foot locker because they couldn't pay the bills anymore. Foot Locker was like, we'll take your building and they had to cpompletely sell the shop and now it's a Foot Locker in less than a week." The two work B&D workers tell me it's been hard to recruit new employees over the past two years thanks to this construction, just because it is so slow in the restaurant. They tell me that over the past week, the crews out here have seemed to be bigger and working longer into

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the night... trying to get this done in time for the holiday tourism rush. 00:00:46

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I caught up with some people walking around Broughton about the street opening for useand some of them were practically jumping for joy. The construction has been inconvenient BROUGHTO for people that live, work, and go to school downtown- and some of those folks say they're looking forward to less hassle when they're getting around. I spoke to a SCAD student that says he'll be more likely to spend more time on Broughton Street now that it's easy to get to.

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Scott Belford: "This house has artifacts including Julia King's diary. This house has some of the greatest artifacts in the state of Georgia due for the University of Georgia library. We had a fire and we saw smoke coming from the walls. So we put out the fire and realized that the fire had gotten into the wall and we began to put it out by hand and we put our pets in the kitchen, called 911. I was managing what was a little bit of a fire in a wall and once the firemen arrived, I pointed out where it was, first on the second floor then in the attic and then the police ran me out of the house before I could show them where the fire was, and then it exploded."

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4:30AM MIDWAY 11/21/2022 DAYBREAK STRUCTUR 4:30:00 AM OD E FIRE Scott Belford: "This house has been here since the Revolutionary War era. This house has artifacts including Julia King's diary. This house has some of the greatest artifacts in the state of Georgia due for the University of Georgia library." Brian Darby: "This house has been around since the mid to late 1800s. This house was actually deeded to the property owner by King George and the estate and the family. There's a lot of historical value to this house, a lot of historical documents that were with this house so it is a great strike to the historical society for the loss of this house itself."

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Less than 24 hours after the devastating fire started burning, the remains of the Springfield historic home here in Liberty County are still smoldering. Liberty County fire has been out here all morning and well into the afternoon putting out hotspots are still smoking. Meanwhile, there's been an outpouring of support from the community, and sadness at the fact that this historic home has been destroyed. However, for Meredith Belford, this place wasn't just one of history- it was her home for her whole life. "It's really quite devastating. And you can't help but see what's behind me and realize that there's nothing left. It's melted or burned beyond any salvage." According to Belford, the home, called Springfield, has belonged to her family since 1756- after King George the II gave them a land grant. The majority of the home, however, was built in 1925 when Belford's grandparents put on an addition. Someone from Belford's family has lived in the home for the last 250 years... until now. Belford: "There's a part of me that's really sad that we lost this historic records, and this home, but I lost all of my personal things. I lost all of my letters from my parents. I lost all of the letters from their parents, and so, there's a thread that's been snapped here." Belford said that when she evacuated from Hurricane Matthew, she made peace with the fact that the home might be destroyed.. but it wasn't. This fire, she says, is different because it was so unexpected... and she still hasn't had time to process everything. Belford: "I'm pretty good at letting go, but it's devastating because a piece of me has died. And it's only what I can remember, and I feel like I've kind of lost my parents all over again." Shea: Belford adds that she was going to be the last member of the family to actually own the home. It was slated to be transferred to a historic preservation organization when she dies. She says she's devastated to be the last person that was able to enjoy the home. Reporting in Liberty County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

MIDWAY HISTORIC HOME FIRE FOLO

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"Every Thanksgiving yeah it's kind of a tradition." Vo Throughout this week leading up to the holiday, folks are coming through airports like this one all across the country... but today, these passengers saw traffic along their journey and not at their destination. Sot "It was very crowded, especially we came through Charlotte which had a lot of traffic there." Vo The Hilton Head Island Airport, a slightly different story... as the experience here is far less crowded, especially this early in the week. "I thought it would be easier and my son actually booked the ticket for us so it was easier." Vo Other passengers, like this family say the Monday flight has financial benefits. Sot "Oh it was strictly what worked out with the pricing, we were planning on coming Tuesday or Wednesday but this was the best flight we could find." Vo While the reason they chose to fly today may be different from family to family, the reason they chose to fly at all is as constant as the meal that'll be on their tables come Thursday, Sot "My son, daughter in law, and two grandchildren live here and my other son who lives in Jacksonville will come up on Thanksgiving and we'll all celebrate together." Vo Through packed airports or peaceful ones, the values of those traveling align... with family being what they're thankful for. Sot "It's wonderful, one of our most cherished times. We look forward to it every year." Sot "We make it no matter what, we

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make sure we're all together." Vo Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC News. 00:01:29

((PKG)) According to the most recent report by AAA, gas prices in Georgia are actually dropping as Thanksgiving travel is amping up. And if you fill up here before you hit the road, you'll be paying about ten cents less per gallon than you did at the same time last year. GFX: AAA's latest data shows that as of today, the average price for a gallon of regular gas in Georgia is three dollars and eleven cents. Last year, that was three dollars and 24 cents. ((VO)) While those prices are lower- some of the drivers I caught up with today still consider the prices to be high, and have factored them into their Thanksgiving travel plans. ((SOT)) "I always have to budget out how much I think I'm going to pay in gas. And obviously since it's been fluctuating a lot, that's gotten a lot higher to do, and it's gotten more expensive." "I used to have an RV, so we sold that. That was a little expensive." Though gas prices are dropping right now in Georgia, GasBuddy predicts that nationally, Thanksgiving gas prices will be the highest they've ever been. For WTOC News, I'm Shea Schrader.

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(sot) This research comes as one company will be closing their plant along the river in Screven County, and another company begins to build their plant along the river in Bryan County. (vo) The river touches 15 counties as it flows to the Georgia coast. Georgia Southern University graduate student Molly McKeon will study our local part of it through a fellowship with the Ogeechee Riverkeeper. The study will compare the water near the soonto-be closed Milliken plant and water near the planned Hyundai electric vehicle plant near Black Creek. (sot) Those two points seem to make a great area that we should be studying as we watch the closure of one and the construction of another. (vo) The upper portion of the river saw plenty of study more than a decade ago when thousands of fish died in water downstream from the plant in Screven County under different ownership. This research will document the state of this part of the river now...but also the state of the river downstream before any possible industrial impact. (sot) I believe it's important for this to be brought to OGEECHEE attention so we can remember what happened in the past and it's not cyclical and doesn't repeat itself. (sot) They'll begin their research in January. Along the Ogeechee River, Dal

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LL: You can see it over my shoulder. The Broughton St. Christmas tree now lit up signaling the return of Holly Days here in Savannah. \*nats of tree lighting\* The holidays have once again arrived in Savannah with the lighting of the city's Christmas tree. Pop: "I think it's just really big and really pretty." The ceremony...kicking off a month long lineup of holiday events dubbed as the "Holly Days"...held each Saturday in December on Broughton St. "There's a sip and see, there's a come and shop, you can come and see Santa, lots of kids groups." \*nats of dancing\* And it's not the only celebration happening on Broughton Street this holiday season. Many area businesses and city leaders celebrating the reopening of the street after a years-long construction closer...just in time for Small Business Saturday. "I want you to prioritize spending money with our local small business can you do that for me?" \*nats of event\* But for those who took part in Black Friday shopping...a chance to continue the holiday spirit. "I got out there at like 6 a.m., I'm very tired. We're running on FLYNN 11P: caffeine." While others were relieved to once again celebrate with others free from BROUGHTO widespread Covid restrictions. "A year or two ago, we weren't able to do this so it's just good to see everyone out and happy again." LL: And Christmas isn't the only holiday the city will be celebrating. They plan to hold a Menorah lighting on December 18th in Forsyth Park. Reporting in Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

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The City of Savannah will be starting field work for a major project this Monday. The construction is set to be between 8 A-M to 6 P-M at East Ogelthorpe Avenue between East NOTICE ABT Broad and Randolph Streets. The city does warn that you could feel the ground vibrate and SAV UTILITY that noises will impact downtown and midtown Savannah. The project is to replace a major

sewer force main that provides service to Westside Savannah and Chatham Parkway

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WEEKEND WORK ON **MONDAY** 

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TYBEE HOLIDAY PARKING A reminder... starting today, Tybee Island is offering free holiday parking with the Park T-Y-B app! That runs through the end of the year. It's only valid if you use the app on your phone... and runs from 8 A-M to 8 P-M.

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LL: A busy but smooth Thanksgiving weekend here at Savannah Hilton Head International. That's how airport officials describe this latest holiday travel rush as tens of thousands were expected to pass through here by the time the weekend was over. A slew of hugs at Savannah Hilton Head International as loved ones head home from the Thanksqiving holiday. Travelers saying the airports were busy...but unexpectedly easygoing. Eric Johnson/Traveler: "It was surprisingly smooth. No real delays other than an aircraft delay for half an hour but other than that, smooth travel, no complaints at all." \*nats of bags\* By Saturday...the T-S-A reported screening more than 8 million passengers nationwide. That's up from this time last year. 70-thousand passengers were expected to pass through Savannah Hilton Head International this holiday weekend. Despite the increase...passengers say it was an easy experience. \*nats pop: "It was strange." \*nats of cars\* And from the skies to the roads...travelers describe a \*mostly\* hastle free getaway despite Sunday afternoon backups on some area highways. Laura Jones/Traveler: "Initially, we were concerned because we did have a three hour drive from Newark Airport to upstate New York, but the traffic wasn't bad. I think we hit it right." Savannah airport officials only describing isolated flight and baggage delays despite FlightAware reporting nearly 6,000 delays and 2,000 cancellations nationwide. Jerlyn Moore/Traveler: "How in the world we got this lucky, I am not sure." Jeryln Moore is one of the millions who took the skies this weekend. Moore: I was dreading every single minute of our return today." She's traveling home after a family wedding. Moore: "When I knew of the date, I thought, 'Why did these young people pick that weekend? Why not the weekend before or the next one?" But...she says she was shocked out how easy the trip was. Moore: The wedding was spectacular. All is right with the world in terms of my Thanksqiving flight." LL: There were some problem spots in other sections of the coutnry but for the most part here at Savannah Hilton Head International, no major delays or cancellations to report on over the weekend. Passengers ultimatel surprised by the smooth travels. Reporting at SAV...FS...WTOCN.

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It's part of the grid improvement project the company says they have been working on for over a decade. The smart device will make the power grid in our area more accessible as demand for energy continues to grow. It will help serve more than 13-hundred customers in the Southwest Savannah area. The External Affairs Manager with the company says the new technology will help speed up repairs when there's an outage.

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"This piece of equipment is self healing. It will immediately tell us what is wrong and many times we'll be able to fix the problem without sending out a truck. It will help us isolate it, and solve it much quicker than ever before." Seiler says Georgia Power has invested \$10 billion dollars in the last decade to make the grid stronger and they plan to continue to push

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Over the past few months...Bryan County commissioners have partnered with G-DOT on traffic studies ahead of a slew of projects expected in the coming years. The first being this red light. County commissioners say the light will be up for at least one to two years while GDOT completes a redesign and eventually puts in a roundabout at this intersection. The roundabout will be a part of the seven future total expected to be built along 280 between highway 80 and Wilma Edward Roads. We've been following these projects for months which will also include improvements to the exit on nearby I-16 to help drivers exit the highway faster. It's not clear when the remaining projects are set to begin. The new Hyundai plant and other industrial facilities are being built near 2-80. County commissioners say since those projects are expected to bring more traffic to the area...this work is essential. "Without the improvements it would be total gridlock. It's going to slow down a little bit while the improvements are going on. With all of the businesses, with Hyundai locating and all of the other projects around, yes, it is absolutely necessary that these improvements happen for safety, most especially for safety." Again, this light will go active on Thursday. Signs will help drivers during that time navigate any potential delays. In

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You may remember - crews started work to replace a major sewer force main replacement Monday. The city says this wasn't planned...and required urgent attention. They warned SAV UTILITY people to expect noise well beyond where they're doing construction. In an update- the WORK TO city now says that will continue over the next few days. They'll send another update when

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But Chatham Area Transit is warning people to expect delays and street closures due to the bridge run. All buses will be re-routed with rerouting starting as early as 5 A-M and ending at 12 P-M. All outbounds trips will start from MLK and Anderson and inbound trips will start on Henry and MLK. Department of Transportation services will also be suspended

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There was also a category called "Double Pump"- the people who participated in that ran in the 5K and the 10K. The routes also cut into parts of Downtown- with the starting line for the 10K outside the Civic Center. The Bridge Run has been a December tradition for over 30 years- drawing people from all over the country, including one man from Argentina this year. Visit Savannah President Joseph Marinelli says that the business race draws is good for the local economy- so they do their best to make sure people want to keep coming

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The Georgia Department of Transportation tells us they will have those new bridges complete by their deadline in just a couple of weeks however we won't be able to drive on the new interchange for a couple of months.. Take a look at this new drone video we got of the interchange it shows the amount of work that's already been complete. they did have delays due to weather and getting materials. Even with some delays the \$317.4 million project is still on budget. Jill Nagel with GA DOT says because of the delays they're now on track to have the bridges finished by the end of the year, but that doesn't necessarily mean that's when they will be open to traffic. "But there's still some work that needs to be completed where the roadway ties into the bridges. Right now, it's trending to open these ramps, these turbine ramps, in first quarter of 2023." The first piece of the project to be complete is the interchange, the widening project on I-16, which will take it from two to three lanes will take longer — and is expected to be done by the end of next year. Keep CONSTRUC that in mind and go slow in those construction zones, they know this has been a headache for drivers getting to and from work but they want to remind you the end is in sight, keep up to date on the lane and ramp closures as the work continues. In PW, SW, WTOC News.

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: "I have definitely seen reservations, lots of great questions, but that also allows for more of a conversation to be had. For me, I have to sleep at night. I want to make sure that everybody is staying in their budget at a comfortable place, so I like to be able to offer a wide range. The latest inflation report shows that prices paid at wholesale levels were 7.4 percent higher in November than that time a year ago. Still...most of the businesses we

talked to say they haven't seen a slow down in sales. The market runs until January 2nd. 00:00:31

At Plant Riverside's Christmas Market...sellers are looking to bring in new shoppers... "It's crucial. This market is where I meet people from other areas." ...while buyers cope with high inflation. "...we know it's tough for some people." The latest Producer Price Index shows wholesale rates rose 7 point 4 percent in November compared to that time last year. Business owners say they've gotten more questions this year about pricing. Including jewelry maker Gillian Karatassos. "I have definitely seen reservations, lots of great questions, but that also allows for more of a conversation to be had. For me, I have to sleep at night. I want to make sure that everybody is staying in their budget at a comfortable place, so I like to be able to offer a wide range." Some market shoppers say they're changing their approach to holiday shopping. "We try to do not as much materialistic as we do memories. We've got four grandkids, we try to create memories for the with trips, family outings and things like that." Despite the change in strategy for some buyers...businesses at the market say they haven't seen a slow down in sales. "I would say it's been pretty consistent with what I've expected. It doesn't seem like people are just being frivolous, but they're really shopping intentionally." As they hope for a good return this holiday season...a time of year they say is crucial for their survival. "They call it fourth quarter, and it's the time where people are really generous and wanting to buy gifts for people." While shoppers \*try\* to stay on budget. "She's got the checkbook so I have no

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LL: Staff at the Richmond Hill Pharmacy say their supply of oral powder amoxicillin is nearly gone. Meanwhile...pharmacists here say the number of prescriptions they get is growing. PKG: An active cold and flu season is creating a headache for some drug stores. Co-owner of the Richmond Hill Pharmacy...Alex Tucker says they're struggling to keep up with demand for amoxicillin for oral suspension. It's a common antibiotic used to treat respiratory infections in kids. "It's a real problem right now. Currently, even this weekend, none of our primary wholesalers, nor even our secondary wholesalers had some common strings in stock." The Food and Drug Administration says "there is currently an acute shortage..." of the drug...which pharmacists say mixes into a liquid form for kids who can't swallow pills. The shortage...coming at a time when the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is reporting high flu activity across the Peach State. "The manufacturers can't keep up with the demand right now. We've just been hit really hard this year, right now, all at once with seeing a lot of cases. So, it's just simply supply and demand." Tucker says the shortage is causing frustration among doctors and their patients. "It's a real struggle, and a headache and aggravation, not only for the prescribers, but also for the parents and the pharmacies alike." As the pharmacy's prescription numbers grow. "It's not uncommon for us to have 10-12 baskets across the back counter waiting for parents to show up at some point in the day. If we're not seeing 18-20, right now a day, I'd be surprised." LL: Tucker says if your child is prescribed amoxicillin...to talk with your pediatrician about possibly putting an alternative SHORTAGE on the prescription to avoid any issues. In RH...FS...WTOCN.

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KRISPY The location over at Victory and Skidaway is now permanently closed. The corporation has KREME 12/12/2022 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD CLOSED

not said what led to that decision, but assures customers the other Savannah location will stay open. That one, off Abercorn, is about 9 miles from the Skidaway shop.

the spinning of the chocolate. the stretching of the Toffey and the pressing of sweet treats. all of this and more happening right behind the doors of savannah's candy kitchen. "my parents lived up here before I was born, they lived above this candy store, my mother would run the cash registers and my dad came in here and actually made the candies" That's Rhet Strickland. He and his family started this candy land 40 years ago. a family tradition passed down through 3 generations. It's a place where you can satisfy your sweet tooth this holiday season. "it's busy but we're ready and prepared for it" the options are endless. they have rice Krispy's with every topping you could imagine. hand dipped strawberries. ice cream made right in house. and of course, Rhett's favorites. "toffy is something I think is just great this time of year its nostalgic it's got an almond flavor it's got a brittle bite to it but it's also got dark or milk chocolate around it" " but I would feel blasphemous if I don't say a praline that's what put us here" Rhett tells me the praline is the first piece of candy his dad made in the shop back in 1973. and since then, it has put them on the map. "the praline is something special to us, we do more pralines here than anyone else in the world" and according to Rhett this holiday season will be no different. In fact, the savannah candy kitchen may be one of USP'S biggest customers. "we're still pushing packages out as fast as we can, we'll probably send anywhere from 7 to 10,000 customers out the door today" a huge accomplishment for the candy kitchen. Rhett says every year, especially during the holidays, he hopes to get his candies in as many homes as possible. While this year is no different, his motivation is. He tells me he wants this year to be all about his father's legacy. "for some of you that may not know my father and our founder stan Strickland passed earlier this year in May, he has been my whole life the compass and this company's compass he wanted us to be here 100 years from now he wanted people to know savannah Georgia for a praline he wanted people to enjoy savannahs candy kitchen and if I can pass this along to my son then goal has been achieved" stan Strickland was recently honored with the Tourism Leadership Council John P. Rousakis Community Champion Award. because of his dedication to making savannah a great place to visit and a sweet place to live. "family tradition lives on, and that's what were all about here at savannahs candy kitchen".

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(sot) The utility poles have been in the ground here at Highway 67 and Brooklet-Denmark Hwy for so long, some drivers thought the lights would never come. Now they're installed and will switch on in a matter of days. (vo) Message boards warn drivers from all directions. Drivers say it's hard to turn onto the road, let alone cross five lanes, with traffic approaching over a hill. In the last few days, crews finished widening Brooklet-Denmark for a right turn lane and hanging the lights and signage. Drivers I spoke to are relieved. (sot) It gets to be quite hectic because you have people coming from the interstate and some people are driving like crazy...fast. (vo) Local drivers have asked for a light at this crossing for more than a decade, and even more when Highway 67 widened to four lanes. (sot) The lights go operational December 21. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.?

DAL: HIGHWAY 67 TRAFFIC LIGHT

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"The people who you let your guard down with the most are the ones who are going to likely be the ones to give it to you, which is why hand washing, keeping your distance, wearing a mask if you are in large groups and you're concerned about your health are all good things to do to continue to slow the spread of the flu virus." Holiday travel can also contribute to the spread of flu. With a lot of people close together inside of terminals or on GATHERING planes - even personal cars - it is easier for the virus to be transferred.

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Store closing signs now hang in front of The Uniform Source that's been around for about 17 years. "People come in now to tell us about all their kids and raising their kids here. It's really heartwarming. It's nice because we've been in business a long time." Owner David Eichelbaum says last week tenants in the mall were either told by mouth or given a letter to pack up. "The mall manager came around and let people know the last day the mall will be open is January 12th and we need to have everything out by then." Chatham County property records show BCHM Investment Group bought the mall for more than 8.4 million dollars. According Georgia's Secretary of State website - BCHM Investment Group LLC first formed and registered with the state in September.. so that's a month AFTER the auction bidding period closed in August...and just about a month BEFORE the sale of the mall was final in October. Eichelbaum says Savannah Mall management still hasn't had the conversation with him face to face. "I've been trying to reach out to the manager. She's been trying to reach out to me. We just haven't crossed paths. At least now we know what's going on but I expected at least 60 days to get out of here from whenever it was they told us not thirty." It all caught several business owners we spoke to by surprise..especially with the holidays here. One business owner I spoke to is already looking for a new place.. while Eichelbaum on the other hand will be merging his two stores into one on Derenne Avenue. He says he's never heard from the new Savannah Mall property owners. "I would've loved to be able to talk to them for a moment and just kind of get an idea what the plan was so I

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could prepare. I don't want to buy inventory just to move it. The irritating part about it and OUT OF SAV not I'm not trying to complain but everybody that's left in this mall with the exception of Hibbetts is a locally minority owned business."

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In addition, Chatham County property records show the previous owner of most of the property in City Market sold it to a new company in March for more than \$30-million dollars. We'll continue to keep you updated as we get information about the changes at City Market.

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(sot) As nurseries brace for the cold that could damage their plants, they also urge you to take a few simple steps to protect the plants around your home. (vo) As South Georgia temperatures plunge below freezing this weekend, nursery growers like Matthew Wise brace for what he says is unusual weather for us. (sot) We're talking about five to six days of cold and days where it's not just cold at night. It won't get warm in the daytime. (vo) They're covering many of their plants to get them through a prolonged cold. He says different varieties of shrubs and plants can withstand different levels of weather. But many of them will need cover. (sot) ..tropical materials like Philodendrons, Ginger Lilles, some of your perenial stock..things like that, is not cold tolerant. You can throw bedsheets over it, but that only protects from frost. Plastic works the best. (vo) With plastic, it needs to come off as soon as the sun comes out. He says whatever you use, it needs to go all the way to the ground and closed in to retain any ground heat and not let wind inside. He says extra straw under plants can also help. As far as small potted plants, he recommends taking them inside - even if it's the garage- where you can close them off from the cold and wind. Keep them watered but don't let water freeze on them. (sot) In Bulloch County, Dal

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CHRISTMAS "It's going to be busier, people have different days off according to the holiday with it being

on a Sunday so I think it is giving people more opportunity. So it should spread out the 12/22/2022 AT THE 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD **AIRPORT** crowds a little bit but I still think Friday is going to be the busiest day."

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"It wasn't too bad, I heard it was really bad at JFK, we flew Delta, it wasn't that bad. We left HAYLEY: on time, which was great, we had to sit on the runway for a little bit which was a little AIRPORT & annoying, but we made it." "We got up early, it was pretty coordinated, it wasn't bad, it

12/22/2022 COLD WX really wasn't." The main piece of advice travelers had today - was just to make sure to

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **IMPACTS** leave early.... To ensure you've got enough time for traffic and lines.... 00:00:24 LL INTRO: Luckily the weather hasn't impacted too many travelers here at the Savannah-Hilton Head International Airport. Many of the travelers I spoke to say they were able to get in and out without any major issues. "Everything was fine, we left our house at like 4 in the morning, it was a little bumpy on the way in, but other than that, it was great." Many travelers -trying to beat the winter weather expected in parts of the country later this week. With many airports... packed with holiday travelers. "Newark Airport was kind of crowded. It's the first time I'm coming down where it was that crowded, so I really didn't give myself enough time because I thought it was going to be a normal day. I just made the plane. It was tough." Many recommending that you leave yourself more time to get to your flight even pilots. "I was missing 16 passengers coming out of New York that were trying to connect to come down to Savannah. We ended up with a reroute, holding the flight at the gate long enough to get everyone on board. So they're here for Christmas." With the weather - making for less than ideal flying conditions. "We had a horrible flight out of Charlotte this morning, bumpy nasty ride all the way into Washington-Dulles, I knew it was going to be bumpy back into here." Regardless—many are just excited to be reunited with their loved ones. "We're so excited, we've been waiting and waiting, I just come so early because I don't want her not to have someone at the gate to give her a big hug!" And others - hoping for some warmer weather... or maybe, just somewhere without snow. "I'm wearing shorts anyway. I'm used to 20 degree weather, so if it's 50 here, it's warm." LL TAG: Above all else, all the travelers I spoke to today say they're excited to get to their destinations to start their holiday celebrations. In Savannah, HB WTOC NEWS.

SAV AIRPORT IMPACT FROM WX

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You can see the Welcome Center parking lot has been packed and many stopped inside as they take breaks from their long rides, learn some cool facts about our area and maybe grab a snack. Travelers tell me their have been accidents in their way while on I-95 and

grab a snack. Travelers tell me their have been accidents in their way while on I-95 and encourage others to be careful. Marci and Bill Green went to Virginia to see the snow and are now on their way back to Florida. What should have been a 12 hour ride has turned

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TRAVEL into all day affair. 00:00:26

All day today...we've seen shoppers bundled up while searching for those last minute gifts. Despite the weather...store employees tell us it's been busy in recent days. This all coming on the heels of what is expected to be a successful season for retailers. The National

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FLYNN: LAST Retail Federation expects sales to grow 8 percent this holiday season compared to last MINUTE year...even with inflation concerns. We spoke with one sales associate who says many

stores have deals right now to incentivize those last minute shoppers.

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LL: Since 1989...Soda Pop Shoppe has been serving food at Broughton and Bull Streets. But owners say its the connection they've had with their customers that has kept them in business. VO: It was a day of hugs and goodbyes outside of the shop today. Management says they're closing the store after 33 years for personal health reasons and this is a decision that's been in the works for just over a year. And while many loved the shop's hot dogs and sandwiches, owners credit their success with the restaurant's family-like atmosphere. Owner Steve Lewellyn and manager Wilfredo Chavez say regulars have been crucial for business. SOT: "I would say that 70% of the customers are regulars and they love it here because you can get a sandwich and it makes you feel like you're at home." "And they can get involved in all the fighting and bickering going on inside the store." LL:

FLYNN: SAV Lewellyn and Chavez say they're going to miss their customers the most when they close **BUSINESS** their doors for good. They say they're looking forward to what next in store for them. In

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BO: CITY 12/23/2022 MARKET 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **CHANGES**  We also learned this week the recently-closed Wild Wing Café will be replaced soon. Wexford's Irish Pub is set to take over the space in January. That's according to documents filed with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission. The SEC filing states that Wild Wing Café agreed to leave the location as part of a settlement with the property owners.

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LL: The weather outside is frightful but the deals inside are delightful. At least that's what shoppers have told me...as they're braving the unusually cold temps to head to the stores. PKG: Bundled up shoppers braved a blustery Broughton Street looking for last-minute holiday gifts. "I got a good bit of shopping to go." It's crunch time they say...hoping to secure all the gifts they need to go under the tree. "Normally, we're ahead of time, we're good, we're finished but this year has been like, 'woah'" It comes amid a surge of cold temperatures and wind...complicating an already hectic final hours of shopping. "You know, you have to have gifts under the Christmas tree. We know that's not what it's about, but it is what it's about at the end of the day." Reporter: "It's worth it even braving the cold? "Yes, it is." Packed stores inside...usually a headache for shoppers...but today...a reprieve from the cold." "Very busy but everyone's in a good mood. At least we're not in Chicago or Wyoming or someplace that it's really cold." shoppers we spoke to say they got just about everything on their list. "Yeah I definitely wait until the last minute every year. I must really love my mother and sister to get them \$200 for two articles of clothing." "These were our last few gifts, we crossed them off the list, so we're good now." LL: The chilly weather isn't affecting what is expected to be a hot year for sales. The national retail federation expects CHRISTMAS sales to grow 8 percent over last holiday season...leaving both shoppers and businesses

LAST MINUTE SHOPPING

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very merry this time of year. In Savannah...FS...WTOCN. 00:01:31 SAV HHI AIRPORT 12/23/2022 HOLIDAY 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD TRAVEL (KELLY EDGE, Traveler) "We knew that everything was gonna get pretty crazy because even starting yesterday it was starting to get crazy and it's only from a get worst right after Christmas so we tried to get an early start. They're telling us tomorrow maybe but we have a standby opportunity...we're gonna sit here and wait it out and keep trying"

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The last thing any traveler wants to see in the days leading up to Christmas is their flight on here "delayed" or cancelled" A lot of travelers I spoke with today say they are expecting bad weather. They are anticipating it. They've prepared for it but that doesn't make the delays or cancellations any easier. The SAV/Hilton Head Airport told us they are expecting 60,000 people to travel through the airport this weekend. Kelly Edge is one of those travelers -- hoping for the best. "We're trying to get to california to see our grand babies" Like a lot of families... they say this Christmas is special for them... and she doesn't want to spend it on zoom. "This is the first christmas that our grandbaby who's now 2 1/2 understands there's Santa, there's grandma, there's grandpa...so it's so much more special when you have a little one that actually gets it" While there are a lot of travel disruptions happening nationwide and some in our area, the sav/hilton head airport says they've worked hard to to get ahead of it this year. "Fortunately I do think the airlines planned better, I remember one Christmas when there was a huge storm in Minneapolis and it was a debacle after that. They try to avoid that so they will issue those waivers, get people to change their flights earlier and then they go into overtime mode to make up." For the most part, many travelers we spoke to are staying patient... and hopeful they will get to where they need to be. (KELLY EDGE, Traveler) "They're telling us tomorrow maybe but we have a standby opportunity...we're gonna sit here and wait it out and keep trying" At the savannah/hilton head airport, alyssa jackson,wtoc news.

ALYSSA: HOLIDAY TRAVEL

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The Savannah Tanger Outlets went from being closed on Christmas to being full of people today, most of them making returns and exchanges while it's still on the top of their minds. ((VO)) When the Outlets opened at 10AM, the parking lots were already full of people ready to hit the stores. I talked to some workers who told me that things were busy as soon as they opened, with people spending gift cards or exchanging clothing items that didn't fit. The consensus from shoppers was that it's better to make your returns sooner rather than later- and maybe take advantage of post-Christmas sales, while you're at it. ((SOT)) "I'm not a procrastinator, and I feel like if I keep it- I'm a teacher- so, if I go back to work and I keep it and it's in my closet, it's gonna stay there and I'm gonna forget and I'm not gonna return it, so I feel like the best way to do that is just to go and get it done so I don't have to worry about it later." "I'm just coming in, I'm in the Atlanta area, so I get to spend some time with my family, have a good time, get some deals and get some clothes." Shea: If you do have something to return or exchange, you might want to check with the person who gave you the gift to see how long you have to do that, though it's usually better to do it

SHEA: DAY **AFTER** XMAS **STORES** 

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sooner rather than later, because a lot of stores have a 30-day Christmas return policy. 00:01:16

Cardboard collection continues at the Chatham County Resource Conservation and Recycling Education Center today. That's after the county had to pause it a little earlier...because they were so full, they couldn't take any more. You may remember - you CARDBOAR can take cardboard, paper and plastic to the center. The county says they were able to get the cardboard collection emptied today and have room for it once again. We have more RECYCLING information about what you can recycle at their Eisenhower Drive center right now on

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CITY MARKET 12/28/2022 NEW 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **OWNER** 

We've had a lot of children come through." 00:00:55

END DEC.

D-N-R says shrimp collections were down from the 5-year average...with 1 point 75 million GA SHRIMP pounds collected between January and November of this year. While we await the final SEASON TO reports for the year - many are looking ahead to 20-23. Shrimp season could open as early as May 15th. But the D-N-R will keep collecting data in the off season to help state leaders decide the start date come spring.

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(sot) Georgia Southern fans pride themselves on showing up enmass wherever the Eagles play, whether its Paulson Stadium or on the road. But many say they're disappointed in the Camellia Bowl's game plan when it came to things like stadium concessions and the venues around Montgomery. (vo) Fans that traveled to Montgomery on Monday began posting on social media that many restaruants were normally closed on Mondays and weren't opening for the influx of bowl visitors. Others posted about long lines at the places that were open and some places running out of food or drinks. The Biggers family says the lack of staffing, inventory and more surprised them. (sot) I just can't imagine that you know thousands and thousands of people are coming to your town, that you just wouldn't have everything open and have extra people everywhere because you know there's tons of MONTGOME money to be made. (vo) Fans went to the Camellia Bowl's Facebook page to post complaints of hour-long lines to get into a single gate and concession lines and shortages.

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EXPERIENC (sot) Fans say they don't want this to come off as sour grapes after losing the game. They just hope organizers can find some solutions for the two teams that play there next year.

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"In the restaurant industry in particular we got hit pretty hard." 2020 and 2021 were difficult years for businesses like the Taco Stache in Pooler... "But the more time that goes by, the more people are sitting down for a bite." "This year was amazing. We bounced back." The Taco Stache open just before COVID in 2019. Fast forward to this year, you "must-ache" yourself how much more did they make. Owner Pranav Patel says they've doubled their sales during the early part of the year. "February all the way through August, I mean it was just insane. What we expected to do on a weekend day we were doing on a Tuesday, a Wednesday." Patel says supply chain and labor issues are much better now And while the pandemic came with hurdles, it also opened new doors. "Our Togo business and take out business has increased from almost non existent when we opened to almost like 30 percent of our business." Other Pooler businesses share a similar story as the Taco Stache according to the Pooler Chamber of Commerce Director Courtney Rawlins. And she says she next year they'll be turning it up a notch by creating new opportunities for businesses with monthly luncheons with speakers. "The Chamber of Commerce is here to drive commerce to these businesses. We're out here working for them everyday to bring visitors to talk about what's coming and how it's going to be good and how people can partner together." And partnering together is how Patel says they've gotten this far this year. "Thanks to everyone for all their support. The chamber has been terrific and all of our guest, they've been amazing. We hope to continue rolling on and I hope everyone

continues to get out there." And support local businesses. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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2022 ECON REPORT

12/30/2022 6:00:00 PM 6PM OD SOUTHWES Taking a LIVE look from the WTOC Airport Skycam at Savannah Hilton Head International. T FLIGHTS Only one Southwest flight arriving in Savannah was delayed today of the three scheduled TO RESUME to land. Three were also slated to leave...and only one was delayed.

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(sot) As the Thompson family packs up their miles of Christmas display, they say they're thankful for the people who visit all month long...and the help it gives the community all year long. (vo) They pulled the plug on the 2022 TMT Christmas lights Tuesday night. It draws thousand of cars every night as families drive through and admire it all. They accept canned good donations that go to the Christian Social Ministries food pantry. (sot) The first question I have every morning is how many barrels of food did we get. To me, that's the most important thing. (vo) This year, people donated more than 95 thousand pounds of food. After it's sorted and stacked, volunteers will pack distribution bags from this most of next year. (sot) It's our main producer. This is what carries us through the year. We have other food drives, but this one brings in 90 percent plus of our inventory. (vo) Long says each care package weighs about 50 pounds and they see dozens, sometimes a hundred, cars per food drop. He's thankful for the Thompson's gift to the community and knows his recipients are grateful to the people to donate and keep a Christmas tradition going. (sot)

TMT FARMS

12/30/2022 WRAPS UP 6:00:00 PM 6PM OD FOR 2022 Even as they're packing up, they're thinking of what they can do bigger or different next year...to keep people coming back. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

ISSUE 12-THE STATE OF NATIONAL, STATE AND COUNTY ECONOMY AND WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS TRYING TO DO ABOUT IT. National-HWY 278 BRIDGE PROJECT, CHATHAM CO. RAILROAD UPDATE, ELLABELL DISTIBUTION, BRYAN CO. MEGASITE, HOW THE HYUNDAI CAR PLANT IS HELPING SURROUNDING AREAS WITH DEVELOPMENT, TATE OF THE REGION-BLUFFTON AND HHI, GA PORTS BACKLOG, BULLOCH HYUNDAI JOBS, SAVANNAH BUDGET INCLUDING HOUSING PROJECTS, NEW 280 NEW RED LIGHT, HISTORIC MIDWAY HOUSE WITH ARTIFACTS DESTROYED BY FIRE, 1-95/I-16 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE, LOST MEDIATION, GOVERNOR GAS TAX EXTENDED FOR GA, DOWNTOWN BAXLEY REHAB GRANT, GA POWER RATE INCREASE, BIDEN ADMIN TO TACKLE HOMELESSNESS, SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CANCELATIONS, RISE OF GAS AND EGG PRICES.

SOURCE: FED, STATE AND LOCAL GOV, PRES BIDEN

Over the past few months, we've been following the negotiations between Beaufort County and Hilton Head regarding this massive project. All of those conversations came down to today, as town council decided whether or not to accept the county's final offer. Sot: (Christopher Ophardt - PIO, Beaufort County) "Today we find out if we build a bridge or not to be frank." Vo Carrying the weight of a 328\* million dollar project that would change the entryway to this island, leaders say this meeting is one of the most important they've seen. The county says they're at the end of their rope. Sot "We have come to the middle ground in negotiations between the county and the staff and the town staff and if we can't accept this middle ground then there is no place else to go." Vo With that mindset, they came into this meeting, wanting a decision from their negotiating partner... the town. Nat Vo As you just heard, Council voted in favor of the bridge project 4-3. Earlier in the day I asked the county what that makes the next steps. Sot "submit the paperwork to the federal government to get approval, will start the design process on the bridge, will also start the integrated traffic signal study for I-95 to Coligny Circle, and then will start moving forward with the town of Hilton Head to design the last mile of the project to the stony community." Vo Also moving forward senator tom Davis made it clear that the town will have to give municipal consent along the way. Vo Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC

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build over them." Many people in Chatham and surrounding counties know exactly what it's like to be waiting, for what feels like forever, at railroad for a train to pass by. Chatham County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis says they're working to fix that. "Here's just one of the proposed diagrams to get rid of some railroad crossings in Garden City. If you take a look at the here, here's the railroad on Hwy 21 that leaves many cars backed up. As the railroad typically crosses here, it'll be redirected and those railroads being rerouted will get rid of about 9 railroad crossings in Garden City." Chairman Ellis says the county is also designing a flyover that would be built over the railroad crossing on President Street. He says they've gotten several complaints from residents being stalled at a railroad crossings for more than 40 minutes. "That's what sparked this whole thing. Not only did I hear it but folks at the port heard it." Ellis says the county is working with multiple agencies to apply for a federal railroad elimination grant within the next month. He estimates the project will costs \$250 million in total with the county footing about \$75 million of the bill and the rest being covered by state and federal grants. "We've been working with port staff, county staff as well as staff from CSX to find out how we could better utilize the federal grants that are coming in." He says the project could be done in about 5 to 6 years, if the Transportation Special Purpose Local Sales Tax or TSPLOST passes, which is on your ballot this November. If it TSPLOST fails, he says the project could take longer. Camille Syed WTOC News

PKG: "Some railroads we'll eliminate all together, some crossings all together, some we will

CHATHAM CO
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LL: The new unit will sit near the intersection of highway 280 and I-16. Project organizers are praising the location's direct access to the highway and proximity to the Bryan County megasite. PKG: These renderings show what the new DSP I-16 Logistics Center will look like once completed. Project organizers say the location will allow the facility to serve the growth of the Savannah port. Joe Moriarty/Director of Acquisitions: "I-16 carries the bulk of the product coming out of the Port of Savannah. So from that standpoint it makes a lot of sense for logistics and distribution purposes." DSP Director of Acquisitions Joe Moriarty says the Bryan County megasite announcement put a renewed spark in DSP's decision to build at a time when inflation was impacting the process. Joe Moriarty/Director of Acquisitions: "There were a lot of lenders that had stepped aside and said they weren't going to be providing debt going forward for the rest of year. So, it was a tough time to close on land. But, I think the Hyundai thing really helped support our investment thesis. It was a really nice mode of support for the project." And while Moriarty says the company doesn't have a specific tenant in mind he says there's interest from companies to use the space as a potential supplier for the Hyundai plant. Joe Moriarty/Director of Acquisitions: "I expect that our building and some of the buildings that are going up around here, I think there are going to be a lot of suppliers interested in taking space." LL: The new facility is expected to be just over 540-thousand square feet and is set for completion by later next

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year. Reporting in Bryan County...FS...WTOCN.

The commission voted 5 to 4 after hearing from community members at their meeting. You may remember officials from the Savannah Economic Development Authority petitioned for the plot of land to be rezoned from light industrial to heavy industrial use. SEDA says that will attract better jobs while neighbors believe that the land clearing for the planned site has caused flooding and structural issues in their homes.

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5AM SARAH: 10/21/2022 DAYBREAK TSPLOST 4:00:00 AM OD 5:30 During those sessions -- Chairman Chester Ellis says there will be a presentation and then open it up for questions and answers – will stay as long as they need to to answer everybody's questions answered before they cast their vote.

Chairman Chester Ellis / Chatham County "I'm hoping that the public will want to know all the facts and figures about TSPLOST and really what it is so I am hoping that the whole area will come out to voice their concerns and get the true answers." He says they are behind the game on infrustruture so they are just trying to keep up with the growth -- in order to do that they need more funds -- so Chairman Ellis says not is the right time to put this on the ballot let voters decide.

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(sot) Organizers of the "State of the Region" meeting say local communities can no longer compete against each other for economic development. They're all on the same team, and having this at a baseball stadium drives home that point. (vo) They point to the announcement of Hyundai's car plant next door in Bryan County as a game changer. They say support companies will set up in Bulloch and surrounding counties and communities must work together to grow. (sot) We're all working together, for sure. It's not just the Statesboro Development Authority that's speaking tonight. It's the Savannah Development Authority as well. (vo) While the local chamber and development authority will host this, they're partnering with Savannah Hilton Head International and others from the area bring everyone together. (sot) Governor Brian Kemp is expected to speak here tonight. Tickets STATESBOR are sold out. But we'll bring you some of the highlights tonight at 11. In Statesboro, Dal

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Hyundai Motor Group is putting 5 point 5 billion dollars toward a fully dedicated electric BRYAN CO. vehicle and battery plant. It's expected to bring more than 8-thousand jobs to our area.

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MEGASITE

Tomorrow's ceremony is invite only...but WTOC will have full coverage of the big moment GRNDBRKG and the celebration expected to follow. Look for that tomorrow throughout THE News.

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(sot) Local developers I spoke with say this might be the biggest location of the Hyundai project, but it's certainly not the last announcement of what's headed this way. (vo) Leaders from Georgia to Washington to Korea broke the ceremonial ground as Hyundai begins construction. It will become the company's second car plant in Georgia, but the first to manufacture electric vehicles. Hyundai says they'll invest \$5.5 billion dollars here for a facility that will employ 8,100 people. State leaders call this a game changer, and company leaders agree. (sot) This is going to be a massive operation, with a scale that is hard to comprehend. (vo) From here, supply companies who provide car components will begin announcing factories of their own. That will bring the job numbers, and the impact, even

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higher. (sot) In Bryan County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

While the main part of the plant will be here at the site in Bryan County, community leaders say we'll see additional development in surrounding counties and beyond. (vo) Hyundai leaders focused on the more than 8,000 jobs their plant will bring to the region. But local developers say the company will partner with supply manufacturers that will make parts for the electric vehicles. Each of those will employ hundreds of workers of their own. (sot) The ripple effect of suppliers will extend for miles and miles. The first wave of that is happening now and will be within 30 miles of the megasite. Bulloch County will see some of that, certainly all of the J.D.A. counties. (vo) He says those suppliers will build their plants along Interstates 16 or 95, some a few miles away and others further up or down the road. (sot) GROUNDBR We could begin hearing about those companies early next year. In Bryan County, Dal

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5.5 billion dollars. Jobs for 81-hundred people. (sot) This is going to be a massive operation, with a scale that is hard to comprehend. It will all be right here in Bryan County at the Hyundai Metaplant America where leaders from Georgia to Washington to Korea broke ground \*nat pop (?) "I just get goosebumps thinking about the people who will be working here in this plant. Many of them will hail from schools that I know well, right here in this region. And It's a game changer -- officials say as Hyundai held an expo displaying some of the vehicles that could potentially be made at the plant -- the company's second car plant in Georgia, but first one that manufactures electric vehicles. "It's starting to seem more real than ever. All the hard work that's been put into this project so far, it's a very ceremonial and symbolic event" A task Georgia has been ready for, according to Governor Brian Kemp. He says Hyundai is here for a reason. "We still have a lot of work to do here, we're just breaking ground, so we got to get this facility built, we got to get cars to the market. I think that's one thing that Hyundai understands very quickly. It was one reason that they chose Georgia. It's because we can deliver the workforce The questions leaders from surrounding cities and counties are pushing to answer before 2025 "How are we preparing our residents? How are we preparing our educational institutions to make sure everyone benefits?" Even local developers have a hand in this -- saying the company will partner with supply manufacturers that will make parts for the electric vehicles. Each of those will employ hundreds of workers of their own. The ripple effect of suppliers will extend for miles and miles. The first wave of that is happening now and will be within 30 miles of the megasite. Bulloch County will see some of that, certainly all of the J.D.A. counties. He says those suppliers will build their plants along Interstates 16 or 95, some a few miles away and others further up or down the road.

**HYUNDAI** PLANT **GROUNDBR FAKING** 

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(sot) Industrial developers from Bryan, Bulloch, Chatham, and Effingham counties who helped bring Hyundai to the I-16 corridor say the next level of development will be the supply companies that will announce they're moving in to industrial parks like this one throughout the area. And they say those announcements could be coming quicker than we might think. (vo) The groundbreaking marks the beginning of construction for the company facility in Bryan County that's expected to employ more than 8,000 people. But dozens of smaller companies will help supply the plant with components and employ hundreds of people each. (sot) I know Bulloch County already has seven or eight. Most of those have already committed. And most of the other counties are the same way.... (vo) While the four counties worked together to bring the electric vehicle plant to the region, counties are negotiating with the suppliers to find the location that best suits them. (sot) This is going to be truly transformational beyond just the megasite. We'll have significant supplier activity in Bulloch County. And it will go further up Interstate 16 toward Macon. (vo) Thompson says companies will want interstate access and the corridor gives them just that. (sot) And we'll keep you updated on those announcements. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news. 00:01:17

BULLOCH CO. **CHAIRMAN** ON

**PLANT** 

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> During this week's groundbreaking of Hyundai's new electric vehicle plant...the Korean Ambassador to the U-S criticized new federal tax credits passed under the Inflation Reduction Act. Ambassador Tae-young Cho says South Korea says South Korean leaders say the new tax credits could hurt foreign EV makers. "Korea certainly supports its goals. However, Korean companies are now at risk of being disadvantaged by the electric vehicle tax credit provision of this act." Under the new tax credits...electric vehicles only with final assembly in the US would qualify. Since Hyundai's EVs are built overflyseas...none of the Korean automaker's electric cars would be eligible until production starts at the Bryan County megasite. That's not expected to happen until 2025. We first told you that Hyundai was concerned about the new tax credits last month. "I believe it is not good for the US-Korea partnership, for the state of Georgia, and not even for the common cause of climate change by limiting consumer choices." Georgia U.S. Senator Jon Ossoff voted to pass the bill. He says the tax credits are meant to increase U-S electric vehicle production. "I'm going to continue working to make sure that, when implemented, and as implemented over time that Georgia benefits to the maximum extent from legislation whose purpose is to boost manufacturing of EVs just as Hyundai is about to do here." At the groundbreaking...U-S Deputy Commerce Secretary Don Graves did not comment directly on the ambassador's criticism...but says the new Hyundai plant represents the Biden administration's growing efforts to curb climate change.: "...it's also a reflection of our strong trading relationship with the Republic of Korea, which has become one of our top trading partners and is the source of \$71 billion in foreign direct investments into the US." Leaders from both countries

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TAX CREDIT say they're now working to find a solution. In Bryan County...FS...WTOC News.

Standup: The state of the region event hosted by the Hilton head Bluffton Chamber of Commerce on Hilton head today, essentially tries to bring as many Lowcountry leaders into the same room as local economic leaders to talk about big issues affecting the business community. Today was the first time they've been able to have this event since 2019 though. Vo Covid kept this event from happening two years in a row, but the luncheon for over 400 people was back today. Elected officials from around Beaufort County were asked to talk about a few key topics, like the areas growing population. Sot: (Mayor Lisa Sulka -Bluffton) "Growth management is tough. It may be a little lesson for those of you who have only lived here a few years the town of Bluffton when I moved to Bluffton was one square mile." Vo The population and size of the town Sulka looks over has boomed since then, as has much of the area. With that has come businesses development, as the chamber hosting their 26th annual event has grown along with the municipalities around it. On cam tag Reporting from Beaufort county, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

TYLER: STATE OF REGION 11/2/2022 **BLUFFTON** 3:00:00 PM 4PM OD & HHI

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: Back in August...we told you about the bottleneck of roughly 40 ships sitting off the coast. Port officials say it's an improving picture...but one that still needs work to fix. PKG: A traffic jam continues off the Port of Savannah with dozens of ships still waiting to dock. Griff Lynch/Executive Director, Ga. Ports Authority: "We peaked at about 45 ships about a month or so ago. We're actually down to 30 vessels today." The backlog remains with just 3 weeks until Black Friday. Georgia Port officials say they're in a much different position this year compared to last when it comes to handling holiday shipping volume. Meaning... you shouldn't experience those item shortages when you head to the store. Griff Lynch/Executive Director, Ga. Ports Authority: "All the holiday goods have been either delivered to the warehouse or the stores. We're starting to see that come alive. A lot of our customers moved to a 'just in case' mode versus a 'just in time.' So the 'just in case' means they got it months early, just to make sure they got it here." Port officials blame the backlog on shipping growth...impacts from Hurricane lan...and west coast labor disputes...causing shippers to redirect to Savannah. Griff Lynch/Executive Director, Ga. Ports Authority: "They're negotiating a new contract, and when that happens, it's about every 6 years, we tend to see a bump in business, so that shippers are protecting their interests, diversifying their interests and making sure they don't get stuck with all their eggs in the wrong basket." The Georgia Ports Authority says that by year end Savannah would have processed 6 million, 20-foot equivalent units. That's up nearly 2 million from the start of the pandemic. And from the waters to the roadways...demand is up too. With the port handling approximately 15-thousand trucks daily. Edward Sharp/Truck Driver: "There's increasing shipping demands. On this side, I think, we have enough drivers. They're going to show up. Things are starting to expand on this side. It's a lot of growth, so they got to work out a lot of kinks, a lot of different things." Leaders here at the port are now working to end the backlog amid record growth. Griff Lynch/Executive Director, Ga. Ports Authority: "Still high, but we're heading in the right direction." LL: Port officials say much of what is on those ships is mainly extra inventory or items for other seasons. The port of Savannah has 1.3 billion dollars set aside for yard improvements to handle the demand. In Garden

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NORMA The governor praised the move, writing in a statement, "Norma Precision is already hiring PRECISION hardworking Georgians on our coast, and this new facility will support healthy communities MOVES TO BRYAN CO. BRYAN CO.

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In the first portion of the City of Savannah's 2023 Budget retreat, Housing and Neighborhood Services director Martin Fretty gave an update about three housing projects that he says, when completed, will provide 114 places to live for those facing homelessness and housing insecurity. "Two of them are under construction, the other one is entering the final phases of design." One of the housing projects, Savannah Gardens, has four single-family homes that will be ready for folks facing homelessness to move into by the end of the year- and Fretty says 8 more properties are ready to begin construction. Groundbreaking on Dundee cottages, which will be a 40-unit community, just happened last week. The last property, at 916 MLK, is still in the design phase. However, Fretty says he sees developing it into 16 2-bedroom apartments with a resident services facility. Fretty: "This is in a neighborhood, as you all know, when you drive up and down Montgomery street and MLK, it's gentrified like crazy. There are huge apartment complexes going up where rents are probably anywhere from two to three thousand dollars a month, and this is a kind of oasis of hope right in the middle of that development if we're able to pull this off." Fretty says they'll need to bring the project to the Savannah City Council next year to approve a transfer-of-land and funding from the Affordable Housing Fund- and should that happen, he hopes construction would begin next year. In total, all three projects would be able to house around 200 people- which Savannah City Manager Jay Melder says is a significant number. "When you look at our latest point in time counts, and you see that there are between four and five hundred people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in our community, that's making a big dent in what we know the need is in our community." Shea: Public safety budgets were also on the agenda at today's retreat. I'm working on that story for the news at 6. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

SHEA: SAVANNAH BUDGET

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This comes after months of backlogged ships. Back in August...we told you about the bottleneck of roughly 40 ships sitting off the coast. Port officials blame the backlog on shipping growth...impacts from Hurricane lan...and west coast labor disputes...causing shippers to redirect to Savannah. The Georgia Ports Authority says that by year end, Savannah would have processed 6 million, 20-foot equivalent units. That's up nearly 2

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BUSY YEAR million from the start of the pandemic.

"We've already worked that out with the Corps of Engineers and Senator Ossoff and Tybee. Cause I was a part of that. So that's already in the plan. They're not putting anything in there. They tried to throw in a thing about Bush Road. Bush Road already belongs to the city, so you aren't really negotiating in good faith." "It's a secret deal we don't know anything about. At the end of the day, it's not a deal until you have it written down and codified in some type of way of how our neighbors at Tybee Island, Savannah's beach, our

12/7/2022 SHEA: LOST beach that we all enjoy, how do they help with their beach renourishment that they have to 4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD MEDIATION do every couple of years."

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Remember that if they don't come to an agreement by December 31st, LOST will expire, and some people could see a higher property tax bill to make up for it. The cities and the county have been going back and forth about how much money each side wants. Chairman SHEA: LOST Ellis says the county was ready to make a deal, but then the cities added in beach

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MEDIATION renourishment on Tybee Island as part of the LOST agreement.

It will now be suspended until January 10th. Governor Kemp says this is an effort to fight inflation. Georgia's average gas price has consistently remained one of the lowest in the MICHAELA:
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It will now be suspended until January 10th. Governor Kemp says this is an effort to fight inflation. Georgia's average gas price has consistently remained one of the lowest in the nation since the gas tax was suspended. This comes as people prepare for long drives during the holidays. While plenty are happy to see prices staying low, some say people shouldn't make too big of a deal out of higher costs.

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"I drive a big pickup truck so gas is kinda one of those things that it is what it is and I don't drive a fuel-efficient vehicle so when we are making our travel plans the gas is not something that we take into consideration." "Here's the thing, if its 2.75 or 3.05 okay 3.0

MICHAELA: something that we take into consideration." "Here's the thing, if its 2.75 or 3.05 okay 30

12/8/2022 HOLIDAY cents difference over 10 gallons, that's only three dollars if that's gonna make or break you

11:01:00 PM 11PM OD TRAVEL just don't do it."

(sot) Nearly 30,000 people pass this intersection in Baxley every day. City leaders hope development money can bring some businesses along this street and get more people to come to downtown instead of passing through it. (vo) Buildings along this block of South Main Street show more empty store fronts. Many nearby wish more businesses would open in this neighborhood. (sot) For me as a local business owner, the more foot traffic we have, the better chance I have to grow. (vo) City leaders say it can be a challenge to recruit business to older buildings on a busy street. (sot) I think they think it's easier to be on a different highway than this. But I think there are so many perks for being in downtown. (vo) The City of Baxley spent more than a year applying for a set of "rural zone" tax credits. But they can now help businesses who come here in several ways. (sot) ..an investment tax credit, which is 25 percent of the investment cost to purchase a building..up to \$125,000. (vo) Businesses owners can also qualify for rehabilitation tax credit up to \$150,000 in getting historic buildings turned around. All three believe one or two new shops could be the turning point to bring even more. (sot) The application process begins January 1. In

**DOWNTOW** N BAXLEY **REHAB GRANT** 

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A WTOC Update - the Georgia Public Service commission approved Georgia Power's rate increase. The approval comes after the company and its regulators reached an agreement **GA POWER** last week. You may remember - it's increasing over the next 3 years. It starts this January with a 2 point 5 percent increase. That's less than 4 dollars on your monthly bill for most people. After that, it will go up 4 point 5 percent in 20-24 and 20-25. You're looking at

video from some power grid updates in our area earlier this year.

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Southwest airlines says it will operate on a reduced flight schedule for the rest of the week as it tries to get operations back to normal. The airline cancelled more than 60 percent of its flights yesterday, stranding thousands of travelers at airports around the country. The AFTERNOO SOUTHWES Biden administration and congress are looking into what's being described as a "meltdown", with some lawmakers calling on the company to share its earnings with

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::NATS:: On this chilly December morning, Michael here is getting ready to start his day. ::NATS:: Michael tells me he's liveD on the street for about six months. ((MICHAEL)) "I lost work, lost a Job." He used to work at a water treatment plant. Now, Michael spends most nights sheltered in this portico next to a convenience store, relying on the kindness of customers coming in and out. ((MICHAEL)) "I usually beg them, for something to eat" According to the Department of Housing, Michael is one of about a 580 thousand Americans living outside at any given time. An estimated 1.25 million Americans were unhoused at some point during 2020. It's an issue the Biden Administration is looking to tackle head-on, especially in winter months. (Maybe mention the recent December severe cold snap) ((DEANNE CRISWELL, FEMA SECRETARY)) "We have a lot of vulnerable populations out there - and whenever we see extreme temperature changes, whether it be heat or cold, we see some life-threatening situations" The administration is rolling out it's "All-In" plan - which aims to reduce the number of unhoused people by 25 percent by the year 2025. It's main pillar is "Housing First" which would shore-up available housing. Through funds from the American Rescue Plan, the White House says 20 thousand units will be made available by the end of December. The idea is that issues of addiction or mental illness can't be treated without first meeting the need of having a place to stay. Until then, Michael says he's on his own. ((MICHAEL)) "I know you're always going to have trials TO COMBAT and tribulations - it's how you get over it. You're always going to have problems" ((Molly))

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affected travelers.

The "All-In' plan also includes measures that would roll back the criminalization of homelessness, and the clearing of homeless camps. In Washington, I'm MM.

according to gas buddy, an app that tracks gas prices, the price at the pump could rise to four dollars a gallon by may. that's significantly cheaper than the spike that topped five dollars a gallon earlier this year. the prediction is based on the higher cost to produce GAS COULD summer grade gasoline.. plus, more Americans hit the road in warmer months. however -

12/28/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD RETURN gas buddy reminds there's a lot of uncertainty in gas prices.

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EGG the bureau of labor statistics says.. the price of eggs jumped nearly 50 percent in 20-22 **PRICES** through november, not adjusted for seasonal swings. one reason ... a deadly avian flu RISE 49 reduced poultry flocks -- specifically turkeys and egg-laying hens. add to that.. rising feed PERCENT IN and energy costs for producers, as well as high demand. experts think the peak has

12/28/2022 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD passed.. but until these conditions improve, expect to pay more for eggs. ISSUE 13-HOW CHARITABLE AND FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS ARE HELPING THE COMMUNITY. BREAST CANCER AWARNESS MONTH INCLUDING SMART WOMEN EXPO RAISING MONEY FOR MAMMOGRAMS FOR THOSE IN NEED, ALZHEIMER'S WALK, KIA AMERICA WHO IS BUIDING MEGASITE IN BRYAN COUNTY DONATES 300K TO FAMILY PROMISE, KIWANIS CLUB OGEECHEE FAIR RAISING MONEY FOR A NUMBER OF CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, EOA ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, SECOND HARVEST NEEDS, COCKSPUR LIGHTHOUSE GETS NEW LIGHT WITH THE HELP OF FUNDRAISING, PROPOSED SAVANNAH DAY SHELTER, WTOC DAY OF GIVING, SHELTERS ANIMALS THANKSGIVING, UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN, CANDADY/WTOC COAT DRIVE, WTOC TOY DRIVE FOR TOYS FOR TOTS/

SAVANNAH POLICE, UNION MISSION SUPPLY DONATIONS, SECOND HARVEST NEW BIGGER DISTRIBUTION CENTER ON CHATHAM PARKWAY, BACKPACKS OF LOVE PROGRAM, HELPING THOSE IN NEED DURING COLD WEATHER, TEEN PHILANTHROPIST HELPING KIDS IN NEED IN CANDLER COUNTY SOURCE: NON-PROFITS,

6AM SATURDAY IAN RELIEF **EFFORTS** 

And we want to show you one more time how you can help those in Florida, I know a lot of people might be wondering what they can do. You can help with relief efforts by donating DAYBREAK HURRICANE to the Salvation Army. 100 percent of designated gifts are used to support specific relief efforts. You can either visit the Salvation Army's website, call or text. Message and data rates may apply. All that information is on your screen and on our website WTOC dot com. 00:00:26

10/1/2022 6:00:00 AM 6AM DAYBREAK 10/1/2022 SATURDAY 6:00:00 AM OD The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society is putting on their annual Buddy Walk this morning in Forsyth Park. Opening ceremonies start at 10- then at 10:30 the one mile walk around Forsyth Park starts. The goal of the walk is to raise support and awareness for those that have Down Syndrome- so the money raised goes towards Camp Buddy, two summer camps in Chatham and Effingham County that help keep students active and engaged over summer break. Registration is only 15 dollars.

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"We believe that as the Hostess City, we have a duty to show the entire world, that we can

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10/1/2022 SAT 7PM HOMELESS 7:00:00 PM 8BRK OD CENTER handle our poverty and struggles with the same dignity and sense that we handle the wealth of the visitors that are coming into our county." Crill says they also help people reach mental health and addiction resources if needed. They serve more than 200 people regularly.

The Dive Savannah... helps feed people experiencing homelessness in the city... and also has a day center. They operate out of Christ Church Anglican on Bull Street... Leaders with the organization say they believe that there is a place for every homeless individual... and they help them find jobs or relocate near family if needed. Due to expenses-- they're only able to operate their day center one day a week, but they hope to be able to open up six days a week in the near future... Part of this includes finding a new property.

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"This is kind of one of the best kept secrets of the Baptist Center." That secret hidden here, in a back room of the Savannah Baptist Center. "What goes on in this room is just a lot of sewing." Something Doris Hagan knows a lot about. "My first year of college down in Louisiana I did sewing working my way through. Sewing is my pride and joy." Doris and her 'Sewing Sisters' spend four days a week here in this room. "We work together. If they need cutting done, those of who can cut, cut. Those of who can hand sew, sew. We all work together for the good of the community." And they have plenty of cutting and sewing to keep them busy. "We do different projects like for the Alzheimer patients who can't keep their heads up. We do these for them. A wheelchair caddy. This is a fidget blanket, this is a kitchen towel, with Velcro. We send two a month to the veterans who are in hospice." So, while Doris certainly loves what she's doing. "Sewing just been part of me my whole life." It seems what she loves most about it, is the joy it can bring to others. "I don't do anything for myself down here. This is all for the community, this is all to help others, those who have been less fortunate than I've been because I've been truly blessed."

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(sot) Organizers of Statesboro's huge annual sale say they're calling this weekend a great success, despite all the challenges that popped up days in advance. (vo) More than 600 shoppers packed the Kiwanis Fairgrounds Saturday for the 49th annual sale. Mid-week, the Statesboro Service League shifted some large pieces to an online auction in anticipation of Hurrican lan bringing bad weather here. This year's chair says they had no way to guess what they would see or the support they would get. (sot) We didn't really have any expectations, other than just knowing our community is very loyal and they showed up. They were lining up before we even got there. (vo) She says they're still tabulating the proceeds but she says they're on par with what they raise in a "normal" year. The Service League uses the sales proceeds to help causes all over the community, from vision screening for students to senior citizen care and helping disadvantaged moms. (sot) In

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"It's important, you know, the holidays can bring a lot to people that are feeling down and out and this is hope on a plate that we're going to serve it like never before and get some people some renewed hope." Feed the Hungry's Empowerment Center is also teaming up with the Goodwill of the Coastal Empire and the Uncover Angel Program this year.

There's been an outpouring of support already for victims of Hurricane Ian, and they'll certainly need help in the weeks and months to come. Compassion Christian Church in the Savannah area says that they're ready to send help, but their plan is to wait until those initial waves of volunteers have to head home. "Everybody's there at the moment of grief, but 30 days later is when the grieving family needs the most help, and that's the way it is with this. People are grieiving in Florida right now, but they're in shock, right? A couple weeks from now, that shock's gonna wear off, and they're gonna have to have solutions. So that's what we try to do. We try to wait until we can assess, where can we make the biggest difference, and then get in there and help." Compassion Christian already has a team of eight people preparing to head to Florida, in partnership with an organization called Samaritan's Purse. The plan now is for them to head there on October 16th- to give both physical and emotional support. Huxford: "They're gonna be praying and encouraging people, they're gonna be mucking out houses, you know, shoveling mud out of people's house. They're gonna be tearing off drywall that has to be replaced because it's all been soaked, all the stuff that you have to do with rising water. Shea: Compassion Christian says

**CHRISTIAN** IAN RELIEF

COMPASSIO they've already begun sending financial help to victims of Hurricane Ian, and they recommend that if you want to do the same, make sure you send your money to a reputable organization already on the ground in Florida. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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"Cancer does not discriminate." Wearing pins and the color pink for breast cancer awareness has a deeper meaning for Yvetta Lee after a screening in 2017. "That's when it was determined it was cancer." But she beat breast cancer a year later. Being strong and having family and doctors' support gave her a win against one of the most common cancers in women. "Going through Chemo and radiation and just trying to be positive about the entire experience. Knowing that it's something that happened that I didn't do to myself. It was out of my control." She says detecting the disease early through breast screening makes an important difference. "You feel so much better after having had that done. Just knowing that you care about your health. You want to make sure everything is okay." "And she encourages people to get mammograms regularly, doctors here at Memorial Health say if you don't have a history of breast cancer in your family, you should still be getting a mammogram every year once you turn 40." That's according to Breast Care specialist Dr. William Burak. He says if you do have a history of breast cancer in your family, then you should start getting screenings ten years before the age your family member was diagnosed. Being in this industry since 1995, Dr. Burak also says new techniques have made doctors more equipped to tackle the disease. "Don't be afraid because of the treatment that would be ahead because most of the time it's not like it used to be. Their was a lot of radiation, a lot of radical surgery and a lot of chemotherapy we're able to scale a lot of that back without having an impact on survival rates." The Coastal Health District is

hosting several breast screening events across Coastal Georgia. More information will be

on our website WTOC dot com. Camille Syed WTOC News.

**BREAST** CANCER **AWARENES** 

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Ebony Linton is an example of just how unexpected a breast cancer diagnosis can be. "the mammogram bus came out to my job and I didn't think anything of it. I just got it, just to get it. A month later, Linton's hard-to-find cancer was diagnosed after more imaging, an MRI and an Ultrasound ... "not only did they find one spot, they found three ... and a year-long fight had begun. "at that time, they didn't say anything about treatments. They said because I was having a double mastectomy, I wouldn't need treatments. I was excited. Then boom, the week before Christmas, they said you have to do four rounds of aggressive chemo because I'm high risk for re-occurrence. And during a lingering pandemic, she had to go to those appointments by herself. "It added a lot because my wife was not there to be with me through the most challenging parts, which was mainly my treatments. But Ashley Linton made sure Ebony never felt alone. "I just made up my mind that my wife was going to fight. If she wasn't going to fight, I was going to fight for her because I wasn't about to let cancer defeat her. "she just kept me on my toes, let me know everything was going to be all right. Ebony fought her cancer as aggressively as doctors at the Lewis Cancer and Research Pavilion treated it -- returning to work at the port in January while still receiving chemo. "By the grace of God I did not miss one day. I did my treatments, took my days off that I needed to recoup, went back to work like nothing happened. Then in March, the moment all cancer patients hope for arrived ... ... in s the one appointment the Lintons were able to attend it together. "When she rang that bell, it was like a weight had gotten lifted off of my shoulders for her "it was awesome. we had a good time and I was glad they let her come up to experience that last final moment with me. And this October, during Breast Cancer Awareness Month, evenings moments will be a lot more relaxing for Linton since she has gone from frightened cancer patient to grateful cancer survivor. And she moves forward with one reminder of her fight that she now wears as a point of pride. "my hair never came back. So, now I have to rock a baldy. I'm ok with it, everyone at work loves it, my wife loves it. She says to her it just shows that I'm bold ... this is what you do. this is a part of it. Once

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HOMETOWN you beat it, regardless if your hair grows back or not, you still stand up with your head held high because you overcame that hurdle. You jumped that hurdle, you did that. I did that.

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All last week, the Savannah Salvation Army was preparing for the possibility that Hurricane lan would cause damage here and that they'd need to be on the ground, ready to help. Thankfully, the hurricane completely avoided Savannah, but now they're turning their attention to helping those that weren't so lucky. "There's a whole lot 'It could've been us' happening around here in our hearts and minds. And so, we are glad that Paul's able to be there and we know that others from this community through other organizations have responded down to Florida, and also to the Carolinas for what's needed there." Major Egan says Paul Dempsey, a long-time lead cook at the Savannah Salvation Army, is headed to Sarasota to help with Hurricane Ian relief. He'll be there for two weeks doing- really whatever is needed. Egan: "He's a trained Salvation Army disaster response person, who is able to go down there and do a host of different items, including warehousing, including working one of our field kitchens." Like this one. Egan ((Nats)) "They'll cook it at one location and cook 20-thousand meals" And distribute those meals to anyone that needs them. Egan says it will hopefully be an impactful trip- and when Dempsey returns, someone else will head down to Florida to pick up where he left off. Egan: "In two weeks, Paul will be coming back, and we have a few more people lined up who'll be that second wave." Shea: If you'd like to donate to the Salvation Army's Hurricane Ian relief efforts, you can send them a check with Hurricane Ian listed on the memo line. You're also able to donate online. We'll have a link to do so on WTOC.com. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC

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There's been an outpouring of support already for victims of Hurricane Ian, and they'll certainly need help in the weeks and months to come. Compassion Christian Church in the Savannah area says that they're ready to send help, but their plan is to wait until those initial waves of volunteers have to head home. "Everybody's there at the moment of grief, but 30 days later is when the grieving family needs the most help, and that's the way it is with this. People are grieiving in Florida right now, but they're in shock, right? A couple weeks from now, that shock's gonna wear off, and they're gonna have to have solutions. So that's what we try to do. We try to wait until we can assess, where can we make the biggest difference, and then get in there and help." Compassion Christian already has a team of eight people preparing to head to Florida, in partnership with an organization called Samaritan's Purse. The plan now is for them to head there on October 16th- to give both physical and emotional support. Huxford: "They're gonna be praying and encouraging people, they're gonna be mucking out houses, you know, shoveling mud out of people's house. They're gonna be tearing off drywall that has to be replaced because it's all been soaked, all the stuff that you have to do with rising water. Shea: Compassion Christian says

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COMPASSIO they've already begun sending financial help to victims of Hurricane Ian, and they recommend that if you want to do the same, make sure you send your money to a reputable organization already on the ground in Florida. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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LL INTRO: The Liberty County Health Department has partnered with Liberty Regional Medical Center to provide free mammograms to those who need it in the county. Health professionals say it's all about early detection. For one mammography technologist at Liberty Regional, breast cancer prevention is personal. She's a breast cancer survivor herself. "By coming every year, it helped save my life. I know a lot of patients may not like having a mammogram done, but it does help save your life." Wednesday is the first of two same-day screening events. Patients who meet certain income requirements and are between 40 and 64 years old can sign up for an appointment, have an initial screening at the Liberty County Health Department, then head to the hospital for their mammogram. "It's great for the ladies who don't have insurance or the financial ability to have the procedures done, ages 40-64. We see a lot of those patients who come through here." This partnership allows for same-day screening, but these services are available year-round if you meet certain criteria. LL TAG: The next screening event they're hosting is Wednesday,

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October 12th. It's by appointment, but there are still some slots left. If you're interested in MAMMOGRA signing up, we'll have links in this story on our website. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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At dozens of Shell gas stations throughout the Coastal Empire and Lowcountry, you can find a Giving Pump - decorated in purple for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and a fundraiser benefiting CURE Childhood Cancer, the Georgia-based non-profit that funds pediatric cancer research and also supports patients and families throughout their childhood cancer journey. A portion of sales from each Giving Pump will go to CURE and FUNDRAISE their efforts to help local families during a three-month fundraising push that continues through Oct. 31st.

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MANDY GAROLA VP SOUTH GA, CURE CHILDHOOD CANCER it just helps fuel our programs for the year. We rely on this support. We help families with things like financial assistance, we provide gas cards, we provide meals. During long hospital stays we can pay bills for families. We help with lodging if they ever have to travel for treatment. So, all those things require money and we can't do it all by ourselves. So, it really is a community effort and we're so grateful to Somers oil and Shell and programs like this that really help us fuel our mission. It really does mean so much. Out little patients get so excited when they see anything in the community during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month or anything that has CURE on it. They feel like it's for them sometimes I think. And we love it, we want them to feel that way. The Giving Pumps are located at stations that buy gas locally from Sommers Oil Company, which is participating in this program for the second straight year and in a much bigger way this time. Last year, seven pumps at Sommers stations in Savannah raised \$4,000 for CURE. This year there are more than 40 dedicated pumps throughout the area - like the one on the corner of Waters and Derenne, one of the busiest intersections in Savannah - so the amount raised is expected to be much higher as well.

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?(sot) Organizers from Christian Social Ministries say they immediately looked beyond whether they should or should not help hurricane victims, but looked at how and where to help. (vo) John Long threw the last handfuls of supplies into the trailer before he hits the road. The catastrophic images of Hurricane Ian's impact on Florda prompted him and others to collect for the victims. (sot) Oh there was no doubt that we were going. We just put out the pleas for the usual supplies. (vo) He's communicating with people on the ground on or around Pine Island. This load includes cleaning supplies and insect repellant. While his own group struggles to help local people with needs for food, electricity or more, he's moved at the way people in this community gave to help strangers elsewhere. (sot) A lot of people dig down and, as a lot of them say, "give 'til it hurts" because they know the people DAL: OTHER down there don't have anything. (vo) He says he's grateful for the way people sacrifice to

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help people in need. (sot) Long says they'll gather more info while they're down there and come back to plan a second supply drop soon. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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Good news for Savannah's professional golf tournament yesterday too. The Club Car Championship at The Landings Club posted a strong finish in the inaugural PGA Tour Charity Challenge, which allows tournaments to highlight a local organization with specific programs that address diversity, equality and inclusion. The competition was based on eight-player fantasy golf teams selected by each tournament - and the local Korn Ferry

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Tour's team placed fifth out of 89 entries, earning \$60,000 from the Tour for Park Place CHAMPIONS Outreach Youth emergency Services. So, the impact of that event still being felt locally HIP HONOR seven months after the final putt fell on Skidaway Island.

And, the Club Car Championship staff will also help operate next months final stage of Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying at The Landings -- and the First Tee of Savannah is inviting young golfers to be standard bearers for that event. The standard bearers will get to walk inside the ropes with some of the Korn Ferry Tour's best players for the event - November 4-7 at The Landings Marshwood and Magnolia courses. Kids can sign up for that opportunity by going to Info at First Tee dot Org.

"More than 1,400 people are here to support breast cancer awareness month, this Smartwomen event has raised over a million dollars over the past 20 years it's been held." "It's camaraderie, it's fun, it's joyous." Shopping meets supporting the community as this event with more than 70 vendors puts money in the St. Joseph's Candler Telfair Mammography Fund. The initiative giving eligible uninsured women an opportunity to get breast cancer screenings and other care. Last year, the Smartwomen Expo and Luncheon raised nearly \$200 thousand. Lora Reese with St. Joesph's Candler says breast cancer can be beat 90 to 95 percent of time if caught early. "That allows us to pay for mammograms, breast biopsy, any kind of breast imaging women may need to get them to a diagnosis and that covers screening as well. We want people to absolutely find their cancer as early as possible." After shopping guilt free, everyone's meal came with a side of inspiration from award-winning journalist Soledad O'Brien. O'Brien, who headlines the CNN specials Black in America and Latino in America, says women of color especially need breast care because of health care disparities in their communities. "I think for women of color is 2022 SMART essential to understand what's out there and how solutions are possible. If you fear cannot afford a mammogram, people can help you." Information on how you can donate to the

Telfair Mammography Fund will be on our website WTOC dot com.

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These women... they all share one thing in common. They're survivors. "It was breast cancer." Tanysha Jackson got the diagnosis months after a screening....Jenny Woodward -six years before she needed one. "I was diagnosed at 34..which is pretty young in the cancer world" "I literally cried in the shower when I found it. I was like God my gosh I feel a lump and it's painful" Many of them have felt that pain, some have cried the same tears -navigating a diagnosis they never saw coming "I've got scars...I've got physical scars from the surgery I went through but what people don't see is the mental and emotional scars" Cancer patients, family and friends of cancer patients know it's not a battle someone can get through alone. Keeping the Flame is a nonprofit that made sure tonight --- they didn't have to \*NAT POP One-by-one shouting out survivors \*nat pop And a few of WTOC's Hometown Heroes. It's a night many of them needed to show them they can beat this "I'm not the only one...and looking at their strength it's like ok God you gave these women strength. That makes me feel like there's women who have been cured 20 years...5 years... and it makes me feel like I can be one of them one day" These survivors share what made them strong. Why they won't give up. "Three years later I can say there's good in the new normal and part of that is sharing your story" With the hope that someone watching who needs to hear they can beat this can see their resilience "I'm gon' win...me and God we been talking" And never give up "I refuse to let it beat me because I'm going to beat it"

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This marks the fair's 60th year and people keep coming back. They bring a nationally known amusement company to bring in the midway rides and games. But this fair is also known for local ties too with 4H booths, local art contests. But also glimpses back into agriculture of the past with a general store, on-site blacksmith demo's, homemade cane syrup and more. The local Kiwanis Club uses their biggest week of the year to help local non-profits all year long.

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DAL: (sot) We keep enough to maintain the lights, maintain the grounds. The rest goes back in KIWANIS to the community through, 4H, FFA, Backpack Buddies, ACTS, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts.

10/21/2022 OGEECHEE (vo) Plenty of school groups, churches, jump in and sell concessions or whatever as a way

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UNITED New tonight-- The United Way of the Coastal Empire honoring its former fundraising campaign chairs in a special way. A photo wall was created showing the past campaign Chairs dating all the way back to 19-38. The United Way helps those in need in 5 coastal empire counties. One past chairman and board member we spoke with today say this was a great way to bring back a lot of people together.

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"I'm really hoping that people will get that the United Way is not necessarily a hand out. It's a hand-up where we want the community to help the United Way, get behind the United Way. There's so many different things they do other than give out funds. It's just a good community effort way to help out the entire community." The photo wall is hanging up at United Way's building on Bull Street in Savannah.

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The project was started last year by Veteran Carriers to show appreciation to truck drivers for all of their work during the COVID-19 pandemic. And they partnered up with Enmarket to make it happen. Just last year, they served over 400 free meals. And just this year alone, they served over 250 meals so far. One manager says that this is just one of the

ways to show how thankful they are.

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New tonight-- Bank of America named its winner for the 2022 Neighborhood Champions program in Savannah. America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia took home the title NEIGHBORH tonight The local non-profit will also now receive a \$50-thousand grant. There's also an

10/24/2022 OOD opportunity for virtual leadership training. The President of Savannah's Bank of America 10:01:00 PM 11PM OD CHAMPION says it's important to celebrate community partners that are doing the most good. 00:00:26

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Dozens of teams teed off today for the 200 Club of the Coastal Empire's annual Community Heroes Golf Tournament. The event raises money for the club which helps the families of fallen first responders. The president of the club - Mark Dana says events like these

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A Lowcountry walk to end Alzheimer's has already garnered over 300 sign ups. If you're interested in being another one, it's happening around 11 am Saturday in Bluffton, but organizers say it's about so much more than the distance they'll cover. Sot: (Amanda Phillips - Walk Chair, Bluffton Walk to End Alzheimer's) "Some caregivers feel like they don't have anyone lese to relate to and so its a chance for other caregivers to network, it's also a chance for families to be in touch with each other it's also a chance for families and teams to celebrate their loved ones." Vo These walks happen around the country to build funds for policy and research. Phillips, who chairs the walk as a volunteer, says they've raised 76,000 dollars so far with 50,000 more until their goal. It's a cause that is sadly close to her heart, as it is for too many. Sot "My father passed away a few years ago from Alzheimer's, he actually had early-onset, and this is just to promote advocacy for those living with dementia or Alzheimer's and also to advocate for the caregivers." On cam tag: They'll walk from the promenade in Bluffton to the May River and back to the promenade. If you're interested in being one of those people making that walk you can register day of at ALZHEIMER 10 am or online at a link we'll have on this story on our website. Reporting from Beaufort County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"I think it's great that as a community we can come together to raise money to help those families in need. Because sometimes in families of first responders, the first responder is the primarily the main bread worker sometimes. And sometimes that can make a differencemake or break for a family especially when it comes to education, future patterns for that

family." The Club has provided nearly \$4 million to families in need.

((PKG)) After losing their home in Richmond Hill back in July, Family Promise will soon be able to have a physical presence in Bryan County again, thanks to a 300-thousand dollar donation from Kia America. "They said they wanted to make a donation, so for us, we were thinking, okay, maybe 10, 15, 50-thousand dollars. And when I was told the amount, which is 300-thousand, I was floored." Bostick says she got the call about two weeks before the donation was publicly announced- and it was hard to keep it a secret. She also said the donation is timely, as Family Promise has been looking to get going in Bryan County againthough they won't be reopening their Richmond Hill location. Instead, they'll be opening up a home in Pembroke. Bostick: "As we began to kind of talk about what would be the best and most impactful way to get back into that community, we know the numbers, we know the poverty levels of the Pembroke area. And for us, we felt that community, the North Bryan Community is where we wanted to come in and be able to have more of a greater impact." There's no timeline for when the home will be open, and no location has been picked out yet. Bostick says she wants to take some time to get input from folks in the Pembroke and Ellabell areas about what they would like to see. Bostick: "That's their community, and for us, when we make these decisions we want to make sure that it's the best decision not just for Family Promise, but for the community we're serving. Shea: Bostick adds that even though she wasn't able to tell anybody about it, she was so excited, that over the last two weeks, she's already started scouting locations for the Pembroke home. For WTOC News, I'm Shea Schrader.

**HYUNDAI FAMILY PROMISE DONATION** 

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18-year-old DeMichael has epilepsy and cerebral palsy. His wish was to go to Disney World. He loves Christmas and all things Disney so today's celebration at Enmarket Headquarters served as an early Christmas party for him. DeMichael's mom says it means the world to her, too. She has advice for parents of kids with disabilities.

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"Even when we think it is hard, and it's tough, we have to remember our kids with the 'extra love' are always going to go through more than us. So, if you can not be selfish, and think about them, and they can smile every day, we can too." Tashara says she is so grateful for Make-A-Wish because a lot of parents like her wouldn't be able to grant their kids wishes without their help. And she says DeMichael is thrilled.

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As you walk through downtown Vidalia ... these pink fire hydrants are hard to miss. And then as you look closer you'll see names of loved ones written in black sharpie. PKG "It's really cool for everyone to be able to go downtown and to check those out." "We want the names of people to be there, so people can walk by them while they're out eating downtown and see those names and just remember those people." The firefighters with the Vidalia Fire Department say it's not only about fighting fires, but about giving back to the community they serve. "Every year we sell t-shirts and we look for ways to raise awareness." So, for this year's breast cancer awareness month they decided to paint the town pink. "One of my captains came up and he said, 'hey, lets paint the fire hydrants pink and let people come sign them in memory of people. People who are fighting the battle or people who've won the battle." It's an interactive way to get the entire community involved. "It's really neat seeing the names." Chief Sikes says most people know someone who has or has had breast cancer. His mother, being one of them. "And my dad has cancer right now." To go along with paint the town pink, the fire department is partnering with seven local restaurants to raise money for cancer research. "I'm hoping anywhere from \$200-\$300." Amy Roberson is the owner of The Sandwiche Shoppe. Today, they're donating 10% of every sale to the fire department's fundraiser. "This is a great cause so it's definitely something that I wanted to help them with." Roberson says she also went by and wrote a name ... "My grandmother's name in memory of her." ... which is now written right next to another dear friend of hers who she says passed away last week after her battle with breast cancer. "Doctor Christy Powell. She was a very prominent person here in town." The fire hydrants will stay pink for the rest of the year and everyone is encouraged to write a name on it for everyone to see. "I think it's really touching and it's something that I'm proud that our community is doing." LLTAG Chief Sikes says they will be doing this every year moving forward. He says they will tally up all the money they raised at the end of the month. All of the money will be going to the local cancer center at Memorial Health in Vidalia. In Vidalia, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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(SOT) Advocates here at Safe Haven Shelter say more people need to be more aware of domestic violence issues but just one month a year. (vo-nat singing) Amen, amen... From law officers to judges to staff and shelter board members, they gathered for a midday vigil to talk about the problem and the ways they can help. Police officers like Jennifer Strosnider say the emergency calls come on an almost daily basis. (sot) I have literally put victims in my car and driven them to the shelter so that they could get assistance. (vo) Shelters in Georgia get roughly 50,000 calls for help per year - averaging more than 1,000 each. Local shelter leaders say they work year round to let victims know they can come to them. (sot) We want to give a message of hope for survivors that we're here for them. We also want to honor the 212 lives lost in Georgia over the last year. (vo) Law officers from several agencies said they're grateful to have Safe Haven in the community. (sot) It is a hidden gem, because they're usually surprised at the response of "yeah, I can take you right now.". (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

**BULLOCH** CO. **DOMESTIC** VIOLENCE **VIGIL** 

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This year, the Braves broke John Henderson's heart. But they didn't remove it. "it was a great season for the Braves. I wish they would have made it all the way. Thank God we've got the Dogs to keep us going. Henderson has built a giant tee pee outside his Coach's Corner sports bar and slept in it during every Braves' playoff run since 1991. In recent years, he has used it as a fundraiser for a local charity. And when this year's team lost in the first round of the postseason, Henderson didn't want the charity to lose out. So, he introduced the Dog House - a place for Georgia fans to support their team - and their community. "a lot of people are in the Dog House at some time in their life. This is something to make people aware to pull for the Dogs as we were for the Braves. And we're raising money for Help Save One of Our Own. We're off to an unbelievable start and we don't want to end it until we reach our goal, which is \$100,000. Bulldog fans can support the organization that supports members of the local service industry in need by eating, sleeping or just hanging out in the fan cave 30 feet above Victory Drive - and making a donation. "It's all fun, and it's luxury up here. We've got ice machines, refrigerators, anything you need. We're up for anything pretty much. If you want to just come up and have some fun for a few minutes or a few hours you can donate some money to the cause. If you want to come up with your group and have the whole tee pee, we'll let you do that for the right price. We're doing everything we can, you can dump your change bucket, we call it Bring Your Change to Make a Change. You can dump your ash tray, whatever you've got that you have change in, bring it up, we'll encourage you to do that. If you want to bring \$100, if you want to bring \$20. We're going to be up here until, hopefully, sometime in January. And while Henderson has shifted teams and championship chases, his real focus remains on the non-profit that he has seen help his own employees at Coach's Corner. "I want people to know what Help DOG HOUSE Save One of Our Own is all about. And it's about helping people in need and it's local, 100 FUNDRAISE percent local. We don't have a budget, so we don't have to spend money, we just give it

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LL In just a few hours, Memorial Park won't be quiet like it is right now. Hundreds of people will be here in costume filling their bags up with candy. VO The YMCA says they have more than 20 businesses, organizations and community members who will have their trunks decked out in various themes. The free event is one that people from near and far come to every year for a safe and fun way to trick or treat. The YMCA says it's an event for the entire family and this year they're expecting up to 200 people to come. There will be a DJ, a minibus turned into a haunted house and more! YMCA employees say it's always fun to see everyone's costumes and creativity while celebrating the spooky season. SOT "It definitely just gives the kids on the island and the teenagers, especially, a safe place to be on a Friday night." "Last year we had a lot of great trunks, so I'm excited to see what this year

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may bring!" LLTAG Trunk or Treat kicks off at 6:00 and will go until 8 p.m. On Tybee Island,

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Step One Automotive has made stops around the city looking for six-thousand people to sign their pink jeep. The group will then donate \$6-thousand dollars to St. Joseph's/Candler Telfair Mammography Fund. The fund helps pay for un- and underinsured women to get breast health services at no cost. You can catch the Jeep around town until Veterans day. 00:00:21

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Looking ahead to tomorrow - you can make an appointment to apply for assistance through EOA **ENERGY** 

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ASSISTANC have all of that you will call the number on your screen to make an appointment with the Economic Opportunity for Savannah-Chatham County. Funds are limited -- they estimate

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(sot) Plenty of people have had today's date circled on their calendar to get tickets for one of Statesboro's biggest events of the year that also helps a worthy cause. (vo) As ticket sales started today, organizers of Dancing with the Statesboro Stars hope people like the QR code for you to buy tickets online and save them to your phone (sot) Getting your tickets this year is going to be easier than ever. There are no more long lines to wait in. You can just go to our Facebook page. (vo) In its 12th year, the contest has grown to raise more than \$100,000 a year to benefit Safe Haven Domestic Violence shelter. It's become a fun way to raise money but also awareness for a serious subject. (sot) Everybody gets excited to see their teams dance after they've followed them along and along over the months. But they also get to hear a little bit around raising domestic violence awareness. (vo) They'll quickly sell nearly 900 tickets for the show Thursday November 17 and Sunday November DAL:DOMES 20. They'll recognize champs for dancing but also for fundraising as well. (sot) If you're one

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of those folks who just wants to have an actual ticket in your hand, you can buy one in person here at Morris Bank on North Main Street. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC

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"Every little bit helps us." People at America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia food bank are experts at giving, especially this time of year. "Volunteers have been here packing those boxes and we're now getting out and distributing to people throughout the community." They have about 4,000 turkeys to give this holiday season, but believe it or not in years past, they have had more than that. "A lot of the food that we normally get from the USDA hasn't come this year." "Take a look at the empty shelves in their warehouse. They say they're usually stacked to the ceiling." That hasn't been the case for months. Director Mary Jane Crouch says even though they buy food by the truck load, prices are 30 to 40 percent higher. Not to mention, people are not donating as much because even canned food prices have been high this year. "And a lot that has to do with the supply chain and inflation, etc. So we really are struggling to get some of those food items to be able to make those holiday baskets." With thanksgiving around the corner--Crouch says now more than ever they need partners to host food drives for the holidays. Equally as important--she hopes people will donate when they see a food drive happening these next few weeks. "So when you're thinking about that one extra can of corn, it may not seem a lot to you but to that family that maybe wasn't going to have that one can of corn it's huge to be able to do that." You or your organization can sign up to host a food drive by going to their website. A link will be on WTOC dot com. Camille Syed WTOC News.

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With the Coast Guard's approval and after years of fundraising - the old lighthouse is COCKSPUR getting a new piece of technology. A solar powered light is being installed... Which will light up the area for good after it was decommissioned 114 years ago. The president of the LIGHTHOUS preservation group for the light house says it's important to maintain because its a big piece of our areas history.

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NAT- "Alrighty everybody grab a seat and let's go ahead and get on off the dock." Only a short ride from the Captain Derek's dock ... sits the Cockspur Island Lighthouse. "People are really fascinated about the lighthouse. There's a huge culture in this community that really feels a strong bond with it." Its light once led ships into Savannah's port. "She was decommissioned in 1908, so the light was turned off officially." Harvey Ferrelle is the President of the Friends of Cockspur Island Lighthouse. A group that never stops working to preserve its beauty and strength to weather all storms. "People driving across the bridge coming and going to Tybee and Savannah will notice that something's going on over there." And it sure is ... with the permission of the Coast Guard, years of fundraising and a big team effort... Ferrelle says they were able to buy a new solar-powered light and install it. NAT "Our maintenance workers came up with a really ingenious solution putting the solar panel in the window so that you can't even see it." "But it has to be blocked out to the east so it will not be confused with the navigational aid for the ships coming into Savannah's port, so it'll be seen from the west as you come to Tybee." Senior Captain Gary Hill with Captain Derek's Dolphin Adventure says the lighthouse is always a conversation starter and one of their adventure stops. "It's really exciting to know that this bit of Tybee history will last for generations to come." To celebrate the re-lighting ... a jamboree will be held at Captain Derek's tomorrow from noon to sunset. "We'll have live music, we'll have raffles and various auctions going on." The jamboree also serves as a fundraiser for future lighthouse projects. LLTAG If you want to see the Cockspur Island Lighthouse shining bright it'll be lit around 6:30 tomorrow and the light will be maintained so that future generations can enjoy it. On Tybee Island, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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Three different colored lanterns tell the story of blood cancer patients around the world This survivor -- Katherine Welch says her son saved her life "I was diagnosed at 22 weeks pregnant with acute myeloid leukemia with this little guy in my tummy and I actually went through three rounds of chemotherapy pregnant" She's been cancer free now for 5 years "This little guy whew...sorry..he made me fight. I heard his heartbeat everyday and that really pushed me and when I relapsed I would say for me to keep pushing on it's to be his mom." Welch says she wants her son to grow up and not live in a world with blood cancers or any family.... \*DROP LOWER "I wanted to help find a cure for the next generation" And her son wants the same thing \*DROP LOWER "Everyone who is sick at the doctor...I really hope they can feel better" so she's giving back on the same team as Dr. Louis Degennaro, the president and CEO of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society "We don't have a cure yet for these diseases. We've made tremendous progress but the goal is never to have a family suffer from these diseases in the future." Nicole Withers knows the battle of blood cancer, she's a survivor now but was diagnosed at the start of the pandemic "I had a lot of pain. I did have to go through chemotherapy So the community here of fighters and survivors is what she didn't have.... "There's a lot of things your body goes through during chemotherapy and it's nice to have someone to talk to and say oh, do you guys experience this?" LLS hopes people see the power of envisioning a world without blood cancer with

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one lantern or hundreds of lanterns together

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11/14/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD BUMP TO BREAK: WTOC DAY OF GIVING As we head to break - we want to let you know that Thursday is our annual WTOC Day of Giving to Benefit America's Second Harvest. Its happening at the Super Kroger located at 318 Mall Boulevard in Savannah from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Be sure to stop by and donated to help those in need this holiday season.

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"Why not make it a place for them so they can have a roof over their head?" "We just need more information because we have none." A day center with 16 apartments and wrap around support services could be coming to this lot on 916 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, according to a proposal by GM Shay Architects submitted to the Metropolitan Planning Committee. Harold Byrd living nearby says it's a good idea because he's seen an increase of homelessness over here in past few years. "It's a very positive idea. A lot of people need it. A lot of people out here are homeless and don't have anywhere to go. They need it in this neighborhood." On the other hand, Nancy Maia (MYA) with the Victorian Neighborhood Association says people living close to the proposal have concerns. "They're worried about crime, they're worried about loitering, they're worried about trash." Maia (MYA) says they aren't for or against this shelter, they just need more information about what's to come. She says they first learned about the proposal after seeing WTOC's story about the day center on Friday and that no one involved with project has reached out to them to offer details. "Is it a day facility? Is it transitional housing? Exactly what is it going to look like and how is it going to function and then how will it be managed?" "While we aren't sure what non profit organization will be heading this project, the Chatham County homeless authority is making recommendations on how they think this day shelter should be set up." "We're all about bringing dignity back to individuals who are struggling with homelessness and having private shower stalls instead of open shower situations for males and females, totally separated, key code access for security access, having a laundry facility." The City of Savannah is investing 3.5 million dollars into the project and will vote on funding and land changes next year. In the meantime, the Historic Preservation Committee will vote on the proposal on November 21. Camille Syed WTOC News.

PROPOSED SAV DAY SHELTER FOLO Worksource Georgia hosted a job fair in Savannah earlier today. They partnered up with Amazon to have an in-person hiring event to help hire more workers for their warehouse. While Amazon was the main focus today, one representative says that they also help people find jobs in high demand in the coastal georgia area.

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Worksource Coastal is a service here in Coastal Georgia that helps individuals obtain jobs and obtain skills for the workforce. By ways of work experience, on the job training, and tuition assistance. We can help you with all of your employment needs here in our job center, please just come. We have computers, printers, everything for your use all free of

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	5AM	NG BRYAN	will help the automaker hire people to staff the site. The department will screen any	
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"For every dollar donated we are able to provide six meals, so you can just imagine we are going to be able to feed a lot of people with this. And we're going to be able to make sure that... people in our community that... wonder where their next meals going to come from will be able to know they can rely on pantries, and shelters, and different people in the community to put food on the table." // "We do what we do because of the people of our community. And Savannah is a very philanthropic community and we appreciate all the

11/15/2022 HARVEST community. And Savannah is a very philanthropic community and we appreciate all the 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD DONATION support we get, especially from people like Mr. Parker and his staff." 00:00:35

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Check it out. The Lazy Boy store in Pooler donated about 60 pieces of gently used
furniture. The store collected the furniture during its recent Trade in Sale. Lazy Boy has
done this in the past. And get this - each donation it makes generates about 5 thousand

11/16/2022 MISSION dollars in revenue for the charity. They're hoping they can help the city mission help those

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The Chatham County Sheriff's Office has fired up their smokers for the annual 200 Club of the Coastal Empire Boston Butt Sale -- one of the largest fundraisers of the year to help the 200 Club care for families of first responders killed in the line of duty. Sheriff's deputies will expertly smoke butts to be sold to sold to the public - they are aiming for 1,400 butts in this, the sixth year of the event. Sheriff John Wilcher is a longtime supporter of the 200 Club - he

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11/16/2022 BOSTON is on the board - and this annual event timed to coincide with Thanksgiving is a way his 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD BUTT SALE whole office can get involved. 00:00:34

"They love to do it because it's always something to help somebody. You never can tell when one of your loved ones, maybe a police officer or first responder, gets killed in the line of duty and then we're right there to help them. Our job is to serve and protect and that's what we're doing, we're serving the people and protecting the people of this county. My staff is overwhelmed with doing a good job and they love to do things like that. You can order Boston Butts on the 200 Club website now through Friday at 4 pm - pickup will be at the Sheriff's Office next Monday and Tuesday. Each \$40 butt is about five pounds and smokes for 10 hours in one of the nine industrial-sized smokers the Sheriff's Office uses to

200 CLUB the Sheriff's Office next Monday a smokes for 10 hours in one of the 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD BUTT SALE prepare competition-quality meat.

"There are so many organizations here in the Savannah area that - like SCORE - have a mission of encouraging and supporting small businesses... and we're able to come together, all of us." // "And that's what we're trying to do, create new jobs, new businesses for our great city of Savannah." Siegel says that since they started the event in 2018, 27 new businesses have launched. To learn about tonight's winners, look for this story on our web site, WTOC-dot-com.

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The need is so great this year -- Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia says their shelves have never been this empty heading into the Thanksgiving Holiday which is just one week SARAH: DAY away. That is why the non-perishable canned items are so important because they can get

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**MORNING** That does it for us today.. dont forget our annual WTOC Day of Giving to Benefit America's 11/17/2022 BREAK OD WTOC DAY Second Harvest. Its happening at the Super Kroger right now located at 318 Mall

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WTOC DAY OF GIVING

Today our annual WTOC Day of Giving starts to Benefit America's Second Harvest. Its happening at the Super Kroger right now located at 318 Mall Boulevard in Savannah. it starts at at 9 until 6:30 p.m. and our Jessica Savage and Dylan Smith will be there collecting donations from you. We'll check in with them during morning break.

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GIVING HIT: You all have helped us fill up box after box of canned goods today. This video was shot by

our WTOC crew out at the Kroger on Mall Boulevard just a few hours ago.

Sot: (Sheila Roemeling - Executive Director, Fresh Start Healing Heart) "It's an incredible thing to see and witness, let alone the fact that some of them have chosen to share their voice of their story." Vo The art on display at this gallery in Hampton comes with much more than you can see with your eyes. The artists, all survivors of human trafficking, who've used art to help them heal and tonight you have the opportunity to experience their work. Sot: (Heather Bruemmer - Executive Director, Hampton Friends of the Arts) "We will have their art on display, we will have several poems on display, we will have a listening room where you can listen to some of the survivors sharing their stories." Vo It'll be a traditional banquet set up, as the folks here at the Stanley Arts Center partner with Fresh Start Healing Heart. Sot "We wanted to make sure that the ladies that created this work knew that we held it in the highest regard, and it was going to be treated with the highest level of professionalism and respect." Vo Kicking off at 6, the event is open to the public tonight and hopes to spread a powerful message. Sot "The exhibit itself is to bring more awareness and compassion to the community of what survivors of human trafficking go

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TRAFFICKIN through." Vo The art will stay on the walls here through Christmas, and organizers hope its emotions will stick with visitors beyond that. In Hampton, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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A feast fit for fido and...Fanta! nat? Guardians of Effingham Animal Rescue prepared a traditional Thanksgiving meal for the forgotten during this time of year. nat? Nikita Dave began this rescue group a few months ago to help fill the gap. Nikita Dave Guardians of Effingham Founder "We would like to think that one additional rescue group in this area, we can minimize the daily problems in the rescue world." All of these volunteers have many rescues of their own. Tabitha Moyak Guardians of Effingham Volunteer "I have four dogs, one a rescue from Renegade (Paws) and then three pits of my own that we rescued and adopted. You have do it for them especially when noone else will. You have to make time." Along with advocating for these shelter animals, one of Guardians' main goals is to help keep pets with their current parents. They recently helped a woman who couldn't afford medicine for her sick 12 year old dog. Bonnie McIver Guardians of Effingham Volunteer "It was an elderly lady who had one of those sweet little chihuahuas that loves sitting in their mom's laps. The dog had a severe infection, and we helped fundraise for the treatment; the dog had to be hospitalized and some expensive medication to cure what was going on." The group knows some of the shelter pups are on borrowed time like Meegan who's been

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here for 212 days. Nikita Dave Guardians of Effingham Founder "I wanted to do something that I'd do for my animals because these animals don't get to see that everyday. These people do a great job taking care of them, but I wanted to something special, to make a difference in their life, for a day.

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UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN WRAP The organization says some highlights from the last 10 weeks include a 100 percent increase in the 'Shop and Dine United' part of the campaign this year. And for the first time ever, three corporate partners \*each raised more than half a million dollars. President and CEO of the branch in our area says that this campaign has been a great success but they still have a lot of work to do.

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UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN WRAP "Our Fall Giving Campaign is wrapping up but our fundraising continues all year long because the needs of our community continues all year long. So tonight we're saying thank you and then we're going to pick it up and keep working tomorrow." Grant says last year the organization helped more than 206-thousand people.

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It came can by can and case after case - an outpouring of generosity evident in the intake of food, "it really is great to see the people in Savannah step up when there is a need. On the Thursday before Thanksgiving every year, WTOC asks our viewers to join us in helping America's Second Harvest Food Bank by donating canned goods and non-perishables. And once again you responded - dropping off donations all day long - and making this year's WTOC Food Drive one of the most successful yet. {MARY JANE CROUCH "we got over 6,000 pounds of and you think to yourself, that's remarkable in one day. We don't do those type of food drives. So, it's nice, and people came specifically for that. They'd come out and you'd say which part of the cart is ours? And they'd say all of it, we shopped for you. It just makes you feel really good to know there's that type of caring person right here in our community. The numbers - and what they meant - were even more impressive when measured by people instead of pounds. "It's about 5,700 meals that we'll be able to provide just for that one day. So, as people sit down for Thanksgiving this week and they're sitting there enjoying their meal, they can know there are thousands of people out there that will have access to healthy food because of them. And what so many WTOC Hometown HOMETOWN Heroes gave on our annual Day of Giving will help Second Harvest keep giving. "We've

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**FOOD** DRIVE done a lot of what we're going to do for Thanksgiving and we've got that food out. But winter's coming, so a lot of the items were protein items, soups and beef stews and things, that's going to help us as we go into the winder months to make sure that those seniors and

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DONATIONS those families have access to really good healthy food. Tim Guidera, WTOC news.

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UNITED WAY **TURKEY TROT** 

"This is so fun. This is such a tradition because it is all ages families come all over and it's a great way to start your day before you enjoy dinner later on and you're doing it for a good cause." All of the proceeds from the race go towards the United Ways community fund with helps support people right here in the coastal empire.

"When people come to Hudson's for Thanksgiving their sitting down at one big table as strangers and leaving as one big family. This 23 year long Thanksgiving tradition isn't just about a free meal but it's about a community that fellowships together for a good cause." "In 1998, there was an article in the Island news packet that said 'Lonely locals have no place to go for Thanksgiving." That's how this all started. (nats) With the help of the St. Andrew by the Sea United Methodist Church, Gloria LaCoe, her husband Allen and the owner of Hudson's Brian Carmines did what they could to make sure no one spent Thanksgiving alone. And more than 20 years later - they have a line out the door and into the parking lot. "I think we had 200 people the first year and today we'll serve 1,400 people." This years turnout is something Brian's son Andrew Carmines is proud of after the pandemic slowed things down in years past. (nats) But all these people couldn't get fed without the hundreds of people and Hudson's employees who volunteered to make all this happen. There were 150 more people on the volunteer waitlist. "The volunteers that are volunteering their time today, this is their Thanksgiving celebration and it's changed to that over the years and really it's in the true spirit of the holiday." And each table has a jar where people can donate to organizations like the Deep Well Project and Second Helpings. (sot) "We've got homeless people, to people who are just here to give back to the community." (sot) "No matter what color, what race, what anything...it's just one of those days where everybody can be together and enjoy each other's company." (sot) "I'm grateful for my family that they're here and we get to celebrate Thanksgiving together." (sot) "A grateful community that's tight knit and well fed. Reporting on Hitlon Head Island Camille Syed WTOC News."

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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS PUSH WTOC is teaming-up with the Savannah Airport and the Chamber of Commerce to send 5 service members home for the holidays. You can nominate a service member by telling us in at least 300 words why they deserve a free trip home. If you're currently serving - you can also nominate yourself! Entries are due this Sunday at midnight. We'll announce the winner on December 6th. To apply - just look for this story under the 'Holiday HQ' page.

"On Saturday, this area will be filled with people and businesses for Tybee Island's first holiday market. Organizers say the market will help vendors in need of more business during this off season." 35 vendors are already signed up to participate, and there will be several nonprofit organizations here hosting activities for kids. The event that includes a cornhole tournament, polar express train and live music will go from noon to 8 p.m. Tybee Main Street Executive Director Cassidi Kendrick says adding this event to their annual tree lighting festivities is about supporting their local businesses. "We know this is sort of the off season for Tybee. People are still out there but near as much as we have over the summer and we just want our businesses to be successful all year long. We figured why not make the tree lighting day an all day affair. We've got our vendors out there. We've got our small businesses will be popping up down on Tybrisa St." "And the part people have been waiting for all year, the Christmas tree lighting is set to begin at 6 p.m. Reporting on Tybee Island Camille Syed WTOC News."

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The Third Annual Canady's Coats For Kids coat drive started today and will continue through January 2nd. Canady's partners with the United Way of the Coastal Empire to get new coats to youth groups, churches and families where there is a need. You can donate coats for children between the ages of 1 and 17 where you see these collection boxes. Drop-off spots include Canady's locations, United way offices in Chatham, Bryan, Effingham and Liberty Counties -- and our lobby right here at WTOC. Coats will be

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COAT DRIVE distributed early in the new year.

"The community support has been tremendous. We couldn't ask for more support from the community. Last year, we collected almost 1,000 coats and this year we want to do better than that." You can drop off anytime between now and January 2nd. We have boxes set up in the lobby where you can put coats from 9 A-M to 2 P-M Monday through Friday. Then on January 4th, Canady's will deliver the coats they collect to the United Way headquarters in

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COAT DRIVE downtown Savannah to be given out in the community.

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A career in keeping people warm trained Fred Canady's eye for another opportunity to do just that. "Several years ago, I was driving along and I saw these children at a bus stop and it was 40 degrees outside and a couple of the kids didn't have a coat and one of them was wrapped up in a blanket. The founder of Canady's Heating and plumbing started Canady's Coats for Kids that day - and today the annual coat drive began its third year of collecting coats for local children in partnership with the United way of the Coastal Empire. "When it's 40 degree outside in Savannah, it's cold, not like other areas of the country. So, we do need coats. Maybe it's two weeks, maybe it's a month, but the kids need coats. Now through January 2nd, you can drop off new coats at Canady locations, United Way offices or the WTOC lobby - and they will be distributed early in the new year. "It is so exciting to be able to have this opportunity to fulfill these needs, these callers who are saying we have one child, we have two children, we have four children that we need help with. Can we get some coats from you? And the answer can be yes. We can do that with this community's support, thanks to Canady's. The goal is to make this year's drive the biggest yet - with more than 1,000 coats collected - because the WTOC Hometown Heroes behind it see that

HERO: CANADY'S

HOMETOWN the need is as great as ever. "It's been a tough year for a lot of families. A lot of families have to choose between gas for their car and maybe skipping a meal. And some of these kids are going without coats. And we really want to put a coat on every child who needs a

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COAT DRIVE coat. Tim Guidera, WTOC news.

Christmas Tree farms across coastal Georgia had a huge weekend this past weekend even though their inventory is getting low, they said they will be open until they sell out of trees. One of those is Rhan Farms had what they call a busy and overwhelming start to the season - with close to 70 percent of their inventory already gone. They sold hundreds of trees over the weekend - more than double their sales on the same weekend last year. Owners - Kelly and Brad Rahn say that they attribute the increase in sales because of other area tree farms closing as well as the growth in the community with many new customers. Kelly & amp; Brad Rahn / Rahn's Farms Owners "It touches you to know that a little piece of what you have worked hard for the last few years is going to someone's home to enjoy this wonderful season." Also giving a big thanks to the community is the Savannah Lions Club who sold nearly 450 trees in just one week during their annual Christmas Tree Fundraiser at Daffin park and they are sold out. There are still trees left at Rhan Farms in Effingham County as well as other tree farms across the coastal empire but if you still plan to get a real tree for Christmas you might have to shop around a little and don't wait too long. Remember once you get that tree home keep it watered to last through the holidays.

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In Effingham County, SW, WTOC News. 00:01:19

(vo) The lights at TMT Farms bring visitors back year after year. Three generations of the Thompson family decorate a two mile trail through their property and invite the public to come and enjoy. They kicked off this season Thanksgiving night. (sot) The first two nights this year superceded anything we've ever had in the past. (vo) Their combination of lights, inflatibles, and wooden building fronts captivate generations of visitors to help celebrate the Christmas season. The family start laying out the displays over the summer to get them ready. The annual response from the community started another tradition. Visitors donate canned goods that the Thompsons turn over to the Christian Social Ministries food pantry.

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STATESBOR Last year, they collected 112,000 pounds of food. (sot) ...it's just shelf after shelf, box after box. And the people of Bulloch County, and surrounding counties..even surrounding states..help make that happen. (vo) While the food donations help feed many in the community, Thompson says getting to witness the generousity of others is a blessing all its

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JAMIE: WINE AND **FRIES** 

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House and families there fed.

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Today the group, along with members of our team here at WTOC, gathered at the Habersham Shopping Center for their Cars and Coffee event as we all work to collect as many toys possible for the kids in our community this holiday season. The Oglethorpe Driving Club has a few philanthropic events every year including the toy drive. All of the car enthusiasts who came to look at the cars and mingle were encouraged to bring a new,

MARIAH: **TOYS FOR** 

TOTS

12/3/2022 **WKEND** 

7:31:00 PM 7PM OD **EVENT**  unwrapped toy. The pile of toys grew every couple of minutes. The Marines on site collecting them say they're trying to fill the entire U-Haul by the end of the day. Everyone involved says it's always an incredible experience to see how giving people are.

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"So far, in the last ten years, we've helped them raise about 500,000 toys. About 50,000 a year. I'm surprised every year that people donate so generously. It's nice and they bring more than just little cars even though we like the little cars!" For the next few weeks,

MARIAH: leading up to Christmas, people can drop off toys at any location with a Toys for Tots box TOYS FOR like these. WTOC is one of those locations. We are collecting for our toy drive until

12/3/2022 WKEND TOTS December 16. You can drop off a new, unwrapped toy at our station located off of Chatham

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WTOC is doing a toy drive tour - stopping at Sam's Club locations in Pooler, Bluffton and
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Savannah later this week. You can see the dates and times on your screen now. We hope
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South Stop by and help us make Christmas happen for kids in need across the Coastal
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"The demand is even much greater than we even imagined. To have 71 women being served in the first 13 weeks is incredible. We've found 31 of them stable housing and at the same time, we have 30 of them in the facility right now. So, we know we're making a difference and organizations like Oliver Maner help us do that because there's just a tremendous need in the community for these individuals to help them get back on their

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MISSION tremendous need in the community for these individuals to help them get back on their 12/9/2022 SUPPLY feet." The female associates at Oliver Maner say they plan to continue doing their supplies 4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD DONATIONS drive for Parker's House every year moving forward.

UNION

That brand new warehouse space will be along Chatham Parkway. It will double the size of their current warehouse and kitchen space and is a \$40 million dollar project. A lot went into picking this location including the close proximity to the interstate and the fact that it's further inland. Mary Jane Crouch, the Executive Director of Second Harvest says their current warehouse, off of President Street, sits in a flood zone.

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"You know where we are, if there is a hurricane here or a major storm we could possible be underwater and not be able to respond to the needs of the community and we are an emergency worker organization that provides for the returning rescue works. So being out there we feel like we would be able to respond faster, plus trucking companies would be able to get to us faster and be able to donate food. And we can actually be a staging point for food to come into the county and for food to be able to get here to the community." Crouch says the new facility will also have more docks to unload trucks, more parking for staff and have a bigger reach to the rural communities.

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Pastor Lane with the new beginnings community church says while schools help feed children during the week... they often don't have enough to eat on the weekends. Richmond Hill's Backpacks of Love Program helps them do that by sending families home with the backpacks of food. And today they are getting a boost. The Dewitt Tilton Group has donated \$2,000 dollars which will go towards the programs Christmas Dinner boxes. They also helped pack the backpacks which the president of the group says makes their

12/12/2022 BACKPACK 4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD S OF LOVE

also helped pack the backpacks which the president of the group says makes their donation really meaningful.

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"When we first started giving money, it was so easy to just write the check but to be able to get involved and we do a lot of different charities, backpacks of love is one of our favorite. To come down here and pack, and just to be apart of it gives you a sense of a purpose and it's so much more involvement then just writing the check. To be able to get here, to pack the boxes up. You know it's what it's all about for us." The program started in 2013 with 50 kids and has grown since then. This year they served between 250 to 300 kids. They say

12/12/2022 BACKPACK

4:29:00 PM 4:30 PM OD S OF LOVE they are able to do this because of non-profits like second harvest and the united way.

The T-S-A is holding a recruiting event both Tuesday and Wednesday. They're hiring for Security Officer and Security Support Assistant jobs at Savannah Hilton Head International Airport. Taking a LIVE look from there now with our WTOC skycam. The event is right up the road from the airport at Georgia Tech's Savannah Campus. They'll be there from 9 am to 3 p-m each day. In addition to presentations about the roles, there will be people there to help you fill out an application and do the computer testing for the job. They'll also have people doing in-person interviews. Again - that's happening this Tuesday and

TSA JOB there to help 12/12/2022 FAIR IN have people 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD SAVANNAH Wednesday.

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"NATS: we are so excited to dig dirt!" It was spoons in dirt Monday afternoon- as the Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia broke ground on their new headquarters off Chatham Parkway.... "nats" The new 143 thousand square foot facility will be double the size of Second Harvest's current location, and offer will expand their dock space which will allow more trucks to drop off food at more convenient times. Executive director Mary Jane Crouch tells me the new location- just minutes from Interstate 16 will help Second Harvest serve more people- including those outside Chatham County. "While Chatham really is our home base, we need to get out to all of those rural areas. We serve all the way to South Carolina, through Bulloch, Montgomery, over to Jeff Davis, and into the Florida border. So this is going to put us closer and we'll be able to get more resources out to people in those communities. Their resources aren't quite as strong as they are here in Chatham, so we're really excited about that opportunity also." "Today's ceremony is just the latest step in the process of this facility becoming a reality. Crouch says they hope to have it open and operational by this time next year. In Savannah, Jake Wallace- WTOC News."

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Supplies kept coming in to Oliver Maner throughout November. And last week, it also took time and effort to get them where they were intended to go. "we're so excited, so grateful for the community for helping with our drive again this year and we're just so excited to give these supplies to Parker's House. For the second straight year, the female associates at the downtown Savannah firm collected items during National Homelessness Awareness Month in a supplies drive to help the city's new emergency women's shelter at Union Mission - every day items that will help meet needs every day. "The basic needs we all take for granted at home, we got a lot of those in the donation today and it's going to make a difference for those individuals we serve. Parker's House is the only emergency shelter serving homeless single women on the Georgia Coast, Since opening in August, it has helped almost as many women as the staff expected to serve in a year. "the demand is even much greater than we imagined it would be. To have 71 women being served in the first 13 weeks is incredible ... we use the supplies on a daily basis to do what we need to do and so this makes a big difference for us. Seeing the impact Parker's House has on women's lives is what made the women of Oliver Maner ask the community for cleaning products, hygiene items - anything that could help these WTOC Hometown Heroes aid the

HERO: OLIVER MANER

**SUPPLIES** DRIVE

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HOMETOWN heroic work being done at Union Mission. "It's really special to us that this facility serves solely unaccompanied homeless women. And as women, we feel extra drawn to that cause. "Very proud. I'm glad to have the young lawyers step up. "And they're accepting donations year round. So, whenever people see a couple of items on sale at Target like I did, drop them by and I'm sure they'll be happy to have those donations as well. Tim

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Guidera, WTOC news.

The big man in red and J-C-B construction and equipment brought lots of toys to the kids. The kids had a chance to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas and heard a story

straight from the north pole. The Lady Bamford Center provides child care for low income

LADY **BAMFORD** 4:30PM OD

and homeless children in Savannah. The executive director of the center says for some of CHRISTMAS the children it's the only present their families can afford.

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Vo A house in Beaufort Nat This is what it is all about Vo Has been being rebuilt for years, and today the homeowner - Mary Bryan... Nat Thank you Vo Got to move back in... without having to pay a penny for the repairs, thanks to the South Carolina Office of Resilience. As Mary saw her fixed home for the first time, it marked the final and 1138th Hurricane Matthew damaged home the state agency has rebuilt... tying a bow on a project more than half a decade in the making. Sot (Wanda Rapley - Disaster Warrantee Specialist, SCOR) "It is to help those that are most vulnerable to be able recover in a time where they can't help themselves." Vo Rapley was Mary's case manager, assigned to the area following the devastating storm that affected so many. Sot: (Mary Bryan - Moved back into home today) "Trees came down and it started leaking, that was the worst thing. The water started getting in the house, in every room it was going drip drip." Vo Now it's a different story, with goodies under the tree and a clean home to explore. It's been so many years since Mary's been home, she didn't remember how long it'd been... shocked when I told her how far in the rearview that leaky damage of Matthew is today. Sot "It's six years really? I didn't think it was that long, but six years? Wow, yeah it was worth it... really was." Vo After all that time the first thing she wanted to do... Sot "She hasn't been able to cook for a while and that's her first duty, she wants to have a home cooked meal that she provides." Vo Before she could get to that there were smiles and hugs all around, just in time for the holiday season. Sot "Oh well it's going to be a good Christmas; see I have a tree up there, thank you. Merry Christmas to you all." Vo In Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

MATTHEW LAST HOUSE BUILT

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SCAD UNION MISSION DONATION Students, faculty and staff all teamed up to buy clothes, toys, books, electronics, bicycles and more. SCAD also decorated a room at Union Mission's new Parker's House-- where the presents will be collected. It's a yearly tradition for the university. And this year's theme was Jolly Candy Land.

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"There's a lot of gifts here. We'll have moms with their kids come through to choose gifts." And it makes for a lot less stress during the holidays and for those individuals to have the type of holiday that we have ourselves." "It just makes us feel good. It's something that we're proud to do that we have a long history of doing and it allows us to give back to our community in a way that other organizations just cannot." The director of SCAD SERVE says several students stayed in Savannah during their winter break to volunteer.

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"We have approximately 3,000 children in need of foster homes right now, but unfortunately we only have 2,000 homes available." Vo That's the disparity statewide, as new foster families are needed across the Palmetto state. He says rural areas like Jasper county though, come with particular challenges. Sot "Even when I do get people that may be interested, unfortunately like I said they just don't screen in the actual process." Vo The Lutheran Services recruiter says in communities with higher poverty rates, fewer people meet the requirements to become a foster parent... meaning today's event in this room, is slow. Sot: "So far today we've probably got a fair amount, probably one or two, but if we can get one or two we try to get three or four, if we get three or four, we try to get five and six. We can never have too many, we are in desperate need." Vo As Dent looks for potential families for children before the holidays, he says they can match you with whatever age child you might be looking to help. Sot "If you have an interest in babies, we can get you foster kids that are babies. If you have an interest in younger kids, we can get you younger kids. Now if you're interested in teenagers, well let me tell you we've got plenty of teenagers." On cam tag If you missed the event here at the Hardeeville library and are JASPER CO. interested in becoming a foster parent, there are still more ways to get involved and get

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more information... like visiting the Lutheran Services Carolinas Facebook page or dialing 1-800-HELPING on your cell phone. Reporting from Hardeeville, Tyler Manion, WTOC News. 00:01:33

4:30PM OD **FAMILIES**  Just a reminder - our WTOC Toy Drive continues right now. Marines stopped by just a few hours ago to take all of the toys you were able to give us. We want to take a moment to thank everyone who's stopped by so far - we've loved saying hi to some long-time viewers over the past few days! All of it helps make the holidays possible for families right here in the Coastal Empire and Lowcountry.

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GC "We're raising funds to do our 'Ramp and Roofs' project for 2023. We plan on repairing 15 4:30AM HOUSING 12/16/2022 4:30:00 AM

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roofs and about 4 ramps for Garden City residents in Garden City." The team does a lot of DAYBREAK FUNDRAISE other community projects, but this was their last one for the year. WTOC was also named an Ambassador of the year at the gala.

It's not your typical toy giveaway. \*nats of giveaway\* These kids all have loved ones who are incarcerated. The gifts...donated from community members who sponsor them...hoping to help these kids stay connected with their parents during the holidays. "We know how it feels. We know how important that relationship is, keeping that connection, keeping that relationship." Church leaders Lee Otis and Sharon Parris have partnered wtih Angel Tree Ministries for the past seven years to put on the gift giveaway. Parris says prison chaplains connect with her congregation at Seventh-Day Adventist Church to help buy and wrap the presents. She says the kids' reactions never get old. "It was just amazing, especially the kid that came running down. That really did my heart good when he said, 'I got a whole bike.' It's a struggle Parris knows all too well. She was incarcerated for 18 months. She says she wanted to bring this nationwide program to Savannah to give support to kids with incarcerated parents. "Some kids are ashamed, but they come here and they get to see other children that has a loved one who is incarcerated and we have a fellowship afterwards so they get to talk to each other." This year the program was able to provide gifts for 60 kids. Nicole White is the guardian of one of those kids. She says both of his parents are incarcerated. "It's been devastating and to be able to come somewhere like this and feel loved and he's all excited about the presents and just the support of the community, it's been good for him to know that he got presents from mom even though mom's not here." The church hoping the giveaway provides a positive point for kids going through a hard time. "They remember special ocassions, special moments in their life, FLYNN: TOY even when they're going through a difficult times. Hopefull we can heal the scares we don't

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GIVEAWAY see. In Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

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For many walking through Forsyth Park, making a stop at the Ukrainian Christmas Market was a must. There were Christmas gifts for sale and tables filled with national drinks and authentic Ukrainian food and pastries. The event served as way for people to learn about the Christmas traditions in Ukraine from native Ukrainians themselves. All of the proceeds from the event will go toward buying first-aid supplies, medicines, hygiene products and more that'll be sent over to the people in Ukraine. Organizers say it's hard to believe it's CHRISTMAS almost been one year since the war started. They say Christmas time is a time to have an uplifting spirt and continue helping from afar.

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MARIAH: UKRAINIAN MARKET

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"Anything lightweight, anything portable, anything that's reusable is really great but we really do discourage, don't deliver firewood, don't deliver propane tanks, it truly can create a HOMELESS public health and public safety hazard." She also says additional bed space will be

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FOSTER That's why community members and businesses have come together to support the 315

MORNING CARE kids currently in foster care and nearly 100 others at risk of going into foster care with

BREAK OD CHRISTMAS presents. Brightside Child and Family Advocacy has already started distributing the gift to

12 21 TIME CASA volunteers and case managers to make sure the kids feel cared about at Christmas. 00:00:26

Christmas Eve. In Reidsville, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

(sot) Organizers of Tattnall County's "Christmas at Home" say they've seen the way people are struggling financially this year, from the people asking for help and those who traditionally try to make it happen. (vo) Members from the Kiwanis Club of Tattnall County went over the bags and routes they'll use to deliver all of this tomorrow. This year, they'll distribute toys to more than 600 kids in the community. (sot) It is sad that so many children in our community need this and so many families do. (vo) The number of families asking for help went up this year. Kiwanis Club members say most are single parents or even grandparents struggling from less income and/or higher bills. The club spends 11 months a year raising money and finding sponsors. That's been tougher this year as donors feel the crunch themselves. (sot) We've also noticed that a lot businesses and companies here in the community that usually give to Christmas at Home haven't given as much or haven't given at all. (vo) They found enough donors who could give to raise the funds they needed for toys and bikes to brighten the Christmas season. (sot) When we filled the last bag and tied it up, there was just such a relief because we had enough stuff for everybody. (vo) They say delivering these bags all across the county gives them a joy that makes all the work seem worthwhile. (sot) With this done, they turn their attention to their other project, raising funds for Kids Kamp in the summer. The deadline on that fundraiser comes on

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In Effingham County - St. Luke's Episcopal Church is opening up their building to those in EFFINGHAM need. That will be available Friday through Sunday from 7 p-m to 8 a-m. The county says they need volunteers to help staff this shelter. They're also looking for people to donate CO.

WARMING sleeping bags, blankets and food. If you can help - you can call either number on your 12/21/2022 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD CENTER screen. You can also call those numbers if you're in need of a place to stay.

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But there's still a chance to lend a hand... In Bluffton - the M-L-K Observance Committee is **BEAUFORT** opening up a warming center at the Rotary Club on Shultz Road. The group says they need donations of bottled water and snacks to make it happen. This center will open for

12/21/2022 **BLUFFTON** sure Friday from 5 p-m to 9 a-m. Organizers say they'll evaluate opening through Sunday

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You're looking at pictures from the Georgia Cotton Commission...as the group donated 12thousand pairs of socks to homeless shelters across the state. That includes two groups in

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GA COTTON Coastal Georgia - Fair Haven in Jesup and the Homeless Authority in Savannah both COMMISH received donations. The commission says the giveaway is on behalf of the 35-hundred **DONATION** families that farm cotton in the Peach State.

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The big man in red...who typically keeps a low profile during his toy deliveries...was anything but Thursday...trading in his reindeer for a hog. And his sleigh for a truck and trailer. Of course, still full of toys. This delivery, now in its second year, all came together because something caught the eye of a local firefighter after dropping patients off at the hospital. "I saw all the different colors; I'd never seen it before and wanted to know what it was. I figured it was kids' stuff. Came over the next morning, spoke to a couple ladies who were very nice and in two weeks set this up last year." What Kennith Roundy had seen, was the Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital...and after one visit he was hooked. "This year we spent a good bit more time. Four or five months, really asked what they needed." And once again... "Santa delivers, Merry Christmas!" Santa...with the help of The Wingmen of Savannah and Abate of Georgia District 11. "Watching all the kids come out and their faces light up. No one wants to be here; they have to be here. So, if a blanket, or toy, or Captain America can make them smile for ten minutes then it's all worth it." And for Jessie Johnson, who's 3-year-old daughter is battling pneumonia it did much more than make her smile. "It gives us a lot of encouragement and hope, especially this time of year. It's the first time she's been out of bed in five days. She hasn't really wanted to do much of anything. Of course, hearing Santa was coming on a motorcycle, and firefighters, she's couldn't resist coming out." Which for Kennith... "It's just makes it all the better man. You're positively impacting a child's life during Christmas and the holiday season. Man, not just with toys but showing you that, even though it's cold out, maybe mom doesn't have a lot of MOTORCYC money, maybe things are tight, maybe you're hurting, there's people around you that still care and are willing to go out of their way to make sure you have a good Christmas." "Merry Christmas!"

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(NATS) Vans loaded with cold weather needs for people without a home. "People with the Chatham Savannah Homeless Authority are coming to warming centers like this one and about 80 homeless encampments dropping off blanket, water and sleeping bags for those in need as temperatures are set to be unbearable for people this weekend." Workers with the homeless authority are spending their time before Christmas unloading warm items for people who will come to this warming center at St. George's Episcopal Church on the Southside. It will be open around the clock through Christmas. The items you see here at the church are also being given to people without a warm bed for the holidays. Director of the homeless authority Jennifer Darsey says they have faced one challenge...many organizations ordered them sleeping bags and warm items online, but everything might not get here in time because of the cold weather. "And all those orders are being delayed. Now we're backing up and punting. We pivot really well. We're going to look for military grade blankets, wool blankets, heavier weighted blankets, things like that to get as much as we can off the shelves and in the hands of people who need it, especially those who may choose not to go to the warming facilities. Again our encouragement is for people who are living in places not meant for human habitation to get to those warming centers." She says any donations you have will help. You can find their contact information on this story on our website. Darsey says Inner City Night Shelter, Old Savannah City Mission, Union Mission, and the Salvation Army still have beds for those in need this weekend. Camille Syed

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((PKG)) Jermaine Ray, who's the program director here at Old Savannah City Mission tells me that usually, on a day like today they'd see roughly 60 people- but this Christmas Eve, they had 85 people needing to get out of the cold. "We've got a lot of new faces, so that means we have individuals coming from probably homeless camps, or just trying to get out of the elements." Old Savannah City Mission has gone beyond just providing a warm place to stay at night. They've been operating under emergency relief protocol for the past two weeks- which allows them to accept people during the day, give them snacks- and even give them a place to watch football this Christmas Eve. And on Christmas... they'll have some new clothes to wear... It's all in an effort to bring the holiday spirit to life, for those who need it most. Ray: "They're missing family, missing friends. And we want to make sure that they have everything possible to make it a joyful event for them tomorrow, so we have many organizations that have bought us clothes, jackets, sleeping bags, blankets, hats." Of course- these efforts aren't possible without the help of volunteers. According to Ray, there's been an influx of people willing to give their time on Christmas weekend. Ray: "We've had so many different church groups and so many people come out to just lend a hand, Christmas Day and Christmas Eve, to help us prepare the meals for the homeless men and women tomorrow." Shea: Dinner isn't the only Christmas Day activity the Old Savannah City Mission is putting on tomorrow. They've also been collecting toys through a toy drive the last few weeks. Tomorrow, from 9 to noon, those that need to can come here with their kids to get some toys, as well as clothes and jackets if they need them, too. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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SHEA SCHRADER REPORTING} If there's one thing in this world that brings people together- it's food. The Fight the War Within Foundation knows that- and that's why for the third year running, they hosted a Christmas dinner for anyone that wanted to come. "Holidays can be a really difficult time for people for a lot of different reasons.. if you're struggling with isolation, if you're not close to family members, if you're geographically separated.." So a Christmas meal, Briggs figures, might make things just a little easier. The meal, starting with a prayer.. nats: For you say when I was hungry, you did not feed me. and those are not those type of people. Giving thanks for the opportunity to spend Christmas with others. The meal, at this point is a tradition- that started in 2020.. a time when many people were feeling especially lonely. Briggs: "It's been really, really successful. This is the third year that we've done Thanksgiving and Christmas, and I don't see us stopping this." To Briggs, it's important to have the meal on the actual holiday.. not before or after. It could be a challenge to get volunteers on those days- but in actuality, Briggs says, it hasn't been.. and maybe, that's because they see it as more than just volunteering. "Over time, we've really seen a lot of core people come out because you learn that this is part of our family now. This is an extended family." An extended family that comes together to laugh.. eat.. and enjoy their time together. Just like everyone hopes to on Christmas. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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And over in Richmond Hill - the "Bring One for the Chipper... Christmas Tree-cycling RICHMOND Initiative", kicks off today and goes until Sunday, January 8th. Richmond Hill residents can HILL TREE drop off their Christmas trees by bringing them to J-F Gregory Park. Before dropping off **REMOVAL** your tree, make sure you remove all the lights, ornaments, string, and other decorations.

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As you start the clean up process from the holiday weekend -- don't forget you can make use of your old Christmas Tree by recycling it! Collection at the Savannah Hilton Head International Airport starts today. All you have to do is head to the airport and follow the signs to where to take your tree. It starts today and runs through January 7 – you can drop it off anytime that works for you. Each year - they collect hundreds of trees that help them

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Heading into the holiday season we know there's a lot of debate about when you can put up your Christmas tree, but now that the holiday's behind us there's a lot less debate about whether not natural tree should come down sooner rather than later. Because of that the town of Hilton Head has a program going for more than a decade to help you recycle your tree. Sot: (Kelly Spinella - Communications and Marketing, HHI) "You can drop your trees off starting December 26th which was yesterday through January 15th. After that our facilities team will get the trees ground up into free mulch." Vo It's year 12 of the program they call grinding of the greens, as these trees get recycled with a new purpose to serve the island. Sot "Starting January 17th at the two locations that we have, which is here at Coligny beach park and then up on the North end, which is Chamberlain drive and William Hilton Parkway, you can come and get free mulch." Vo Getting multiple uses of these holiday traditions is something the town feels goes along with their larger, year-round goals. Sot "We're ecofriendly. Environmental sustainability is a big priority and top initiative." On cam tag: The town tells me this year you can also recycle your Christmas lights with this

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program that will run through January 15th. Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion,

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12/27/2022 HOUSE DAY days. The non-profit's president and CEO says it was hard to do with staffing... but they all

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weekend... with warmer weather on the way.

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"okay dolly, okay.. she just loves me" You may say it's puppy love, but to Jennifer Taylor from Renegade Paws Rescue, it's passion. "A couple of people and I decided to start a rescue where we would be more involved in the community. So spay and neuter community members' dogs and help with food and help keep pets in homes instead of having all these dogs coming into shelters and rescues we'd like to see them stay with their owners at all possible." Taylor says that she understands that people can be put in difficult situations in life where it can be hard to provide for a pet and that is where they step in to help. Sot -"Recently there was a lady who lost her husband there by her income as well and she was trying to get a job and was living in a hotel in Abercorn and she has a dog so she called a homeless authority trying to get into a shelter and was gonna give up her dog. The dog is like 14 years old, so instead of doing that what I did was I post a very powerful fundraiser and we were able to pay for a hotel for a few more weeks while she got on her feet." They provide many services for pets and their owners including helping struggling owners get back on track. Stand up: "She says they think about both sides of the leash and not just about rescuing animals but how it affects the people." Fellow volunteer Rachel Weymouth -says that she holds every rescue animal close to her heart. Sot "she remembers just about every dogs name that goes through rescue" Their goal is to help pets in the community live the best life they possibly could. Sot- "I might not like the circumstances they are in or Rachel may not like it but we have to meet them where they are because if we don't all these dogs will end up in the shelter and we can't take them all." Taylor adds that there is no way she could do it alone. "I don't know why people always want to tell me what a great job I am doing because you know what it's not me, its Rachel and Eve and Kathleen and all these volunteers that are here every single day putting in the work. I could never ever do this by myself. " She says that it takes a community to do what they do every day. Michaela Romero WTOC

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?(sot) A basketball can be more than just a basketball when one teenager uses it to change the lives of others in the community. (vo) As an eighth grader, Rusch Goswick has his own non-profit foundation. His first project was securing more than a hundred basketballs for any Candler County kids signing up for the Rec League hoops season. (sot) ..once I got the flyer, a company donated \$1,000 to us and it covered the whole entire fund to pay for the basketballs. (vo) His foundation, Swish System, pays homage to his love of basketball. He says encouraging kids to play organized basketball helps them in several ways. (sot) I feel like going to practice, meeting new people, is the best way to get better. (vo) He's learning about grant funds and ways to find dollars to support local causes, especially ones that help disadvantaged children and teens. He says sports can be a good way to reach them and connect them to more. (sot) It might not be the most expensive thing, but it lasts a long while. You can get a whole lot of memories out of a single

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DAL: TEEN thing, but it lasts a long while. You can get a whole lot of memories out of a single PHILANTHR basketball. (sof) They're starting with the basketballs, but plan to branch out from there. Dal

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Union Mission's day center is offering people a warm place to stay... with more beds to meet recent demand due to cold weather. The center opened earlier this month. Union Mission says it usually helps about 50 people per-day. But, over the holiday weekend, more

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Coleen Bozard has been working for non-profits for more than 20 years...now she's a couple months in to helping Safe Shelter and she doesn't take the role lightly "I started my career working in domestic violence so this place holds a very special place in my heart" Safe Shelter has been in the hostess city since 1979.... The only shelter for domestic violence victims and their kids...this year they've answered the call for help from a lot more than they are used to. "In the past year, we've had more than 15-hundred calls come in to our crisis line. We've served more than 1800 survivors and their children in the shelter. That's a lot of people." Add to that, more than 1000 court visits and more than 600 temporary protective orders. in savannah just last week police were investigating a man who was shot by his partner, a couple days later a domestic murder-suicide...the week before that, a woman was beaten, suffering from blunt force trauma. It's a sad trend that only confirms why Safe Shelter's needed in this community "In fact, over the past couple of years, we've seen pretty significant increases year by year by year...the problem with domestic violence is it continues to grow in savannah and it's a pretty insidious problem" They can't point to any specific reason why it's getting worse..but as a shelter that can only hold 48 people, they say it comes with a financial burden "The biggest challenges that we faced all year long was there was more need for shelter than space that we had...more than we could accommodate" But they still don't turn anyone away -- placing survivors in hotels or giving them other accommodations when they come through their doors That includes children "The kids exhibit different behaviors and reaction to the trauma they've experienced. Our staff know that. Our staff and shelter are prepared and understand different behaviors aren't what they seem to be and they're a reaction to the violence they've experienced"

ALYSSA: SAFE **SHELTER** 

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ISSUE 14--HOW VOLUNTEERS ARE A GREAT ASSET TO NON PROFITS AND THE COMMUNITY. VOLUNTEERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN COMMUNITY. SALVATION ARMY AND COMPASSION CHRISTIAN CHURCH HELPING IN FLORIDA AS PART OF IAN RELIEF, VOLUNTEERS AT OGEECHEE AREA HOSPICE, MANNAH HOUSE VOLUNTEERS, FEED THE BORO VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH BUY AND HELP DISTRIBUTE FOOD, VOLUNTEERS HELPING TO DISTRIBUTE AND SERVE TO THOSE IN NEED

SOURCE: VOLUNTEERS, ETC.

All last week, the Savannah Salvation Army was preparing for the possibility that Hurricane lan would cause damage here and that they'd need to be on the ground, ready to help. Thankfully, the hurricane completely avoided Savannah, but now they're turning their attention to helping those that weren't so lucky. "There's a whole lot 'It could've been us' happening around here in our hearts and minds. And so, we are glad that Paul's able to be there and we know that others from this community through other organizations have responded down to Florida, and also to the Carolinas for what's needed there." Major Egan says Paul Dempsey, a long-time lead cook at the Savannah Salvation Army, is headed to Sarasota to help with Hurricane Ian relief. He'll be there for two weeks doing- really whatever is needed. Egan: "He's a trained Salvation Army disaster response person, who is able to go down there and do a host of different items, including warehousing, including working one of our field kitchens." Like this one. Egan ((Nats)) "They'll cook it at one location and cook 20-thousand meals" And distribute those meals to anyone that needs them. Egan says it will hopefully be an impactful trip- and when Dempsey returns, someone else will head down to Florida to pick up where he left off. Egan: "In two weeks, Paul will be coming back, and we have a few more people lined up who'll be that second wave." Shea: If you'd like to donate to the Salvation Army's Hurricane Ian relief efforts, you can send them a check with Hurricane Ian listed on the memo line. You're also able to donate online. We'll have a link to do so on WTOC.com. Reporting in Savannah, Shea Schrader, WTOC

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"No we are just so excited about this. This is- you know we still have the Savannah CASA

SARAH: SAV program which is what our signature is- which we are recruiting volunteers for currently. BRIGHTHOU And we're very excited that we get to expand and provide more services that just fits so SE nicely with that other program." If you need more information or looking to volunteer

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Volunteers from United Way, Home Depot, Habitat for Humanity and the community met at the Savannah State Farmers Market to get their shirts and supplies before splitting up into groups to go to their assigned home. They helped do some light painting and landscaping work at some of the homes. Organizers say this is the second time they've done this, but the first time since before the pandemic. The homes selected were registered by the

10/8/2022 WEEKEND HOUSES IN homeowners last month at the Garden City Housing Fair. Members of the Garden City 11:38:00 PM OD 6 HOURS Housing Team say they're happy to be able to help out their neighbors who need it most. 00:00:36

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SHEA: SAVANNAH **GARDEN** 

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Savannah Garden Tours is a team of volunteers who showcase gardens for a good cause. There were 12 gardens to tour this year- and a suggested 20 dollar donation to buy a ticket. All that money will go towards One Love Animal Rescue and Friends of the Coastal

Garden. Ken Lentz, Spokesperson for Savannah Garden Tours, says, the idea all started

with a friend of his admiring a garden.

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?(sot) The folks at Ogeechee Area Hospice say they're encouraged by this fundraiser, not just from the amount of money raised, but also the people who come volunteer to help raise it. (vo) Volunteers started grilling overnight to get enough ready for 2,600 plates. In it's 15th year, the fundraiser gets plenty of support from the community. But many of the people who show up to pack plates, group the orders, or distribute the meals are loved ones of Hospice patients who give their time to support the non-profit group that helps so many. (sot) We just know, if they're coming back and are eager to be here, then we're doing something

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**FUNDRAISE** right. (vo) It's one of their largest fundraisers each year and Lanier says they could not do it

without the entire team. (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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The Manna House will be serving nearly 700 families tomorrow with a box full of the Thanksgiving essentials – unfortunately they have closed registration but they still are in need of volunteers to make it happen. They call them boxes of hope and they are filled with all the Thanksgiving essentials - sweet potatoes, mac and cheese, vegetables and stuffing. However – it has been a challenge for the Manna House to collect enough turkeys this year to fill all the boxes..

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> ?(sot) The November food drop for Feed the Boro has some volunteers feeling nostagic, but it also means a major change to the location. (vo) They'll hold the distribution this Saturday at the Kiwanis Fairgrounds, with the club as a sponsor. In conjunction with Second Harvest Food Bank, they distribute food boxes each month that will feed a family of four two meals a day for a week. (sot) Listen, people are going and buying groceries with their credit card..knowing they can't pay off the card at the end of the month. (vo) He says the month of November takes him back to Feed the Boro's original mission before covid -

cooking and delivering Thanksgiving meals to the needy. He says this monthly drop allows

them to serve even more. (sot) They'll start the distribution at 8am here at the fairgrounds FEED THE on Highway 67. But Poe urges people to get here long before that. People will start lining BORO up before dawn and they can only guarantee food for the first 1,000 families. In Statesboro,

Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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**PREVIEW** 

?(sot) Volunteers say they're glad they and hospital staff can team up to brighten Thanksgiving for 400 families in the community. (vo) Members of the East Ga Regional hospital auxillary moved stacks of groceries in to family-size portions. This marks the tenth year they've collected donations from hospital doctors and staff to buy food for those less fortunate. They combine non-perishables with a gift card families can use for a turkey, a ham, or other meat. Auxillary members say they started collecting earlier this year to raise \$20,000...enough to buy a record 400 bags. (sot) When you think about the last three years, the sign outside says "Heroes work here". It's amazing that they come here and risk their lives to treat others and when you ask them to give, they give. (vo) They loaded the bags up with Christian Social Ministries and their weekly food pantry drop. (sot) CSM will distribute these bags Monday. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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Hudson's Thanksgiving community dinner here on Hilton Head has been going on for more than two decades. It's an event the restaurant's president tells me really shows what this community is all about. "We have a waitlist of 150 volunteers right now, which just speaks to the fabric of the community that we live in." Vo He's expecting to feed about 1,400 people a delicious and free thanksgiving meal this year. They ask those who are able to donate to the nonprofits on site in order to help this community even more, as this Lowcountry holiday tradition has hoped to make a big impact from its simple beginnings. Sot "There was an article in the newspaper that said lonely locals have no place to go on thanksgiving and my dad and Gloria and Allen LaCoe saw that article and said you know what we really should do something. My dad said I'll offer up my restaurant and the LaCoes said well we'll go to the church and do a fundraiser for the amount to cover the food and it's worked that way for the last 24 years." On cam tag: Carmines tells me that the doors will open at 10:45 Thanksgiving morning so if you want to be in that first batch of about 150 folks into the restaurant to get some of that food, you might have to show up just a little bit

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THANKSGIVI before then. For now though, reporting from Hilton Head Island, Tyler Manion, WTOC

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?(sot) Volunteers from Christian Social Ministries say this week's food drop includes the non-perishables that everybody needs along with some of the holiday extras that everybody wants. (vo) Team members took turns loading food into cars through the morning. CSM sees one of their biggest turnouts each year leading up to Thanksgiving. That's when they distribute an additional bag with all the Thanksgiving fixings. That bag comes from through the East Georgia Regional Medical Center's hospital auxillary. CSM's director says that one meal can lift spirits of the families who wouldn't experience Thanksgiving otherwise. (sot) They're getting a 50 pound bag of food from us that's going to last several days. But they'll also have that wonderful celebration of Thanksgiving with those needs met there. (vo) The

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STATESBOR auxillary raised money through the Fall to buy supplies for 400 Thanksgiving bags. (sot) He says they're grateful to the auxillary and staff of East Georgia Regional for putting those bags together too. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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UNION MISSION

They also gave free clothing and household items through their Clothing Closet. More than forty volunteers helped set up tables, prepare hot to-go boxed meals and spread holiday THANKSGIVI cheer. We caught up with the president of Union Mission who says this could not be

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possible without the help of those volunteers.

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UNION MISSION

"We have a great support from through out the community and today we have a lot of volunteers from all walks of our community as a whole and they're here today to help us." THANKSGIVI Union Mission has cared for Savannah's homeless community for 85 years. They offer emergency, transitional and permanent housing solutions to those in need.

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The Salvation Army is helping make sure that people have a warm Thanksgiving meal in Savannah today. Organizers say it's all thanks to the support of the surrounding community. "The Salvation Army could never do anything, we'd just be a room full of oddly dressed people with good intentions if it wasn't for this community coming in and making this possible." Staff and volunteers with The Salvation Army have been prepping for more than a week - to serve around 250 meals today to people who could use a helping hand this holiday season. The meal featured turkey, sides, and all the fixings... and a full array of deserts... all made possible by donations and volunteer help. Maj. Paul Eagan says... today is about more than just the food. "The Salvation Army is here to meet human need. Human need involves food, and shelter, and safety. But it also goes higher than that. We have a need for love, we have a need for self fulfillment, companionship, The Salvation Army is able to do that as well through our senior programs, our youth activities, then just

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gathering around the table." The need for food continues well past thanksgiving - for SALVATION information on how to donate to the Salvation Army, head to our website WTOC.com. In ARMY MEAL Savannah, HB WTOC NEWS.

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For the first time since 2019, Piratefest is back on Tybee Island. And though the celebration is going to be a little bit scaled back this year, there'll still be plenty of things to look forward to- like the parade on Saturday and the Buccaneer's Ball on Thursday night. "We need to build back up. After two years of not doing the festival, we're kind of down on funds, we're down on being able to get a little bit of everything." Murray says Piratefest will look more like a street party this year, with live music being the main focus. She says it took 6 months to plan- when it would ordinarily take a year. Scaling back this year, however, will allow for things to go back to the way they used to be next year. Murray: "It felt like the smart decision to go local and go small, and then take the time to make next year the best PirateFest we can make it." The Original CrabShack will host their annual Buccaneer Ball on Thursday night- where everyone is encouraged to dress up in formal clothes or even costumes. "It's exciting to be able to have a full fledged Buccaneer Ball this year. Like I said, it's been since 2019 that we've had a real good big one, and we are ready." And.. a new king and gueen will be crowned. Trammell: "Having been gueen since 2019, it's high time we crowned someone new! We'll have a new king and queen that we're very proud of, and we'll crown them Thursday night." PirateFest does run Thursday through Saturday, and if you do want to buy tickets to the Buccanneer Ball, there is still time. We've posted a link to do so on WTOC.com. Reporting on Tybee Island, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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Ronnie A. Dixon City Park is right in the heart of downtown. Because of this, City Manager Nick Overstreet says they chose this location as one of the three places where the charging stations will be installed. Overstreet says another charging station will be at the airport and the third location is TBD. This is all made possible through the city's partnership with Francis Energy who will apply for grant money through the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program. Overstreet says what's so great about it is that these million dollar charging stations will come at no cost to the city because whatever the grant doesn't cover, Francis Energy will. The charging stations will work for all electric vehicles and have the capability to charge in 30 minutes. Once they're up and running, Overstreet says 20% of the charging fee will go straight into the city's general fund. He says he hopes people in the community who want to buy electric will feel more comfortable doing so knowing they have places to charge their car if they're not close to home. "We're excited about it. We think it'll be something new for folks here in Vidalia and our visitors, that's really the main thing. We want to encourage people to come use the charging stations, especially here in our downtown, go and grab something to eat, go shop, spend some money and charge your car while you're here." Overstreet says right now the city is waiting for the grant application period to open. At that point, Francis Energy will apply for it. They're hopeful that they'll get the grant and have the stations fully up and running by the end of next year at the latest. In Vidalia, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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\*nats of draft\* Banana Ball is going on the road. \* nats of draft\* The Bananas announcing dates for their 2023 World Tour. Bananas Player: "Tons of people across this country that we're going to get to play in front of, man I'm so excited for so many things and the connection and impact we're going to have with so many people across this country." ...and while they'll still be playing here in Hostess City...the team will also be traveling across the country \*nats of different cities announced\* The announcement...coming in full N-F-L draft fashion...in a way only the Bananas could pull off. Jesse Cole/Bananas Owner: "We believe in creating a show and experience that fans have never seen before and creating fans is where everything starts for us. And so, we know we've created thousands of fans here and we're going to keep doing it here in Savannah, but there's many more that want to see the bananas and banana ball so we're going to bring it to them. The move follows a decision earlier this year to leave the Coastal Plain League in favor of year-round Banana Ball. As the viral boys of summer now look to bring Banana ball nationwide. Bananas Player: It hasn't seemed real. You know, all this talk about us going on tour and doing all these crazy things. The time is here, the draft has happened and it's going to be here

**FLYNN BANANAS** SCHEDULE

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10/4/2022 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD looking ahead to the weekend-- Phil the Park is set to return in Forsyth Park. The Savannah tradition features the Savannah Philharmonic for a one night concert in the park.

10/5/2022 PHIL THE This years event will be Saturday from 4:30 to 9:30 PM. The theme is "movies in concert."

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WAWA'S If you've traveled along the Eastcoast you've probably seen one. The gas stations are most

EXPANDING known for their made to order food bar. Almost like a Parker's Kitchen. The company says it

10/5/2022 TO plans to open its first Georgia store in 20-24 and could add up to 20-stores in Southern and
5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD GEORGIA Coastal Georgia in the future. No word on where the stores are being built. 00:00:20

The 28th annual Beaufort Shrimp Festival will take place Friday and Saturday here at the city's waterfront park. "We have such amazing things planned, such amazing restaurants so we are ready to go. Let's do this! Vo To accommodate as many people as possible, seafood won't be the only thing on the menu. Sot "We're going to have four shrimp vendors specifically, but then two non-shrimp specific restaurants." Vo She also says there'll be live, local music playing along with the famous event in the water that only happens here in Beaufort. Sot "Sea Island Rotary does an awesome shrimp drop with little rubber shrimp. They sell them for \$10 each and you can win a huge prize and they drop in the Beaufort River." On cam tag: As far as ticketing goes, organizers say you've got options. They say admission to the park itself is free so if you want to come set up a lawn chair and just listen to some music... that's one option, or you can buy food tickets to get yourself in on some of that local restaurant quality shrimp they'll have going on. Reporting from the city of

**BEAUFORT** SHRIMP **FEST** 

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Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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LL INTRO: Friday marks the start of Savannahians having two new non-stop destinations leaving out of the Savannah-Hilton Head International Airport. The Savannah Fire Department was at the airport today, offering an inaugural water canon salute... As Breeze Airway's first flight from New Orleans to Savannah... made its way to its gate. Happy passengers were met with celebratory cupcakes as they got off the plane... Breeze Airways officials say the new flights... help connect coastal Georgia with other parts of the country, in an easier way. "Our business model is really about hitting underserved markets with nonstop destinations. We feel like Savannah, Georgia doesn't have a lot of nonstops, it connects to a lot of hubs. That's what you see when you come in here and look at the departures list." The planes on this route will start in New Orleans, stop in Savannah, travel to Westchester, then come back the same way. LL TAG: There's also a sale on airfare for some of these flights right now. For more information, you can head to our website, WTOC.com. In SAV, HB WTOC NEWS.

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Statesboro Bulloch Chamber and the Downtown Statesboro Developmet Authority team up

6P DAL: for this and bring together some of the larger local agribusiness companies to show off BULLOCH equipment and share information with visitors. It coincides with the First Friday celebration.

10/7/2022 CO AG Organizers say it's important to spotlight agriculture, even in a rural or suburban

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if you look at who else has committed, Danny Willett is playing, Gary Woodland - U.S. Open champion. I believe Rickie Fowler's playing, Lucas Glover, who has done so much for Sergeant Jasper, U.S. Open champion. So, we're delighted with the field. A bunch of the Tour guys will go to Zozo this week in Japan, and I think the PGA Tour is putting a charter directly to Charleston to take as many back here as want to. But we're very confident on having a great field. There are no restrictions on attendance for Congaree's second PGA Tour event after last summer's Palmetto Championship. But Davidson still expects the CJ Cup to have a more intimate feel than most big events - with roughly 5,000 fans per day as apposed to growds soveral times that size for most tournaments with similar fields. And he

10/12/2022 BREAK OD CONGEREE opposed to crowds several times that size for most tournaments with similar fields. And he 9:00:00 AM 10 12 FIELD says, that will create a rare opportunity for golf fans in the Lowcountry next week. 00:00:52

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The Director of South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism says the tournament is expected to bring economic growth to the palmetto state. That includes the golf industry as a whole. He says last year after the state hosted 3 big tournaments, the golf industry had a \$3.3 billion impact on the state's economy. Golf rounds also increased

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MCMASTER by nearly 14 percent. Today-Governor Mcmaster thanked the PGA and Congaree golf club ON CJ CUP for bringing the CJ cup to Ridgeland.

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Jake Wallace "Monday was a relatively quiet day at Congaree as preparations begin for the C-J Cup in South Carolina." There were just a few players on the course getting a practice round in today. We saw several caddies getting a lay of the land today. A few other players stuck to the practice range Monday. Several players in this week's field played in the Zozo Championship played in Japan this weekend, so travel is also forcing many to a later start than usual. But what a strong field it is...with six of the top ten players in the World Golf Rankings teeing it up this week in Ridgeland, including Scottie Scheffler, Rory McIlroy, and Jon Rahm. Things will pick up over the next few days as first round play tees off Thursday morning here at Congaree. We'll have team coverage from The C-J Cup in South Carolina throughout the week, right here on WTOC. From Congaree Golf Club, I'm Jake Wallace-

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CONGAREE WTOC News.

PKG: "While walking the trail here at Joe Tribble Park, you can hardly tell they this used to be a lake. The City of Savannah is putting \$2.5 million into repairs to bring the lake back. It's something frequent walkers of this trail say is long overdue." Here's what the lake looked like last December just before it was drained because of a breach on the backside of the lake. Now, greenery almost covers the manmade lake. Officials with City of Savannah Capital Improvements say last year the water level kept dropping, so now they plan to refill all the voids that have formed over the breached areas. They'll do so by building a clay wall, 12 feet wide and 27 feet high, to prevent future breaches in Tribble Lake. The trail at the park will also be replaced. One frequent walker at the park says she's been waiting for the park to be brought back to life. (sot) "It's past due, well overdue. I come out here often. A lot of people come out here and walk. The fountain was awesome. It's so serene, so quiet and it needs to be revitalized. The ducks were here so I'm excited about them fixing the park back up." City officials say it took almost a year to start repairs because they had to get down to the root of the issues. They say they'll be starting repairs next week and the project should take four months. The park

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: Richmond Hill businesses close to the festival grounds say that increase in foot traffic this weekend...lead to an increase in sales. VO: We spoke to the manager of a nearby Mexican restaurant who says that he's worked during festival weekends for several years. He says that even though his restaurant isn't directly tied to the festival...the increase in people coming to the area leads to more business for him..and puts Richmond Hill on the map for many.. "It gets our name out. You get to give your business to the crowd that you don't typically see that's maybe coming from the surrounding counties that have maybe never been to Richmond Hill or are kind of new here. So it brings out a lot of new faces, gets your name out a little bit more. It's always a good week when the seafood festival is here." Many businesses also cashed in this weekend by running shuttles to the festival and selling spaces in their parking lots. Reporting in Richmond Hill...FS...WTOCN.

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Standup Right now, there are a handful of public libraries spread out across Beaufort County, but none of them are here in the town of Port Royal. That could soon change though. "The Beaufort County Library System is looking to add a sixth library location here in Port Royal. They're exploring the concept of opening a new library here in the building behind me. It is currently a vacant county-owned building that used to be a senior center, but they're looking to add the library to it." Vo The county says the building needs minor repairs that would cost around \$250,000, and they will look to get the plan approved in the early months of next year. Sot "Port Royal is a growing community and we want to provide everyone the opportunity to access the library's amenities so this is a perfect location." On cam tag: The county hopes to have the library open by summer of 2023. Reporting from Port Royal, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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It's America's premier farm show...and it happens every year in Southwest Georgia. WTOC is at the Sunbelt Ag Expo this week - an event that draws people from across the country...and turns Moultrie and the towns around it into a hub for the things that drive Georgia's number one industry.

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"I'm very optimistic about the future of our state. I think we live in the greatest state in the country to live work and raise our families. I believe that. Marty and the girls believe that. We've got an incredible economy. We've seen great opportunity, especially in the rural parts of our state." Governor Kemp is running for re-election against Democratic challenger Stacey Abrams. WTOC has more on the debate...plus voter resources...posted right now on WTOC dot com.

Standup Before golf's biggest names could get a look at the course here at Congaree, they had to find their way to Jasper County and the small town of Ridgeland. To do that, eight players chose the local airport just nine miles down the road. Sot : (Danny Lucas - Airport Manager) "It is extremely rewarding, it is extremely gratifying to us as you say with a small town airport, an airport that is still building out its infrastructure." Vo Those golfers have come in over the last few days, with a handful of spectators still to hit this tarmac. Sot "We've had numerous reservations lodged with us for fans flying in from different parts of the country." Vo The grass in the airfield, slightly different than its counterpart on the course... but providing a mutual benefit that Lucas says goes beyond the green. Sot "This is about more than just fun and games. This is about business." Vo He says the more planes fly in and out of this airport, the more money they might see in the future. Sot "There might be industrialists who come and visit us and find a reason to come back to visit us and perhaps make an investment." On cam tag Obviously there's more than a handful of golfers and fans on their way here this week, so Lucas says the tournament will benefit the entire region not just his small town airport. Reporting from Congaree, Tyler Manion, WTOC

TYLER: CJ CUP

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**RIDGELAND** 

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Prep work continues here at the Bryan County megasite. You can see behind me smoking rising from controlled burns as crews work ahead of next week's groundbreaking. Officials from the Savannah Economic Development Authority have confirmed that an invite-only ceremony will be held Tuesday October 25th in Bryan County. That ceremony will be for the groundbreaking of what is being dubbed as Hyundai Motor Groups' Metaplant America. The groundbreaking will mark the start of construction and will be followed by a community celebration at the Enmarket Arena in Savannah. Officials from both Georgia and the US government officials are expected to attend. We did check in with SEDA's president recently about the progress of the work here at the site. "They're starting to grade and do those things that are necessary. But when you go out there, and you see what's happened since August 1st, it's truly remarkable. This groundbreaking will come more than 5 months after Hyundai announced it would be building an electric vehicle and battery processing plant here. The move represents a more than 5 and a half billion dollar investment from Hyundai and is expected to bring more than 8,000 jobs to the area. Plant completion is scheduled for the first half of 20-25. Reporting in Bryan County...FS....WTOCN.

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ON **FACILITY** 

EFFINGHAM held a ribbon cutting yesterday. The 518-thousand square foot facility is in the Savannah Portside International Park off interstate 16. Merchsource distributes consumer products to DISTRIBUTI some of the nation's largest retailers. That includes FAO Schwartz, The Sharper Image, Discovery, and Vernado. The company's CEO says they decided to build the new facility in

A new distribution facility officially opened its doors in Effingham County. MerchSource

this specific area mostly because of how close it is to the Savannah ports.

A few things come with this elevated status. Mainly it means you're going to see more top players on Hilton Head each year, as top 20 players are required to be at these elevated events if available. Secondly it means the prize for winning the Heritage jumps to \$20 million dollars, more than doubling the \$8.3 million they were expecting for their 55th year. When I caught up with the Heritage's tournament director Steve Wilmot today, he was absolutely glowing with joy. "I've gotten a little emotional the last couple weeks when I knew things were happening because there's so much work that's put in, not just by myself and our board and our staff which are second to none in the country, but all the commitments and dedication and the support whether it's our vendors or our food TYLER: RBC proveyors or volunteers parking cars they're all apart of this." The Heritage is one of just four tournaments to earn this elevation, joining 13 others as the official biggest events in

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professional golf. Wilmot says this is a win for everyone involved, including the charities that benefit from the Heritage's success., Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"Justin Thomas. "Jordan Spieth "Jordan, Rickie, JT, got to see Scottie "All of them. Love it. There were plenty of stars to see at the CJ Cup. And for the first time during tournament week, there were people to see them. "I didn't think it would be this big but here we are and these guys are some of the best players in the world here, so it's pretty cool. Players started arriving at the PGA Tour event at Congaree Golf Club last weekend, But Lowcountry golf fans got their first look today at the course and the field that will compete for a \$10.5 million purse the next four days. "It's beautiful. We've got Rahm, Rory, JT, all the big names. Scottie, all these guys out here, it's awesome just having them in Ridgeland. "I saw McIlroy and I was so excited. Congaree's second turn at hosting a Tour event is restricted to just 78 players, but has attracted many of the game's best. There's strength at the top of the field with 15 of the top 20 players in the Official World Golf Rankings here, and depth with 29 of the top 50 and 34 of the top 60. And with no 36-hole cut and the first of four rounds set for tomorrow, the opportunity to see them all continues through Sunday. "Oh, it's so wonderful, we're so close to them. I see them on the television but I've never

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been this close and so I'm excited about it. Tim Guidera, WTOC news.

"It is vitally important to have this show so farmers and ranchers can stay on the cutting edge." It's called North America's premiere farm show...but it's not just about living up to the hype. Every year the Sunbelt Ag Expo draws in farmers from operations large and small giving them the chance to get their hands on the latest equipment. Those in charge call it a game changer for the folks looking to make a wise investment. "The field demonstrations where we do tillage, peanut harvest, hay harvest, the Ryse Aerospace manned drone technology. You can actually see it working. We even had demonstrations going in the garden. You can actually go over there and learn how to plant a garden." Actually seeing the tech in action - they say that's a big deal in the face of supply chain issues and inflation. Plus, it's catered to what's needed right here in Georgia - where at least 2 percent of all U-S ag sales come from. "Here, it's important for Georgia agriculture and surrounding states to be able to have that same kind of exposure to that new technology, because even though we might be growing similar crops, which cotton and peanuts is a lot different than what they grow in the heartland, there's a lot of difference between region to region and the parts of this country, and the technology changes from region to region." "When that transaction is taking place, when that explations going on from the manufacturer to the potiential customer... well thats the sound of freedom, that's a free economy that's alive and well. The heart beats strong. So there's still a great role for the Sunbelt." Whether people came out to buy or just take in the show...the Sunbelt Ag Expo shares a bigger message - one you may have seen on a bumper sticker or refridgerator magnet: if you have food, you can thank a farmer. In Moultrie, Dylan Smith, WTOC News.

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What was once a months-long wait for the debut of Savannah's pro hockey team is now down to just hours... "nats" ...as the Ghost Pirates find themselves on the eve of the first game in franchise history. Logan Devlitch/ Ghost Pirates forward "The mood's really high. Everyone's really excited to get it going, right?" The team has had two weeks of trainingone at the Savannah Civic Center, then this week at the Enmarket Arena. In between was a pair of exhibition games with the Jacksonville Icemen, which the Ghost Pirates split. Darion Hanson/ Ghost Pirates goaltender "It was nice to get a small taste of it this past weekend against Jacksonville. I thought we played pretty well." Head coach Rick Bennett says he's been happy to see the team grow closer together over these past two weeks of camp, something he expects to continue as the season carries on. Rick Bennett/ Ghost Pirates head coach "after practice, they kind of rally around and do this little chant and they move on. A lot of teams don't do that. They started that basically the first day on, and it's kind of continues. Then when you start getting into battles in practice, I think that helps. I think the most is playing a different opponent." Jake Wallace/ @WTOCJake "Before the Ghost Pirates hit their home ice for the very first time, they'll hit the road for a two-week, five game road trip in which they say they're going to try to set the tone for their very first season." "You want to start the season good. It's going to be a good test for us. It's hard to win on the road, so hopefully we'll be a little battle hardened by the time we get here on November 5." Several players say they're not looking ahead, but they are looking forward to November 5- when the Ghost Pirates play at home for the first time in franchise history. The team has already announced that game will be played in front of a sellout crowd. "What do you anticipate November 5 is going to be like? Wild...wild. We've got circled on the calendar. I can assure you of that." Expectations are high for the home opener next month, but also for the inaugural season. While they may be the new kids on the block in the ECHL, they intend to make their mark on the league early on. "We're going to play hard. We're going to compete every day. Obviously, we want to win a lot of games. That's number one: we want to win. We want to win the championship this year. We're going to play hard every night and hopefully never have an off day."

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The second day at the CJ Cup in South Carolina a lot like the first, and that was a day worth repeating - with difficult scoring conditions and an ideal setting to watch golf for fans. Spectators out early again to see a field that includes most of the game's biggest names but also to get a look at the Congaree Golf Club, which is hosting its second PGA Tour event and once again getting favorable reviews. Speaking to the patrons yesterday as we were driving around thanking them for coming out here, everybody was having such a good time, so many families, so many kids. And that's what Congaree is about. It is about growing the game and it's so great to see so many local people coming out and supporting it. And as we discussed earlier, you'll never get closer. I mean, Scottie Scheffler and Jordan Spieth, their groups yesterday, you could get within feet of these guys. You could hear them talking about what club they're going to hit and hear the sound of the ball and putts. It's unbelievable. It's like a golfer's Fantasyland. Congaree director of golf Bruce Davidson says conditions will continue to get tougher with the course getting more firm and shots tougher to control because of the amount of roll in the fairways. And he says by Sunday, Congaree will identify a true champion. I think you're going to see some of the best players in the world tested to the tops of their ability, which it should be. It's a world-class field, 15 of the best 20 in the world are here. And I think they win \$2.3 million for the week if you win. That's not bad. Also Sunday, South Carolina Governoe, Henry McMaster, will pay a visit to Congaree. The state is a major sponsor of the CJ Cup and the Governor will participate in CONGAREE the trophy presentation. In Ridgeland, Tim Guidera. WTOC News.

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Savannah sports history about to be made in the South Carolina upstate as the Hostess City's new professional hockey team - the Ghost Pirates - plays the first game of its inaugural season here in Greenville. Almost two years after the franchise was introduced, the Ghost Pirates begin play against the Greenville Swamp Rabbits in just a few minutes. And although four hours from their home rink, they Savannah team won't be alone. Several groups of local fans many of them season-ticket holders, have made the trip up and will be in the stands at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena when the puck drops and Savannah Hockey gets started for the first time. MATT BAUM GHOST PIRATES FAN TRAVELED TO FIRST GAME "Ever since it was announced that we were going to have a team in Savannah, the excitement was building. And then, we got the team name, and then it was like, when are we going to get the jerseys. And here we are, the first game. So, we couldn't be happier. We traveled here to Greenville, we had to be here to see the first one and we're super excited about it. Baum traveled with a group of four. He thinks there could be a good amount of green and black in the crowd tonight. Savannah fans have been chatting online for weeks about this first game. There is a countdown clock to tonight on the Ghost Pirates'

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website - and as that is about to say, the haunt starts now. In Greenville, Tim Guidera, WTOC news.

**BULLOCH** Communities expecting to see growth from the plant and its suppliers are getting ready. **ECON** Business and industrial leaders in Bulloch County hosted a "State of the Region" expo last **EVENT** Leaders from Bryan, Bulloch, Chatham, and Effingham are discussing how they can work together to handle the thousands of new jobs and new people moving here. 4:30AM AHEAD OF 10/25/2022 DAYBREAK GROUNDBR Governor Kemp has commended the partnerships that helped bring the company to our 3:30:00 AM OD **EAKING** part of the state.

> Hyundai held an expo displaying some of the vehicles that could potentially be made at the plant...which they're calling Metaplant America. The company also highlighted its community outreach efforts to help local nonprofits including recent donations to the local Boys and Girls Club. Hyundai executives also applauded the efforts of the I-16 Joint

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FLYNN: Development Authority's efforts to prep the megasite ahead of construction. Here's what MEGASITE Trip Tollison, president of the Savannah Economic Development Authority said about

10/25/2022 3:00:00 PM 4PM OD ENMARKET today's celebration. 00:00:33

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"It's starting to seem more real than ever. All the hard work that's been put into this project so far, it's a very ceremonial and symbolic event and basically a new chapter starts today. ENMARKET We're so fortunate and blessed to be a part of the project."

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"I learned tennis or how to hit the ball, on that court right there back in the early 1960s." Vo For decades that's been the case for kids here in Beaufort, but now their learning grounds have been upgraded. "We're super excited about being able to open up the courts, it's been a long time coming and I think everybody can agree with that." Vo The county used \$630,000 from impact fees and the capital improvement project fund to renovate all the courts here, and local tennis leaders say it will be well worth the investment. Sot: (Marshal Williams - Beaufort Tennis Academy) "Our goal and purpose is to see these courts fill up with young people and adults playing tennis at all levels." Vo A big part of that mission is this man, Coach Larry Scheper... whose free class for kids ages 2-18 will start on Saturday. It's something he's been doing with less resources for a while, but now he's a part time county employee with brand new facilities. Sot: (Larry Scheper - Youth Tennis Coach) "We'll continue to do what we've been doing and I guess that's about it. Just want to

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say thank you guys." Vo Reporting from Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

(sot) Industrial developers from Bryan, Bulloch, Chatham, and Effingham counties who helped bring Hyundai to the I-16 corridor say the next level of development will be the supply companies that will announce they're moving in to industrial parks like this one throughout the area. And they say those announcements could be coming quicker than we might think. (vo) The groundbreaking marks the beginning of construction for the company facility in Bryan County that's expected to employ more than 8,000 people. But dozens of smaller companies will help supply the plant with components and employ hundreds of people each. (sot) I know Bulloch County already has seven or eight. Most of those have already committed. And most of the other counties are the same way.... (vo) While the four counties worked together to bring the electric vehicle plant to the region, counties are negotiating with the suppliers to find the location that best suits them. (sot) This is going to be truly transformational beyond just the megasite. We'll have significant supplier activity in Bulloch County. And it will go further up Interstate 16 toward Macon. (vo) Thompson says companies will want interstate access and the corridor gives them just that. (sot) And we'll keep you updated on those announcements. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news. 00:01:17

CO. CHAIRMAN ON **HYUNDAI** 4:53:00 PM 6PM OD **PLANT** 

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**BULLOCH** 

(sot) Local developers say this announcement - a \$317 million plant with 630 jobs- is just the first in a series of announcements coming in connection with the Hyundai plant in Bryan County. (vo) The celebration last month of Hyundai's groundbreaking included promises of supplier plants around the region, bringing more jobs and more development. Ajin USA will produce electronics and body panels for Hyundai. Developers say negotiations with this company and others began in May with Hyundai's announcement. (sot) They were one of the first suppliers to visit Statesboro and Bulloch County and you could tell early on that they were very happy with the site that we had to offer them. (vo) He says Bulloch and other counties along the Interstate will see more companies building here because they're close to the megasite and can haul there quickly. (sot) Some of them are large like Ajin. Some of them are medium or smaller size. (vo) Ajin will build in the Bruce Yawn Commerce Park along Highway 301. They'll be the second industry to build there, behind Aspen Aerogels. (sot) Thompson says we'll hear more announcements in the weeks and months to come. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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**JOBS** 

GA OCTOBER 11/7/2022 REVENUE 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD REPORT

As we continue to track in the impacts of record inflation - new numbers show the state of Georgia continues to lose out on millions in gas tax dollars. The latest report shows a 165 point 6 million dollar loss on fuel taxes compared to October of last year. That's as the gas tax stays suspended under executive order. While the state is taking a loss there - overall tax revenue collected by the state is up more than 9 percent...with increases in individual and corporate income taxes, as well as sales tax.

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FIRST HYUNDAI SUPPLIER ANNOUNC. "They were one of the first suppliers to visit Statesboro and Bulloch County and you could tell early on that they were very happy with the site that we had to offer them." Joon's plant will is a 317 million dollar investment in Bulloch County and will create 630 jobs. The company is expected to start hiring by the middle of next year...with operations starting a

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year later in 20-24.

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Tybee city leaders have cut the ribbon on their Marine Science Center. The new facility features interactive, educational exhibits that are sure to be fun for the entire family! They also offer year-round programs for visitors, scouts, and school groups. While the center has already been open for over a year- leaders say because they opened during the pandemic they are just now getting to celebrate.

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"So this is a moment for us to unveil our hard work, not a huge designer company's hard work. So just like the old science center, we are grass roots facility, we are still a catch and release facility- we have grown, we have maintained our culture at the marine science center. So we are proud to have a brand new home on the northend of the island and we couldn't be more proud to be here with the help of the City of Tybee and all of our donors who helped us get here." You can visit the center Wednesday through Sunday from 9:30 A-M to 5 P-M. Admission is \$10 dollars per person and all kids four and under get in for free

BRYAN CO.

RECENT Global clothing company Komar Brands says it's planning to build its new manufacturing

11/14/2022 DEVELOPM and distribution facility. It's an 87 million dollar investment expected to bring nearly 300 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD ENT jobs to the county.

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Governor Brian Kemp says the growth is thanks to Georgia's ports and existing BRYAN CO.

RECENT infrastructure, writing in a statement on the Komar Brands facility, "You can truly make anything and reach markets all around the world from here. I look forward to both Komar's

RECENT anything and reach markets all around the world from here. I look forward to both Komar's 11/14/2022 DEVELOPM success in Georgia and the opportunities they will bring to hardworking people in Bryan

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BUTTON UP: Construction on the Hyundai plant is set to start in January. The company says it expects full production to begin in 20-25. We've followed this story closely - from announcement to

groundbreaking. You can read all our past reports right now on WTOC dot com.

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LL: The Georgia Department of Labor officials say the openings are just a drop in the bucket for the more than 8,000 thousand jobs the site is expected bring. Help wanted at the Metaplant America now under construction. Under the Georgia's incentive package to Hyundai, the state's labor department will help the automaker hire people to staff the site. "Any candidates that apply, we screen all those candidates to ensure they meet the qualifications for the position before Hyundai sees the candidates." The department recently posting 19 administrative openings...with more to come. "We did receive some of the jobs that will eventually be working in the production plant, such as general assembly, quality control, managers and assistant managers, environmental health and safety managers, that kind of thing." It's not clear exactly how much Hyundai will pay for each job...but Georgia's labor department says the automaker will pay at a competitive rate. The hiring for the full 8,000 plus jobs won't happen immediately. Department of Labor officials expect a gradual recruitment process over the next few years as construction continues. "We haven't actually received the entire timeline for the 8,000 positions. They're just starting to break ground on the plant, so the 8,000 positions like the main production jobs, we haven't even looked at that timeline yet so it's going to be any time soon that we start hiring for those." Some of the current listings include admin specialist, maintenance engineers and global trade managers. LL: If you're interested in applying or want to see a

**MEGASITE JOBS** 

full list of openings...just look for this story on our website...WTOC.com. In Bryan POSTED ON **GDOL** 

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**JOBS** 

A WTOC update--- The Georgia Department of Labor now has jobs posted for the new Hyundai plant in Bryan County. Under the Georgia's incentive package to Hyundai, the SURROUNDI state's labor department will help the automaker hire people to staff the site. They say any NG BRYAN candidates that apply, the department will screen to make sure they meet the qualifications before Hyundai sees them. The department recently posted 19 administrative openings

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LL: On a typical day this street would be empty. But now...parking is hard to come by thanks to the opening of Pembroke's first ever Mexican restaurant. PKG: A staple for many small-town dining options is now a reality in Bryan County's north end. "People have been waiting for us for years and years and years. It took us some time, it's been a long road, but we finally made it." This week's opening of Picho's Mexican Restaurant in Pembroke has been long awaited by many who say the opening signals a growing effort to add more dining options to the city's downtown area. Benitez: "People have travel 20-30 miles just to go and get some Mexican food. Now they don't even have to travel that far. It's right here in the center of Pembroke." Across the street...an effort to bring back a part of Pembroke's history. The city's TOS theater was awarded \$75,000 from Atlanta's Fox Theater Institute to begin planning and architectural designs for planned renovations. It's a project we first told you about back in June. "We have to draw up those plans to bring the theater back to the glory that it once was in the 30's and 40's" As business owners try to work ahead of expected growth from nearby industrial developments like Hyundai's new electric vehicle plant. Benitez: "Pembroke is getting pretty big and we want to get a head start on it and that's why decided we decided to start here." LL: the leaders of both projects say they hope

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**DEVELOPM** 

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these recent developments spur others to open their own businesses in Pembroke's

downtown area. In Pembroke...FS...WTOCN.

Construction is underway here at the Georgia International Commerce Center. It's a new complex expected to draw in even more industrial partners to Bryan County's north end. And officials don't expect to see a slowdown in the manufacturing boom any time soon. VO: Construction on this commerce center is the latest in a string of recent industrial announcements for the county. Earlier this week...Governor Brian Kemp announced apparel company Komar Brands will build a distribution center in Bryan County. Before that...ammunition maker Norma Precision will also build a Bryan County manufacturing site. Combined...the two projects are expected to bring in \$147 million in investment and create a total of just under 900 jobs. Officials with the county's development authority say those projects have been years in the making. They say they are eager to bring in industrial partners and the new commerce center adds to that goal. "The more properties, or more industrial facilities that we can have on the ground and ready to occupy, the greater the chance we're able to locate those industrial partners in Bryan County and create the jobs

BRYAN CO. associated with bringing those industrial partners to the county." The Georgia International INDUSTRIAL Commerce Center will be made up of 12 buildings spanning 6.5 million square feet. The

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BOOM REAX first building is set to be ready by July 2023. In Bryan County...FS...WTOCN.

WARNOCK **SECURES FUNDING** 

**FOR** HEALTH CARE FAC. Senator Raphael Warnock made that announcement yesterday. According to his office, Bacon County will use their 790-thousand-dollar grant to build an outpatient facility for COVID-19 vaccinations, testing and education. Jeff Davis County will also use a 700thousand-dollar grant to build an outpatient center. And, Appling County will get 400thousand-dollars to build a community health center in Baxley. The investments will benefit

more than 44-thousand Georgians.

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Richmond Hill's mayor says the main takeaway from this announcement is the 15-hundred jobs the plant is expected to create. He says infrastructure work is crucial as site construction is expected to start in the coming months. VO: The 1.2 million square foot facility will be built at Richmond Hill's Belfast Commerce Park just off I-95. Mayor Russ Carpenter says the city will be ready for the new jobs...highlighting the importance, he says, of having Richmond Hill residents be able to work in the city they call home, instead of commuting to other places. Hyundai Mobis' plant will be close to the new Heartwood development which is expected to have 10,000 new homes in 25 years' time. Mayor Carpenter says this announcement represents a massive economic investment for Richmond Hill. "For our city, by far number one. We couldn't imagine the economic impact it's going to have. This is home construction; this is industrial construction. Jobs, jobs, jobs, that's the main thing. Like I said, we are elated." This is the second automotive supplier announced for Hyundai's new Metaplant America...currently under construction off I-16 in northern Bryan County. Hyundai Mobis' plant is expected to start production here in the south end some time in 2024 and will supply EV Power Electric systems and charging unites. Reporting in Richmond Hill...FS...WTOCN.

RICHMOND HILL 11/28/2022 HYUNDAI 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD SUPPLIER

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(sot) Hollywood movie magic brought an aircraft carrier here to the Statesboro airport and plopped it down on the tarmac. Statesboro's Jim Branch got a front row seat...or maybe something even better. (vo) The motion picture "Devotion" opened last week after filming in Statesboro and Savannah back in Spring of last year. Jim Branch saw an ad online looking for extras and background actors. (sot) Honestly, as a joke to my three daughters I said "I'm going to be in a movie with Joe Jonas." (vo) It's set in the Korean War and tells the story of Jesse Brown, the Navy's first black aviator and one of the war's most brutal battles. Branch spent four days on the aircraft carrier crews constructed on a runway. He stood in the background as they flew vintage aircraft back and forth in front of the cameras. (sot) Basically, I'm about 30 feet from these planes actually landing on the tarmac. And those planes are amazing. (vo) He's grateful for the chance to be in a high profile production. He also feels more than a little local pride for the part the community played in the filming. (sot) He hopes the success of this film company gets the attention of other producers to see this area as a location. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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(sot) Team leaders for the Blue Mile Project say they're excited to have the first phase completed. (vo) With lighting up..and sod down.. one half of The Blue Mile now looks like the plans announced years ago. With the roadblocks and construction barrels gone, project planners say things are better than back to normal. (sot) We have new businesses that have shown up. We have old businesses that have been torn down. We have people waiting in line to get into restaurants. (vo) The city teamed with Georgia Southern and other agencies to use funds secured in a national grant contest to dress up South Main. After they fixed drainage issues, they widened sidewalks, move utility lines improved lighting and landscaping to make an area people want to walk and explore this portion of town. (sot) ..it's really an inviting time for people to be able to walk this area. I think people feel safe. feel comfortable and want to be able to shop business to business. (vo) The second phase will take the same landscaping and curb appeal all the way to the courthouse, connecting the university campus all the way to Statesboro's downtown. (sot) Fennel says we'll soon begin to see work on the second phase and The Creek on the Blue Mile Project next year. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

**BLUE MILE PROJECT** 1ST PHASE DONE

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Richmond Hill held their 26th annual Christmas parade with Grand Marshal, John Williams leading the route. Over in the Lowcountry Bluffton had its 51st annual Christmas Parade that went through the town's historic district. And Jesup had an Old-fashioned Christmas themed parade as well. Just about every town in our viewing area had holiday events going CHRISTMAS on this weekend which all looked like a ton of fun. And of course - Dawn was out at the Hinesville parade on Friday. We have more on all these events on WTOC dot com. Just

**PARADES** 12/5/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **RECAP** 

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look for the Holidays H-Q.

(sot) While the opening of the store behind me has plenty of people abuzz, the developer of this project says there are more stores and businesses and jobs on the way..maybe as many as 1,000 workers..in the not so distant future. (vo) Workers have packed Publix as they get the store ready for opening. Meanwhile, other storefronts move closer to opening in the Eagle Commons complex. Developer Darin Van Tassell says the lots here are all aready taken with more businesses coming. He says work in University Station will pick up next year, with those restaurants and retailers beginning construction too. (sot) "..that's what happens when you build a sports stadium and you have a major university across the street. The rest of the business community certainly follows." (vo) He says development with his Tormenta soccer team will continue, with a hotel and housing connected to the stadium. (sot) And Publix opens next week December 14. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.?

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12/7/2022 REZONING 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD UPDATE They're also requiring a development agreement for the roads near the warehouse. The other permit, for 155 acres and 2.3 million square feet... was tabled until the commission has more information. Residents in the area have raised concerns about the impacts this would have on Islands Highway, a two-lane road, as well as Fire and EMS response in the

New at 4--- A company with a stake in the Coastal Empire is expanding its presence in North Georgia. Hyundai Motor Group is working on an agreement with S-K On in Bartow County to build a new electric vehicle battery plant. Georgia Governor Brian Kemp's office made the announcement today...saying the agreement is still in development. S-K also has another facility in North Georgia already. The governor's office says the plan will supply Hyundai's other plants in the U-S.

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This comes as work is underway now to build a massive Hyundai electric vehicle plant in Bryan County...and a big boom for electric vehicle-related projects in Georgia. The

12/8/2022 HYUNDAI governor's office says those projects total to a 17 billion dollar investment over the last two 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD **SUPPLIER** years, and created nearly 23-thousand new jobs. 00:00:19 LL: The 1.5 million dollar upgrades now allow patients in this community to have new heath options nearby instead of having to drive out of town. VO: The Doris S. Fries imaging center was funded by the Fries family to help Evans Memorial offer certain healthcare options that they weren't able to before. The new center now includes breast and cardiac MRI capabilities and spinal orthopedic imaging. Leaders say it's vital that those living in this rural area have access to this level of care. SOT: Bill Lee/CEO, Evans Memorial Hospital: "We're very excited about what this means to the people of our community, to our patients, and the fact that, quite frankly, they can get state-of-art care right here close to home." LL: Ahead...we also spoke to the person who donated the money to help build this center. Why she says this care was needed in Claxton, especially for women. I'm working on that story for you on THE news at 6. In Claxton...FS... WTOC News.

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NEW **IMAGING** CENTER

**EVANS** 

HOSPITAL

The complex is being built by Atlanta based developer Vista Residential Partners and Batson Cook Development Company. A rendering on Vista Residential Partner's website shows what the complex may look like. According to Vista Residential Partners, the apartments will sit on 15 acres of land. They say the apartments will have one, two or three bedrooms. Also in the release, they mention the apartment complex is a part of a

development called Chatham Center that will also have a hotel, retail and restaurants.

CAMILLE: **CHATHAM** 

**PARKWAY** APARTMEN TS

Katrina's Mexican Grill is right across the street from the development. I spoke to the CEO of the restaurant who says they are excited to hear the apartments because it will bring more business to the community. 00:00:43

LL: It is lights, camera, action here in Pembroke. You can see behind me there are lights, ladders, even an old-time car as crews are here working on a film set. VO: Members of the film crew tell me production is underway for director Ava DuVernay's new film called "Origin." It's set in the early 1900's and is partially being filmed right in the middle of Pembroke. We've even seen some redesigning of storefronts being used for production. Filming is causing some traffic troubles though. Parts of highway 280...which is main road through the city...have been shut down for the day...forcing detours onto many side streets. Even police from the neighboring city of Claxton have been called in to help direct traffic. We spoke with one city councilmember who says this is the third movie...that he can remember...that's been filmed here. He says there are benefits for first responders and businesses. "A bunch of people are making a bunch of money. They're paying \$30-40 an hour for security and help directing traffic. It's a big impact for this town. Some of the storefronts are getting something like \$150-160 a day just to use and it's changing the image of this town. LL: Members of the film crew tell me they only expect to be filming here today meaning the road closures shouldn't last for too much longer. Reporting in

PEMBROKE MOVIE SHOOT

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"A lot of the bottleneck kind of happens at the highway. Working at Gulfstream, the bridge is the main bottleneck. You end up sitting at a traffic light for a while." County leaders, however, want to get you out of that series of traffic lights, and on your way. They're still looking for the best way to do that though. "The study will determine all of that. Because one of the things we have to do is stop the traffic from backing up on I-95, and it's backing up on I-95 going north and going south. We've had some major collisions there. So it dictates us, we must do something and it can't take forever to do it." That sense of urgency is there, Ellis says, is because of the rapid growth in Chatham County- which will only increase in the future because of the new Hyundai Plant. Ellis: "The traffic is just going to get heavier. That whole corridor on that side, Bloomindgale, Pooler, Port Wentworth,

SHEA: 195. POOLER **PKWY** 

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Garden City, unincorporated Chatham, all have to get ready." 00:00:56

Continuing coverage - as one of the largest cosmetic companies is set to create almost 400

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12/14/2022 BRYAN BRYAN Fig. 16 - right across from the Megasite.

COUNTY COUNTY Continuing coverage - as one of the largest cosmetic companies is set to create almost 400

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new facility in Bryan County. The \$121 million dollar project will be off of Highway 280 at I
16 - right across from the Megasite.

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BO: It's the 5th major investment in Bryan County announced in the last 6 months. Last month - global clothing company Komar Brands announced plans to build its new facility in the DEVELOPM county. It's going on the same property Chatham County-based Norma Precision said it

12/14/2022 ENT THIS would move to the month before. It's also located across from the Hyundai Plant at the 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD YEAR Megasite. 00:00:21

While shoppers have anticipated this store opening for -literally - four years, developers say the line of new businesses coming here has only just begun. (vo) The 7am ribbon cutting for Publix brought crowds of people, many have watched this spot since the store was first announced years ago. (sot) You'd drive by and see just dirt. Then you'd drive by and see some concrete. You say to yourself "ok, it's coming. It's coming." (vo) Some say they've regularly driven to the closest Publix in Pooler to shop. They're thankful for one in Statesboro, but also thankful that it's on a growing side of town that has lacked stores of any kind. (sot) ..there's a whole community of people on this side of town that now doesn't have to go to the other side of town to get their groceries. (vo) Meanwhile, other shops in the complex already show some of the names of the next arrivals. Property behind them shows signs of progress. (sot) A lot of it is where people are living on this side of town and getting them taken care of. As we paint a picture of the rest of this development, we'll see STATESBOR those things start to come. (sot) They anticipate as many as 1,000 retail jobs in these two developments once they get up and running. Van Tassell says you'll start to see more

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construction early next year. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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LL The Blue Angels had more than 30 shows in 2022, but they only picked one for their Civilian Air Show of the Year. That award now sits right inside here at the Vidalia Regional Airport. VO The Blue Angels performed in places like Hawaii and San Francisco this year, but Vidalia made a big impact on them. Big enough to be given the only Civilian Air Show of the Year award. Mayor Doug Roper and Onion Festival Committee members say this type of recognition proves how special community their community is. As many know, this year's Onion Festival was a huge success with around 30,000 people coming out for The Blue Angels air show. Some committee members traveled to Las Vegas for the award ceremony, with no idea that they'd leave with an award in hand. SOT "Very honored and proud to win this award not only for the committee, but the community." SOT "It's just a point of pride for all of us that the Blues recognized our effort. We truly take southern hospitality to another level." SOT "We've obtained national attention for some of the events that went on during the air show here this past year. The community really rallies around that and starts to understand how important this is to our area and our economy." LLTAG Along with the award, The Blue Angels announced that they will be back here for the 2024

MARIAH: **VIDALIA** BLUE

12/19/2022 **ANGELS** 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **AWARD** 

Vidalia Onion Festival. It's actually the only show they will be doing in 2024 in Georgia. In Vidalia, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

LL: We've been following this project since the beginning. It's one that city leaders say is moving ahead even though they're still working to raise enough money to fund this 3-milliondollar renovation. VO: Gone are the audience seats and flooring in many of the old classrooms. Demolition work has begun while project leaders await architectural designs. Once finished...project plans include a museum...and a state-of-the-art auditorium. This project has been funded primarily through millions of dollars in private donations. The Arts and Cultural Authority was also recently awarded more than 69-thousand dollars from the Fox Theater Institute for construction of the cultural arts center. And even though work has begun...project leaders are still trying to come up with half a million dollars to fund this 3.1 million dollar project. SOT: Adam Kennedy/President, Claxton-Evans County Arts & Description of the country Cultural Authority: "Right now we're at about 2.5 million. So, about 500,000 is our goal still to raise. So we still are very much in the fundraising process. We do have enough money to start the project and feel like as people see that the project is ongoing, we'll continue to get donations." LL: Project leaders hope that construction will take just over a year to complete once it begins. They then hope to be able to welcome the community into the building. Reporting in Claxton...FS...WTOCN.

FLYNN: CLAXTON SCHOOL BUILDING 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **NEW LIFE** 

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New at 11 -- we're getting our first look at what a new traffic project could look like when it's finished. This will be the intersection of state route 292/Northwest Broad Street in a few months. That route is known as the main thoroughfare between Lyons and Vidalia. This new roundabout is meant to help reduce the number of accidents at this intersection. Starting January 3rd, traffic will be directed into a single lane roundabout while a center circle is constructed. Work is expected to last until March 1st. We'll continue to update you on this project as it gets underway.

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SPRINGFIEL New at 4:30 - A park in the heart of Springfiled is getting an upgrade. The city announced renovations will begin next year in Ulmer Park. The updates will include a new playground, RENOVATIO new bathrooms, a new pavilion, and additional parking. A model of the changes are on your

screen. The city says the upgrades will make the park more accessible for residents. 00:00:21

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"While this lot next to the Costco in Pooler is empty right now it could be a place for visitors and people living in Pooler to show off their golfing skills at BigShots Golf range. That's something Pooler leaders say is needed to fill an entertainment void in this area." A slide show presented to the Pooler City Council by Archetics shows a sneak peek at what the BigShots Golf center could look like off of Pooler Parkway. The presentation says the golf range will have a restaurant, tee boxes and mini golf. The mini golf area is expected to be indoors. This would be the first BigShots Golf in Georgia, according to the slide show. Council woman Karen Williams says their biggest competitor is top golf. She says the golf center should be ready in 12 to 14 months. Director of the Pooler Chamber of Commerce Courtney Rawlins says this is the kind of boost pooler needs. "It would mean visitors. We have attractions here for people to hang out, go see, things that they can do. It means we'll have more visitors here and more people here and that's always very fun and exciting and there's quite a buzz about Pooler where we're the up and coming place and the more we have to offer people the better we feel about it." Councilman Aaron Higgins also said he was excited because the golf center would help the community thrive with more entertainment. "Councilman Higgins says the next step is for this to go to the planning and zoning committee. He expects that to be sometime in late January. Camille Syed WTOC News."

POOLER **BIG SHOT** 

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**GOLF** 

Happening now- A park in the heart of Springfield is getting an upgrade. The city SPRINGFIEL announced renovations will begin next year in Ulmer Park. The updates will include a new playground, new bathrooms, a new pavilion, and additional parking. A model of the D PART DAYBREAK RENOVATIO changes are on your screen. The city says the upgrades will make the park more

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When this project is finished - Ulmer Park will span about three blocks.... Updates will include creating a pavilion and event space, updating the playground equipment, resurfacing the pickleball courts, building some new bathrooms, and a walkable track

HAYLEY: around the park. This project has been a goal of the city's for about 10 years... it's expected 12/21/2022 **ULMER** to cost about \$400,000 and is entirely funded by SPLOST. City Manager Matt Morris says

4:00:00 PM 4PM OD PARK this is an important step for the area. 00:00:28

?(sot) Revalyu Resources, a recycling company based in Germany, will set up a \$50 million plant here in Bulloch County in the Gateway Industrial Park right across the road from Great Dane. (vo) The company collects and treats plastics to reuse them in a host of products. Benjy Thompson of the Development Authority of Bulloch County says they've been working with the company since early this year, before the announcement of Hyundai's giant vehicle plant and its support companies. Thompson says it's important to bring different types and sizes of industries. (sot) Over the last year, we've had these large announcements that seem to get everybody's attention. But these smaller companies still bring a lot of value to a community and to an economy and helps spread the risk like a financial portfolio. (vo) Revalyu is expected to create 75 jobs and be able to process 200 tons of plastic per day. They'll join companies like Walmart Distribution, Great Dane, Briggs RECYCLING & Lamp; Stratton and others. (sot) Thompson says we could start seeing work here on the site early next year. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

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A WTOC update - City Hall on Tybee Island is looking a little different these days. Crews TYBEE CITY have started renovations on the remolding project. City leaders have been discussing these HALL plans for years. The building is listed as a historical site which means certain aspects of RENOVATIO building must be preserved. The project could take up to two years to complete. In that time NS 4th street between Lovell and 2nd Avenues will remain closed. 00:00:25

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4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD If you've lived in the Savannah area, for decades you've heard about plans for an arena. We've heard about it for so long that many thought it would never happen. This year, Savannah's dreams came true when the Enmarket arena opened its doors. February 5th, life changed in the hostess city when the Enmarket Arena opened for the first time. SOT Mayor Van Johnson. City of Savannah "We want them to enjoy it. We want them to experience it and as evidenced by the crowds, folks are all over the place loving on their new arena." "Today is the accumulation of a lot of hard work, first the city getting it built and getting the funding, and to see it come to fruition is just amazing." Since opening 10 months ago, more than 250,000 seats have been sold to more than 100 events. 12 concerts have sold out and Savannah's first professional hockey team, the ghost pirates, has sold out 10 games." "There are no words to state about how the community has come out and enjoyed all the great entertainment that we have brought to Savannah. We have touched almost everything possible as far as entertainment to come to market. " Jones says they're looking forward to bringing even bigger performances in 2023. They're predicting another sellout crowd when one of the best selling music artists of all time- Janet Jackson takes the stage on April 21st! The sports world changed for Savannah in 2022. A new professional hockey team and the announcement of a world tour for the city's baseball league. A look at the accomplishments so far and what's ahead for both franchises.

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After two years, St. Patrick's Day Festivities came back in full force in Savannah -- but with some changes. Streets were once again flooded with green for the parade and festival. Our Tim Guidera shows us the Irish traditions that returned to the hostess city. Before the 2022 Savannah St. Patrick's Day Parade could step off, it had to step forward - past an uncertainty that had kept it away the previous two years. "Two years without that parade for this city is a big deal. I knew what I needed to do was talk to people in the city and make sure we were very up front about what needed to happen for us to have that parade. The Parade Committee brought Savannah's signature event back to the streets, back to the city - and back as close to normal as possible - this March. Putting on the a post-Covid parade that finally started to indicate the pandemic was in the past. "That sadness went away pretty quick this past year. It was nice to see that excitement in people's eyes and smiles on faces. "There were so many families and their friends all celebrating. It was kind of like an intro back into normal life." "We had a challenge, but we're a professional organization and a we're proud of what we put on. And Savannah's pride was seen along the parade route - perhaps even more evident this year because of what had been absent the two previous years. "I remember I raised my hands and started yelling to the crowd "we're back" It was an exciting year for Savannah as the Enmarket Arena officially opened its doors. We're taking a look at what the largest public works project in the city's history has

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CITY MARKET NEW 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD **OWNER** 

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New owners took over the area in downtown Savannah in March. Since then, they say they have been working to improve safety. WTOC spoke with the owners today. They say they are working towards implementing gradual changes such as closing the area by midnight. They say they also want to move away from liquor-only businesses and make the area more family friendly. Our Camille Syed is talking to local shops in the area about how it will impact them. She'll have that story coming up on The News at 5:30.

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BO: FUTURE Pooler still has some areas of development that are up in the air. Leaders are working to DEVELOPM determine what businesses will be going into the Mosaic Retail Center. One of the **ENTS** proposals on the table--Bigshots Golf. City Council approved the first step. The next step is

12/28/2022 **BIGSHOTS** to go to the planning and zoning committee. Council says that's expected to happen next

5:53:00 PM 6PM OD **GOLF** month. WTOC will continue to keep you updated on any new developments.

(sot) Georgia D.O.T. closed the bridge in January for contractors to replace it in what was supposed to be a six month project. (vo) Ogeechee Road just outside Sylvania reopened this week with the bridge finally finished. One neighbor says they've watched and waited. (sot) We'd walk down here once a week or so just to check. Sometimes it seemed like it was crawling along or not progress at all. (vo) Contractors worked through supply chain challenges for materials as those who use the road dealt with a detour that cost them time and money. (sot) It's a 20 minute difference for me every time I go to town. Another way to look at is 14 miles round trip. That's a gallon of gas every time. (vo) The project was supposed to be finished in July. The state granted the contractors one extension before CO. BRIDGE cutting back on the \$1.7 million price tag. (sot) In Screven County, Dal Cannady WTOC news.?

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## DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

## TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY OCTOBER 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022

## **CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

## **FACE THE NATION**

10/02/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Senator Rick Scott (R-FL) (2); Deanne Criswell, administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (3); Kevin Anderson, mayor, Fort Myers, FL (4); Ben Tracy, CBS News senior national and environmental correspondent (5); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (6); Lt. Gen. H.R. McMaster (retired), former national security adviser, Trump administration, CBS News contributor (7); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (8) Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (9) 7) Topics include: Ukraine's progress against Russia / response should Russia use a nuclear weapon in Ukraine; handling of classified information in the Trump White House; call to lift restrictions on the U.S. support provided to Ukraine

10/09/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1); Kari Lake, gubernatorial candidate (R-AZ) (2); Katie Hobbs, Arizona secretary of state, gubernatorial candidate (D-AZ) (3); Scott MacFarlane, CBS News congressional correspondent (4) (5); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (5); Peter Baker, chief White House correspondent, *The New York Times*, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Susan Glasser, staff writer, *The New Yorker*, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Mohamed El-Erian, chief economic adviser, Allianz, president, Queens College, Cambridge University (7)

**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent 3) Topics include: immigration / border security;

- 4) a report on the trial against Stewart Rhodes, founder of the far-right Oath Keepers group, who along with four co-defendants, is standing trial for seditious conspiracy
- 6) a report from Kryvih Rih, Ukraine, as Russia launches deadly strikes in Ukraine after battlefield setbacks

10/16/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1); Pete Buttigieg, secretary of transportation, Biden administration (2); Betsey Stevenson, professor, University of Michigan, former chief economist, United States Department of Labor, Obama administration (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Oksana Markarova, Ukraine's ambassador to the United States (5); Rachael Bade, "Politico", author, Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump (6); Karoun Demirjian, "The Washington Post", author, Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump (6); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (7) 4) a report from Dnipro, Ukraine on the battering of civilians in front line cities by Russian missiles over the past week

5) Topics include: holdup in the delivery of American air defense systems; Friday's speech from President Putin; Elon Musk and the Starlink internet service; nuclear threat from Russia / global response

10/23/22

Guests: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (1); Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Speaker of the House of Representatives (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (3); Christopher Krebs, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", "Pivot" (4); Amos Hochstein, special presidential coordinator, Biden administration (6); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (8)

**Correspondent:** Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (5) 7) a report from Petrykivka, Ukraine on the latest on the war as it enters its eighth month

8) a report from Constanta, Romania on the thousands of U.S. troops who are stationed in countries bordering Ukraine

11/13/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (2); Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR), author, *Only the Strong: Reversing the Left's Plot to Sabotage American Power* (3); Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (4); Anita Dunn, senior adviser, President Biden (5); Ashley Etienne, CBS News political contributor, former aide, Vice President Kamala Harris, former aide, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (6); Joel Payne, Democratic strategist, CBS News political contributor (6); Leslie Sanchez, Republican strategist, CBS News political analyst (6); Brendan Buck, former top aide, former House Speaker Paul Ryan, former top aide, former House Speaker John Boehner (6) Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (7) 7) thanking those in the military for their service and sacrifice

11/27/22

- **Guests:** Dr. Antony Fauci, chief medical adviser, Biden administration (1) (4); Representative James Clyburn (D-SC), House Majority Whip (2); Jeh Johnson, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, Obama administration (3); Michael Chertoff, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, George W. Bush administration (3); Governor Jared Polis (D-CO) (5); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (6)
- 3) Topics include: migrants at the southern border / asylum laws; vow from Republicans to impeach the current Homeland Security secretary6) a report from Kyiv, as Russia tries to weaponize winter and freeze Ukraine's momentum

12/04/22

- **Guests:** Antony Blinken, U.S. secretary of state, Biden administration (1); Representative Mike Turner (R-OH), ranking member, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (2); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (3); Representative Pete Aguilar (D-CA); Eric Holder, former attorney general, Obama administration, author, "Our Unfinished March", chairman, National Democratic Redistricting Committee (5); Brian Moynihan, CEO, chairman of the board, Bank of America (6)
- 1) Topics include: Iran's decision to abolish the morality police; COVID lockdown protests in China; diplomacy with Russia / continuing engagement with Russia over the release of Brittney Griner and Paul Whelan; commitment to continue to

work with Israeli governments of every kind

2) Topics include: bipartisan support for Ukraine; B-21 Raider, the first U.S. nuclear stealth bomber aircraft in more than 30 years / alarming pace of China's nuclear development;

12/11/22

**Guests:** Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA), chair, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, majority committee member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jamie Dimon, CEO, J.P. Morgan Chase (2) (5); Bahareh Shargi, wife of Emad Shargi (3); Ariana Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Hannah Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Fiona Hill, former National Security Council senior director for European and Russian affairs (4); Christopher Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4);

- 1) Topics include: Brittney Griner-Viktor Bout prisoner exchange / considerations to take before traveling to certain regions; meetings between U.S. and Russian heads of intelligence;
- 3) an interview with the family of Emad Shargi, an American held in Iran since 2018
- 4) Topics include: prisoner exchange of Brittney Griner and Viktor Bout / American citizens being taken by other countries for political purposes; attempted coup in Germany by people linked to QAnon; domestic terrorism against the United States' critical infrastructure / political stability in the U.S.

12/18/22

**Guests:** Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (1); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (2); Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX) (3); Keisha Lance Bottoms, White House senior adviser for public engagement, Biden administration (4); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (6); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (7)

- 1) Topics include: his letter to President Biden about Title 42, a pandemic-era policy concerning migrants, set to end Wednesday; Republican vow to impeach Ali Mayorkas, the homeland security secretary; / immigration reform;
- 2) Topics include: "dire situation" in El Paso, ahead of the end of Title 42 / steps needed from the Biden administration; Republican vow to impeach the homeland security secretary
- 3) Topics include: low morale amongst Border Patrol agents / concern over the Biden administration's plan for addressing the end of Title 42 / pledge to work on bipartisan legislation / call for President Biden to visit the southern border
- 4) Topics include: Biden administration's plans for the end of Title 42 / need for comprehensive immigration reform / President Biden's non-visit to the border
- 6) Topics include: Title 42
- 7) a report from Bucha, Ukraine on how life is desperate in liberated Kherson as war in Ukraine passes its 300th day

12/25/22

**Guests:** Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jeff Pegues, CBS News chief national affairs and justice correspondent (2); Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent (2); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (2); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (2); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (2)

Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (3)

- 2) annual CBS News correspondents year-end roundtable topics include: war in Ukraine; rising tensions between China and Taiwan; f
- 3) Reporter's notebook: Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's surprise trip to Washington, DC last week and the resilience of the people of Ukraine amid the hardships of war

#### **60 MINUTES**

10/02/22

60 MINUTES (7:53 – 8:53p)

An update on the war in Ukraine, following Russian President Vladimir Putin's announcement on Friday that he is annexing about 20% of Ukraine. (C: Scott Pelley)

"Olena Zelenska" – an interview with First Lady Olena Zelenska in Kyiv. The Ukrainian first lady details her diplomatic efforts, the Russian invasion and the future of Ukraine. Includes interviews with Inna Levchenko, Valentyna Vasylchenko and Nataliia Horbach, who all took shelter in a Ukrainian school during bombings. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Kristin Steve, Nicole Young)

10/09/22

"Taiwan" – a report on Taiwan. As the nation prepares for a possible Chinese invasion, tensions continue to rise. Includes interviews with Admiral Lee Hsi-min, former head of Taiwan's armed forces; Wang Ting-yu, a parliamentarian from southern Taiwan; Morris Chang, TSMC's founder; Jack Yao, a Taipei coffee vendor; and Enoch Wu, a former special forces soldier. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On, Jacqueline Williams)

10/16/22

60 MINUTES (7:41 – 8:41p)

"The Lost Souls of Bucha" – a report on the Ukrainian town of Bucha. With many having lost their homes and families, the community is attempting to cope with the effects of war. Includes interviews with Dmytro Kozyarevich, Serhii Kaplychnyi, Serhii Matiuk, Vladyslav Minchenko, Elena Rubailo and Oleksandr Chikmariov, all residents of Bucha; and Father Andriy Halavin, the priest of St. Andrew's. (See also: "President Zelenskyy", OAD: 04/10/22) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Maria Gavrilovic, Alex Ortiz)

11/06/22

60 MNUTES (7:34 – 8:34p)

"Buses From The Border" – a report on New York City's handling of the large influx of migrants from Central and South America. Includes interviews with Ledys Gomez, Edward and Maria, Cesar Romborges, migrants who all crossed the border; Theresa Cardinal Brown, managing director at the Bipartisan Policy Center; Natalia Russo, the principal of P.S. 145; and Eric Adams, Mayor of New York City. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Andy Court)

11/13/22

"The Paper Brigade" – a report on the resistance group known as "The Paper Brigade." As a fight against the Holocaust, this team of Lithuanians risked death by smuggling artwork, books, and other cultural artifacts to hide from Nazi forces. Includes interviews with Jonathan Brent, executive director of the YIVO Institute; Hadas Kalderon, granddaughter of Avrom Sutzkever, one of the leaders of The Paper Brigade; Mindaugas Kvietkauskas Vilnius University Professor and Lithuania's minister of culture; and Stefanie Halpern, YIVO's director of archives in New York. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Julie Holstein)

11/20/22

60 MINUTES (7:48 – 8:48p)

"The Most Dangerous Place In The World" – an interview with Rafael Mariano Grossi. As director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), he is attempting to reach an agreement between Russia and Ukraine to protect Europe's largest nuclear power plant. Includes an interview with Andriy Tuz, a plant spokesman who fled Ukraine after working four months under Russian occupation. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On)

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"The Treasury Secretary" – an interview with Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen. She discusses the war in Ukraine, inflation, and the possibility of an upcoming recession. Includes an interview with Wally Adeyemo, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury. (C: Norah O'Donnell – P: Keith Sharman)

12/18/22

60 MINUTES (7:36 - 8:36p)

"Convoy Of Life" – a report on Russian attacks on Ukrainian hospitals and its effect on children with cancer. Includes interview with Roksolana Semeraz, Zhasmin Alkadi, refugees; Dr. Lesia Lysytsia, who specializes in eye cancer; and Dr. Marta Salek, of St. Jude who helped organize the triage center in Poland. (Includes footage from Scott Pelley's September 2022 interview with Ukraine's First Lady, Olena Zelenska.) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Kristin Steve, Nicole Young)

#### **CBS SPECIAL NEWS REPORT**

On **Thursday**, **December 8**, a CBS News Special Report (Brittney Griner's release from Russian prison) aired for 12:52 from 8:02:10-8:15:02am cnyt, live to all stations. In addition, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden's remarks about Brittney Griner release from Russia in prisoner swap) aired for 15:06 from 8:37:57-8:53:03am cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Wednesday, December 21**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden joint press conference with President Zelensky of Ukraine) aired for 43:44 from 4:42:56-5:26:40pm cnyt, live to all stations. In addition, a CBS News Special Report (President Zelensky addresses a Joint Session of Congress) aired for 35:39 from 7:30:00-8:05:39pm cnyt, live to all stations.

#### **INVESTIGATE TV**

10/9/22 EPISODE 4, SEASON 2

InvestigateTV - InvestigateTV looks at HOW military housing at Fort Gordon is making service members' families sick.

10/23/22 EPISODE 6, SEASON 2

Consumer Investigator Caresse Jackman investigates over 250,000 consumer complaints from service members, military families and veterans about inaccurate information on their credit reports.

ISSUE 16--OUR MILITARY FIGHTING THE WAR ON TERRORISM. HAPPENINGS AT FORT STEWART, PARIS ISLAND AND HUNTER, SOLDIERS, FORT STEWART BRIGADE DEPLOYMENT, ARMY HOUSING PROBLEMS INCLUDING MOLD, NEW MILITARY CLINIC, SENATOR OSSOFF HOPING TO SECURE FUNDING FOR CLEANUP EFFORTS AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS THAT HAVE HARMFUL FOREVER CHEMICALS, FORT STEWART SOLDIER STABBING GUILTY PLEA,

SOURCE: MILITARY OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, ETC.

Third Infantry Division's First Brigade Combat Team deployed to Europe for training in early 2022 in a rapid response to military tensions here. The division deployed more than 3,000 troops in a week's time. Commanders credited soldiers, as well as families, and civilian personnel for making this happen on the heels of the brigade's deployment to Korea. Today, they

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symbolically uncased the brigade flags to mark their return.

10/13/2022 STEWART 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD BRIGADE

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LL INTRO: Army leaders say they're paying special attention to the problem of mold here in the barracks at Fort Stewart. The Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army was here touring rooms to see the problem for himself. TAKE PKG WTOC got a look inside at what many of the barracks across Fort Stewart look like. Peter Hoffman... the area representative of the Army Secretary... says seeing the current mold conditions... highlights the work that needs to be done. "Walking through the barracks, it's clear that we've probably underinvested in our barracks over a long period of time. That's being addressed. Over the coming years, there's going to be a lot more investment, significant investment, in fixing the barracks." Many of these buildings were built the 1970s... older buildings, combined with the climate of coastal Georgia, lead to the continued spread of mold, maintenance teams say. "Here in the spring and the summer, we have an average relative humidity around 80 percent, so it propagates very quickly." Which is often worsened when the room is left unoccupied, like when soldiers are deployed or take leave. "When we deployed the year before last, there was a lot of mold when we came back, because they were unoccupied for so long." Of around 5,700 rooms on the military installation, 906 have had their mold problems addressed to date. There are still 152 rooms with open work orders related to mold issues. Leaders say it's part of a larger plan. "Renovation for them is going to happen over the course of 10 years, all of these will be renovated. Plus, in addition to that, we're also pursuing funding and resources to also build new barracks as we move forward with this over the course of time." Hoffman says he'll report what he

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saw today to the U.S. Army Secretary. On Fort Stewart, HB WTOC NEWS. 00:01:46

LL INTRO: The 2nd Armored Brigade here at Fort Stewart is now the most modernized unit in the entire Army and it's thanks to new equipment like the tank behind me here. \* This... is one of the many tanks and fighting vehicles... that helps put Fort Stewart at the top of the list... when it comes to having the most up-to-date equipment. Military leaders say it makes all the difference for their soldiers. "When they do eventually, if they ever go to battle, they know they've got the most lethal, most accurate, most reliable equipment possible." The 2nd Armored Brigade recently completed its final training on one of the newer tanks... concluding a modernization process... that began last spring. Lt. Col. Perkins says modernizing also helps keep costs down. "Now, they've integrated replaceable parts. So, instead of having to replace an entire unit, you can open it up and replace a card or a chip for \$20-30. That saves the taxpayers a lot of money. An investment up front by the army, but over the lifetime of those weapons systems, will save the taxpayers money." Those who use the equipment say... it gives them an added layer of security on the battlefield. "As a unit as a whole that's operating these tanks, it makes us more lethal. It makes us more efficient as far as knowing what we have, and what the capabilities are." A commitment

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**NEW ARMY** GY

TECHNOLO to staying modern... in training... and in combat. On Fort Stewart, HB WTOC NEWS.

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This year, as many Fort Stewart soldiers returned from deployment overseas, they came back to moldy rooms in their barracks. It has been an ongoing issue on the military installation. And now, we're getting a better idea of how widespread the issue is. Of around 57-hundred rooms on the military installation, workers have addressed mold problems in 906 rooms . There are still 152 rooms with open work orders related to mold. The Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army toured the rooms yesterday to see the conditions for himself.

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LL This is the 22nd clinic that the Cohen Veterans Network with Aspire Health Partners has, but it's the only one in the state of Georgia. Veterans, active-duty service members and military families make up a large part of Hinesville's population, so that's why it's here. VO Since they opened their doors, Belinda Sharp the Clinic Director says they've been busy. The clinic offers services like individual, family and couples counseling. There's case management as well to provide employment, housing, and educational services. Sharp says they even have same-day service if someone is in a crisis. Sharp says when someone serves everyone around them does too. SOT "One unique thing is that the military member can define who family is for them. For some people their neighbor is their battle buddy or their best friend, so it's not always a blood relation that is their family member or their support person and we're going to offer care to them too." LLTAG All of the services they offer are also available through telehealth. Sharp says there are no barriers to care, so for example if you don't have insurance they will work with you. Their doors are always open. In Hinesville, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

MARIAH: NEW **MILITARY** FAMILY

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"Going in and seeing the mold situation within a lot of these rooms was a big eye opening for me along with everybody else on the mold team." "We've gone through it, but to sustain where we're at now and to get a better handle of the mold issues we have at Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield is very important." This year many Fort Stewart soldiers came back from deployment to moldy rooms. Officials say about 50% of the soldiers here live in barracks. WTOC took a tour of the rooms on October 21. At that point there were still more than 150 rooms with open work orders related to mold. "As of this morning there were 71." Bill McGovern is the Director of Public Works at Fort Stewart. He says this mold remediation training, by The Environmental Institute, is overwhelmingly important. "There's a level of responsibility that's going to be imposed on them when they leave this course. They need to be able to have that authority to sit there and make decisions out in the field and recognize how to do the research." They're learning everything from ... what mold is to identifying it to preventing it. "How to build containments, what proper PPE to be wearing during different types of level mold cleanups, what proper products to use." Staff Sergeant Anthony Perez says it's his duty to make sure his soldiers are always safe when they're away from home. "This class for us leaders is going to be beneficial where we can go ahead and give them the information that we learned where they can assist themselves or if not we go ahead and take care of the situation alongside of them." Once they're done taking the course ... "They'll be going out and doing most of the investigating if soldiers report issues. They'll go in there and remediate the level 1s and the small level 2s. The main mold team that we have for DPW will be focused more on the heavier level 2s and all the level 3s." "We're here to go ahead and assist." This course is three days long. Once it wraps up they will take a 100question test. If they pass they will be certified as mold inspectors and remediators. At Fort Stewart, I'm Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

FT. **STEWART** MOLD **MEDIATION** 

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The Savannah Air National Guard Base has been confirmed as a contamination site for PFAS (pee-fahs), known as forever chemicals. Senator Jon Ossoff says it's hard to tell how widespread the issue is, due to lack of testing... He's hoping to secure more funding for cleanup efforts and testing in the National Defense Budget to change that. "It is of great concern that military service members, their families, and veterans who have served at installations where there is possible contamination may have been exposed to these toxic chemicals but may not have access to testing to know. We want to make sure that testing is available." Ossoff says PFAS contamination is commonly found on U.S. military installations... and has been linked to cancer, thyroid disease and other health problems. He also says this push to address the issue is a bipartisan effort. "This push is about making sure that the legislation that we pass puts the necessary pressure on the Department of Defense to clean up contamination that may be impacting military family's health. Senator Ossoff says this is a priority for him... as the Senate continues to make decisions on defense spending. In Sav, HB WTOC NEWS.

OSSOFF **MILITARY** 

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STEWART **STABBING GUILTY** 

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Specialist Austin Hawk's body was found with over 40 stab wounds in his Fort Stewart barracks room in June 2020. According the Justice Department - Jordan Brown now awaits sentencing after pleading guilty to several charges. The department says under his plea deal Brown between 16 and half to 20 years in prison. Brown's co-defendant, Byron Booker, also awaits sentencing after previously pleading guilty to separate charges in the case. According to his plea deal - Booker faces a mandatory minimum sentence of life in prison.

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Right now--- Law enforcement officers are investigating a shooting that killed a soldier. Fort Stewart officials say it happened this morning at the Second Armored Brigade Combat Team Complex. We're told one person is in custody. The victim is not yet being named until the family is notified. The Second Brigade complex was briefly locked down during the incident. Fort

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Specialist Shay Wilson is charged with murder in Hillman's death. Both soldiers are part of the 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team of the 3rd Infantry Division. Fort Stewart officials say Wilson shot Hillman once with a privately owned weapon. Base leaders say Wilson was "quickly subdued"

12/16/2022 SHOOTING by other soldiers. The army says the shooting remains under investigation. 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD ARREST No more information will be released until their investigation is done.

ISSUE 17: HOW THE MILITARY IS HONORED AND REMEMBERED. 3RD ID WWII SILVER STAR AWARD, HONORING A 100 YEAR OLD WWII VET, HINESVILLE VA CLINIC RENAMED AFTER VIETNAM VETS, VETERAN'S DAY PARADES, TUNNEL TO TOWERS 5K RUN, BUDDYWATCH HELPING HOMELESS VETERANS IN MIDWAY, BC GANNAM DAY REMEMBRANCE, LIBERTY CO. BOE HELPING STUDENTS OF SOLDIERS WITH GIFTS SOURCE: VETERAN ORGS,, ETC

"He knew he had to take action in order to take care of his soldiers. So he jumped off an German abandoned tank, grabbed a machine gun and suppressed the generals in the house. While he was doing this, a German 3RD ID WWII snuck up behind him and threw a grenade behind him...he fired a machine gun and didn't stop." The 107-year-old veteran was drafted into the Army

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(sot) One resident here at Bethany proves the old saying "you're only as old as you feel". (vo) At 102 years of age, Mr. Eule Akins stepped out of the antique Packard automobile ready for a party. His daughter and everyone else dressed for a Roaring 20's themed party to mark the occassion. Loved ones from five generations of the family sent their love and best wishes. They say it's a blessing to have him still around to lead five generations of the family. They sprung the party on him last minute. (sot) At first, he wasn't excited. He just wanted to sit in his chair. But as he sees people and visits

LOCAL WWII with them, he's excited now. (vo) (applause) Akins served with the 10th VETERAN Mountain Division in World War II and was inducted into the division's Hall TURNS 100 of Fame in 2019. (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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"It was really a very good experience, and what I do now here and at the Museum of Flight in Seattle is to try to tell people what a wonderful outfit the Eighth Air Force was, that we changed Hitler's strategy from offense to defense. We didn't win the war, but we made it a lot easier for our own troops, and the Russians, to do it." Nelms was awarded the Distinguished Flying Across, the Air Medal, the Presidential Unit Citation and the European Theater Ribbon...among other awards for his service during World War Two.

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The Hinesville VA Clinic is now one step closer to holding the names of four area Vietnam veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice. This... is more than friends meeting for breakfast... Bruce McCartney, Donald Singleton, and Brenda Acebes... all have ties to the Vietnam War... and know how important it is... to remember those who were lost. "It means so much for their families to see that they're not forgotten. Their sacrifice, the family's sacrifice is the really important thing here. These soldiers were ordered to combat, they went, and they didn't come home." The three are leading a group that's looking to name the clinic after John Gibson, Dan James, Billy Sapp, and Frankie Lee Smiley... all Vietnam veterans killed in combat... all with ties to Liberty County. "I'm hoping when people see that, it'll bring to their attention that these guys died for this country. And they lived for this country" They've spent nearly a year... obtaining proclamations of support like this one... from area city councils, including Hinesville, Midway, and Riceboro. However, it takes the approval of Congress to officially rename the clinic. They've since been able to pass along their proclamations... in a meeting with Representative Buddy Carter.... "I have my sight set on getting this VA clinic renamed before the end of this Congress. These men gave their all in defense of our freedoms; the least we can do is get them the recognition they deserve. While it's very rare for a federal building to be named after four people, we are ready to blaze the trail and make it HINESVILLE happen." LL TAG: Now... the renaming is in the hands of Rep. Carter to start the process in Congress. We'll continue to track this process as it NEW NAME progresses. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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More than one hundred names are written on the monument representing Chatham County soldiers who died while serving in World War I. Armistice Day, also known as Veterans Day, marks the day World War I came to an end after four long years of fighting. Groups of Vietnam veterans, World War

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Il veterans and the Veteran of the Year, Greg Kindred, were all in attendance. The playing of TAPS and God Bless America closed out the ceremony. They say this event serves as an opportunity to remember

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Savannah's contributions to the war efforts as well.

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LL When the city started this tradition, there were only about 50 of these crosses. Now, along Victory Drive, there's 256. VO Veterans Day is a day to thank and honor all who've served ... living or deceased. The city and the Lyons Lions Club started this six years ago and they've watched as people really took to the tradition ... to the point where it's outgrown Victory Drive. It's now extended to another street across from the skate park. The city says each cross is built by volunteers who put the veteran's name on it and the branch he/she served in. It's then carefully placed in its spot for all to see when they drive or walk by. Mayor Willis NeSmith's father was a Korean War Veteran who passed away in January. June NeSmith, the mayor's mother, says she always loved this tradition and knows her late husband would be so proud that his cross now stands among all the other brave men and women. SOT "He had always said he wanted a cross of his own. He really thought this was something that kind of memorialized everybody's service."

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11/7/2022 VETERAN 4:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD CROSSES He supported them and he just loved it." LLTAG These crosses will stay up for the next two weeks. They'll be back again for Memorial Day. In Lyons, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

SOT "He would be ecstatic. He truly was a veteran. He loved the veterans.

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LL INTRO: The Hinesville Veterans Day Parade is set to kick off at the Bradwell Institute and head down General Screven Way. Organizers say they're looking forward to remembering and honoring those who have served. TAKE VO The parade heads straight down Main Street through the heart of downtown Hinesville... Organized by the East Liberty County American Legion Post 321... the tradition started back in 2006. This video from a prior parade... show how well-attended the afternoon is. Organizers say they have around 45 parade entries right now... including the 3rd Infantry Division Band. Many of the people who make this day happen are veterans themselves. "I do it because I want to share that day with my fellow vets. It's a day you can get up and say 'hey, thank you for what everybody did, not just what I've done, all veterans no matter active or what, or retired, it's 'hey, thanks for a job well done.' We don't say it enough to all of our veterans." Veterans... giving back to their fellow armed servicemen

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HINESVILLE and women. LL INTRO: Lineup for participants begins on Friday at 2 p.m., and the parade starts at 4:00. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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looking ahead - the City of Savannah's veterans day parade has been VET rescheduled. Parade organizers say its due to inclement weather from PARADE Nicole. The parade will now kick off at 9 A-M on Saturday. WTOC will have

MOVED TO coverage from the event. That will begin at 10 A-M. For details on the 11/9/2022

7:00:00 PM 7PM OD SAT parade route and time change head to our website WTOC dot com. 00:00:20 For about a decade, Tammy James has been helping veterans get the benefits they're owed. She started Voice4Vets in Hinesville. interactions with Veterans Affairs goes back even longer. A combat veteran in the Army, James went to Iraq with the 3rd ID in 2003... before a medical retirement four years later. "I noticed that the military and the VA had a gap and, with the gap, we was not getting the benefits that we've Her husband was also active duty -- when he suffered already earned." a debilitating injury in a DUI crash... and died in 2017. "He was one of those ones that I considered left behind. He needed help but he didn't know how to ask." "So I decided to learn and do the research to figure out what's the best route to take to help us get these benefits." She's written two she's interacted with thousands of veterans to help with VA claims... and currently has about 800 cases in various stages of the process. process that can take a while. "It can take anywhere from 12 months to 18 months sometimes. But, if you put the case together the correct way, getting the medical evidence, the case can go a little bit faster. It's called a Fully Developed Claim." James wants Voice4Vets to be a hub of information...

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HINESVILLE and a resource to make sure every veteran gets what their country ADVOCATIN promised. "That to me means a lot, to know that you have made that life changing decision for that veteran, because it only takes one piece of paper In Hinesville, Kyle Jordan... WTOC News. 00:01:33 sometime to help a veteran."

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Hundreds lined downtown streets for the city's annual Veterans Day Parade. Veterans groups...law enforcement...and local schools took part in the

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procession. The Old Guard Fife and Drums Corps lead the parade for the first time ever. They are one of the premiere bands in all of the military's branches. Veterans looking on say the parade is a good way to give back to those who served.

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**PARADE** 

Tunnel to Towers races generally honor victims and first responders of the September 11th attacks, but in Bluffton, it is part of Veterans Day Weekend as a way for the community to gather and show gratitude to members of our armed forces. This was the second year Bluffton has held a T2T run - and they had nearly 400 runners and dozens of volunteers at Hampton Hall Saturday morning. The Bluffton Fire Department supported the event - raising the most money among all the teams entered. All funds raised by these races help the Tunnel to Towers Foundation build custom smart homes for catastrophically injured veterans. The have built hundreds of those homes already - they also pay off mortgages for families of first

MORNING TUNNEL TO responders killed in the line of duty. Organizers in Bluffton would like their 11/14/2022 BREAK OD TOWERS 5K event to become their community's central Veterans Day celebration and 9:00:00 AM 11 14 RUN observance.

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Hampton County had their first Veterans Day Parade. Firetrucks, police cars, and military vehicles cruised through downtown Hampton, throwing candy to kids in the process. The parade, however, wasn't the end of the story. There was also a celebration in front of the Hampton County Courthouse that included guest speakers, and 38 vendors. The Jasper County Va partnered with Hampton County VA to set a new standard of veteran's appreciation in the LowCountry.

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When everyone else is with their families, eating a spread of holiday food -the Fight the war within foundation wanted to make sure those who can't still have an invite to dinner. It's what brought a couple of local servicemen "I'm a veteran of the women marine corp." and women to the Whitefield Center. "Actually my mailman is retired army and he said I'm gonna look out for you and find you places to go and people to go with" This was Bett Layfield Todd's first time meeting everyone here.... including Christopher Alvarado. "It honestly feels fantastic...it brings back memories of camradarie and being around those that know what it takes to do the job we do." Miranda Briggs who founded Fight the War Within, a nonprofit for veterans, knows holidays can be isolating "So many people can be impacted by the holidays...if you've lost a loved one and it's your first holiday without one if your family lives out of town and financially you weren't able to get with them" Mental health is the core focus of the organization...because veterans often need an outlet with everything they carry "If you're already struggling with an internal war it can be even more difficult" That's why even though he didn't realize it at first.... today was what Alvarado needed "Especially when you think back to \*pause\* being out overseas doing thanksgiving and you got thirty minutes to eat because you gotta get back to work" These veterans are thankful. For the chance to gather.... "Share my stories and hear their stories and in a way not be alone like sometimes we do in this world." "Being free in america is very important and everything we

VETERANS take for granted" And not know they don't have to be alone. In fact, the THANKSGIV foundation will have another holiday meal open to anyone who needs it ING DINNER again on Christmas Day.

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LL INTRO: This lot off of the Coastal Highway in Midway will soon be home to many veterans who need a home, according to leaders with an organization called BuddyWatch, Inc. They say it's all about giving back to people who have already given our country so much. "When we say to our soldiers, 'thank you for your service,' that's not enough. We can do better by serving them. We serve them by providing them places to live and opportunities to grow and heal." BuddyWatch, an organization formed in 2017 aimed at helping veterans near Fort Stewart... now owns this lot - just off of Highway 17. Coleman-Williams says it'll soon be home to 24 tiny homes for veterans. "If we can bring our veterans in and take care of them, one veteran to one veteran, we have reduced that population, and the money that's allocated for those services can be better used for folks who have chronic homelessness." Coleman-Williams, a licensed clinical social worker, says she also plans to offer her counseling services to tenants onsite once the homes are built. "I have been in the business of mental healthcare for over 20 years. In that capacity, I've worked with a lot of veterans. One of the things I think that helps veterans heal is to get outside of their own heads and help other veterans." The homes will look something like these models - similar to a tiny homes built in Louisiana following Hurricane Katrina. "We want to give them a permanent place to live. It will be about 800 square feet, it will have a front porch, they will all look alike, and they will be here on this property." Coleman-Williams says getting the land was an important step in the process... of providing homes for those who need it. "the goal is to let them each help each other through the hard times. And give them a nice, comfortable safe place to be outside the rest of the world, while they heal." LL TAG: Coleman-Williams says they hope to

11/18/2022 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD **MIDWAY** 

HOMELESS start construction on the homes after the start of the year. In Midway, HB VETERANS WTOC NEWS.

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\*NATS "The Rock of the Marne....a firm foundation of our nation's defense" That's the nickname of Fort Stewart's 3rd Infantry Division that just turned 105 years old. So they celebrated their birthday with a grand tradition...... \*nat pop And a bang during Twilight Tattoo "We execute it at twilight and it's centered around a daily ceremony we do around army instillations called retreat where they bring the flag down...it traditionally marks the end of the duty day so twilight tattoo" the ultimate message from Tuesday night is to remember their history....those who were called to duty and are no longer here. "There are hundreds of trees here at Warrior's Walk that line Cottrell Field where that ceremony just happened. These trees are meant to honor 3rd Infantry Division Soldier's since 2003 who have sacrificed their lives for our country. As you can see right over here the memorials at each one have a flag a stone something to remember these soldiers by" As Marne week continues, families, soldiers incoming and present are reminded of that bigger picture "History, our birthday, the camaraderie, the sacrifice and the bond that keeps us together" So they'll always take it back, to the beginning, when it all started during World War I....and keep adding to the pages in future history books so the world can remember too. "We know that this division is going to get called into action in the future. We've been a part of every major conflict in the past 100 years and we stand on the legacy of those who came before us."

**FORT STEWART TWILIGHT TATTOO** 

LL INTRO: Four entry points to Fort Stewart will now carry the names of four 3rd ID soldiers, each representing a different generation of service to the United States. Thursday morning's ceremony... unveiled replicas of the signs that will now be displayed outside of gates 2, 4, 7, and 8 on the installation. "Every morning, we drive in, and we drive out of these gates. Having these gates dedicated to someone who's contributed so much to our nation, it's a reminder every day of the oath we took." Four men - each accomplished members of the 3rd ID... honored for their dedication to their country. Sgt. Leroy Mendonca, SFC. John Marshall, Col. Lionel McGarr, and PFC. John L. Barkley – all memorialized today... with service ranging from World War I to Iraq. Family members say... it was an emotional morning. "This is a great honor. My father would have been so honored and proud that he was being recognized. The 3rd Infantry Division was very close to his heart, and he carried that all through his career." Rosa Crass... says her father, Col. Lionel McGarr who fought and was injured in World War II, never let anything stop him. "They said you're not going back to the war, he said 'I am going back, patch me up and get me back to my unit.' He was trained for that, he felt very strongly about it." She hopes that her father's legacy... will continue to inspire others. "I hope that it gives people who come through and read it, that they receive a lot of encouragement in their lives no matter what you do, you push forward." LL TAG: The four dedications today now make for seven gates on the installation that carry the names of soldiers. On

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Military families gathered at Trent field in front of Fort Stewart for a military christmas. There was plenty to see, with a snowball fight section, an obstacle course, and arts and crafts. They also reminded everyone of their roots with helicopters and tanks on display throughout the area. The evening was highlighted by the lighting of the installations Christmas tree

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**MILITARY** 

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CHRISTMAS and a visit from Santa -- plus his favorite helper.

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"To have such a personal connection of this school with those that died in World War II...with the 30 names we read and specifically calling this Gannam Day when everyone else calls it Pearl Harbor Day, and then you heard the messages in our ceremony today are just phenomenal to hopefully instill in this next generation a sense of purpose and a sense of recognition of - that the freedoms and liberties that they enjoy are not free." Gannam was awarded the Purple Heart, the World War Two Victory medal

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and more after his death. Our thoughts are with our Savannah military and all those who are remembering loved ones today.

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LL INTRO: This room at the Liberty County Board of Education is full of presents ready to go to students in the area, and it's all thanks to a partnership with Fort Stewart. Soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division... lined up at the school board office... and today's mission? Spreading holiday cheer. "It feels good. It's very heartwarming. It's a selfless act that we do to give back to communities that support us here at Fort Stewart." This toy drive.... Serving 63 families and 167 children according to leaders with the school system. "A lot of our families we're working with through this program. they've lost housing, they may have even lost a job, it makes it very difficult for them to just get the basic things, the food, the toys, everything that makes Christmas enjoyable." The soldiers help collect the presents for students. Fort Stewart leaders say this day is equally as rewarding for them. "It allows them to see who we are, put a name to a face, and it allows us to see what support and how much of an impact we're doing for the community outside of Fort Stewart, Georgia." Parents... say this makes all the difference for their holiday season. "It means a lot. They really do a good job, it means a lot. I've been in the program three years now." LL TAG: This is the fourth year of the program, and organizers say they'll start prepping for next year's toy drive pretty soon. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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highlighted by the lighting of the installations Christmas tree and a visit from

4:30AM **VERY** 12/7/2022 DAYBREAK **MILITARY** 4:30:00 AM CHRISTMAS Santa -- plus his favorite helper.

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LL INTRO: The Briggs family now has a new home for the holidays... Today's presentation – included yet another special surprise for the family. Friends and family lined the street of the Briggs' new neighborhood... welcoming them to their new home. "This is such a wave of emotions, it hasn't really settled in that this is real. It's so immense that this is actually happening." Miranda and Essex were shown just the foundation of the home in October. Today - they opened their new front door... to find it fully furnished as well. "This is just so far above and beyond. It's a parity to this community, though. Everyone helps one another and goes above and beyond." Briggs' husband, Garrett, served as a U.S. Army Ranger. He succumbed to his PTSD-related depression in 2018. His pictures... now lining the walls of their new home. "Garrett and I had really dreamed, like every new parent, of giving your kid the world and what you didn't have. Being homeowners was part of our dream." It's all made possible by a partnership between Lennar, a home construction company, and Operation Finally Home, a national non-profit that provides mortgage-free homes to veterans, first responders and their families. "Particularly this time of year with what Miranda and Essex have gone through over the past several years, being able to see that now Christmas has a different meaning for them than what it was in the past, we couldn't have picked a better time to do this for a more deserving family." Miranda has worked hard to give back to the community by starting her own non-profit, Fight The War Within, to connect people to mental health services. Now the community... is giving back to her. "You see things like this on HGTV and you read stories. But EFFINGHAM something here in this community happening, then to our family, I wish I had

EFFINGHAM something here in this community happening, then to our family, I wish I had VET WIDOW a word for this, I normally have better words for this, but I'm speechless." A

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new home for the holidays... a dream come true for this family. In Effingham County, HB WTOC NEWS.

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"There is some amazing art in this room, I really love the colors" This is Joanne Robinson James. She is one of the many community artists that are being showcased in the Jepson Center's new exhibit "Making Marks." "I love creating, so anything that's creative I do" Joanne's passion for art goes back almost 10 years. "I feel like art really allows you to free yourself" Back in 2019, Joanne suffered a stroke. Since then, she says art has become a big part of her healing. Along this wall are pieces created by Joanne's classmates at the speech and hearing center, each telling their own story with every color and shape. "Reminded me of where I used to live for 30 years" "The woods, the colors that I saw, and we could see the sun going down" The exhibit goes far past this wall. Just around the corner is a room filled with deep-rooted stories, created by those who were willing to sacrifice their lives for the safety of others. Kenneth Martin works closely with vets whose marks are all over this exhibit. "They were suffering from PTSD, suicide, the whole nine yards, but art has a way of pulling you from that into a whole different world." "The major challenge is them not being intimidated with paint and how i get past that is I say 'look you've been through bootcamp, if you've been through bootcamp you can break that fear." Each painting in this room represents someone's fear crashing to the ground and beauty being created in its place. "One person didn't even know that yellow and blue made green. That was over 9 years ago and now he's in California in art exhibits." Martin tells me he hopes this exhibit will bring people together and let them know that there are healthy ways to cope when you're struggling. "If you aren't exposed, you don't know. Exposure in this community Telfair allows people to get out of their comfort zone and be exposed to creativity."

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ISSUE 18: HOW THE GOVERNMENT IS PROTECTING OUR NATIONAL SECURITY IN THE UNITED STATES AND AMERICAN CITIZENS IN OTHER COUNTRIES. SAVANNAH MAN CHARGED IN JAN 6TH RIOT.

SOURCE: PRESIDENT BIDEN, DEPT. OF HOMELAND SECURITY, TSA, NSA, FAA, ETC

SAV MAN CHARGED IN JAN. 6 RIOT

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A judge signed off on the criminal complaint against Box Tuesday. Federal investigators used U-S Capitol video footage, as well as countless open source posts, photographs and videos to build their case. The pictures on your screen now are from that complaint. The F-B-I says Box entered the Capitol building what appears to be three times that day. They say Box confirmed that himself in both an interview with the F-B-I and in an H-B-O documentary about the riot.

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(track 1) THE U-S SUPREME COURT HAS ORDERED THE THAT BIDEN ADMINISTRATION MUST CONTINUE TO ENFORCE THE TRUMP-ERA IMMIGRATION POLICY THAT LIMITS IMMIGRATION BECAUSE OF THE COVID PANDEMIC. (gfx) THE ORDER FROM CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN ROBERTS KEEPS TITLE-42 IN PLACE FOR NOW. THE COURT WILL HEAR ARGUMENTS ABOUT THE CASE IN FEBRUARY AND ISSUE A RULING AT A LATER DATE. (/gfx) THE WHITE HOUSE ARGUED TITLE-42 IS A PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURE - NOT AN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT MEASURE. (SOT: President Biden) "The court is not gonna decide until June apparently and in the meantime we have to enforce it. But I think it's overdue." (STANDUP: Skyler Henry/CBS News/Washington, D.C.) FIFTEEN REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS SUED TO KEEP TITLE-42 IN PLACE SAYING THE NUMBER OF MIGRANTS AT THE BORDER WOULD GO UP IF THE PROGRAM ENDED. (track 2) (gfx) MORE THAN TWO MILLION IMMIGRANTS HAVE BEEN EXPELLED SINCE TITLE-42 WAS INSTITUTED AT THE START OF THE PANDEMIC. FIVE OF THE SIX CONSERVATIVE JUSTICES SIDED WITH REPUBLICAN-LED STATES THAT SUED TO KEEP THE PROGRAM IN PLACE. JUSTICE NEIL GORSUCH WAS THE ONLY CONSERVATIVE AGAINST THE ORDER SAYING "THE CURRENT BORDER CRISIS IS NOT A COVID CRISIS." (/gfx) MORE MIGRANTS ARE COMING TO THE SOUTHERN BORDER EVERY DAY, AND THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION ADMITTED IN A COURT FILING THAT IT EXPECTS IMMIGRATION WILL INCREASE WHEN THE PROGRAM ENDS. SKYLER HENRY, CBS NEWS, WASHINGTON.

CBS: MIGRANT TITLE 42

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## DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

# GOVERNMENT OCTOBER 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022

#### **FACE THE NATION**

10/02/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Senator Rick Scott (R-FL) (2); Deanne Criswell, administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (3); Kevin Anderson, mayor, Fort Myers, FL (4); Ben Tracy, CBS News senior national and environmental correspondent (5); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (6); Lt. Gen. H.R. McMaster (retired), former national security adviser, Trump administration, CBS News contributor (7); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (8) Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (9)

- 2) Topics include: political divisions in the United States
- 3) Topics include: FEMA's focus on Florida /reaction to comments made by Vice President Harris, and Senator Scott's mischaracterization of them, regarding FEMA /
- 6) Topics include: ability to carry out the midterm elections after a hurricane / threats to election security ahead of the 2022 midterms / insider risk to U.S. elections / need to protect election workers
- 8) a preview of the new Supreme Court term, which starts Monday

10/09/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1); Kari Lake, gubernatorial candidate (R-AZ) (2); Katie Hobbs, Arizona secretary of state, gubernatorial candidate (D-AZ) (3); Scott MacFarlane, CBS News congressional correspondent (4) (5); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (5); Peter Baker, chief White House correspondent, *The New York Times*, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Susan Glasser, staff writer, *The New Yorker*, co-author, The Divider: Trump in the White House, 2017-2021 (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Mohamed El-Erian, chief economic adviser, Allianz, president, Queens College, Cambridge University (7)

**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent 1) Topics include: CBS Battleground Tracker poll results for Senate races in Wisconsin and Arizona / effect of denying or questioning the 2020 election 2) Topics include: immigration / border security; abortion rights; threats against election workers / 2020 election / election integrity

3) Topics include: why she won't agree to debate her opponent Kari Lake;; abortion rights; commitment to speaking directly with Arizona voters 5) Topics include: Kari Lake's use of the Trump playbook / impact of former President Trump's brand of politics on the 2022 mid-term elections / Trump-preferred candidate Herschel Walker / potential threats against members of Congress / role of election denialism in the Republican Party and its impact on the structure of American politics / questions raised in The Divider

10/16/22

Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (1); Pete Buttigieg, secretary of transportation, Biden administration (2); Betsey Stevenson, professor, University of Michigan, former chief economist, United States Department of Labor, Obama administration (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Oksana Markarova, Ukraine's ambassador to the United States (5); Rachael Bade, "Politico", author, Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump (6); Karoun Demirjian, "The Washington Post", author,

<u>Unchecked: The Untold Story Behind Congress' Botched Impeachments of Donald Trump</u> (6); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (7) 1) analysis of CBS News Battleground Tracker poll results, which indicate the Republicans are still favored to capture the House of Representatives and the factors impacting momentum for Democrats

- 6) Topics include: challenging preconceived notions about the Trump impeachments / reluctance of Democratic leadership to impeach Trump the night of January 6<sup>th</sup> / corrective actions taken by the January 6<sup>th</sup> committee / recently released videos taken behind-the-scenes with congressional leaders on January 6<sup>th</sup>
- 7) a report from Athens, GA on Friday's debate between GOP challenger Herschel Walker and Democratic incumbent Senator Raphael Warnock, one of this year's crucial Senate races

10/23/22

Guests: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (1); Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Speaker of the House of Representatives (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (3); Christopher Krebs, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", "Pivot" (4); Amos Hochstein, special presidential coordinator, Biden administration (6); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (8)

Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (5)

1) a report from the White House on the closing arguments from candidates in high-profile midterm races in Pennsylvania, Arizona, Ohio and Texas

2) Topics include: close midterm races to determine which Party controls the House / Democrats' focus on lowering the high cost of living amid high inflation / matters which are important to voters / Roe vs. Wade versus the economy / issues on the line should Republicans win the majority spread of false claims about a CDC vaccine mandate on the campaign trail

4) Topics include: social media companies' acceptance of ads with political misinformation in them / efforts to combat false information online / possible voter intimidation in Arizona / continuing efforts to delegitimize the 2020 election; Elon Musk's possible purchase of Twitter / lack of scrutiny regarding the ownership of social media companies / adversaries use of business icons to further their foreign policy

10/30/22

Guests: Scott MacFarlane, CBS News congressional correspondent (1); Jen Easterly, director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) (2); Representative Tom Emmer (R-MN), chairman, National Republican Congressional Committee (3); David Becker, CBS News election law contributor (4); Representative Sean Patrick Maloney (D-NY), chair, Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (5); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (6); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News CBS News elections and surveys director (7); Amy Walter, publisher, editor-in-chief, "The Cook Political Report" (8); Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (8); Nick Timiraos, chief economic correspondent, "The Wall Street Journal" (8)

- 1) a report on Friday's attack on Paul Pelosi, the 82-year-old husband of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, at their home in San Francisco
- 2) Topics include: no specific or credible threats to election infrastructure / Election Day plan for security / social media and the spread of conspiracy theories / foreign threat to U.S. elections
- 3) Topics include: attack on Paul Pelosi / CBS News poll results indicating that the majority of Republicans support private citizens patrolling ballot drop boxes and polling places / 2020 election / defense of the midterm focus on House

Speaker Pelosi, including his use of a gun in his own political advertisement

- 4) Topics include: threats against election workers / properly trained poll watching / high number of lawsuits filed before the midterm elections
- 5) Topics include: accepting midterm election results / election integrity / Democratic strategy of elevating less electable Republicans / 'soft on crime' perception of Democrats / changing perceptions and appealing to younger voters
- 6) a report from Los Angeles on what voters are saying are their top issues with just over a week to go before the midterm elections
- 7) a discussion on the findings from the latest CBS News Battleground Tracker, which shows a range of possibilities heading into election night
- 8) Topics include: issues impacting voters / political environment ahead of the midterm elections / Democrats are adjusting their messages to voters on economic issues / abortion rights

#### 11/06/22

Guests: Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News correspondent (1); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (1); Keisha Lance Bottoms, former mayor (D-Atlanta, GA), senior adviser, Biden administration (2); Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH) (3); Chris Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4); Laura Meckler, national education writer, "The Washington Post" (5); Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, board member, Pfizer (5); Emily Oster, economist, Brown University (5); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (6); Caitlin Huey-Burns, CBS News political correspondent (6)

- 1) reports from Pennsylvania, Arizona and Georgia, where hotly contested match-ups could determine control of Congress
- 2) Topics include: / Democrats' messaging problem / danger posed by election deniers
- 3) Topics include: inauguration, should he win re-election; federal response to prevent a natural gas shortage this winter; reaction to President Biden's comments on the MAGA extreme element of the Republican Party / former President Trump's anticipated election announcement; quality of Republican mid-term candidates
- 4) Topics include: undermining of the legitimacy of American elections / need for GOP leaders to speak truth to power regarding debunked election claims; concerns raised by Elon Musk's purchase of Twitter
- 5) a discussion of some of the concerns facing "Pressured Parents", who are anxious about the post-Covid era and are one of four groups of election influencers who could prove decisive in this year's midterm campaign
- 6) a discussion on the fight over abortion rights on the state level in Tuesday's midterm elections

#### 11/13/22

Guests: Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (2); Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR), author, *Only the Strong: Reversing the Left's Plot to Sabotage American Power* (3); Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (4); Anita Dunn, senior adviser, President Biden (5); Ashley Etienne, CBS News political contributor, former aide, Vice President Kamala Harris, former aide, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (6); Joel Payne, Democratic strategist, CBS News political contributor (6); Leslie Sanchez, Republican strategist, CBS News political analyst (6); Brendan Buck, former top aide, former House Speaker Paul Ryan, former top aide, former House Speaker John Boehner (6)

**Correspondent:** Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (7)

- 1) a report from Atlanta on the latest election developments
- 2) a discussion on the impact of "election influencers" and the trends that influenced the midterm election results
- 3) Topics include: GOP's showing in the midterm elections / former President Trump's position in the Republican Party / Trump's anticipated announcement that he's going to run for president in 2024 / Senate runoff election in Georgia / support for Senator Mitch McConnell retaining leadership; tomorrow's meeting between President Biden and President Xi Jinping of China / avoiding military conflict with China
- 4) Topics include: midterm election results; Trump's anticipated announcement / report for

the January 6<sup>th</sup> Committee; Electoral Count Act; 155 House Republicans in the new Congress who have raised unfounded doubts about the 2020 election / need for Republicans to decide what they're going to do about Mr. Trump; promised House Republican investigations of President Biden and the White House

- 5) Topics include: midterm election results / President Biden's pledge to work with Republicans; student debt relief; need to codify Roe vs. Wade; promised House Republican investigations of President Biden and the White House; 2024 presidential election
- 6) Political panel's assessment of the fallout from the 2022 midterm elections and a breakdown of the dynamic in Congress following the results of the 2022 midterm elections

11/20/22

Guests: Rod Rosenstein, former U.S. deputy attorney general, Trump administration (1); Mike Pence, former vice president, author, So Help Me God (2) (4); Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA), member, Committee on the Judiciary, member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (3); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, host, "On With Kara Swisher", co-host, "Pivot" (5); Scott Galloway, professor, New York University, co-host, "Pivot" (5); Karen Bass, mayor-elect, Los Angeles, CA (6) 1) Topics include: Attorney General Merrick Garland's decision to appoint a special counsel to oversee investigations of former President Trump; investigation into Hunter Biden; possible political violence / Mr. Trump's decision to not comply with the investigation / concern about the timing, related to the 2024 presidential election 2) Topics include: his experience on January 6th / view of former President Trump / refusal to testify before Congress / disappointment in the "partisan nature" of the January 6th committee; wrong message sent by executing a search warrant against a former president 3) Topics include: refusal of the vice president and the former president to comply with the January 6th investigation / special counsel to take up the events surrounding January 6th; investigation into Hunter Biden

- 4) Topics include: 2024 presidential election / 2020 presidential election / recent midterm elections; abortion rights; same-sex marriage
- 5) Topics include: Elon Musk's decision to lift the ban and put former President Trump back on Twitter;

11/27/22

- **Guests:** Dr. Antony Fauci, chief medical adviser, Biden administration (1) (4); Representative James Clyburn (D-SC), House Majority Whip (2); Jeh Johnson, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, Obama administration (3); Michael Chertoff, former U.S. secretary of homeland security, George W. Bush administration (3); Governor Jared Polis (D-CO) (5); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (6)
- 4) Topics include: continuing threat posed by COVID / House Republican calls for investigations into the origins of COVID / politicization of COVID / need for transparency with China / China's COVID policy; retirement plans

12/04/22

**Guests:** Antony Blinken, U.S. secretary of state, Biden administration (1); Representative

Mike Turner (R-OH), ranking member, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (2); Nikole Killion, CBS News congressional correspondent (3); Representative Pete Aguilar (D-CA); Eric Holder, former attorney general, Obama administration, author, "Our Unfinished March", chairman, National Democratic Redistricting Committee (5); Brian Moynihan, CEO, chairman of the board, Bank of America (6)

- 2) Topics include: damage assessment related to the documents taken to Mara-Lago by Mr. Trump / former President Trump's recent statements and the people he has been spending time with
- 3) a report from Atlanta on what's at stake in Tuesday's runoff election for the Senate in Georgia
- 4) Topics include: funding the government during a lame duck session of Congress; anticipated report from the January 6<sup>th</sup> committee / incoming Speaker Kevin McCarthy's disappointment with the January 6<sup>th</sup> committee and his desire

to appeal to MAGA extremists

- 5) Topics include: concern about an upcoming Supreme Court case over a theory that state legislatures are solely responsible for governing election procedures / his work on redistricting; holding everyone accountable for January 6<sup>th</sup> in the same way; case before the U.S. district attorney in Delaware regarding Hunter Biden
- 6) a discussion on the economy and predictions for 2023, including his expectation of a "shallow recession" over the next year

12/11/22

**Guests:** Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA), chair, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, majority committee member, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jamie Dimon, CEO, J.P. Morgan Chase (2) (5); Bahareh Shargi, wife of Emad Shargi (3); Ariana Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Hannah Shargi, daughter of Emad Shargi (3); Fiona Hill, former National Security Council senior director for European and Russian affairs (4); Christopher Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (4);

- 1) Topics include: upcoming report from the January 6<sup>th</sup> committee / possible criminal referrals to the Justice Department
- 2) Topics include: government funding deadline; China loosening its "zero COVID" policy

12/18/22

**Guests:** Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (1); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (2); Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX) (3); Keisha Lance Bottoms, White House senior adviser for public engagement, Biden administration (4); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, Pfizer board member (6); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (7)

1) Topics include: his letter to President Biden about Title 42, a pandemic-era policy concerning migrants, set to end / immigration reform;; his no intention of changing party affiliation

12/25/22

**Guests:** Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD), member, House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol (1); Jeff Pegues, CBS News chief national affairs and justice correspondent (2); Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent (2); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (2); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (2); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (2)

**Correspondent:** Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (3) 1) Topics include: final report from the House select committee investigating the January 6<sup>th</sup> attack on the U.S. Capitol / fundamental problems with the Electoral College / referrals to the Justice Department for the potential prosecution of former President Trump / ongoing dangerous rhetoric 2) annual CBS News correspondents year-end roundtable topics

include:controversial cases coming before the Supreme Court; dual investigations being carried out by the Special Counsel; Hunter Biden investigation;

## **60 MINUTES**

10/09/22

**"Church and State"** – an interview with Bart Barber. As the Southern Baptist Convention's newly elected president, he discusses the sex abuse scandal, his faith and the upcoming midterm elections. Includes an interview with Ryan Burg, an assistant professor at Eastern Illinois University and an American Baptist pastor. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Sarah Koch, Chrissy Jones)

10/23/22

**"Dominion"** – an interview with John Poulos, CEO of Dominion Voting Systems. The company has filed lawsuits against the conservative news networks that claimed Dominion interfered with the 2020 presidential election. Includes interviews with Chris Krebs, former director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency; and Lee Levine, a First Amendment attorney. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Sarah Koch)

10/30/22

"Belief in the Ballot" – a report on the upcoming midterm elections and candidates using claims of election fraud in 2020 as a key platform of their campaign. The republican party is divided by the issue, with many conservatives hoping to move on from the claims. Includes interviews with Rusty Bowers, a life-long Republican and artist who became Arizona's speaker of the House; Mark Finchem, Arizona State Representative; Mark Brnovich, Arizona's Republican attorney general; and Adrian Fontes, Finchem's Democratic opponent. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Aaron Weisz)

11/06/22

60 MNUTES (7:34 – 8:34p)

"Angry in America" – a report on social media's effect on the midterm elections. Includes interviews Tristan Harris, co-founder of the Center for Humane Technology; Jonathan Haidt, social psychologist and professor at NYU's Stern School of Business; and Monika Bickert, head of Facebook's content policy. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman)

**The Last Minute** – recalling the words of Abe Lincoln as election day approaches. (C: Jon Wertheim)

12/04/22

60 MINUTES (7:37 - 8:37p)

"The French President" – an interview with French President Emmanuel Macron, first at the Élysée Palace in Paris and then at Blair House during his state visit to Washington. He discusses the war in Ukraine, France's relations with the United States, and his state visit to Washington, D.C. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Marc Lieberman, Cassidy McDonald)

The Last Minute – French President Emmanuel Macron calls for more respect on social media. (C: Bill Whitaker)

## **CBS NEWS SPECIAL**

11/08/22

CBS NEWS: AMERICA DECIDES: CAMPAIGN '22 (8:00 – 11:00p) - ongoing live coverage and analysis of the midterm Congressional and gubernatorial election results. Includes live interviews with: (1) Governor Glenn Youngkin (R-VA) (via remote from Richmond, VA, by Norah O'Donnell, Gayle King and John Dickerson); and (2) Larry Summers, former treasury secretary, Clinton administration, former economic advisor, Obama administration (via remote from Boston, MA, by Norah O'Donnell and Gayle King). Coverage also includes live reports and analysis from political reporters at CBS Stations across the country: (1) Jim DeFede, WFOR in Miami, FL; (2) Jon Delano, KDKA in Pittsburgh, PA; and (3) Jon Keller, WBZ in Boston, MA. Correspondents: Norah O'Donnell (anchor, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Gayle

King (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); John Dickerson (CBS News Election Headquarters. Times Square): Margaret Brennan (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Ed O'Keefe (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Robert Costa, (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square): Anthony Salvanto (election projections, at the Data Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Major Garrett (election projections, at the Data Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Vladimir Duthiers (exit poll results and analysis, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Tony Dokoupil (Senator Marco Rubio election night party in Miami, FL); Nikole Killion (Herschel Walker election headquarters in Atlanta, GA); Jericka Duncan (John Fetterman election headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA); Lilia Luciano (CBS Broadcast Center, NY - with more coverage of CBS NEWS: AMERICA DECIDES - includes reporting and analysis of the tightest races across the country: New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Florida, Wisconsin): Nancy Chen (Senator Maggie Hassan election night headquarters in Manchester, NH); Scott MacFarlane (at the Democracy Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Nancy Cordes (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Kris Van Cleave (Phoenix, AZ); Jeff Pegues (at the Democracy Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Adriana Diaz (first at a Senator Ron Johnson watch party in Madison, WI, then at Johnson headquarters in Neenah, WI); Caitlin Huey-Burns (Washington, DC); and Manuel Bojorquez (Adam Laxalt headquarters in Las Vegas, NV). Contributors/Analyst: David Becker (CBS News election law contributor, co- author, 'The Big Truth: Upholding Democracy in the Age of "The Big Lie", at the Democracy Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Leslie Sanchez (CBS News political analyst, Washington, DC); Joel Payne (CBS News political contributor, Washington, DC); and Ashley Etienne (CBS News political contributor, Washington, DC).

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gubernatorial election results. Also includes brief, live coverage of Senator-elect John Fetterman addressing supporters and declaring victory. Correspondents: Norah O'Donnell (anchor, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square): Gayle King (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); John Dickerson (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Margaret Brennan (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Ed O'Keefe (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Robert Costa, (CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Anthony Salvanto (election projections, at the Data Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Major Garrett (election projections, at the Data Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Vladimir Duthiers (exit poll results and analysis, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Nikole Killion (outside of Herschel Walker election headquarters in Atlanta, GA); Jericka Duncan (John Fetterman election headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA); Lilia Luciano (CBS Broadcast Center, NY - with more coverage of CBS NEWS: AMERICA DECIDES - includes reporting and analysis of the tightest races across the country: Texas, California, Oregon); Natalie Morales (on key West Coast races, Los Angeles, CA); Scott MacFarlane (at the Democracy Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Nancy Cordes (CBS) News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Jeff Pegues (at the Democracy Desk, CBS News Election Headquarters, Times Square); Adriana Diaz (Senator Ron Johnson headquarters in Neenah, WI); Caitlin Huey-Burns (Washington, DC); and Omar Villafranca (McAllen, TX). Contributors/Analyst: David Becker

(CBS News election law contributor, co- author, 'The Big Truth: Upholding Democracy in the Age of "The Big Lie", at the Democracy Desk, CBS News

**CBS NEWS: AMERICA DECIDES: CAMPAIGN '22** (12:37 - 1:59a) -

ongoing live coverage and analysis of the midterm Congressional and

Election Headquarters, Times Square); Joel Payne (CBS News political contributor, Washington, DC); and Mick Mulvaney (CBS News political contributor, Washington, DC).

## **CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT**

In addition to the coverage on the regularly scheduled news programs related to the January 6<sup>th</sup> Capitol Assault

Hearing, CBS News provided the following live coverage:

On **Thursday, October 13**, a CBS News Special Report (Capitol Assault Hearings) aired for 2:47:41 from 1:00:00-3:47:41pm cnyt, live to all stations.

10/13/22 CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: CBS NEWS: JAN. 6<sup>TH</sup> CAPITOL ASSAULT

**HEARINGS** (1:00 - 3:48p) – initial chyron ID: Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> Committee Holds Final Hearing Before Midterm Elections - live coverage of the ninth public hearing of the Select Committee to Investigate the Attack on the United States Capitol, the House committee responsible for investigating the January 6th, 2021 attack on the U.S. Capitol by a pro-Trump mob. The focus of today's evidentiary hearing is former President Donald Trump's state of mind, his central role in the effort to overturn the 2020 election and the possibility of another January 6th if the necessary steps are not taken to prevent it. Coverage includes: (1) Opening statement from Representative and Select Committee Chairman Bennie Thompson (D-MS), who clarifies that today's hearing is actually "a formal committee business meeting", which allows members to "potentially hold a committee vote on further investigative action"; (2) Opening statement from Representative and Select Committee Vice Chairwoman Liz Cheney (R-WY); (3) Opening statement from Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA); (4) Opening statement from Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL); (5) Opening statement from Representative Elaine Luria (D-VA); (6) Opening statement from Representative Stephanie Murphy (D-FL);(7) Opening statement from Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA); (8) Correspondents' commentary and analysis while the committee is in recess; (9) Opening statement from Representative Pete Aguilar (D-CA); (10) Opening statement from Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD); (11) Statement from Representative Thompson, explaining why the committee will subpoen aMr. Trump; (12) Representative Cheney asks for the immediate consideration of a Committee resolution, with the clerk reporting the resolution; (13) Remarks and offering of a "resolution that the Committee direct the Chairman to issue a subpoena for relevant documents and testimony under oath from Donald John Trump in connection with the January 6th attack on the United States Capitol" from Representative Cheney; (14) Committee votes unanimously to subpoena former President Trump, Vice Chairwoman Cheney requesting a recorded vote, and Chairman Thompson adjourns the Committee; and (15) Correspondents' commentary and analysis. Origination: Capitol Hill. Correspondents / Consultant: Norah O'Donnell, anchor (CBS News Washington); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (CBS News Washington); John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent (CBS News Washington); Jeff Pegues, CBS News chief national

affairs and justice correspondent (CBS News Washington); Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (Capitol Hill); Scott MacFarlane, CBS News congressional correspondent (CBS News Washington); Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (Fairless Hills, PA); and A.T. Smith, former deputy director, U.S. Secret Service, CBS News consultant (no location given).

On **Wednesday, November 9**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden remarks / Q&A) aired for 46:45 from 4:13:24-5:00:09pm cnyt, live to all stations.

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On **Friday, November 18**, a CBS News Special Report (Attorney General Merrick Garland names a special counsel to determine whether former President Donald Trump should face charges) aired for 15:00 from 2:19:04-2:34:04pm cnyt, live to all stations.

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## In addition:

- On **Saturday, November 12**, a CBS News squeeze and crawl aired for :50 from 9:30:20-9:31:10 pm cnyt (Nevada Election result projection).
- On **Tuesday, November 15**, a CBS News squeeze and crawl aired for :59 from 9:38:04-9:39:03pm cnyt (Former President Trump announced his candidacy for president for 2024).

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CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: CAPITOL ASSAULT INVESTIGATION (1:00 - 2:32p) initial chyron ID: Soon: January 6th Committee Holds Final Meeting – live coverage of the last public meeting of the Select Committee to Investigate the Attack on the United States Capitol, the House committee responsible for investigating the January 6th, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol. The focus of today's business meeting is to approve the committee's final report, recommendations and referrals to the Justice Department. Coverage includes: (1) Opening statement from Representative and Select Committee Chairman Bennie Thompson (D-MS); (2) Opening statement from Representative and Select Committee Vice Chairwoman Liz Cheney (R-WY); (3) Representative Thompson's introduction of and airing of a videotaped presentation of some of the key evidence the investigation has uncovered; (4) Opening statement - "The Big Lie" - from Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA); (5) Opening statement - "State Pressure Campaign" - from Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA); (6) Opening statement - "Department of Justice Pressure Campaign" - from Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL); (7) Opening statement - "Vice President Pence Pressure Campaign" - from Representative Pete Aguilar (D-CA); (8) Opening statement -"Summoning the Mob" - from Representative Stephanie Murphy (D-FL); (9) Opening statement - "187 Minutes: Dereliction of Duty" - from Representative Elaine Luria (D-VA); (10) Opening statement - "Criminal Referrals" - from Representative Jamie Raskin (D-MD). The criminal referrals of President Donald J. Trump to the Department of Justice are: Obstruction of an Official Proceeding, Conspiracy to Defraud the United States, Conspiracy to Make a False Statement, and "Incite," "Assist" or "Aid or Comfort" an Insurrection; the committee believes Mr. Trump should be referred to the DOJ for at least four criminal charges. Additionally, the committee is referring four members of Congress for sanction by the House Ethics Committee; (11) Representative Thompson's declaration that without objection, the report will be considered read and open to amendment; (12) Representative Luria's presentation of a motion to release the final report to the House of Representatives, which "includes the committee's legislative recommendations and criminal referrals of Donald J. Trump and others"; the committee unanimously votes to

approve release of the report; (13) the clerk reports the vote and Chairman Thompson adjourns the select committee; and (14) Correspondents' commentary and analysis, including live footage of Representative Raskin speaking with reporters on the Hill. Origination: Capitol Hill. Correspondents: Norah O'Donnell (anchor, Washington studio); John Dickerson (CBS News chief political analyst, Washington studio); Robert Costa (CBS News chief election & campaign correspondent, Washington studio); Jeff Pegues (CBS News chief national affairs and justice correspondent, Washington studio); Nikole Killion (CBS News congressional correspondent, Washington studio); Scott MacFarlane (CBS News congressional correspondent, Washington studio); and Major Garrett (CBS News chief Washington correspondent, Capitol Hill).

12/21/22

CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT (4:43 - 5:27p) – initial chyron ID: President Biden & Ukrainian President Zelenskyy Hold Joint Press Conference - live coverage of a joint press conference between President Joe Biden and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, who arrived in the United States earlier today. This is Mr. Zelenskyy's first trip outside of the Ukraine since the Russian invasion began in late February. The two leaders met earlier today in the Oval Office, to discuss the ongoing conflict. Presidents Biden's and Zelenskyy's initial statements followed by questions from the media. Origination: White House East Room. Preceded and followed by Correspondents' commentary. Correspondents: Major Garrett, anchor (Washington, DC); Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION, CBS News chief foreign affairs correspondent (Washington, DC); and Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (White House East Room).

12/21/22

CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT (7:30 - 8:06p) – *initial chyron ID: Ukrainian President Zelenskyy Addresses Congress* - live coverage of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's address to a rare, joint meeting of Congress. This is Mr. Zelenskyy's first trip outside of the Ukraine since the Russian invasion began exactly 300 days ago. Vice President Kamala Harris is in attendance, along with members of the diplomatic corps. Origination: House Chamber, Capitol Hill. Preceded and followed by Correspondents' commentary. Correspondents: Major Garrett, anchor (Washington, DC); and Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION, CBS News chief foreign affairs correspondent (Washington, DC).

On **Monday, December 19**, a CBS News Special Report (January 6<sup>th</sup> Hearings) aired for 1:32:07 from 1:00-2:32:07pm cnyt, live to all stations.

## WTOC SPECIAL NEWS REPORT

11/9/22-11:48PM-12AM-GOVERNOR KEMP VICTORY SPEECH

12/6/22-10:31PM-10:33PM-SENATE RUNOFF ELECTION RESULTS

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ISSUE 19: ALERTING THE PUBLIC ON FEDERAL, LOCAL, STATE. GA FAIR FIGHT LAWSUIT DECISION, GA GAS TAX EXTENSION, GA/SC POLITICAL RACES INCLUDING THE GOVERNOR'S RACE AND THE SENATE RACE BETWEEN RAPHAEL WARNOCK AND HERSCHEL WALKER, FEMA GULLAH INSURANCE ISSUES, EARLY VOTING, INDUSTRIAL REZONING MORATORIUM, EARLY VOTING, SC ABORTION BAN BILL, RAISE FOR SC STATE LEADERS, GA ABORTION BAN OVERTURNED, WARNOCK POLICY REVIEW, BIDEN ADMIN LETTER ON GA SWAMP MEETING, REP MACE ON RESPECT FOR MARRIAGE LAW, TYBEE BEACH FUNDING LAW SIGNED. KEMP SIGNS STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR COLD WEATHER, SC RAISES FOR FOSTER CARE, SOURCE: PRESIDENT BIDEN, CBS, CONGRESS, SENATE GOV. KEMP, GOV. MCMASTER, BUDDY CARTER, ETC

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The US House of Representatives have voted to approve a stopgap bill to fund the government through mid-December. The vote avoids a government shutdown that would SATURDAY SHUTDOWN have happened at midnight last night. The short-term funding bill includes around 12 AVERTED billion dollars for military aid to Ukraine.

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He writes in a statement, "As we both pray for these neighbors in need and send resources and volunteers to aid in their recovery, we're also bracing for the impact on already strained supply chains and prices at the gas pump that are already too high." The

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A packed Beaufort County ballot will include races for Governor, a Senate and Congressional seat, county and local council openings, along with multiple referendums. Because of that, the voter registration office here is expecting a big turnout come November. Sot "We do prepare for at least about a 60% turnout." Vo In years with less on the ballot I'm told that number is around 20% instead. Before every election, the Beaufort County office holds a public test with this year's scheduled for Friday. "This public test is really just to show our preparation for our tabulator DS200 scanners and our ballot marking devices, our express votes." Vo That may sound technical and complex, but essentially they'll just show you how these machines work. He says it's got a clear purpose. Sot "To give our community and all of our voters the opportunity to come see the process and really just to be transparent about how we're going to conduct our election." Vo The public test will start at 10 a.m. on October 7th, here in Beaufort. On cam tag: Early voting will run from October 24th through November 5th, with Election Day being November 8th. Leading up to polls opening we'll have you covered with everything you

need to know on air and online at wtoc.com, for now though reporting from Beaufort

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MORNING WARNOCK The senator will also be at Conner's Temple Baptist Church in Savannah starting at 2:30 10/6/2022 BREAK OD this afternoon. Then he will head to Midway where he'll meet with voters at the Historic 9:00:00 AM 106 00:00:14

SAVANNAH Dorchester Center. That will get started at 6:30 tonight.

"You have an opportunity through your voice and your vote to determine who's going to represent you and who you think best represents your values, your principles." In order to have that opportunity, though, everyone must be registered to vote. That window to apply closes in five days on October 11. Colin McRae, the Chairperson for the Chatham County Board of Registrars, says another deadline that's quickly approaching is October 28, which is the last day to submit an application for an absentee ballot. "We, the office of the Board of Registrars, do not send out applications, unsolicited applications." On Monday, absentee ballots will start getting mailed out, so make sure to check your mailbox over the next few weeks. On Election Day, all absentee ballots must be put in one of the county's three drop boxes by 7 p.m. to be counted. These can be found at the BOE office on Eisenhower, Islands Library and Mosquito Patrol. If you're mailing your absentee ballot, McRae suggests getting them mailed at least a week before Election Day. "It's something that we encourage. It is a very safe and very secure method of voting and it's gone through a lot of changes even with the recent senate bill 202, ostensibly to make it more secure although it was a very secure process to begin with." McRae says it's important that people take notice of the new absentee ballot format. You will receive an envelope that looks like this and it will have two envelopes in it. Once you fill out the ballot, but it in the yellow envelope. McRae says the sections on the yellow envelope must be completely filled out. It includes a driver's license number or state-issued ID as well as your date of birth. "The most common mistake is failure of the voter to do both. They think 'ok I'll put one and not the other.' No, you need to do both." If an error is detected after it's mailed in, McRae says you will be sent a cure letter that allows you to fix it, so your vote can be counted. If voters want to vote early, there is a three-week period to do so. This starts on October 17. McRae says he expects this to be the most common method people use. The county has five early voting sites. People can go to any early voting site they want, regardless of what precinct they live in. "When you present your ID it will generate a unique ballot for you when you get up to the actual voting machine." McRae says there will also be weekend voting with more hours available to do so than they've ever had before. Saturday voting will be on October 22 and 29th. Sunday voting will take place on October 23 and 30. He says this is a big election and they anticipate a high voter turnout. "You've got a hotly contested U.S. Senate seat, you have a gubernatorial race, the attorney general, the secretary of state. All of these statewide offices that many think effect our daily lives even more so than presidential or senate or things like that." For a list

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Senator Raphael Warnock, a Savannah native, returned to his hometown today.... Touting the work he says he's already done in office... across the political divide. "There is a road that runs through our humanity that is bigger than partisan politics, that is bigger than regional differences. There is a road that runs through our humanity that is more important than politics, more important than tribalism, more important than all of these ways they're trying to separate us." Herschel Walker... making a stop in Wadley today... speaking to a crowd of supporters about being an underdog... "The problem we have sometimes, is we're looking at something else. We think something else is better. But you have to work for everything you get." After the speech - he had a prepared remark regarding the recent reports that he paid an ex-girlfriend for an abortion, while his platform is pro-life. "I know why you're here, you're here because the democrats are desperate and uh they're desperate to make this race about my family because they know they don't want to talk about Joe Biden and Raphael Warnock When asked about recent headlines regarding Walker - Warnock had this to say: "I believe that my position on this has been consistent. It has not changed. A patient's room is too cramped of space for a patient, her doctor, and the U.S. government. I believe in women." Both candidates... reminding

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IN COASTAL voters of the importance of showing up to the polls when early voting begins on October **EMPIRE** 17th. In Savannah, HB WTOC NEWS.

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HERSHEL Hershel Walker's senate campiagn has fired it's political director Taylor Crowe just weeks before the upcoming election day. This comes after recent reports of Walker paying for a woman's abortion. It's suspected that Crowe was let go after being suspected of leaking to the media- but as of now it remains unclear. Neither Crower or Campaign manager

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DIRECTOR Scott Paradise have not commented on the matter. 00:00:24

CAMILLE: Tomorrow is the last day for Georgians to register to vote---but some are worried other BOARD OF residents aren't registered properly. The Chatham County Board of Registrars had a special called meeting today for a hearing that challenged several people's eligibility to

10/10/2022 REGISTARS special called meeting today for a hearing that challenged several people's eligibility to 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD ON VOTING vote. 00:00:16

Today is the last day for people in Georgia to register to vote. You still have three options if you haven't registered already. You can register in person, register online or if you mail it in, it has to be postmarked by today. Even if you think you are registered to vote – it is a good idea to log into the same website and check your status is still active. This website for everything you need is registertovote.sos.ga.gov. You can check your voter status here or you can register for the first time - just make sure you have your driver's license or state issued ID ready to go. The voter application will be open until midnight. If you don't get that completed in time, you will not be able to vote in the November election.

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> "This has a huge impact on Gullah Geechee populations from North Carolina to north of Jacksonville." Vo At a community meeting Monday, the former emergency management professor explained a change in FEMA guidelines that'll allow the native island community to sleep better during summer storms. "There's a lot of things we don't know especially in the times of a disaster. We don't know where to begin, we don't know where to start." Vo Instead of needing a deed or title to their homes, FEMA is now accepting alternative paperwork to recognize land ownership... like tax receipts, bills, or addressed mail from the government. Sot "We may not all have the documents readily available, but if it's as simple as a utility bill or something like that then that makes it a lot easier." Vo Thanks to the easier path to proving ownership, Hollis wants native islanders to know an initial rejection to an insurance claim will now be easier to overturn. Sot "The sort of social environment now is you get the letter, it's a rejection so you know... nobody else in the neighborhood got any help so you just say well that's the end of it." Vo Stevens says getting the word out to change that attitude is his biggest takeaway from this FEMA switch. Both leaders want generational homeowners to know a claim rejection will likely just require more information since the system won't be used to handling the specific HURRICANE challenges of traditional Gullah land documents. The town of Hilton Head will have this INSURANCE information available on their website to help people as well. Reporting, Tyler Manion,

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"We expected a fiery debate and that's exactly what we got Friday night in Savannah. Plant riverside has just now finally started to clear out after the debate between Democrat Senator Warnock and challenger Republican Hershel walker They talked about a number of issues... including abortion... federal student loan relief... and who is really telling the truth." A clear difference between the two candidates on several issues... but the most passionate debate centered around abortion rights. 7:15 Walker denies abortion claim 7:16 Warnock says abortion rights were taken "The two also had a different view on the issue of insulin prices... and federal student loan debt relief." 7:22 Warnock: I support student loan relief 7:24 Walker: it's not fair 7:08 Warnock: "insulin is high" Walker: "have to lower prices 7:10 Warnock: it's their fault? "Some of the biggest moments of tonight's debate - centered around whether each candidates' integrity." 7:32 Warnock: my opponent has a problem with the truth 7:33 Walker pulls out a prop 7:40 Walker: do not bear false witness" Tag: We will have more from the debate - and this close race - coming up on THE news. In downtown Savannah... MD, WTOC.

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\*NATS OF CHANTERS Herschel Walker and Senator Raphael Warnock had the support of people in the streets and millions watching the Georgia Senate debate. For a full hour, the incumbent and challenger debated hot topic issues impacting the lives of people across the state. Their political parties couldn't be any prouder--- 00:20 TO 00:25 "The people got a chance to see to see the two candidates side by side and answer the questions and whether or not they are really prepared to represent Georgia. For me, it just reinforced my decision that our current senator needs six more years." 00:30 TO 00:35 "The last time I was proud to have Herschel Walker on my team he was playing football for the university of georgia. He was spot on. He brought out the points that needed to be brought out. The clear choice here is Herschel Walker someone who will stand up to Joe Biden as a opposed to the rubber stamp Raphael Warnock." Senator Warnock and Herschel Walker focused on issues like reproductive rights, crime and the economy - at times getting a little personal in their responses but -- both parties think both candidates held their own. "The one point I think he did exceptionally with was the truth...let's face it. Herschel Walker's been through a lot. i could not be prouder of someone who has gone through what he has gone through and achieved what he acheived. It should be a lesson to all of us...mental health is a serious issue in our country." "People are being gouged and the cap on prescription drugs and other things that is so important to all georgians no matter what color or gender they are. That kinda thing shows the substance of someone who is not just against something...but for something"

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11PM COUNTDOW tomorrow. Incumbent Brian Kemp...democratic candidate Stacey Abrams and libertar 10/16/2022 WEEKEND N TO Shane Hazel will face off at 7p-m in Atlanta. Today...Abrams held a virtual news

MIDTERMS conference ahead of the debate. 00:00:17

LL: Bryan County elections officials are anticipating a large turnout...even during early voting. As closely watched races draw people to the polls. PKG: A steady flow of voters at this Richmond Hill polling place on the first day of early voting. Tia Thompson/Elections Worker: "I haven't sat down once. Usually we get to sit down and rest a bit. No it's constant." This election...the race for Governor, a U-S congressional seat, and a U-S Senate seat are expected to draw many to the polls. Adam Durden/Voter: "Definitely the Warnock/Walker race for sure." Pastor Dahenri Thurmond/Voter: "The Governor's race, the US Senate race." County officials say turnout was high in the first hours of polls opening today. Matthew Kent/Bryan County Communications Manager: "We had 300 people come out to vote already this morning, which is a great turnout for just 4 hours. So, we encourage everyone that's registered in Bryan County to please come out and vote. This is a big election for the state of Georgia and for Bryan County." Tia Thompson/Elections Worker: "Pretty much it's been constant since 8:00. And everything is, so far, going smooth from what I've seen." The county says all elections workers have been trained to use voting machines ahead of the expected onslaught of voters. Matthew Kent/Bryan County Communications Manager: "We are fully staffed up. We actually had way more applications than we needed. So that's a great thing for the citizens so they can get the help that they need." As voters say that very turnout is what drew them to vote early. Adam Durden/Voter: "Beat the crowd. You never know what the schedule is going to be like on election day. So, why not get it over with?" LL: There are some local measures on the ballot in Bryan County...including a referendum to change the sale time of alcohol in the county on Sundays. To find polling locations and hours...just look for this story on our website....WTOC.com Reporting in Richmond Hill...FS...WTOCN.

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"We've got inflation -- the highest in four decades, we've got crime in our streets, we've got illegal immigration, we've got drugs flowing across the border, we've got an education system that's failing our students, failing our parents. My opponent wants to go to Washington D.C. and be a rubber stamp for those policies. He wants to reinforce those policies. I'm going to do the opposite; I'm going to be a stop to stop the policies of the failed Biden administration. We will hear from Democrat Wade Herring coming up in the next half hour. That debate will be tonight at 7. Evening anchor Mike Cihla will be the moderator. Lead investigative reporter Jessica Savage, evening anchor Dawn Baker and I will be on the panel asking questions. You can watch it all live right here at WTOC.

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4:30AM **PREVIEW** 10/19/2022 DAYBREAK BUDDY 3:30:00 AM **CARTER** OD

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LL INTRO: Voters I spoke with today say they're excited to check something off their to-do list and make sure their ballot has been cast. Elections officials say it's happening in record numbers. According to Liberty County Elections Supervisor Ronda Walthour, more than 1800 people showed up or returned their absentee ballot during the first two days of early voting in the county. Poll workers at the county's main office in the old courthouse say.... One of the most popular times to vote is first thing in the morning. They say people start lining up at 7:30, when the polls open at 9. However, voters have been able to get in and out in 10-15 minutes over the past few days. Voters say they prefer early voting for the convenience. "November the 8th, there might be a line. Why wait for a line? Why wait for the crowd? You already know you want to vote, what are you waiting for?" LL TAG: Coming up on The News at 6:00, we'll hear from the Liberty County Elections Supervisor

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about the process of early voting and things you should know before you head out to the

CO. VOTING polls. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

Incumbent Rep. Buddy Carter serving his fourth term in the United States House of Representatives faced his challenger, Savannah attorney Wade Herring. The two in an hour long debate stood firm on the most pressing issues facing their constituents -- not without a few heated moments. "My opponent wants to go to Washington DC so he can be a rubber stamp." "Rubber stamp three times" In a divided political climate -- WTOC wanted to know how they will work across the aisle for Georgians and the country "We are problem solvers...the way we help our clients is to reach compromise. I don't know how that became a bad word in Washington} "John Lewis post office renaming I'm the one who got everyone. I worked with senator raphael warnock to keep open the combat readiness training center" Reproductive rights remain an important issue -- especially following the Supreme Court overturning Roe vs. Wade "You want to talk about extremist here in the aborton debate talk about my opponent. Talk about the democrats who want to perform an abortion up to the time of birth and have the taxpayers pay and to refer to abortion as healthcare..." "Nobody says the federal government should pay for it. The Hyde Amendment prevents that. That statement isn't factual it isn't based on the law or medical science. It's meant to gin up fear and anger and division." The Hyde Amendment passed in 1980 does in fact ban federal funds from paying for an abortion with few exceptions "You do not have a voting record. Mr. Carter does... do you feel that will give you an advantage in this race" "Yes and no..! do not have the power of incumbency..." "I've never seen that on the voting card" "What I do have is a record of community service" Rep. Buddy Carter said after the debate that claims from Herring that he does not serve the interests of his district are false "I'm excited every time I go to DC. The shine has not worn off for me because I believe I believe in the American Dream. I believe in CONGRESSI this country and I'm not gonna give up or let these woke socialists win" Herring responded to Rep. Carter repeatedly calling him a "rubber stamp" "Not a rubber stamp. I am an independent thinker. We had one career politician on this stage tonight...mr. carter we had

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one person that toes a party line...mr. carter"

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Covered sot "The importance of the election cannot be overstated." Vo Beaufort county residents making their way to the polls to vote in this midterm. "It's our right and our privilege to be able to vote in our free country." Vo Quick lines here at the board of elections were a pleasant surprise to some voters. "I expected it to be really long. Last time we had voting here it was like all the way around the bend and no place to park so I was really surprised." Vo As they filed in and out, a variety of Lowcountry folks participating on this first day for different reasons. Sot "We were driving by and our restaurant for lunch didn't open until 11." Vo On the other side of the spectrum, 23 year old Daniel Ayala... who was very intentional about casting his ballot and how he got there. Covered sot "I figure biking is pretty easy I live near the bike path so." "Oh not too far maybe like 15 to 16 minutes." Vo Daniel says says it's important for young people to get out and vote.. "A lot of these people that represent us are representing older people and

not the younger people, they don't understand the younger experience."

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SARAH: There are also two state referendums on the ballot – that's because the Georgia CONSTITUTI Constitution mandates any changes to property taxes be approved by the legislature, the ON governor and the voters. Both of these passed nearly unanimously with bipartisan AMENDMEN support. Now voters have to decide: Referendum A – which says that timber equipment would be exempt from property taxes and Referendum B - says that dairy equipment and Т EXPLAINED eggs would also be exempt from property taxes.

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?(sot) Bulloch County voters can come here to Georgia Southern's Russell Student Union to vote, whether you're GSU faculty, staff, students or not. Folks came through the Union ballroom a few at a time, with no lines, to vote. Some said it's easier here than going across town after work. It's a lot more convenient for us to vote here on campus, rather than rushing home, dealing with traffic, get our little one situated. In 2020, more than two thousand people voted here over three days. They voted less than 200 the first day. Election supervisors hope more people take advantage of it. They're working with Georgia Southern to help those who might have issues with where they're registered. Georgia Southern has an awesome student team that is helping student who are not registered here so they can get absentee ballots from their home county. She says the alternate location lasts through Thursday and helps spare voters from dealing with a parking shortage at the main office due to construction. And if you're worried about a parking ticket, they've turned off the scanners for this area so you can come, cast your vote, and

go without going by to get a parking permit first. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. 00:01:11

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"It's one thing to show up for a rally and to protest and to carry great signs, but the real work is at the election booth, and so we've got to get people registered to vote and let their voices be heard." We broke down voter registration data from the South Carolina Election Commission - to see if the state's seen any significant jumps following the overturn of Roe v. Wade in late June. From May 31, about a month before that Supreme Court decision, to earlier this week - more than 60-thousand people registered to vote in the state – with more women signing up than men. But that matches previous trends in South Carolina, as the proportion of female voters to male voters stayed the same- with about 55-percent of registered voters in South Carolina women – and 45-percent men. In fact, those are the same percentage breakdowns among registered voters in South Carolina general elections for about the last four decades - 55-percent women and 45percent men. Dave Wilson, who leads the conservative Palmetto Family Council - says for the last year, his group has held more than a hundred meetings with grassroots groups - on the importance getting to the polls for issues like abortion. "If you want to understand what's happening in the legislature, you've got to understand who you're voting for and where they stand on key issues, when we talk about things like abortion, when we talk about things like tax policy, when we talk about parental rights and protecting our kids."

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"Not a big line, just in and out no problem! It's your civic duty to vote. If we don't exercise our rights, it's like muscles if you don't exercise them you lose them." Elections leaders tell WTOC everything has gone smoothly so far. Early voting is held here at the election office on West Lincoln Avenue Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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LL INTRO: Georgia voters continue to turn out in strong numbers, and that includes voters right here in McIntosh County. "From start to finish, three minutes." Voters I spoke with in Darien say their voting process was quick and convenient... and they're glad to get it done early. "It's easy for us to come by at any time, and avoid these tremendously long times, \*ha\* that's a joke. It's nice because it's early voting here is extended, it makes it easy to pick a day." State election leaders say with so many people already voting, they're not anticipating delays on Election Day itself – even while expecting a larger in-person turnout than 2020. "We were in the middle of a pandemic. On election day, we only had 975,000 people show up to vote. We anticipate we could see double that this time. There were no lines in 2020, we don't anticipate there really being lines in 2022, because of people taking advantage of pre-election options, and really good planning done by the counties." Sterling says - statewide about 16 percent of registered voters have casted their ballot by the end of yesterday. Let's take a look at percentages across our area - Chatham County is slightly below that rate at 12.6 percent. Effingham is just above 13 percent... Bryan County is at 16.75%.... McIntosh County is well above the state average... with 21 percent of their voters having completed the process. "Governor Kemp won by 55,000 votes in 2018, President Biden won by 11,779 votes in 2020. I think Georgians, more than most Americans, realize the weight and heft of their vote. They want to make sure that it gets counted." Voters say... they're glad to get it checked off of their to-do list. "Just get the vote done, that way we don't have to wait in line or anything, it was smooth and easy." LL TAG: Early voting continues until November 4th, with Election Day on November 8th. In

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SC 4:30AM ABORTION 10/28/2022 DAYBREAK IN THE 3:30:00 AM OD ELECTION

DOJ GA ELEX 10/31/2022 INTEGRITY 4:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD OFFICERS Assistant U-S Attorneys Channell V. Singh and Jeremiah L. Johnson will serve in the roles this cycle. The program assigns A-US-As to handle voting rights concerns, threats, reports of fraud and more on election day. They'll be on duty while the polls are open. The number to reach them is on your screen now. The D-O-J says all this is aimed at protecting public confidence in the process that plays out on election day.

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Georgia is also seeing record-breaking early voting numbers. According to the Secretary of State's Office, over 1-point-5 \*million Georgian's have already cast their ballot in-person ahead of election day. You can see many people took advantage of weekend polling locations to cast their ballots. Compare these numbers with this point in the 2018 election when just over 1-million people in Georgia had voted in-person.

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"Well listen, I support the legislation that we passed, and look, we did this over 3 years ago. It went through the process in the General Assembly, I know people have strong feelings on both sides about that, a lot of people support it, I understand there are people that do not. But I believe that we are a state that values life, and regardless of where you are on when you should be allowed by law to have an abortion, or not, at least you know where I stand." "Abortion is a medical treatment, it's medical care, and politicians should never be in the doctor's office with you. I've been there, we don't know enough. And so my belief is that abortion care should be available up to the point of viability as determined by a doctor, but let's be clear, women who are later with their pregnancies, they never wake up one morning and say, 'oh never mind,' usually it's a tragedy that has befallen them."

GA GOV. RACE SPECIAL

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**TONIGHT** 

Early voting started here in Georgia on October 17th- and a look at the latest numbers show that Chatham County has fewer early voters than other Georgia counties with a similar population size. ((GFX)) Based on the latest census data - about an eighth of Chatham County's population has turned out to vote so far. Compare that a fifth of Henry County - which is just southeast of Atlanta. 51-thousand fewer people live there, but 10thousand more people have cast ballots as of Wednesday morning. Chatham County Board of Registrars Colin McCrae says the statewide comparison doesn't paint the whole picture, though, because this year, they've seen better early voter turnout. "Comparing these numbers to 2018 is really the apples to apples comparison. And we were, as of the end of the first week, about 28 percent ahead of where early voter numbers were in 2018. 2020, being a presidential election, we looked at the difference, and we were still about 8 percent above what the early voting numbers were." ((GFX)) A look at number of polling locations in Chatham County - and how long they're open for - shows the biggest difference from some of the counties with higher turnout. Henry County has six polling locations that are all open from 7AM to 7PM through the week. Cherokee County and Clayton County- which has 11 polling locations- each open the majority of their locations before 9AM- and don't close until 7PM. Meanwhile, Chatham County has 5 polling locations. Only one of those is open from 8AM to 7PM, while the other four are open fewer hours- from 9AM-5PM. "If they could be open either before 8 or after 5, that would be great. I work 8 to 5, so I had to take a long lunch today, which will affect my hours." "We're living in a county, a city, where we have a lot of working class people, and they're not always available to just get off and vote by 5pm. Many of them have to be up very early, before the 9AM hours. So Chatham County Board of Elections may look again." McRae tells me- the County has looked at expanding early voting hours- but it just isn't feasible with the resources they have- and doesn't necessarily mean more people will come vote. McRae: "One misconception is that if you open up these early voting sites for additional hours, that it corresponds to additional votes. We see the lowest rate of voter participation in the later afternoon, early evening hours. So opening it up for say, two additional hours in the evening, wouldn't necessarily mean a corresponding number of votes." Shea: This Friday is the last day for early voting in Georgia. Election day, which is Tuesday, November 8th is less than a week away. Reporting in Chatham County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

CHATHAM CO. EARLY **VOTING** SITES

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LL INTRO: Today is the last chance for Chatham County voters to get out and cast their ballot ahead of Tuesday, and voters here tell me they're excited to have that already completed. TAKE PKG Friday - a chance for last-minute early voters... to make their mark "I passed by, and was like 'oh my god!' This was a reminder driving past the civic center that I needed to vote today. I think it's very important especially in this election." Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, who is also on the ballot this fall, says the state continues to see record-breaking early voting turnout - which could help with crowds on Election Day itself. "If all these two and a half million people also showed up with the people who vote on Tuesday, there's no way the counties could handle it. It really just helps level the flow, so that it's a manageable process for the counties." Raffensperger says the state could have around 2 million voters turnout on Tuesday. Early voters say they're thankful for a smooth process today. "There's a convenience to it, which makes it really attractive. So, we're able to fit it into the work week and exercise our civic duty." BUTTED TO "It was very quick and very efficient." LL TAG: Now, if you missed out on early voting, the next opportunity to cast your ballot is of course Election Day on Tuesday, November 8th. In Sav, HB WTOC NEWS.

HAYLEY: **EARLY** 

11/4/2022 4:30PM OD 3:29:00 PM VOTING "We saw what happened when we didn't vote in 2020. We cannot have anybody sit at home. Do not take for granted that your family is going to vote. You got to call that uncle you don't like and say hey you got to go vote (laughs)." WTOC will have LIVE coverage of this race - and the Georgia Senate race next week. Election day is Tuesday, November 8th.

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LL: A high stakes election with no winner decided yet. Herschel Walker and Raphael Warnock are neck and neck as supporters gathered here at Walker's election night headquarters. VO: Walker did speak with supporters at one point in the night saying despite the close returns, he's confident he'll pull out a win. SOT: I said he would be tough to beat But let me tell you what, he got the wrong Georgia. Let me tell yall, hang in there a little bit longer. Something good, it takes a while to get better. Thank you guys for hanging in. And if you have to go home, you will wake up tomorrow and see the news, the new Senator will be Herschel Walker. LL: This race is being closely watched as it could help determine which party controls the US senate. Despite his campaign being at times mired in controversy...Walker has maintained support as he looks to unseat incumbent Raphael Warnock. In Atlanta...FS...WTOCN.

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11/9/2022 DAYBREAK FLYNN: 4:30:00 AM OD WALKER

When you combine the turnout from early voting and election day here in Beaufort County, about 52.3% of registered voters cast a ballot this year. That's turnout numbers better than the state average in midterms for every midterm going back to 2002, but in Beaufort County it's six percent less than we saw in 2018. "For a midterm election that's not bad. Like I said we had a lot of people interested in voting in the midterm election so 52% is good." Vo She says there were a few challenges throughout the day but nothing major enough to derail the success of the process. Sot "Overall, I think it went well. We did have some early morning issues, but our poll managers they stepped up to the cause and they did what they needed to do." Vo She says that included a bottleneck in the morning as a particularly high volume of folks tried to vote before work, and longer times at the voting machines themselves as people read through referendums. Most ballot items were decided on election day, but Smalls tells me we now wait until the South Carolina office confirms results to see if there will be a runoff for Hilton Head mayor. If the state elections office confirms there will be a runoff for Hilton Head mayor, early voting for that will take place November 16th, 17th and 18th with Election Day being November 22nd. Reporting from Beaufort County, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"Those are the kinds of things I'm going to be working on if the people re-elect me... trying to make this country's greatness accessible and affordable for all of its people." "I've passed a lot of bills, I've reached across the isle and I want to continue that work. That's everything from civil rights, to veterans' issues, to our armed services, environmental animal rights, cannabis, the economy, inflation, crime... I've worked on a lot of pieces of legislation and I'm going to continue that work."

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SC HOUSE RACES 6PM OD WRAP UP After the U-S Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade - the South Carolina House of Representatives passed a ban on abortion from conception – with limited exceptions. The state Senate said it didn't have the votes to pass as restrictive a bill - so it passed an adjustment to the state's current law - which bans most abortions after six weeks. This sixmember panel of three senators and three House members met twice - most recently on Wednesday - to try to work out a compromise between the two bills that they'd be able to get passed in both chambers before the legislation officially dies Sunday. Two Republicans, Rep. John McCravy and Sen. Richard Cash - have stood behind a ban from conception – despite repeated assertions from Senate Majority Leader Shane Massey that such restrictive a bill could not pass the Senate. Because the two Democrats on this panel were unlikely to support any bill that restricts abortion - all four Republicans would need to be on board with it to send it back to their chambers. Those Republicans voted to send out the ban from conception - and not long after - the Senate voted that bill down, as Massey had repeatedly said it would. The six-member conference committee then reconvened for a second time Wednesday to try to work out another bill – but this time, no House members showed up. Representative McCravy had said earlier in the day he had a family commitment - so if the Senate didn't approve the ban from conception - he wouldn't be around for another meeting. With no compromise - the Senate adjourned effectively killing this legislation for the rest of the year. Massey lambasted the House members' absence on the Senate floor. "They're not interested in solving a problem. They're more interested in playing to the cameras, and that makes it even more frustrating. ... The fact the House conferees won't even come back to work is a disgrace." But House Speaker Murrell Smith said Massey and Senate Republicans were just giving excuses for not standing up for the Republican Party platform and stronger abortion legislation. "I don't see any reason to have the Senate version because we already have that in effect. The Senate version's just a smokescreen to try to satisfy the Republican base to say we did something." While lawmakers technically still have until Sunday to reach and pass a compromise - Speaker Smith says the bill is dead. So lawmakers will have to wait until next year to introduce new abortion legislation. Reporting from the State House, I'm Mary Green.

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GA SEN RACE LIKELY GOING TO Election night is over. But, we're still waiting on results for some of the races in Georgia and South Carolina. Here's a look at what we know so far. The U-S Senate Race in Georgia is officially going to a runoff between Democrat Incumbent Raphael Warnock and his Republican challenger Herschel Walker. Both candidates are at 49 percent. Warnock earned 35,000 more votes than Walker.

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11/9/2022 KEMP The Republican got 53-percent of the votes. While his democratic challenger Stacey

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> SC GOV. In South Carolina-- Republican Incumbent Henry Mcmaster was reelected as Governor. MCMASTER Mcmaster beat his democratic challenger --former congressman Joe Cunningham and

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3 WEEKS TO GA SENATE **RUNOFF** 

Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger said absentee ballots are available now through the 28th. All counties must begin early voting no later than that day. WTOC will keep you updated on what to expect from your local counties. The runoff will be on December 6th. We have more details posted right now on WTOC dot com.

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"You're really trying to attract the best and the brightest talent. These are jobs. ... When you look at what we're asking them to do, you want to try to attract bright people to run for those offices." These are the six elected leaders who will be getting raises next year. Their salaries had been locked in at 92-thousand dollars since 1994. As a point of comparison - that pay for the state superintendent of education and attorney general - is substantially lower than what solicitors and most, if not all, local superintendents make. But those two jobs will see their salaries more than double next year - and all the other positions will receive at least an extra 43-thousand dollars. Patrick Kelly of the Palmetto State Teachers Association says if the state is raising these salaries to be competitive with the private sector - the same logic applies to raising teacher salaries. "Schools are competing against the private sector for employees in a way that has never been true in my 19-year teaching career. If I've got a bachelors in science right, I can go make \$40,000 starting out in a science classroom in South Carolina, or I can go make double or more than that working at Nephron or working at Westinghouse."

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"My priorities are going to be performing the people's business in the open, ok? I know how to do that, it's very important, these are their meetings, this is their council and we are there to represent them." Vo Since coming close to an election night victory, the former school board member says she's staying focused on listening to voters. Sot "Nothing new, my positions on any of the issues haven't changed and they're all based on citizens input." Vo Input Orischak says is focused on a few big topics, that would steer her leadership. Sot "They're anxious about our bridge and corridor project, they want to see that well done, they want to keep development in check with an emphasis on redevelopment, they want to preserve our beautiful natural island." Vo She says to tackle all of that the town needs a mayor fully committed to the role. Sot "I will absolutely commit myself to doing the job full time, it's modest pay but I'm in a position to do that and what that means is you're giving more time, you're attending more meetings, you're meeting with constituents." Vo Early voting for this runoff will be this Wednesday through Friday, with Election day next

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**GA JUDGE OVERTURN** 

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Here's a look at how we got to this point with the legislation. Governor Brian Kemp signed the bill into law back in 20-19. It was blocked from taking effect until the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

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**GA DEMS** 4:30AM SUE OVER

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Our election coverage continues as democratic groups and Senator Raphael Warnock's State's office that says counties can't offer Saturday voting ahead of next month's Senate Right now, the state says it would be illegal to offer early voting on runoff election. November 26th - because it's the day after a state holiday.

"We haven't had an islander on the council in some time except for Alex Brown, and I want to get on there and provide a leadership role to keep the character of our community together." Vo As voters head to the polls to vote in this runoff, the lifetime Hilton Head resident believes he's the best candidate. Sot "Whether it be the Heritage, whether it be the St. Patrick's Day Parade, whether it be the island rec association I've been working to provide betterment for our community... making certain that it's a better life for everybody." Vo If elected there are several topics Perry tells me will be prioritized, starting with housing. Sot: Council has worked on a housing initiative and they've put a platform together and moved that forward, so as a new mayor coming in we're going to have to take that and mold into a program that works for Hilton head island." Vo While he plans to keep his current job, he says being mayor is about the quality of time focused on leadership, not the quantity of it. Sot "The mayor, yes you have to be at certain events at certain times and I can make those meetings and will make those meetings, but it's about being present, accountable and a leader to make certain that council is working together to make things happen for our community." Vo Early voting will run Wednesday through Friday with Election Day Tuesday November 22nd. From Hilton Head Island, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"You should take that into account when you're deciding whether or not to drop it off in person versus put it in the mail. We all have horror stories about how long the mail can REGISTRAR take at times, so don't wait until a day or two before the Election Day to put it in the mail. If you're down to a couple of days beforehand, I would not rely on that to get it to us in time." 00:00:21

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There will be two locations open in Chatham County for Sunday early voting. On the weekdays, the same five locations that were open for the general election, will be open. You can also vote by absentee ballot in this election. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is Monday, November 28. Colin McRae, the Chairman of the Chatham County Board of Registrars, says absentee ballots have to be received- that means in the REGISTRAR hands of election officials, not just postmarked - by mail or drop-off, by 7 PM on Election

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Day, which is December 6. 00:00:32

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"It's great to have the option, to make sure we can cast our vote and note have to rush back into town to vote." (BUTTED) "There are a lot of important issues in terms of how we get the right balance between growth on the island, tourism, so I think it is important for everyone to come out and offer their opinion on who they think should be leading us over the next few years." Since Election Day s only 2 days before Thanksgiving - the board of elections expects many people will come out for early voting while they are still in town.

"I'm not going to be here on Thanksgiving, I'm going to be out of town visiting children." Vo Many voters I spoke with saying that timing and the weight of the runoff contributed to why they cast a ballot on this first day of early voting. "I care about our town and I think it's a good privilege that we have and I think everybody should vote." Vo With the candidates narrowed down to a final two, some voters tell me they feel well informed. "I've been to SC RUNOFF and helped volunteer at two mayoral forums, so I've heard them all speak and then the last two just a couple of days ago." Vo Speaking of informed voters, I caught up with the one who understands this role the most out here today too. "Either candidate is a good

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candidate and I mean that sincerely, they will both do well. We left them in a good place." 00:00:46

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(sot) "If it should be passed again then that law should not run into the kind of problem that was pointed out yesterday." Dr. Charles Bullock says the reason this law could be overturned unlike abortion bans in other states is because it wasn't a trigger law. You may remember - those states wrote similar laws with the stipulation it would \*only\* go into effect if and when Roe V Wade was overturned. However, Dr. Bullock says without that trigger, Georgia's law directly conflicted with federal law making it unconstitutional. If lawmakers were to draft up a similar bill banning abortions after a heartbeat is detected, he says the house would need 91 majority votes and the senate would need 29 to pass it. He says when the heartbeat bill or HB 481 passed in 2019, it was by a very narrow majority. Making the future for women looking to get an abortion in Georgia uncertain. "It barely passed in the house with only one or two votes to spare. There have, of course, been changes in the membership of the house so one possibility might even be that (they) might even be able to pass this legislation in today's house since it differs in its

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composition from the house that did enact it four years ago." 00:01:10

SC: SNAP **BENEFIT** 11/16/2022 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD SCAM

"We've had a huge up tick in them, actually a friend of mine got the text message himself and said I don't get SNAP but what is this? So unfortunately people are falling for it. These are supplements to help people put food on their table." You can help protect yourself from fraud by not giving your PIN to anyone. And check the balance of your EBT card often and look for any unauthorized purchases.

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where the law is going to stand before we try and start re writing laws." The Attorney General's office IS planning to appeal the overturning of the law that makes it illegal to have an abortion after a fetal heartbeat is detected. BUT the appeal has to be heard by a state supreme court and there's no timeline on how long that could take. Lawmaker Bill Hitchens representing the City of Rincon in the House voted for the Heartbeat Bill or HB481 in 2019. He says he has a law enforcement background and doesn't think getting an abortion should be legal. (on the phone) "Anytime we had a pregnant woman who lost her life as a result of somebody's fault, it would be murder or involuntary manslaughter. It's murder in one case or homicide and then it's legal in another. That doesn't make sense to me." State Representative Edna Jackson representing Savannah, was not in LAWMAKER office during the vote in 2019 but would vote if there is another law similar to the Heartbeat Bill written up. She says she's happy to hear about the overturning of the bill but the fight for women rights continues. "It doesn't end because it will be surface again. We have to continue not only the journey, the fight because nobody has a right to decide what is going to happen to our bodies. The only thing I can say is be encouraged and continue

to what we have been doing all year long."

(on the phone) "I think we all want to know or have some concept of where we stand or

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"I think that we have a very wide array of options, but if a voter thinks that their options have been limited, I can see where they're coming from." Raphael Warnock's campaign filed a lawsuit this week against the State of Georgia- to allow early voting on Saturday. As it stands right now, early voting in Chatham County will run for six days. The bigger worry, both election officials and voters rights activists say, is absentee voting. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is November 28. Election officials have to receive an absentee ballot by mail or drop off by 7PM on December 6.. but depending on when you mail your ballot, it might not get there in time. "If you have kids home from college, have them vote on that Sunday they're home for Thanksgiving. Have them vote on that Sunday before you put them on the plane to go home. Go after church and vote on Sunday, because absentee ballots are really a problem for this short time frame." Which is why election officials are encouraging voters to make a plan to get to the polls, in person, if possible. Alan Mainor with the New Georgia Project is a driver with the Rides to the Polls program- and he says they'll be ready to pick people up any day the polls are open. "We're here for everyone. The least, the lost, and left behind. So we're trying to reach those who are in the community that can't make their way to the polls. So we're here for early voting. On the 27th, we're here. On December the 6th, we're there." And they'll be there, Mainor says, if Saturday voting ends up being allowed. McRae says that Chatham County election officials are ready for that, as well. McRae: "We have the equipment lined up, we have the personnel lined up to hit the ground running if we do find out between now and the 25th that we are permitted to do it on Saturday. So we will be able to move EXPLAINED forward if there is a ruling in favor of the Warnock campaign allowing Saturday voting."

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The plan would get ride of the "year and a day rule" That's the rule that prevents someone from being tried on homicide charges if the victim dies more than a year after they were attacked. The change would apply to federal cases. The plan is getting support from law enforcement and prosecutors across the country. WTOC will follow this

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plan as it moves forward.

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MOST The governor says his team is "mindful of the direct impact," writing in a statement the PROFITABL programs, "serve an essential role in educating the next generation, and this record-

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"I just think the fact that the Senate is no longer on the line, means that those who are less invested, those who can tip a race one way or another, those who could really go either way, they don't have as much of an incentive to turnout anymore. I think that turnout overall for the runoff election will be lower than what we saw in the general election." Dr. Kennedy says he sees runoff elections becoming a more popular trend in Georgia, and

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SENATE Kennedy says he sees runoff elections becoming a more popular trend in Georgia, and 11/18/2022 RACE that there's potential for them to become increasingly more common in future elections –

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"Yall see what he's been doing to us since he got to Washington? He forgot about Georgia. He forgot about the people of Georgia. He went there an told me he was going to protect us did he not? He went there an raised our taxes did he not? And spent our money but he's not spending his own money. He's making more money while he's in office." Also happening in Savannah today - a group of voters gathered to support Raphael Warnock.

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WALKER & WARNOCK

State senator-elect Derek Mallow talked at the event. He says Warnock has proven he's

the right fit - to represent Georgia.

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"Early voting for the senate runoff race will kickoff right here at the Board of Elections Main Office on Saturday at 8 in the morning and people living in Chatham County tell me they have the option to cast their ballot on the weekend." "As many folks that can get in is the best thing." Voting on Saturday in the runoff election was originally banned because the 26th fell on a state holiday that used to honor Robert E. Lee. A week ago, a judge ruled that Saturday voting would be allowed. Chatham County Saturday voting will go until 5 p.m. That court ruling allowing Saturday voting is something Chatham County voter Judy Wilson is happy about. "Because so many people can't get there during the week and when we have many and more opportunities to vote, it's a wonderful thing. Democracy really matter and we have to safe guard that." And Jim Howell agees. "I think the more opportunity that we have to vote the better." But Howell doesn't even have to vote early in person because "I have actually already voted by absentee ballot, so I'm ahead of the game." On Sunday, you'll have two polling locations to choose from. This civic center and the voter registration main office. If you plan to vote by absentee ballot, don't forget you have to apply by Monday. Also on Monday, that's when you can start voting at any of these five locations on your screen. Polling locations will be open through Friday. These are the same locations offered during the general election. Important to note - the main office is the only location that is open until 7 p.m. If you don't have a ride to go vote, no need to worry. The New Georgia Project and A. Phillip Randolph Institute are teaming up to offer free rides to the polls from Saturday until election day on December 6th. "Don't let nothing stop you. We've got the rides. So you can't say you can't get there. We've got the rides so all you got to do is show up and call us and we'll get you

there." Their information is on our website WTOC dot com. Camille Syed WTOC News.

CAMILLE: **GA EARLY** VOTING

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These voters waiting in line were a part of the more than 17-hundred who cast their ballots on the first day of early runoff election voting in Chatham County. Many taking advantage of Thanksgiving time off to head to the polls. "It's a holiday weekend, had some extra time on my hands, and I just wanted to get it over with." Georgia's U.S. Senate runoff race between democratic incumbent Sen. Raphael Warnock and Republican challegner Herschel Walker is being closely watched as neither candidate received a majority of votes during last month's midterms. Chatham County poll workers say wait times on the first day of early voting were more than an hour at times. One voter who didn't want to go on camera says despite the wait...the process was smooth. "When I came through the first time, cars were parked all along the road, but I decided to get in line because it's really critical that we all come and vote and do our part." Chatham County is one of a few in Georgia to offer Saturday voting in the runoff after initially being banned for its proximity to a state holiday. A judge...later reversing that ruling. "People in America work 6 and 7 days a week. Why not give them the opportunity to cast their vote?" As voters head to the polls one more time after the close results in November's midterm. Voter: "I was surprised that it was as close as it was, but once they stated it was going to be starting right after the holiday, I decided to try to get here the very first day that they started having the voting options. Reporter: "It was that important for you to be here?" Voter: "Very much so."

FLYNN: GA 11PM EARLY 11/26/2022 WEEKEND VOTING 11:01:00 PM OD PKG

(sot) Bulloch County's Election Supervisor says, if numbers from the first few hours serve as any indication, this could be a near record turnout for a runoff. (vo) The midday line stretched out the building and around the entrance as people waiting to cast one vote in Georgia's senate runoff. Election supervisor Shontay Jones says they saw almost 150 voters in the first hour and 700 by noon. She says counties across Georgia have expected heavy turnout. (sot) We've added more people at check-in, four people where we normally have two. We have two scanners we're running. That's helping keep the line moving faster. (vo) She warns people to plan for parking challenges due to construction at the county building next door. They're trying to do what they can to accommodate voters. (sot) ..we've always voted 8-5. But to accommodate those who're getting off work and it only lasting a week, we've extended it from 8:00 to 5:30. (vo) The election office mailed out over 1,200 absentee ballots. She reminds those voters they can bypass the line if they're simply delivering those ballots. (sot) You have until Friday to cast an early ballot. After that, you'll need to go to your precinct and vote next Tuesday. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.?

BULLOCH CO EARLY

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We've seen long lines just like this one behind me at all of the polling locations throughout the county. Here at the Islands Library, they tell me the average wait time is about an hour and a half, but people here tell me they don't care about the wait because it's worth it in the end. According to the Chatham County Board of Registrars' most recent tally, there have been more than 19,000 people who've cast their vote during the early voting period. But we aren't just seeing record-breaking numbers locally. The Secretary of State's Office says the state crossed the one million vote mark on Wednesday. People waiting in the long lines say they're happy to see this turnout because it shows that people understand this race's importance for the state. They also say they chose to vote early, regardless of hour-long wait times, because they think Election Day lines will be even longer. "I ride by and keep looking, but it's been steady so each time I go to come I'm thinking the line would be shorter but it's not. It's been following suit all throughout the whole day." "It seemed like a pretty contentious election. There was a lot of people on both sides, a lot of money spent so it wasn't shocking to see such a narrow margin. Definitely encourage people to get out and vote and have your voice be heard." The last day of early voting is tomorrow. If you don't make it out, you will have to wait until Election Day on December 6. In Chatham County, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

**ISLANDS** LIBRARY **EARLY** VOTING

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Lines have stayed steady throughout the week here for early voting in Chatham County. By the close of today, wait times are averaging around one hour, 10 minutes here at the civic center. This has been a record setting turnout for early voting across the state for a runoff. Around 19,000 voters have cast their ballots in chatham county as of last night. More than 186,000 voters statewide have voted statewide as of this afternoon according to the GA Secretary of State's office. Some polling locations throughout the day here in Chatham County were reporting wait times of about 2 hours or so. Regardless, people are just excited to be casting their ballot in this historic election—here's what some of them had to say. "I just feel that everyone has their own right to speak their voice. This is a great way of getting out here and doing it." "it's very important. It's very important to vote and get the right candidate in there for Georgia." The final early voting location to close today is the main office on Eisenhower Drive—that closes at 7:00. Then, all normal precincts will be open on election day - Tuesday Dec 6th. In Sav, HB WTOC NEWS.

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GA **VOTING** LATEST

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Here's a look at today's turnout... As of 4PM, according to new numbers from Gabriel Sterling with the Secretary of State's office, more than 255-thousand voters cast a ballot STATEWIDE today. That would be on pace to set a new single-day early voting record. Turnout this week broke records set by early voters in the 2018 general election...something that's pretty unprecedented for a runoff election.

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\*nats of motorcycle engine\* These bikers... \*nats of motorcycle engine\* ...are revving up their engines to encourage people to vote. "We let our bikes do the talking for us." They're part of dozens of other bikers traversing the Peach State with voting groups this weekend urging others to head to the ballot box during Tuesday's runoff election. "You look around and you see different things on the highways and byways that just let you that we definitely need change." So far the group has traveled from Columbus...to Albany...and here to Savannah...not telling people who to vote for...but making sure they have the info voters need for each candidate. "If you see yourself represented in their platforms and the things that they are talking about and how they're communicating and conveying their message to people, then you should vote for them." The A-C-L-U of Georgia hosted gatherings at each stop on the tour...hoping every voice will be heard by bringing in different groups. "Black folks, folks of color aren't a monolith. We don't all fit neatly inside one specific box. So having different, diverse groups come together is very important. ...while also informing voters about how to cast their ballot on Election Day. "I think some folks are definitely confused about this runoff because it's like, "didn't we just vote for these same people?" \*engine noises\* And by putting petal to the metal...the group hopes to encourage others to participate in this election that has already seen historic early FLYNN: GET turnout. "The bike does bring change. It brings conversations because we're women and we're riding and that's not something that's often seen." LL: Once the group is finished with their work here in Savannah...they'll close out the weekend in Augusta and Atlanta. Reporting in Savannah...FS...WTOCN.

**OUT TO** VOTE

11PM WEEKEND 12/3/2022 11:19:00 PM OD **RALLY** 

The US Senate runoff election is just hours away "Tomorrow is a big day." More than 1.8million Georgians cast their ballots early almost 30-000 voters in chatham county "Who's already voted and who still has to vote tomorrow?" Incumbent senator raphael warnock and challenger herschel walker made several stops for their final campaign pushes throughout the day "He was an amazing running back and he's gonna need those skills because come tuesday we're gonna send him running back to texas." "Our problem we have right now...we decided to get the wrong leaders in washington. We gotta get people in Washington that's gotta stand up" WTOC spoke with Sen. Warnock one-on-one last week during his final hometown stop in savannah.... "This is a testament that leadership is not about an office. It's about a commitment to doing the work" He spoke confidently that Georgians will get re-elect him to serve his first full term in the senate "I'm honored that the people of GA have given me a chance to continue that work over the last two years in the senate. I'm looking forward to six more years of that which I see as my life's project" Neither candidate has let up on directly attacking the other's past...and in walker's case -- his experience "What has Herschel walker been committed to? And what is it in his life's story that suggests he'll be a champion for hard working people? "You can know you got a champion in Herschel Walker. You will always have a champion in me." Unlike the midterms, the control of the senate is not up in the air. It's secured but Democrats have a chance to expand their majority. A republican will would split the senate 50-50, but

12/5/2022 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD ALYSSA:

ELECTIONS Vice President Kamala Harris still has a tie-breaking vote.

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Voters from around the county have been telling me that things are mostly running smoothly, though there were a few hiccups this morning. According to Billy Wooten, the Chatham County Board of Elections supervisor, 3 polling locations this morning had scanners that went down. He says that under state law, the protocol in that situation is to place the ballots in an emergency bin- which is on the ballot box- to be counted later. Voters do have the right to stick around and make sure their ballot is cast once the machine is fixed. One voter from the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens location tells me that after she put her ballot in the emergency bin- she left and felt uneasy because she wasn't sure what would happen next.

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**POLLING PLACES** 

SHEA: **CHATHAM** 

Georgians are once again heading to the polls in the state's U-S Senate runoff...pitting incumbent Senator Raphael Warnock against Republican challenger Herschel Walker. Assistant political science professor at Georgia Southern...doctor Kimberly Martin says turnout is crucial. "If you're on Herschel Walker's campaign, what you're looking for is turnout, turnout on Election Day. Traditionally, Republican voters like to vote on Election Day, so that's what you want - is for voters to come out today." But...she says record early voting numbers could favor Senator Warnock. "We know from the general election, that democrats tend to be early voters. So, if that's any indication of whether he'll do well tonight or not, then early voting is a good sign for him." So far, the Secretary of State's office reports more than 750-thousand voters have already cast their ballot today alone. That number is projected to grow. SOT: "We're going to break 1 million, and in the general election, we had 1.4, so anything past 1 million in a runoff election is pretty much gravy at this point considering we already have 1.9 million votes in the bank with both early and absentee voting." Senator Warnock is looking for a win to extend Democrats' control in the Senate...while Walker is looking to take back the seat for Republicans. "They don't want to be the party at this point, that can't win these state level, national level elections so this would give them some momentum." Today, state elections officials report low wait times at polling places...thanks to early voting. "When you have such a high turnout in the early voting section, you know that the available voters have shrunk by 27% statewide. It's different for every county, but every county has banked a lot of votes already, so it makes Election Day much easier."

FLYNN: **POLITICAL LEADERS** 4:30PM OD RFAX

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"At three polls out of 90 that had an issue with their scanner, we followed the procedure that the state gives us, that the ballots go into the emergency bin. Once the scanner is fixed, then they are scanned, and that happened at all three polls." Wooten tells me that if a scanner goes down while you're voting- you have the right to stay until the scanner is fixed and watch your vote get cast. Some folks at a location on Wilmington Island, however, say that they were told otherwise. "When I questioned whether or not that was the law or if that was true, the polling manager, again, said yes, we didn't have a choice but to place the ballot in the emergency bin and to keep the line moving and move along." Cannon says he filed a complaint with the Election Authority- and Wooten says the issue was corrected and all votes were counted. Wooten: "We're sorry somehow that information got out or someone said something they weren't gonna say, but that's a very reliable poll, that Wilmington Island poll." Overall, Wooten says Chatham County has seen minimal issues today- but a few issues are always to be expected. Wooten: "You're gonna have some printers that don't work, you're gonna have some paper jams. That comes with the territory."

**CHATHAM POLLING** 

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"Too many of our rural communities have been suffering from a lack of broadband and access. Broadband is to the 21st century what electricity was to the 20th century, so I'd say to that first grade teacher as we deal with the homework gap, and as we deal with issues around telehealth, it becomes more and more important that we invest in broadband. We did a lot of work on that front this past congress. I want to keep expanding on it. Any farmer will tell you that you can't even farm efficiently today without a broadband

WARNOCK 12/7/2022 **POLICY** 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **PREVIEW** 

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**RICKY** WARNOCK WIN

"I think you can see consistency. I think he's the guy who puts his shoes on and goes to TEMPLE ON work. I've known him for years to be that kind of person. He works. He's not the guy who just talks. A lot of people talk a lot and want the position. He doesn't want the position for the power and title. I think he wants it because he really wants to make a difference"

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the coastal empire now that he will serve a full term. 00:00:18

A WTOC update --- Georgia Governor Brian Kemp has once again extended the gas tax suspension. It will now be suspended until January 10th. Governor Kemp says this is all in efforts to fight inflation. Georgia's average gas price has consistently remained one of

**GA GAS** TAX the lowest in the nation since the gas tax was suspended. According to Triple-A, A

12/8/2022 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD EXTENDED regular gallon of gas is currently \$2.92--40 cents below the national average 00:00:25 **BIDEN ADMIN** LETTER ON

Back in 20-20, the Army Corps said they no longer had the authority to do that after some rollbacks were put in place under then-President Donald Trump. You may remember federal courts got rid of those rollbacks last September. The Army Corps tried to take the permitting decision back in June. They backed down when Twin Pines sued in federal

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court.

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Today's extension means the tax will stay suspended through at least another month...expiring on January 10th. Numbers from the governor's office show Georgians saved 1 billion dollars at the pump since the suspension started. The tax money would

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normally go to roadwork across the state. In the past - the Governor's office told WTOC EXTENSION they planned to fund those projects with budget surplus money instead.

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Take sotovosot "This bill doesn't go into businesses and who they can serve and not serve, this is really just protecting the status of marriage regardless of your skin color or your sexual orientation and those rights need to be protected." Vo Congresswoman Mace was one of 39 Republicans to join house democrats in voting for this legislation last week, REP. MACE passing it to President Biden to be signed today. Sot "It struck a balance between protecting the first amendment, protecting religious liberty, and protecting the right of any two people to marry and having that union recognized and that's what's most important about this. It's that balancing act of protecting civil rights, protecting religious liberty and

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**FOR** MARRIAGE protecting the first amendment and it does all of those things."

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**GA SOS** CALLS TO

12/14/2022 **END** 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD **RUNOFFS**  He also says it's hard on some counties, writing runoffs are "even tougher on the counties who had a difficult time completing all of their deadlines, an election audit and executing a runoff in a four-week time period."

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12/14/2022 END who had a difficult time completing all of their deadlines, an election audit and executing a 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD RUNOFFS runoff in a 4-week time period."

"Communities across the state are about to see temperatures that they haven't experienced in a decade or more and we just want to urge all Georgians to be ready."

12/21/2022 WINTER Chilly temperatures expect to turn cold this weekend in our area. Georgia Governor Brian

4:00:00 PM 4PM OD WEATHER Kemp declaring a state of emergency in order to open up more resources. 00:00:19

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"A lot of the chicken houses across the state are warmed by propane, obviously a lot of residential home are so they just want to make sure that they can serve out people and our industries that are out there and our farmers and our business folks. So that's one of the main reasons for the state of emergency." Governor Kemp also says crews are preparing for any dangerous road conditions, trees and powerlines down.

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Nearly nine-million dollars in this budget request from the Department of Social Services – would give more money to group homes that care for kids and teens in South Carolina's foster system. Their rates haven't gone up in nearly a decade. "The needs of the children and youth that they serve are ever-increasing. They've always been a vulnerable population, but I've been in the field myself for 35 years, and the needs are as high as they've ever been and as complex and challenging." Kim Beaudoin of the Palmetto Association for Children and Families – which represents 50 of the state's group homes – says most of them are also nonprofits. She says for years - they've been relying on donations, grants, and endowments to offset the costs of services - because the money they've been getting from the government hasn't been enough. Beaudoin says that reliance on fundraising and donations is risky - and doesn't provide equal access to care for all kids and teens. "I think more and more of them will close if they don't get the rate increases that are long past due." D-S-S is also asking lawmakers for about two-million dollars to increase the reimbursements foster families receive each month - by about 30dollars. "It's something that we look, as a department, at every year, and we try to adjust those monthly rates based on the age of the child, and we try to keep meeting the southeastern average for the US Department of Agriculture's guidelines for the cost of raising a child." Lawmakers will start taking up budget requests from D-S-S and other state agencies – shortly after their legislative session begins next month. Reporting from the State House, I'm Mary Green.

SC RAISES FOR FOSTER CARE

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TYBEE BEACH FUNDING

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Democratic Senator Jon Ossoff thanked Tybee's Mayor Shirley Sessions and Chatham County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis for their help building the plan, writing in a statement, "My law will help protect beautiful Tybee Island as part of my ongoing effort to support, protect, and invest in coastal Georgia."

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f HEALTH a CARE DOT ii

12/28/2022 GOV 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD RECORD National leaders say a new all time record has been hit for health care insurance enrollment online. President Biden says nearly 11-and-a-half million americans signed up for insurance through health-care-dot-gov from November 1st to December 15th. That's an 18 percent increase from the same time last year. Biden said the figure does not include people who signed up for coverage through their state marketplaces. The president also said the uninsured rate hit eight percent earlier this year -- the lowest level in history. People can still sign up for health insurance for 2023 through january 15th.

ISSUE 20- ALERTING THE PUBLIC ON LOCAL CITY AND COUNTY ORDINANCES AND STAFF CHANGES. HOW LOCAL LEADERS ARE GUIDING RESIDENTS THROUGH THE PANDEMIC, RICHMOND HILL CANDIDIATE FORUM, VIDALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT REVOKES BUSINESS LICENSE OF HOTEL AFTER MULTIPLE CALLS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT TYBEE ISLAND WATER RATES, SAVANNAH MEETING OVER POSSIBLE CHANGES DUE TO ALCOHOL BEVERAGE ORDINANCES, BEAUFORT CO. GREENSPACE TAX, PROPOSAL TO RENAME CALHOUN SQUARE, TYBEE STVR LAWSUIT, TRUMAN HOMELESS CAMP EVICTION AND COST, LOCAL ELECTION PREPS, CHATHAM CO. TSPLOST MEETING AFFORDBALE HOUSING, HINESVILLE WATER RATES RAISING, CHATHAM CO. UNCLAIMED REMAINS CEREMONY, CHATHAM CO. FIRE FEE BILLS, AREA COUNTY LOST MONEY, PORT ROYAL FLOOD MONEY, GETTING RID OF THE TATTOO CITY ORDINANCE IN HIESVILLE, TYBEE VEHICLES ON TYBEE ISLAND, BULLOCH CO. EMPLOYMENT RETIREMENT VOTE, EVANS CO. SPLOST REFERENDUM, HHI AFFORDABLE HOUSING VOTE, STATE OF THE CITY, STATESBORO BUS SYSTEM, PORT WENTWORTH ETHICS COMPLAINT, HILTON HEAD STVR OWNER INFO, METTER SEWER WORK, GARDEN CITY FIRE FEE RATE CHANGE, TYBEE GDOT TRAFFIC STUDY, FORMER CHATHAM CO. MANAGER SEVERANCE PACKAGE, STATESBORO NEW BUSINESS COMISSION, LIBERTY CO. REZONING, LONG CO. WATER AGREEMENT, TYBEE COUNCIL ON DOGS ON BEACH, BRYAN CO. BUDGET, BEAUFORT CO. COST OF LIVING RAISE, **GARDEN CITY AIRBNB FINES** 

SOURCE: CHATHAM CO. COMMISSION,, SAV. CITY COUNCIL, ETC

Before we move on - we want to let you know about a chance to hear from some
RH candidates on your November ballot tonight. The League of Women Voters is hosting a
CANDIDATE forum in Richmond Hill. It's with the candidates for Georgia Senate District 1 and House

10/3/2022 FORUM District 164. It's happening at J-F Gregory Park. You still have time to get out there. It 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD TONIGHT starts at 6:30. 00:00:20

"Our police department was always over here, always trying to deal with issues and we knew that something needed to be done." For the time being, the Budget Inn is closed for business. "Mayor Roper and the city council decided to revoke the business license of this particular business until they got everything up to par." City Manager Nick Overstreet says the shear amount of calls to the Budget Inn was wearing the police department down. He says the issues here were also expressed by residents at council meetings ... worried about the criminal activity and lack of cleanliness at the property. "We're not turning a blind eye. We're not saying 'oh, it'll fix itself." Overstreet says the state fire marshal's office and local health department have spoken to the owner about what needs to be done to stay in business. "They've been very cooperative in what all we've done and how we've had to deal with different issues." There is no deadline for when the Budget Inn has to get things done, but people are currently there working making improvements. "Ultimately, it helps our economy when it's operating the right way. We lose out on hotel/motel tax every day that a room is not rented, so we really want to encourage them to get this property right." Overstreet says this is part of the city's ongoing effort to make sure properties aren't a blight in the community. Just this year, after buying it, the city tore down the Econo Inn. This property was also a hotspot for criminal activity. Overstreet says they don't have any intention to buy the Budget Inn because it has potential to be great for locals and visitors alike. "If it's taken care of and things are done the right way then we could really see it produce some good results and ultimately, that's what we're hoping for." LLTAG Overstreet says once they get things up to par the city will take a look at the business license again and go from there. Now, I did speak with the owner today. He is a relatively new owner, so unfortunately, he says he inherited a lot of these problems. He tells me they've already made significant improvements to clean it up and will continue working with the city to do so. The owner says criminal activity is not tolerated and that they plan to open again soon as a "great place for future customers." In Vidalia, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

VIDALIA 10/3/2022 MOTEL 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD PLANS

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GARDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

10/3/2022

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"I just look forward to serving the citizens of Garden City and working with the current council men council women council members for the betterment of our city. I know a lot of some of the council members I haven't worked with them before so I know I gotta gain their trust." Making Garden City more residential, finding solutions to the train issues, and safety are some of his main priorities. Garden City also selected their new mayor pro tem -- current council member, Marcia Daniels.

GARDEN CITY
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The proposal is to replace the 278 bridges with a 6 lane bridge. The county says the current ones are outdated. The new bridge will be built to withstand minor earthquakes and will be rated for Category 5 hurricanes. The county says the one-bridge plan is the most financially and environmentally feasible of all the options. Right now - Hilton Head Town Council is meeting. They're set to discuss this same agreement. Lowcountry Reporter Tyler Manion is following those talks.

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As it stands now, the City of Tybee uses a progressive rate structure to charge for water and sewer. Those that use the least water, pay the least- and those that use the most water, pay the most - the lowest tier of usage being 0 to 5-thousand gallons, and the highest, being over 20-thousand gallons. A group of hotel and motel owners, howeversay that this rate structure is unfair. They're being charged for the total amount of water their business as a whole uses per month- which almost always falls into the highest tier. Instead, they'd like to see the amount of water used PER ROOM taken into consideration. "If we can find a way to break us down into single room usage, because it'll drop us down to the lowest tier, that'll be essentially what we're looking to accomplish. We understand that we need to pay our fair share, but when you compare it to single-family usage and perroom usage, we should be charged the same." The situation was discussed at the last meeting of the finance committee. It was not recommended that they make a change to how hotels and motels are charged for utilities. City Manager Shawn Gillen doesn't dispute that those businessowners are paying higher rates than they used to- but he says that if they make an exception for them, it's a slippery slope. NO SUPER- PHONER GRAPHIC SHAWN GILLEN- TYBEE ISLAND CITY MANAGER "Our advice to the committee was, once we make special carve outs, then another group's gonna come along and say, 'Hey, listen, we have this special circumstance, we would like,' and then your restructure gets extraordinarily complicated and you whittle away your ability to replace infrastructure." Shea: Nothing has been decided yet, and Gillen says they're going to crunch some numbers and discuss further at this Thursday's Finance Committee meeting. Patel and five other hotel/motel owners on the island did send a letter to the Tybee City Council, which you can find on WTOC.com. Reporting on Tybee Island, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

TYBEE ISLAND WATER RATES

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The second of two public input meetings is happening in less than 30 minutes. It's on possible changes to Savannah's alcohol beverage ordinance. New at 5:30 - we're learning what some of those proposals are after sitting in on the 2 p-m session. The city has remained vague about what changes are being considered...but say they want to hear from all local alcohol license holders, current or future responsible parties, and alcohol ORD MTG @ establishment managers. That's happening at 6 p-m at the Coastal Georgia Center on

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Kurtis Purtee / District 6 Alderman "Not only is it a community center but we are looking at a service center for individuals, places where people can go pay their water bills, places SOUTHSIDE where people can go talk to code enforcement officers, a place where maybe a southside COMMUNIT precinct officer can do the report and host some meeting there from time to time if need Y CENTER

	5AM	SOUTHSIDE	Alderman Kurtis Purtee has leveraged about 5 million dollars to make it happen, but they	
10/6/2022	DAYBREAK	COMMUNIT	are still looking for ideas. He says with the school growing – it is time they get a space for	
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Some other things you need to know this morning... Senator Warnock will attend a ceremony this morning for the official designation of "Raphael Warnock Way." An area on WARNOCK Cape Street between Morris and Brewer in Savannah will now honor the senator. The location recognizes the Kayton Homes public housing complex where Warnock grew up. Savannah City Council approved this designation back in August. The ceremony will

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TYBEE ISLAND STVR
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The lawsuit was filed by vacation rental companies and home owners in the area on Wednesday. They're argument boils down to one main idea - that some of the new rules violate state law. They say what the city is proposing goes beyond what state law allows cities to regulate. This lawsuit was filed in Chatham County Superior Court. WTOC will continue to follow it as it makes its way through the system.

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For referendums like this one, the state requires all details be ironed out before it gets to voters. That's what county council did last week, outlining who will decide how the potential 100 million dollars gets spent if this passes in November. Sot: (Christopher Ophardt - PIO, Beaufort County) "The committee is made up of elected leaders and citizens who will decide where the money is spent and vet all the projects." Vo As we've reported in the past, those Greenspace funds would come in through an additional 1% sales tax over 2 years. The county says there are three priorities with this money... the first being to create or improve passive parks. Sot "The second thing is buying down development rights, so instead of having 800 homes in a track it could be down to 600 or whatever the developer and the county agree to. Finally is just preserving space that cannot be developed and will always stay natural." Vo That preservation is something the county keeps top of mind, especially they say, as it continues to grow. With the details of the committee secured, this referendum will officially be on the ballot for Beaufort County voters in less than a month. From that point, we'll just have to wait and see if it passes or not. Reporting, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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"He was also a chief architect of the political system that allowed slavery to persist. Regardless of what the square is named or renamed, one of our squares should not be named in honor of a man like John C. Calhoun." There is a coalition working to rename

PROPOSAL the square after Susan King Taylor, the first Black nurse and teacher of freed slaves in the TO RENAME nation Mayor Johnson says the square will be unamed until a new name is chosen. The **CALHOUN** city council is expected to vote on whether on not to remove Calhoun's name from this **SQUARE** square during their October 27th meeting.

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A coalition has been heading the effort to change the name of Calhoun square for years. John C. Calhoun is a former US Vice President, but he had no connection to Savannah, according to Mayor Johnson. He says in order to change the name of the square, they PROPOSAL have to get signatures from the businesses that surround the square. To speed up the TO RENAME process of getting rid of the name, the city council will go ahead and make their vote to remove the current name instead of waiting until after they pick a new name for the

10/11/2022 **CALHOUN** 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **SQUARE** 00:00:30 CHATHAM TAG
10/12/2022 KIOSKS
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The Chatham County tax commissioner says Tag Renewal Kiosks are now easier to use. The office says that's after they were improved to help out people who are visually impaired. The kiosks now have better screen fonts, colors and buttons. They also now feature an option to listen to instructions instead of just read them. The kiosks are available at three Kroger locations - that's Savannah Marketwalk, Wilmington Island and Berwick. All you need is your driver's license and credit or debit card

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"We're dealing with a few folks who want to turn a vacation island into a private island." "Enough is enough. We have been trying to negotiate and show up to the meetings and be present in good faith and it feels like every time we show up to the city council meetings we are just not heard." In August of 2021 the city enacted a moratorium on STVRs with a goal to strike a "balance" between residents' quality of life and rental properties. What was originally expected to be a 90-day moratorium is now on its 14th month. It's been in place as the city works to write new STVR rules. "It's so ambiguous we really don't know what is the goal." "The city has pushed for with, essentially, the same thing they proposed 6 months ago." The Chair of Tybee Alliance, Dusty Church also works for Tybee Vacation Rentals. A company that manages about 300 properties. "We're now forced to act in the courts." The lawsuit lists the city, mayor and all council members as defendants. It reads that the city's original ordinance, put in place in 2016 to regulate the use of residential dwellings as short-term vacation rentals, is "invalid and unenforceable" because the code sections aren't consistent with Georgia law. "State law prohibits rental properties from being required to be registered with a city and the city of Tybee, as with many municipalities, has required that." But Tybee's ordinance says operators are required to register and obtain a separate license for each residential dwelling rental property it operates. And it doesn't stop there. Tybee Alliance members, like Steve Buckner say the new restrictions the city is now trying to impose, like not allowing rentals in residential zones and a requirement for properties to rent out for at least 90 days of the year to maintain STVR status, is an "attack" on peoples' property rights. "They're looking to prohibit or take away licenses in our one where we put the rental property. Our home would be required to rent for 90 days, which might not fit our plan." Like Buckner, many people say they own an STVR to help them pay to live on the island. Realtor and plaintiff, Jenny Rutherford says a lot of buyers are afraid to invest on Tybee now without a clear understanding of what's going to happen next. "It feels like that this ordinance was put together by people who want to be able to choose their neighbors." And they feel like all properties should have the same right to rent REGARDLESS of where it's located or how many days it's rented for. "If you have a problem with parking and trash and noise then enforce it. They're trying to put a cap on who can and who can't have registrations and that's not appropriate. There's just no way to enforce it legally." Church also says there are more fulltime residents on the island than ever before and if the city is trying to get even more permanent residents... "Vacation rentals are a major feeder for folks to become fulltime residents through eventual retirement into their rental properties." The council will have the second reading of the proposed ordinance on Thursday, which means the moratorium could come to an end. "If they pass the second reading on Thursday we will simply amend our complaint to include the additional

TYBEE STVR LAWSUIT

10/12/2022 LAWSUIT reading on Thursday we will simply amend our complaint to include the additional 5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD EXPLAINER violations of law that the city council has passed." Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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**TYBEE** ISLAND WATER 10/13/2022 **BOIL** 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD NOTICE

Just a reminder for people out on Tybee Island - you're still under a boil water advisory. Taking a LIVE look from our WTOC Farah and Farah Tybee Island Skycam. That's been in place since yesterday. Today - we're learning the health department has put additional mandatory requirements in restaurants. That means some of them are closed today. The city says they're under a mandatory water testing schedule for 24 hours. The last test will be at 6:30 tonight. Results are expected to come back around 8 PM. Once the city gets those results, they will be able to make a decision on the advisory.

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?(sot) Bulloch County's election supervisor says all Georgia voters need to remember to bring a photo ID to their polling site. She also suggests you look at \*your\* county's sample ballot online to be familiar before you arrive. Locally, timing could be everything at this building when it comes to parking. (vo) As election workers get ready for November, early voting machines sit ready at the Bulloch County annex for the thousands of voters expected through the rest of October. Outside the building, demo crews fence off a portion of the county parking lot for construction. That will put already-limited parking at even more of a premium. Election supervisor Shontay Jones suggests people plan their visit for the off-peak times. (sot) Coming in earlier in the day could be beneficial, because we do have two other offices in our building that are open as well. (vo) She also suggests you park across the street or next door if you're able to walk. (sot) She says you're even welcome to call the elections office to ask how the lines are if you're thinking of running in to vote. But they'll also have the last two Saturdays of this month for voting here as well. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

BULLOCH CO. EARLY **VOTING** 

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BEAUFORT The county is getting a million dollars in money from that. It will be divided up between organizations with strategies to fight the opioid epidemic. The county says volunteers should have some kind of expertise in abuse prevention and treatment, medical knowledge, or a background in grant writing. Anyone interested can submit their application online.

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Our past video shows the conditions around 40 people were living in under Truman parkway for decades. All those folks, evicted today at 1 pm. "We're trying to give everyone that lives out here as much dignity as possible in this process." Vo Recent development in the area draws a stark contrast to the camp nearby, as luxury apartments continue to be built just across this canal. I asked the city if that development played any role in the people experiencing homelessness being forced out... this was their response. Sot "It's not safe for folks to live under the Truman Parkway and it's time to go ahead and get folks relocated to a place that is safe. There was no other reason for the decision beyond that." Vo The camp has been here for decades, so the next question was why evict them now... Sot "There's been some attention based on a recent fire that caused additional inspection and investigation." Vo The city says a heavy police presence on scene and in a nearby parking lot was to make sure people were moved out safely, as they provided resources like animal services, transportation, and shelter arrangements for their relocation. Sot "There's already been 30 beds that have been opened up, if additional bed spaces are needed then those are on standby." Vo One city organization says some people from the Truman camp had already come by before the eviction

deadline this afternoon. "We told our people at our front desk, get ready we're going to

have some people come make sure you accommodate them."

**TRUMAN HOMELESS CAMP** 

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Today, members of the coalition gathered in Whitefield Square to get people excited to support the effort. A former U-S Vice President - John C. Calhoun was a slave holder and defender of slavery and members say he had no connection to Savannah. The coalition is working to rename the square after Susie King Taylor, the first black nurse and teacher of freed slaves in the nation. She was also born in Liberty County as an enslaved girl and came to Savannah at the age of 7. The coalition says they're excited that the city is moving forward with this, but they won't officially celebrate until the vote is done. Today, they also announced a campaign they're running to further educate people on who she is and why the square should be named after her.

**CALHOUN** 10/14/2022 **SQUARE** 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD NAME

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Sot: (Howard Knapp - Executive Director, South Carolina Election Commission) "Approximately 70 voters have been given a ballot with the wrong county council seat on the ballot." Vo That's the jist of what happened back in June. Caused by a redistricting issue, around 3200 citizens were left in incorrect voting districts, prompting state representatives to look for answers. Sot: (Senator Tom Davis - SC) "It begs the question why a wealthy county like Beaufort County with an experienced staff, these problems still erupt?" Vo On the heels of answering that question and many more Thursday, the director of the board of voter registration and elections explained what happened to me today... taking responsibility for the error first. Sot: (Marie Smalls - Director, Beaufort County Board of Voter Registration and Elections) "It was a mistake. We recognize the mistake and I can assure the voters of Beaufort County it will not happen again." Vo She says they had done the right things in June, there was just a miscommunication getting voter district changes to the state. Sot "We made the corrections, it didn't get updated in the master system." Vo Redistricting won't bring up this problem for another nine plus years, and Smalls says for the upcoming election there's no way June's error can repeat itself. Sot "We have checked, double checked, triple checked all of our street files." On cam tag: As we'll continue to remind you early for South Carolina starts October 24th and Election Day

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Everyone was invited out to Memorial Park to celebrate all that Tybee has accomplished in its 135 years. On October 15, 1887 Tybee was incorporated on Georgia's northernmost barrier island. For some time, it was known as the Town of Savannah Beach, Then, by the early 1900s Tybee had developed into a popular year-round community with stores, schools, community buildings and hundreds of residents. At Thursday night's council meeting Mayor Shirley Sessions signed a proclamation, proclaiming the next week as a celebration of Tybee's 135th birthday. Assistant City Manager Michelle Owens says she's proud of how far Tybee has come and looks forward to 135 more years.

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Pastor Deborah Townes says the evictions came as a surprise. Deborah Townes/B.O.G Outreach Ministries: "It was heartbreaking and shocking because I don't think they really saw that coming and I didn't either because they had been out there for so long." She says she's been in contact with some of the evicted as she's worked over the past months to feed those at the camp. The city forced those living here out last week after renewed safety concerns following a fire at the camp that shutdown a part of the Truman Parkway. Bulldozers and fencing now remain...blocking access to the camp. Savannah city officials spoke to WTOC once the eviction was announced. "It's not safe to be under the Truman any longer and so it's vital and important for us as a community to recognize these are people." Townes says she agrees that safety was a concern. She claims the city could've done more to implement more long-term plans. Deborah Townes/B.O.G Outreach Ministries: "I do agree with that, but I think there should've been a better plan in place than just pushing them out in so many days. I think they would've gotten a better response if they did the planning better than what they did." City officials did offer bus tickets...shelter

space and animal support services to those impacted. Savannah Mayor Van Johnson at his weekly news conference... Van Johnson/Savannah Mayor: "We're going to treat them with respect. We're not throwing anybody away." While Townes says the city did try to help...she believes more transitional services need to be available to help those who lived here. Some..for nearly a decade she says. Deborah Townes/B.O.G Outreach Ministries: "They just pushed them out too fast. I think we missed the big, main point because I think they need to be in a transition house where they can eventually transition themselves back into society, into being able to own a home." As she now says some of those

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impacted...aren't sure what to do next. Deborah Townes/B.O.G Outreach Ministries: "Some of them still don't know where their meals are going to come from because a lot of EVICTIONS their stuff, they say is bulldozed up. So, they don't have a lot of stuff."

Standup: Flooding isn't just a recent problem in the Lowcountry and especially here in Port Royal, but the town's manager tells me over the past few months, it's been different than before. Sot: (Van Willis - Town Manager, Port Royal) "In the last 20 years that I've been here we're seeing water in places that we never saw water before." Vo The improvements will be focused here in the Shell Point area, where flooding is common. Sot: (Julianna Corbin - Environmental Engineer, Beaufort County) "We're looking at upsizing pipes. increasing capacity and drainage conveyances, and then installing tide gates." Vo Essentially all of those actions are meant to control the water a bit more when it comes in high volumes. Sot "Water's going to flow where it wants but if we can encourage it to flow where we want it to flow and when we want it to flow, that'll be a step in the right direction." Vo The town knows that's a tall task, but says they appreciate the county's efforts to help. Sot "Stormwater doesn't care if you're in the county or the town of Port Royal, it's going to go where it's going to go... so it's a benefit to everybody that lives over there." Vo Construction is scheduled to start next summer and take two years, with the price tag already set. Sot "We expect this to cost \$7.5 million from design all the way through closeout of construction." Vo She says the county's stormwater utility fund will pay for most of the project and they've applied for grants to cover the rest. Reporting from Port

PORT **ROYAL** 10/17/2022 FLOOD 3:29:00 PM 4:30PM OD MONEY

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Royal, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

The city of Garden City has been in desperate need of more residential development for a long time. It's the home city for the ports -- and while that brings some positives it doesn't help the housing issue. "Residential housing for us unlike other cities is key to survivability" The city manager has spoken in the past about getting too many industrial and commercial inquiries with no interest in residential. That's why a moratorium on industrial rezoning started in May and council extended it tonight "If we do not increase the number of residents we have in garden city industrial encroachment will continue" Mona Lisa -- the president of the garden city housing team has been pushing the city for more residential zoning "The housing need is still there and of course it's increasing as the inflation goes up and rent and everything else" The past 5 months she's noticed slow progress on the city's end "Unfortunately, I've noticed trucking is still happening you know, industrial businesses are still happening but I do see the city is coming around and realizing residential is important" The city manager says they extended the pause to make sure they get it right -- that includes looking at all of their ordinances before revising, seeing what zoning classifications fit and what doesn't. Monroe says it's all helping slow INDUSTRIAL down industrial development "I think that helps tremendously as long as we can keep them at bay we can sort of start recouping regrouping and galvanizing to figure out where

we want it how we want it and make it happen" Properties that are already zoned can't be

changed but the city says they can do something about decisions moving forward.

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This is what the homeless camp under Truman Parkway looked like for years Now you can't get to it -- it's fenced off. The fire was the last incident the city needed to hear about to shut it down "It's not safe for people below or above. I'm reminded five years ago on I-85 in Atlanta when a structure similar fell and collapsed, i could not live with myself if we had this structure collapse" The threat to public safety and conditions of the camp -human waste and trash everywhere were a problem for years -- but where did the people living there go? "When you dislocate someone out of a place like that and don't have a place for them to go, you can expect they'll find another place to put up a homeless camp" That's what 30 of them did -- went to another camp. 4 are in jail because of felony warrants One person is in a shelter "I knew it was them coming from the camp because they had everything with them. A couple of them came with wagons of stuff" The mayor of savannah and old savannah city mission say some went to another camp because they don't want change "Some agreed to the terms and some did not" "Folks don't want to live under anybody's rules but their own and it causes another issue for us" The city says they have no evidence of new camps popping up but they are doing what they can to find shelter for those who will take it "We want to give people the option to be able to live in shelters live with roofs over their heads live with food to eat and running water" The city says at some point they also want to address camps from downtown to the southside "This is not an issue confined to the downtown but this was our largest camp..most expansive camp. It made sense to start with the biggest one first." The old savannah city mission says even if their beds are full they will still find a way to help people in need who come through their doors.

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6AM CHATHAM DAYBREAK CO. 10/22/2022 SATURDAY TSPLOST 5:00:00 AM OD MEETING T-SPLOST is a penny sales tax that would go toward transportation projects in the county. Since this is the first time voters in Chatham County will have this on the ballot -- the county commission chairman is hosting meetings like this one at Godley Station School to make sure voters understand the tax.

6AM CHATHAM DAYBREAK CO. 10/22/2022 SATURDAY TSPLOST 5:00:00 AM OD MEETING "Tonight comes out of one of my neighbors asking about TSPLOST and asking about the voting so I found out that if she didn't know there were alot of people who didn't know. Tonight is the county's opportunity to give people the benefits and how it will affect chatham county" Some projects that could impact the area -- the widening of Benton Boulevard and improvements off Airways avenue and pooler parkway. There will also be another meeting Monday at Islands High school at 7pm.

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In response to the panic caused at Chimney Cove, Hilton Head's mayor asked town staff to begin work on an affordable housing framework. After weeks of effort, that framework was presented at a public meeting today with direct action to come. Vo As explained by the consultants, a group of 35 islanders from various backgrounds talked through what this proposal should include. They came up with a framework that is... "Built upon four main pillars: community, planning, management, and revenue to create a housing framework that will be sustainable and have action." Vo There were two council members in that discussion as well, David Ames and Tom Lennox. "It outlines strategies and action steps that give the town manager permission to move ahead, and I think that's the bottom line." Vo Todays meeting was packed with members of the public, who said one after the other how important it is for the town to take action and fix affordable housing. This plan is detailed with several goals and strategies to do so. Sot "We're going to establish a staff member dedicated to housing, that's critical. We're going to create a community advisory group that gets together to meet about housing." Vo To do any of that, council will have to approve it first... something Ames thinks will happen. Sot "The plan has a lot of the words commitment and commit in it and I think that's what this council is ready to do." On cam tag The four pillars, or goals, discussed today at this meeting and detailed in this report will be presented to town Council one week from today first at their meeting on November

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AFFORDABL 1. At that point it'll be put to a vote for them to approve or deny this plan. Reporting from E HOUSING Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC news.

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LL INTRO: The removal of the city ordinance allows Hinesville to follow suit with state law. Local tattoo artists say they're thankful for the change. Christopher Williams has been tattooing customers for about three years. "We take care of a lot of troops that come in, especially with Fort Stewart." He says the removal of the city's tattoo ordinance will make things easier for artists like himself – by greatly reducing the number of hoops they have to jump through. "It's pretty expensive getting a license for each and every county. All we have to do now is get one license, and have one set of rules, there's no confusion." Hinesville City Clerk Lia Jones says the city was planning to update their ordinance this year... because they felt their current requirements may be outdated. "We required a full application which consisted of a background check of the owner and managers, we required fingerprinting, we required specific identification and things of that nature." When researching to do this - they discovered Senate Bill 214. Signed into law by Governor Brian Kemp in 2019, it removes the responsibility of cities to oversee tattoo shops – leaving that responsibility solely to the health department. "Everything that environmental health requires of tattoo shops, was literally the same thing the city of Hinesville was collecting. So, we thought that it was redundant to collect the same information." Jones says it reduces the amount of fees and paperwork required of tattoo shops. Williams says it expands his options more as an artist. "It helps me be able to take on more guest spots at tattoo shops. It'll be a lot easier to make that transition." He also says that the customer stands to benefit as well. "Now, anywhere you go in the state of Georgia the same rules apply. There's no confusion, therefore less mistakes happen in the procedure of getting a tattoo." LL TAG: Hinesville City Council is expected to vote to approve the ordinance removal in their next meeting on November 3rd. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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This is the first time in about five years that the city of Hinesville has decided to raise their water and sewer rates, but city officials say you shouldn't notice that big of a difference on your monthly bill. Turning on your faucet... may cost you a few extra cents starting next month. However, Hinesville Chief Financial Officer Kim Ryon says, around 80 percent of the city's customers will see an increase of less than a dollar on their bills. She says most customers will have about a 68 cent increase - which is equivalent to about 2 percent of the costs for only water and sewer. Industrial customers with higher consumption rates will see an increase between about 3-5 percent. "The cost of goods and services to provide

WATER **RAISING** 

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HINESVILLE that service has increased. The chemicals that go into the processing of the sewer and wastewater, that has increased tremendously. We're just seeing a lot of increases in supplies." Ryon says this doesn't apply to the city's senior citizen or housing authority water rates. These changes take effect on bills starting in November.

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Change history or keep it? Those are the questions the community has been asking for more than a year -- and what Savannah's City Council will decide tomorrow for Calhoun Square. But is it changing history or correcting a wrong? "Today, Calhoun would probably be thought of as a white supremacist" Sharon Galin lives in the neighborhood -- with John Calhoun, a former South Carolina politician having a reputation of supporting slavery -she doesn't think his name belongs there. "I think it would be great to have a woman and an African American woman." That's why she and others have been trying to get the majority of neighbors on board to rename the square after Susie King Taylor -- America's first Black nurse, first teacher of freed slaves and there's a school named after her in Savannah. But some people in the area think history should stay how it is. "It happens to offend some people...it doesn't offend me. I'm a black savannahian" History in his eyes -can be a lesson. "Black children need to grow up and understand here's what my ancestors went through and white children grow up and say here's what happened back then this was wrong" But because it was wrong, neighbors say it shouldn't be celebrated "I do feel compassion for a Black man or woman who walks through this square with his child and his child asks who are we celebrating?" Tomorrow might be the last time someone will walk through Calhoun Square as it's officially named -- but won't be the end NAME VOTE of the conversation "This stuff has gotta stop. We gotta preserve our history. Preserve this

JOHN C **CALHOUN** SQUARE **TMRW** 

town. And I'm starting a group SOS -- Save Our Square"

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A special ceremony was held today to rest the remains that account for as many as 500 people and date back to the 1940's. The ceremony took place at Greenwich Cemetery at Bonaventure. Chatham County Coroner David Campbell, Sr. says since taking office, it has been a priority for him as well as the County Commissioners and County Manager's

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**REMAINS** 

UNCLAIMED Office to honor the deceased with a proper ceremony and burial. Chatham County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis also attended the ceremony. We asked him what

CEREMONY this ceremony meant to him.

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CO. "I would want my loved ones to have a final resting place. So I'm hoping that we set a UNCLAIMED presidency here today going into the future we don't allow accumulation that has REMAINS happened in the past." The remains were placed in a vault. Each one will have a

CEREMONY granite slab that includes the names of the deceased. 00:00:17

LL The election supervisor here at the early voting site for Toombs County says everything has been running smooth and they expect it to continue to until the last day on November 4. VO The Toombs County Board of Election and Registration says there are approximately 17,000 registered voters in the county. As of Tuesday, the county has issued more than 530 absentee ballots and according to the latest report released, nearly 300 of them have been returned. Also, as of Tuesday, more than 2,400 people showed up to the polling location to vote early in-person. Aside from the federal and state races, Toombs County voters have a few local races they will be casting a vote for including two commission seats. One is for district 1 and the other is for district 4. Some voters say they always vote early because it's convenient and that it's important they take the time to get it done. SOT "Not a big line, just in and out no problem! It's your civic duty to vote. If we don't exercise our rights, it's like muscles if you don't exercise them you lose them." LLTAG Early voting is held here at the election office on W. Lincoln Avenue Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. This Saturday is the second and last day of weekend voting for the county. The office will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In Toombs

County, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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Some have been trying to get the majority of neighbors on board to rename the square after Susie King Taylor -- America's first Black nurse, first teacher of freed slaves and

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there's a school named after her in Savannah. But some people in the area think history **SQUARE** NAME VOTE should stay how it is. City Council is expected to vote in their meeting tonight at 6:30.

CHATHAM CO. FIRE FEE BILLS

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New tonight-- If you own a property in the unincorporated area of Chatham County, you should soon receive a fire fee bill. The county says they have been mailed out. They also want to let residents know the fire fee is collected by a 3rd party vendor on behalf of the

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CHATHAM CO. FIRE FEE BILLS So if you see that you have to send it to Wautoma Wisconsin, it is legitimate. You're taking a look at a copy of what the bill will look like. You can make payments by mail or by sending a check. For more information, head to our website WTOC dot com.

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CALHOUN SQUARE CITY COUNCIL A WTOC update tonight-- Savannah City Council decided not to vote on removing the name of Calhoun Square. Mayor Van Johnson says the vote will now take place in two weeks. John C. Calhoun was a South Carolinian and the 7th Vice President of the United States who supported slavery. The Mayor says there are a set of rules and procedures that go into changing a square's name. He also says if it is changed, it would also include formerly known as Calbour square.

VOTE formerly known as Calhoun square.

LL This month the City of Tybee Island celebrated their 135th birthday reflecting on the past, but now their looking ahead to the future like with electric vehicles. PKG "This is definitely another step in the direction of being more sustainable and valuing this very special, you know, natural environment that we live in." For the last month, the city has been test-driving this 2013 Nissan Leaf. They're borrowing it from Georgia Public Service Commissioner Tim Echols. "This test drive that we're doing this month has been kind of an eyeopener for us and we're a little closer to saying 'yes, this might work on Tybee." In April the city installed charging stations on the north-end for visitors and residents. Assistant City Manager Michelle Owens says now the city wants to know if electric vehicles would benefit them. She says so far, they're impressed with things like the smooth ride, it's speed and the battery life. She says in more than a week ... "This is the first time we're having to charge it." Could electric vehicles one day take over the city's fleet? "We have parking enforcement and code enforcement that could easily use an electric vehicle whether they have to go off the island or on the island." So, Code Enforcement Officer Mac McLain took it for a spin to see if it could fit his department's needs. "This is actually the first time I've driven any electric vehicle. I would not be opposed to it as far as the operations of the vehicle." McLain says while he supports the city's decision, he does have two main concerns - how much their warnings lights would drain the battery and how quiet they are. "A lot of times with walkers or bicyclists they may not hear us, so that would be a consideration." McLain says he does think there's an economic benefit because he will typically drive 20-30 miles a day for his job. "I do more street-side stuff than a lot of our officers. They spend more time on the beach. I think that we could do our job more economically because of the fuel cost for the city." Owens says their current fleet of gas vehicles are paid for with their capital budget, so the same would go for the electric vehicles if they decide to buy some. Although they don't know just how much each vehicle will cost them, it would be done over a few budget cycles. Owens says, overall, the experience has been great. "I think we'll all miss it." LLTAG The city says next week they will return this car and then they'll regroup. Owens says there's no timeline just yet of when the city will start incorporating electric vehicles into their fleet. On Tybee Island, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

MARIAH **TYBEE ELECTRIC VEHICLES** 

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LL: The 150 million dollars will come from LOST funds which is a 1 percent sales tax on goods and services.. VO: That money will be split between Bryan County...the City of Richmond Hill and Pembroke. According to Bryan County officials...the county will get the bulk of that money...just over 55 percent. Richmond Hill will get the second largest share at 36.5 percent. And Pembroke will receive 8 percent. County commissioners say the split is determined by population and the number of services each municipality provides. "LOST funds can be used for anything in the general fund expenses, unlike TSPLOST, which can only be used for transportation projects. We can just use that in our general fund, it helps keeps our taxes low and our milage rate low here too for all of our entities."

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LOST MONEY LL: The LOST split is renegotiated every 10 years. Reporting in Bryan

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BO: CHATHAM 10/28/2022 LOST 4:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD LATEST You may remember - Chatham County and the cities within it are still working on their LOST agreement. They have until the end of the year to settle it...or risk losing the money. Leaders of cities in Chatham County like Savannah haven't been on the same page as county officials for a while. They all started mediation to negotiate how they'll split Local Options Sales Tax funds at the beginning of the summer. In an update this week - Savannah's mayor told WTOC the city was working on a plan to make up the money if no agreement is reached.

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Industrial development in Port Wentworth has put a stain on the city for decades...so much so that there is an active moratorium for any industrial rezoning. But generational farmers in Monteith and Meinhard communities say the damage has already been done "What they do is tax or zone you out" Willie Johnson and his brother Robert have owned Promised Land Farms for 22 years. "I'm 78 years old..." Between the Johnsons and Hesters -- they own more than 200 acres of land. But they're ready to give it all away -- not because they want to "We cant' afford to leave and rebuild elsewhere at residential rates. We can't even afford a commercial rate." Hendley Road was the latest project -- rezoned two years ago to industrial...they say they never realized how much harm development could do until it happened "Next thing you know they're clearing the timber. Next thing you know they're bringing in dirt...hauling and changing the road and the reality of what that looked like...we went oh, wow...." Now they're appealing to the city -- to help them leave with some of the investment they've worked their whole lives for. They are doing that by asking for the very thing they've pushed against -- industrial rezoning. "If I don't leave...look what will happen. I'm trying to do something while I'm still here" A historic designation has been discussed for years. Farmers wanted it before as a form of protection. But now - they say it will only prevent a developer from wanting to buy their land.... due to the protections that are often affiliated with land that is deemed historic. "Now is not the time. To rezone us historic now would actually hurt and harm our ability to sell our land and get enough money to relocate" The farmers say they are speaking for themselves. They don't have a timeline but they know it's what's best and they're hoping the city will right what they say are years of wrongs. "We've been squeezed and

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"The persistent name calling, the baseless accusations, the rude behavior, the weekly soap opera, both inside and outside of these council chambers, before, during, in between, and after, council meetings, is not what I believe that citizens of this city, sent us to city hall to do." Mayor Johnson noted there were two sustained ethical violations and the removal of a city council officer from the meeting. He called the actions "despicable" and said he remains focused on the tasks put in-front of the local leaders. WTOC News is working to get copies of the sustained ethical violations and which council members they're against.

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LL: If approved...Evans County leaders say the continued tax will generate more than 9 million dollars over 6 years. Evans County voters will see the question at the end of their ballot. It'll ask whether the county should continue imposing a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax...or SPLOST. It's a one percent sales tax in Evans County that leaders say is nothing new. "It's been here as long as I can remember, and the new SPLOST, the one that is on the ballot, is a continuation of the one that we are in now." Evans County voters have approved SPLOST programs in the past. The money would go towards improving county buildings, vehicles, and other projects. Commissioners say it's a way to keep the county's millage rate low. Pratt Lockwood/Vice Chair, Evans County Board of Commissioners: "Without that money, we've got to go back and raise the millage rate to receive that money. So we're able to do a lot of things with it that we wouldn't normally be able to do without raising the millage rate." The bulk of the money the tax generates would go to the county with cities like Claxton...Hagan and Daisy getting a share. Evans County voters approved a similar tax for transportation projects during the May primaries. Commissioners say if this ballot measure is approved...no new taxes would be imposed...just continued. Pratt Lockwood/Vice Chair, Evans County Board of Commissioners: "It's not a new tax. You've been paying it for the last 15 years. You just might not have understood how it was in the paper by what the law says you have to put in." LL: Voters must decide whether to continue county SPLOST programs every 6 years. Commissioners say the vote to get the measure on the ballot was unanimous. Reporting

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(sot) County leaders say they have to find the happy medium of an attractive benefits plan for employees and one that's affordable for taxpayers. (vo) A quick vote gives more than 600 county employees access to a retirement plan through the Association of County Commissions of Georgia. It's the plan recommended by an employee committee after more than a year of study. They've heard from representatives who came and showed the advantages and disadvantages. County leaders say benefits like retirement plans can be the difference in attracting and retaining staff in a highly competitive marketplace. (sot) Hopefully, if we can offer better benefits than other counties, then we can retain the employees we do have. (vo) Despite the months of research, Thompson says his biggest RETIREMEN worry is implementing a plan that taxpayers must eventually subsidize to get employees what they were promised. (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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As you may remember, an affordable housing framework was presented to Hilton head town council at a workshop last week. Today, they voted to approve that framework. Nat \*vote\* Vo The members in attendance voted unanimously to put this housing framework into action, a responsibility that falls on the town manager. "It gives me confidence to move forward and work in that regard with their vote of support." Vo Just like the workshop last week, support of this framework was evident... as community member after community stated. Councilman Alex Brown says today's approval is a huge step toward this island becoming a leader on affordable housing. "Yes this is a national issue, but Hilton Head is different, we're unique and we figure things out and come together to get things done. Finally we've taken that on when it comes to housing." Vo The framework's built around 4 pillars or goals and 7 strategies. Something Brown believes sets it apart from plans of the past. Sot "The biggest difference as we all know is that we've got a funding mechanism attached to it so we're truly in the business this time." Vo Revenue is the 4th and final pillar of the plan, but town leaders say all the goals intertwine... allowing action to be taken right away. Sot "Those funds allow me to recruit and hire a professional that understands housing policy." Although there wasn't much discussion today, an amendment was added to this framework that will put at least a million dollars to the project every year moving forward. It was clarified that that starts with the fiscal year we are already in, essentially kicking off the towns official efforts with this project. Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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**PORT** "We've doubled in population since the last census. There's a large disparity between WENTWORT districts by population with a deviation of about 89-percent which is clearly more than 10percent suggested trigger for redistricting" The goal with redistricting is to make the REDISTRICT districts as equal as possible This needs two readings -- tonight was just a workshop.

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WENTWORT Redistricting follows the census every 10 years. Port Wentworth has home rule -- meaning changing the maps falls in their hands as long as they don't change the number of districts REDISTRICT or representatives on council. The city's extreme growth means there will be a lot of 00:00:17

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changes for them to consider.

Effingham residents near McCall Road and Racepath Road showed up to a commissioner's meeting pleading for them to reject a company's rezoning proposal. The proposal on the table from The Mcgraley Company would change agricultural land to industrial. "Sooner or later... I hate to say it but it's going to be zoned industrial somewhere down the line. There's a lot of opposition but to echo my colleague...it's feeding my family too" A lot of opposition in the room is right with residents saying the rezoning will only complicate their day-to-day "Anyone who leaves the county knows we have issues getting out as it is so when we add dump trucks to it it's gonna make it that much worse" "I don't understand why you have zones if someone's just gonna come in and say oh I like this piece of property how bout we just rezone that so I can make however much money... millions of dollars" The county zoning committee already approved the rezoning of the 65-acre tract of land... the noise and disruption are two main concerns from people who live near the area "The only thing I had was if it's approved is there a way to limit the operating hours and days of the week so we're not hearing it in the middle of the night on Sundays and everything else when we're trying to relax and sleep" Hearing out what they had to say -- the chairman agreeing with where some of them are coming from "We are not looking to make this a port wentworth warehousing area." But some commissioners couldn't get on the same page \*arguing\* I tell you what Imma do...yall just shutup...Imma make a motion That was Commissioner Loper telling two of

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EFFINGHAM his colleagues to shutup. Commissioner Burdette says this will impact their citizen's daily CO ZONING lives "Its need vs. impact. If a need is there then everyone will share that impact that's one thing but if the need is not there why would we impact these people"

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Today -- the mayor of Savannah will address the public in the annual state of the city. The public is welcome to attend. It is happening at the Savannah Cultural Arts Center at 6:30. During that time -- the mayor will highlight what has happened over the last year with the city's achievements and challenges. The mayor says he will also look ahead to what he hopes to accomplish in the next year. If you can't make it in person -- it will be livestreamed on the city of Savannah's facebook page. You can submit your questions or comments on that video, on the city's website or in-person on comment cards. The mayor says if he doesn't have an answer for you tonight -- he will get you one within 2 weeks.

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Highlighting the city's progress and major investments he's proud of since he took office two years ago from pouring millions of dollars into affordable housing projects, raising the wage for Savannah's police officers and firefighters to the new Enmarket Arena -- that's now home to the Savannah's Ghost Pirates "We intentionally from mayor adams to mayor johnson to mayor jackson to mayor deloach placed this arena on the westside of savannah to make sure we're intentionally investing into westside savannah" Investments into the community go hand in hand with creating a safer community -- mayor johnson highlighted the work of their office of neighborhood safety and engagement focused on reducing crime by engaging with the community "This program has engaged hundreds of young people in our community and gave them a positive outlet and I had to come out there a couple of nights and serve some of those young boys and show them I'm not as old as I look" While the mayor says they've done a lot of work -- they still have a lot to do including finalizing Local option sales tax negotiations before the end of the year "We will get this done because we have to get it done. It makes no sense to me to celebrate our lowest property rate in 35 years just to have to raise property taxes to unaffordable rates in this economy" Public safety remains one of the mayor's sole priorities -- gun violence being a problem in the city -- the year before he took office SPD recorded 20 homicides. That number rose to 26 his first year then up to 29 last year. There have already been 25 homicides this year. "One death. One rape. One domestic abuse. One suicide. One human trafficking incident are one too many." The mayor himself is a victim of violent threats -- he closed out his address mentioning rumors spread by council members that have put him at risk "Because of these false statements and false allegations I've had increased threats to my life and had even to increase my personal security as a result. To be woken up in the middle of the night that someone is at city hall looking for me to kill me...." He says his greatest frustration is slander, fighting and physical altercations SAV MAYOR between the council members ..he made a direct call to action for them to treat each other

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better "Proverbs 17:1-2 says that better is a dry morsel but quietness and peace than a house full of feasting with strife and contention....president abraham lincoln said a house

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committed to doing that, and we can to do that. I'm so excited and I'm over the top. I'm always going to be shouting and cheering for us to get along and do better because the people are suffering because of it. I'm glad the mayor said what he said about unifying city council. It's really important. I think it's time that we all come together. We all have the same vision in mind for Savannah. It's how do we get there, which road do we take. I think a lot of us are looking at different avenues with the same goal in mind. It's really exciting to return back in person and celebrate the accomplishments of not only the last year but the last three years. THe progress we've made as a council and a city to continuing to push forward into a new era for the city of Savannah, and it's been really exciting to see how we're going to cascade into the future to continue those investments and improvements to make our city better. The mayor gave us a beautiful picture and not just beutiful picture, a factual picture of what the work of the mayor and the council have been doing over the year of 2022. Did an excellent job.

just think how better it would be if the fight was about what people elected and I'm

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Standup: In the last few weeks I've sat in on hours of affordable housing meetings, and now that action has officially been taken... one thing is clear. Covered sot "The hard fact of 300 people overnight becoming homeless on Hilton Head was the galvanizing piece." Vo As we reported earlier this week, the panic at Chimney Cove found its silver lining. Finally, action taken to bring more affordable housing to this island. While residents here have had their leases back for a few months, the non-profit trying to help get them options... Nat Vo Hasn't stopped working. The Deep Well Project says there's no guarantee more lease terminations aren't on the horizon, so they've been trying to get these neighbors more secure places to live. "Less than a third of them have been able to find alternate housing. Two thirds of them are still sitting there waiting, not knowing when the other shoe is going to fall." Vo It's been almost three months since their efforts began, but the organization's executive director says it's an incredibly difficult search that puts the full scope of the affordable housing crisis on display. Sot: "It's not that they can't afford to move to a new place, we've got a crisis fund that's available to help them if they do need financial assistance, there's just no place to go." Vo Of the 19 families at Chimney Cove still looking for housing, 11 tell Deep Well it doesn't matter what kind of home they move to... just that it's here on Hilton Head. On cam tag Following the approval of the affordable housing framework this week, we'll continue to monitor the town's plans for change moving forward and let you know when concrete action takes place. Reporting from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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LL INTRO: There are two additional pieces of land that are up to be zoned industrial here off of Islands Highway in Midway. People who live in the area say they have continued concerns about the growth here. The Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission, known as the LCPC, is considering two new proposals to rezone the area from agricultural to industrial. One is for 140 acres, which would include 1 million square feet of industrial warehouse space. The other is 155 acres, which would be 2.3 million square feet of warehouse space. "There's been historic expansion of the Savannah ports. Lately, there's been a lot of interest in additional warehousing, that's probably also related to the Hyundai development that's going on in Bryan County. There's anticipated need for a lot of additional industrial warehouse space." Mark Bush has lived off of Islands Highway for almost 30 years. A main concern—traffic on the main road, which is only two lanes. "Our road can't handle that. We just can't do it. If you come out here during shift change for the folks who work at Target you can't get on or off the island hardly." Ricketson says the county plans to widen Islands Highway in 2024... but Bush says that's not his only worry he says this increase in new development goes against the county's comprehensive plan. Ricketson acknowledges that there is a conflict. "The comprehensive land use plan says it should be zoned Aq. The economic development portion of the comprehensive plan says it should be developed and used for a regional employment center." So, the LCPC is working on amending the comprehensive plan - which hasn't been updated in about eight years. "The economy is totally different than it was eight years ago. So, because of this conflict, we're revisiting the comprehensive plan." Something Bush says, doesn't sit right with him and his neighbors. "They're rebuilding the comprehensive development plan to meet construction, rather than having construction meet the plan." However, Ricketson says... he doesn't anticipate growth stretching further east than already proposed. Still -Bush worries it's too much, too soon. "We understand development is going to happen. We actually want development. But we want it responsibly. We need to slow them down, and get them to build the infrastructure." LLTAG: The county's planning commission will discuss the zoning of these two pieces of land at their meeting on November 15th. The Board of Commissioners will then vote on it during their meeting on December 6th. In Midway, HB WTOC NEWS.

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LL In less than a year this land will be turned into a mini community with 40 cottages and a resident services building giving those who are experiencing homelessness the opportunity to have a roof over their heads. PKG "We look up and we had roofs over our heads. Why can't everyone have that same ability?" "The stability of a home is the number one indicator of better outcomes for people." This city-owned land on Dundee Street sits clear making way for more permanent, supportive housing. "We were going to put tents here at first, right? But this is the City of Savannah, we can do more than tents and we did more than tents." Dundee Cottages is a continuation of the tiny homes project, The Cove at Dundee, next door. It was built, specifically, for veterans experiencing homelessness. The city announced, Thursday, that 12 more tiny homes will be built there in the new year along with the 40 cottages ... coming out to \$6.5 million. "They've had a wonderful experience next door. Very little crime, if any. Almost 100% occupancy the whole time, stable tenants. These are just good people who need a place to live that doesn't cost a lot." Martin Fretty, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Services for the city says the cottages will be up to 240 square feet, which could house a mother and her two children, for example. "When you enter the front door on all of these they'll have a sleeping, living and kitchen area sort of all combined. Then in the back is a bathroom that'll have a commode, a shower and a sink." Fretty says there will also be a 2,000 square foot service center and a two-story caretakers cottage on the property, which means a staff member will oversee the property fulltime. Dundee Cottages is open to anybody in need. "Places where people are going to live, are going to operate and are going to put their lives on a trajectory to fulfill their fullest human potential." When Dundee Cottages and The Cove at Dundee are finished ... this area will be home to at least 86

**DUNDEE FAKING** 

households. "This land is going to be a blessing to people here." LLTAG The city says by COTTAGES the summer of 2023 construction will be complete. To live in one of these homes, there is GROUNDBR an application process. If anyone is interested in applying they're asked to contact the homeless authority. In Savannah, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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LL INTRO: If voters pass the TSPLOST, city of Savannah officials say there are numerous roads projects within the city that will be funded by it, including improvements to Louisville Road behind me here. County wide - the TSPLOST is expected to raise \$420 million dollars over five years. The City of Savannah is set to get more than \$143 million from that. Big ticket items include \$41.5 million for addressing congestion on busy roads.... More than \$24 million for improving Benton Boulevard, a regional project, as well as \$20 million for road resurfacing. City leaders say it's about addressing the rapid growth of the city. "I think the thing that would benefit the general public, our citizenry, is to understand how Savannah is growing, and the challenges that we have. Obviously, we are a growing city. With a growing city, you have the challenges of infrastructure." LLTAG: If the TSPLOST is passed, collection starts in April. We could see some of those projects EXPLAINER started by Fall 2023.

CHATHAM CO

**TSPLOST** 5:30pm OD

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Hilton Head is hosting informational sessions for vacation rental owners throughout the

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**HILTON** 

(sot) The distance from one side of Statesboro to the other might feel like the distance to the moon and back if you don't have a car. A new public transit system could soon give some riders a way to parts of town they couldn't access before. (vo) Starting in January, the city will have four buses and eight drivers criss crossing town. (sot) Our initial cost is going to be free, starting out, for the first six months..to build ridership. (vo) After six months, riders will pay one dollar. They'll start fixed routes of East/West and North South

elderly for example to call in and request they come to get them for assistance. (vo) They're starting with shuttle buses like this that can navigate streets and parking lots. They'll be able to help some people get better access to grocery stores, the hospital and more. (sot) We looked at cities that have been successful, but also ones that were unsuccessful because they took on too much. (vo) They hope the bus system helps open

with bus stops around the city. But that's not all. (sot) ..it will also allow people who are

up the entire city to more of its citizens. (sot) And we'll update you as this gets closer to

coming online. In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WTOC news. ?

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\*nats knocking Out-of-city residency... That's just one of the ethics violations Councilmember Rufus Bright filed with the city...claiming Councilwoman Jo Smith does not live in Port Wentworth. "Her residency is under Joann Ellen Smith and that's in Cobb County." So we went to the address listed on her application for candidacy...no answer. We did find a brochure in the door with her name on it. According to records from the Cobb County Board of Tax Assessors, under that name, she's owned a home in Marietta, GA since 2013. "this city has been through a lot. The only way we can get this city back on track is they gotta trust us. How you gon' trust me if I'm lying and stealing from you?" But the ethics complaints do not stop there... Councilman Bright says Councilwoman Jo Smith was "abusing her Port Wentworth credit card" .... In other words.. Bright is claiming she stole from the city. A bank statement from the city shows Councilwoman Smith paid almost 1500-dollars to an organization called the Foundation Center. She claimed she needed to buy a database of grants to help residents who needed help with their nonprofits. Two months later, she asked the organization to cancel her membership and give her a pro-rated refund because she "bit off more than she could chew". That's not all. Councilman Bright says Smith threatened city staff when they would not approve a contract that would benefit her sister's company... "One word...hostile." according to him, she texted a city official "when someone screws me, Im the fiercest enemy one would ever encounter" Council unanimously rejected a grant-writing contract in May that would give a company called GFAAC 15% of any funds for grants they acquire for the city... the spokesperson for the business, Stephanie Hensley, Smith's sister chaired her campaign and contributed 2800-dollars according to a campaign disclosure report. Councilwoman Smith recused herself from discussion and vote The mayor said on record family members should not be writing grants for the city. Hensley did not deny the relation. "I would caution saying I know Jo Smith...I'm related to Jo Smith. I don't think that's a reason to disqualify what I can do." City code says no elected official should engage in any business or transaction or have a direct or indirect financial interest that could conflict with completing official duties... Councilman Bright says his issue with all of this is it all falls back to ethics... "You're defrauding the government. And when you cheat...my mom always said if you cheat you'll lie, if you lie you'll steal if you steal you'll kill." But why now? Smith is a year into her first term as a councilmember. "At first, she act like she wanted everything to be united but when you're doing things outside of bringing the city together...it makes the city look bad" He says this is not what Port Wentworth stands for. They are working to make this a better city than it's been in the past but ultimately the decision on whether or not any of these allegations have enough evidence will lie with a municipal court judge "I want it to be rectified. That's PW ETHICS my hope and my prayer that it'll be rectified because the people of Port Wentworth need better than

ALYSSA: COMPLAINT that."

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**STACEY** ABRAMS IN

With just three days to go until election day - the Democrat challenging Georgia Governor Brian Kemp is campaigning in Savannah. You're looking at video our crews shot in Daffin Park this morning...as Stacey Abrams makes some of her final appeals for the state's top SAVANNAH elected office.

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"It's no secret that West Chatham areas like Pooler have major traffic issues so Pooler leaders say they're disappointed that people living here didn't vote for TSPLOST because TSPLOST would have helped fund several transportation projects like widening Benton Blvd. and Pooler Pkwy." "Don't complain about traffic or bad road conditions because we needed that money for road projects and it was designated for those certain projects. We weren't taking it to use somewhere else." Over five years, TSPLOST would provided 420 million dollars to matched additional funds for projects like fixing the I-95 interchange near the airport that sees a lot of traffic. It's a 1 percent sales tax on goods and services. Pooler Mayor Rebecca Benton says they will find a way to get the projects done but it will certainly take longer. "But the only other way to fund this would be from property taxes. Now, we will look for other sources of revenue but it'll be a long time coming and they're needed now." Chatham County Chairman Chester Ellis has held several town meetings to explain benefits of TSPLOST. He said it was important it passed because West Chatham is going to be even more packed after the Hyundai Plant is up and running. "I was disappointed that TSPLOST did not pass because knowing the impact of what's coming." According to the Chatham County elections website many of the no votes came from people living in West Chatham. He says he wishes they did a better job at getting the word out, despite it being illegal for Chatham County to advertise for the referendum. "The place that we didn't get the message out as well as we should have is the area that's affected the most and that's West side." He has said several times that property taxes could go up if TSPLOST failed but now says they will seek grants and government funding to get the projects done. It just might take longer than expected. Camille Syed WTOC News.

**CHATHAM** CO **TSLPOST** VOTE

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CHATHAM TSPLOST 11/9/2022 VOTED 11:01:00 PM 11PM OD DOWN "Don't complain about traffic or bad road conditions because we needed that money for road projects and it was designated for those certain projects. We weren't taking it to use somewhere else." Local leaders say the projects TSPLOST would have funded will still get done...but the timeline will be longer. Chatham County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis tells WTOC property taxes may also be raised to fund the projects. The county says they'll also pursue grants and government funding.

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SAV CITY COUNCIL ON CALHOUN SQ

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"This is a process that did not take place in 18-51, but we have the opportunity to do it now. We won't rush the process. We'll take our time. We'll hear the voices, we'll research the names, the places, the concepts, it will go through the city's process and then the city council will decide on a name." Mayor Johnson says, the public will have the chance to weigh-in on what they want the square to be re-named. We will continue to follow this process.

The funds will start to be collected this upcoming May in this program that's the first of its kind statewide. Sot: (Christopher Ophardt - PIO. Beaufort County) "The county is excited to follow the will of the voters." Vo Voters approved it on election day, and now preserving greenspace is a financially backed priority. The county says the tax's summer start date will work great for locals as well. Sot "We're hoping that the tourists will be able to cover even more of the sales tax then our residents." Vo Although you won't see the 1% increase for another six months, work on how to spend the funds will begin right away. Sot "The county will now set up a committee over the next couple of weeks to evaluate pieces of property that they will be able to purchase and prevent from being developed, whether it be commercial, industry or housing usage." On cam tag: This sales tax will end at

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whatever deadline comes first between the county collecting \$100 million or two years from when it takes effect in May. Reporting from Beaufort County, Tyler Manion, WTOC

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"This plot of land of Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. could look like this, a three story day shelter for those experiencing homelessness. The Chatham County Homeless Authority says they're making recommendations for how the day shelter should be set up. That's including wrap around services. Director of Savannah Chatham Authority for Homeless Jennifer Darsey says they recommend the day shelter has private shower stalls, a laundry facility and key card access for safety. We first told you Friday-- according to documents submitted to the Metropolitan Planning commission by GM Shay Architects shows room for 16 apartments on the second and third floors. The bottom floor would feature an office space where those in need can seek support services. "You would have wrap around services provided. You might have medical. You might have mental health. You might have department of children and family services, adult protective services, social services. Just various services on sight." The proposal says the shelter is meant to be transitional housing for single parent families to help get out of homelessness. The City of Savannah already owns the lot it's proposed to be built. The Housing and Neighborhood Services Director said they'll need to bring the project to the Savannah City Council next year to AFFORDABL approve a transfer-of-land and funding from the Affordable Housing Fund. If that happens, construction could begin next year. "The Historic Preservation Commission will vote on

this proposal on November 21st. Camille Syed WTOC News."

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**BUDGET** "We want to continue to have those investments, we want to continue build that capacity

RETREAT: with our community. And it's not just a city response, right? It's about building a

11/14/2022 **PUBLIC** community effort towards safer communities, and that's what the Office of Neighborhood

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> "That violence intervention program has ceased to operate, in most part, since I left. But we're looking right now for resources to make sure we stand that up and fully operate it.

SAVANNAH Even with my presence, it was only a one man operation. Now we need to make sure that that operation goes full speed." Bush says he also wants to pursue putting something **BUDGET** RETREAT: similar into Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools, that would be in place to help kids **PUBLIC** deemed high risk. He would also look at getting it into schools deemed high need. It's an

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SAVANNAH BUDGET

RETREAT: PUBLIC SAFETY Bush says there are three top priorities for Neighborhood Safety and Engagement in 2023-including getting the Hospital Based Violence Intervention running again. The program, which was at Memorial Health, intervened with victims of violence to help identify risk factors, as well as give care to victims and follow up with them later to reduce the chance of them being involved in violent situations in the future. Bush says he oversaw the program in his previous job...

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?(sot) We've all heard of an "eye in the sky". In Metter, crews are putting an eye underground to scope out the sewer network before they start a major project. (vo) The camera rolled into the sewer line with 360 degree cameras-front and back- to see the condition of the lines from the inside. It's part of the prep work before the city digs up parts of the sewer sytem to replace pipes. They're looking at the main trunk lines and the lateral parts that go to homes and businesses. (sot) We're going to be rehabbing some old sewer lines. We'll be replacing some old sewer laterals to all the residences, at no cost to them. (vo) He says it will especially help customers who deal with backed up drains and sewers. The project will cost slightly less than \$800,000. But state grant money will cover all but \$50,000. The city will use SPLOST funds to cover part of that. (sot) He says they'll probably start digging at the beginning of December and be finished during the summer. In Metter, Dal Cannady WTOC news.

METTER SEWER

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"I asked Mayor Van Johnson about a proposed development thaut would benefit homeless people on 916 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. He says it is not going to be a day shelter but it will be housing." As we previously reported - on the proposal by GM Shay architects submitted to the Metropolitan Planning Commission, a diagram labels the bottom floor as a day center. It also says the development is meant to be transitional housing for single parent families to help get out of homelessness. In a statement released today from the Savannah Housing and Neighborhood Services Director Martin Fretty, he says the proposal would provide 16 two bedroom apartments to house those experiencing homelessness or seeking to avoid being homeless. But it won't free, the statement says the apartments would be an affordable price. Fretty says the services on the bottom floor with a laundry facility and bathrooms will be open to neighborhood residents as well as people living there. I asked the mayor who would be in charge of the facility and that's not clear right now. "It will be somebody. Obviously we the opportunity to provide services to everybody. I don't want to feed into that this is something institutional. This is residential. It's for people to live." Fretty says they asked the MPC to push consideration of this proposal by the Historic Preservation Committee back to approved by the MPC and the city council. Camille Syed WTOC News.

SAV **HOMELESS SHELTER** CITY REAX

January instead of later this month so their housing team can review further and discuss the proposed concept plans. The housing team would start building in 2024 if it is

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The city of garden city will put a large part of their proposed restructured fire fee rate on industrial warehouses starting in 2023. "It's time...it's time. You got a lot of warehouses and big industrial areas coming in and it just wouldn't be fair to the residents." The city manager says for years, residents of Garden City have been paying a flat fee of \$12.50/per REU...that's just a unit of measurement based on water usage. "What the council had asked me to do starting when I became interim is to look at how we could shift the burden from residential customers in the community to our industrial customers who make up the city." He says there will be a big shift in that fee -- but residents will be paying less "The small mom and pop store that has a 750 ft sq business wouldn't pay the same fee as a million sq ft warehouse" 47-percent of the fee will come from industrial customers with only 17-percent on residents. The rest is vacant land that will get a wildfire charge They say every dollar they get will only be used by and for the fire department. "We have a 22 year old ladder truck in desparate need to replace equipment and expand personnel to meet the demand" Instead of Garden City collecting the fee, the tax commissioners office will on a yearly property tax bill. In garden city, AJ WTOC

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City Manager Shawn Gillen says GDOT presented them with an early concept called a 'road diet' or a traffic calming strategy. They did this by looking at things like the island's traffic count, peak and low times, and what the traffic flow looks like. VO One of the first things Gillen says GDOT found was that the island has a lot of traffic delays due to pinch points and left-hand turns. To help with this they proposed taking Highway 80 and Butler Avenue from four lanes to two. This would keep it a consistent two-lane road from the Bull River Bridge to Tybrisa Street. Then, they'd put in a center lane that would stretch the entire length of the corridor to prevent backups. The proposal also includes taking away the parking on the eastbound side of Butler and making it a dedicated bike and pedestrian lane, putting rear-angle parking on the oceanside of Butler, which they say is safer than parallel parking, and putting in a roundabout or a traffic triangle on the south end where the Park of Seven Flags is. No matter what they'd do here, Gillen says they will honor the Park of Seven Flags and its importance to the community. Gillen says lastly, GDOT proposed changing the yellow flashing lights at the pedestrian crossings to a red-light system. SOT "Some of the more dangerous spots in Chatham County for pedestrian and bicycles and vehicle crashes are right here along Highway 80 and Butler just because of the sheer volume of people who come throughout the year. So, creating that efficiency flow of the traffic was something they're looking at." Gillen says after this week's meeting there's a lot to absorb. He reminds everyone that these are just concepts and before anything would happen, they'll host a series of public input meetings to hear everyone's feedback. He says they hope to start these around the start of the new year. On Tybee Island, Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

TYBEE ISLAND ROADS & PARKING LATEST

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The City says starting next year a large part of the fee will be put on industrial warehouses. The plan is for about a little less than half of the money to come from industrial customers. Residents will pay less than 20 percent. That will show up on your yearly property tax bill. City council has already changed the framework for the fee, but they'll vote on the new rate next week.

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SAV 2023 The first hearing is happening a second one is slated for Decention 11/17/2022 PUBLIC locations around the city or substruction PM 5:30pm OD HEARINGS opportunities - and the plan itself.

The first hearing is happening on Tuesday during the regular council meeting. The second one is slated for December 8th. People can also check out the plan at three locations around the city or submit questions online. We have more details about those opportunities - and the plan itself - right now on WTOC dot com.

"Some of the more dangerous spots in Chatham County for pedestrian and bicycles and vehicle crashes are right here along Highway 80 and Butler just because of the sheer volume of people who come throughout the year. So, creating that efficiency flow of the traffic was something they're looking at." City and state leaders are in talks about roadway improvements on Tybee Island. You just heard from City Manager Shawn Gillen on just one part of the massive list of proposals. That's changing pedestrian crossings from flashing yellow lights to a red light system. The recommendations from the Georgia Department of Transportation also include taking Highway 80 and Butler Avenue from four lanes to two with a center lane.

TYBEE GDOT
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If you live in unincorporated Chatham County, and you recently got a bill for fire services... you now have more time to pay-up. It comes after county officials decided to extend that deadline by 30 days Friday. "Let me first say, we will not be showing up at anyone's doors with uncle paulie and ray-ray to come and get you." Some residents tell WTOC they are seeing much higher bills than in the past - when it was an optional subscription. Whitely says, that's because the county chose a different way to bill for fire services. Instead of charging based on property size and value... it's now based on the square feet of your home. "That's where a lot of people are seeing that big jump. So, again, you may have only paid a certain amount last year because we were basing it on your property valuation. We weren't looking at the gazebo, the shed, and so on and so forth." And, there's another notable change this year. There's now a 10-thousand-dollar cap on fire bills. Chatham Fire CEO Chuck Kearns. "You've chosen a method that does sound more fair... but, we didn't have a cap." Kearns says, with that cap now in-place, residents are covering some of the tab for larger properties in unincorporated Chatham - like apartment complexes. "So, we're billing them at \$51,000, and now they're getting billed at \$10,000. There's a gap there that is probably getting spread out." Commissioner Whitely says - he understands people are upset. He told us the county is ready to work with residents on payment plans. But he says, ultimately, they will need to pay it. "If the numbers are right on your bill, then pay what you can. Set up a payment plan of some sort. We're not coming after you next

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JOHNSON: (Mayor Van Johnson | City of Savannah) "We knew there were some concessions that 4:30AM BROUGHTO had to be made in order to get this street open and so it will require some further

11/23/2022 DAYBREAK N ST construction into next year to remedy those issues." The mayor also said that the 4:30:00 AM OD REOPENED Broughton Street project will not be fully complete until it meets the City's standards.

Standup Alan Perry ran for Hilton Head mayor four years ago. Back then, he fell a few percentage points shy of a runoff ... but now, four years later, he's come out on top of his own extended election... and while the weight of the win is yet to sink in, the notifications certainly haven't. Sot: (Alan Perry - Mayor Elect, HHI) "My phones been blowing up starting at 6 o'clock this morning. I've had 200 and some texts to respond to, numerous emails, and I haven't even gotten to Facebook yet." Vo Over 8600 voters cast a ballot in this runoff, with 56 percent of them choosing the lifetime Hilton Head resident as their next leader. Sot "It means that they realize I care about this community and the residents of it, and the people of it. Not just those that live here, but also those that don't live here." Vo Perry tells me he'll prioritize housing, redevelopment, and communication. Sot "I think it's important to be able to return those phone calls and return those texts and let those people know, I hear you. And the team, as the council will be is a team, that we hear and what we're working for is the betterment and your voice for the community." On cam tag: His swearing in ceremony will be December 6th, but the work starts before then as he tells me he's already scheduling meetings for next week to get to know his council. Reporting

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INTERVIEW from Hilton Head, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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For almost six months, Chatham County and its 8 municipalities have been going back and forth about how to split Local Option Sales Tax Revenue. There's a lot at stake including millions of dollars in funds that could expire County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis feels the county deserves more than the offer on the table. "The 17th was the first time the county was given the option of the 23/77-percent split between the county and municipalities and I'm here to tell you that will not work" Chatham County is countering with getting 31-percent instead....asking for it to go up by 2-percent every year until it's 50-50 split. Chairman Ellis says critical services the county provides for themselves and cities within cost more "Ten years ago the price was 98-million, two years ago the price was 140-million, now it's 152-million dollars" But with just over a month left to agree, why is chatham county addressing the issues with the negotiation now? "we've been painted as the bad guys on the block the ones hard to get along with but you can see by the facts. why are people apt to believe a lie 6 times quicker than the truth?"

ALYSSA: CHATHAM CO. LOST FUNDS

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VAN JOHNSON: LOST "Without this funding, Savannah particularly face an annual loss of more than 55 million dollars and it will take up to more than 8 mils in property taxes to make up for those lost funds." The deadline for an agreement is December 30th. After that date, the Local Option Sales Tax will end.

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The short answer is- if the Local Option Sales Tax goes away- it would likely have the most impact on property owners. Here's how LOST works when it's in place. LOST is a 1% sales tax that you pay in Chatham County- whether you're in the unincorporated part, or if you're in a city. The money generated from the tax goes towards city and county budgets. Without that sales tax, the county says they'll instead get that money through property taxes. But- when LOST is in effect- you will see a credit on your property taxeslike this one ((show example tax bill)). How much that tax credit is, however, depends on where you live. "If you look at what the property taxpayers are getting across Chatham County, whether they live in one of the cities within Chatham County, or live in the unincorporated area, I think you see some disparity there, where some property taxpayers are getting a lot more benefit than others." According to 2021 data, with LOST in effect. property owners in unincorporated Chatham County saw a 10 point 9 percent discount on property taxes - which is the lowest rate in the whole county. People that live on Tybee saw a 37.6 percent reduction- in Savannah, that's 60.7 percent. Property owners in Bloomingdale or Vernonburg got a 100 percent reduction- meaning they didn't pay property tax at all. "You can see, what's the percentage they get off their tax bill because of LOST, and I think what you'll find is that the residents in the city get a much higher percentage off their tax bill that the unincorporated residents get." For some people- the amount of money paid in sales tax may be more than the reduction on your property tax bill. "Oh, the sky is falling, if this tax goes away, everyone's gonna get a tax increase." Well, yeah, everybody that owns property and pays property tax will get a property tax increase, but they're also going to get a sales tax reduction at the same time. And whether they truly get a total tax increase or not depends on how that property tax increase relates to their sales tax reduction." Chatham County and the eight cities within it are in mediation right now, trying to decide how to split the money they would get from LOST starting in 2023. If they don't make a decision by December 30- the sales tax goes away and so SALES TAX does the property tax credit. You can check out our previous coverage of that on

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EXPLAINER WTOC.com. Reporting in Chatham County, Shea Schrader, WTOC News.

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SAV LOST **MONEY REAX** 

Right now - the 8 municipalities are asking for a 23/77-percent split. Chatham County is countering with a 31-percent split... and for it to go up by 2-percent every year until it's an even, 50-50 split. If they can't come to an agreement, the tax would expire... and the burder would be passed-on to property owners, in the form of property taxes. We have a story explaining that on our web site - WTOC-dot-com.

CAMP MOVING

**FOLO** 

HOMELESS We're talking half a million dollars. That's how much private contractors have billed the City of Savannah for the work to clean-up and secure this homeless encampment. You're looking at the BEFORE images of what it looked like underneath the Truman Parkway overpass on East President Street. Here's what it looks like now.

The area looks dramatically different for what was was once filled with tents and household items. Now - it's cleared out. And we're getting a clearer picture of how much it cost. Through an open records request, our WTOC Investigates team received copies of invoices submitted to the City of Savannah. They show private contractors billed the city more than \$571 thousand dollars for the work. Here's a cost breakdown: \$514,000 is what it cost to bring in heavy equipment and manpower to demolish the site and removing mounds of garbage, debris and dozens of trees. It cost an additional \$58,000 to put up this barbed wire, 8-foot-tall fence. The fence includes a six-month rental agreement that expires on March 30th. And it cost about \$1,400 to send 20 storage trunks filled with personal possessions to the Savannah-Chatham County Homeless Authority. It all adds up to a price tag of \$571,396.68 The plan for the move out began after a large fire at the camp on October 1st. Engineers determined it caused minimal structural damage to the bridge, but said any future fires could be catastrophic. The site visit also renewed city concerns about the unsanitary living conditions at the camp. WTOC Investigates saw those conditions up close last year. Several of those who lived at the camp said they suffered from mental health, substance abuse issues and others were registered sex offenders who said they had no place else to live.

**HOMELESS** CAMP **MOVING FOLO** 

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"Georgia's people are what powers Georgia's businesses and so, I think that's a big part of the story here." Powering a business boom like the Coastal Empire has never seen before. We've got so much that all of a sudden is happening in Chatham County, Coastal Georgia, with the ports, of course the explosion of Hyundai coming here is going to be a game changer - 5 times larger than anything we've ever done." And to pull it off - Chatham County's elected leaders say they're taking a short list...full of tall orders with them to Atlanta in January. "What do folks in Georgia need to thrive? They need affordable housing. They need health care. They need to be able to get to these great jobs in this booming labor market." "We have a public transportation trust fund and we need to get more of those dollars out of Atlanta back to Savannah to benefit our transit system. As you know, we got the Hyundai plant coming. We're going to need to expand public transportation to get people connected to jobs." Getting connected - in one of the state's fastest growing areas. The growth right next to Chatham County in Bryan County means Georgia's Coastal Delegation is expanding this year...something one 25 year veteran of the General Assembly says won't change what the group is known for under the Gold Dome. "We'll have three senators now instead of two, but we'll still have 6 of us in the House, evenly split, Democrats and Republicans, which is a very good thing. And I got to tell you after all these 25 years, we always work together. That's something that Chatham County has been known for and Coastal Georgia quite honestly, and our issues are so much different than Atlanta and other parts of the state."

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"We proposed, they proposed. We proposed, they proposed and we came to an agreement." After all of the back and forth, Smith will receive more than 9,900 dollars every two weeks for the next 15 months. That's a 258 thousand dollar bill that tax payers are footing. Smith will still get paid from Chatham County even if he gets another job before the payment cycle ends. Smith's attorney Brent Savage says one of the things Smith was pushing for was to receive his pension plan because he was a few years short. The agreement says he can have those benefits and the health plan benefits. Smith sent me a statement saying in part... today is bittersweet for him. He enjoyed being a part of Team Chatham. He's happy the negotiations were finalized and he's started pursuing job opportunities. Chairman Ellis still hasn't publically given a reason for suspending Smith in July. "I wish Mr. Smith well. I guess some folks might say I might've been his cheerleader but it became where we needed to work out a severance and we did." The statement does say Smith has not engaged in any wrongdoing on the part of the county.

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You may remember - we've been following back and forth between the county and it's eight cities over the Local Option Sales Tax or LOST for months. Today - The commission voted unanimously today to a 31 - 69 percent split. That means 31 percent of the LOST funds would go to Chatham County during the 2023 fiscal year... And the municipalities would get the rest. This proposal is 8 percent more for the county than the municipalities had offered. The cities have not accepted this proposal yet, as they are still negotiating with the county. Remember - they have to have an agreement by the end of this month...or the funding goes away all together. You can read our past reports

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**SQUARE** helping them pave a path for the future. 00:00:12 **RO BIZ** 

STATESBO Business owners in Statesboro could have a new way to let their voice be heard. The city has established a Business Commission that will be made up of business owners. They'll COMMISSIO serve as a liason between the business community and City Hall. Council member Venus

Mack has helped get it started and says it will help a range of businesses.

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12/6/2022 COMMISSIO They're inviting business owners to apply for commission seats. They'll choose seven to 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD serve the first terms. The deadline to apply is December 16.

LL INTRO: Hinesville city leaders say the agreement will help them address the rapidly growing development in both Long County and Hinesville. City Manager Kenneth Howard calls the agreement a win-win for both areas. "The City of Hinesville has experienced exponential growth over the last several years. After being appointed as city manager, I quickly realized that we were getting requests for water and sewer services frequently." Too frequent, the city says, to be sustainable on the water capacity currently available to them. "We had limited capacity, and within the next four to five years, we'd exceed that capacity." Based on current estimations, this agreement would help expand capacity in Hinesville by 1.5 million more gallons... to properly plan for growth over the next 10-20 years. "We could not increase our water withdrawal permit capacity, because there's a restriction on that. So, we had to look at alternative ways." BRIDGE: Howard says they've worked for about a year compiling all the information in this engineering report regarding the water systems in this engineering report regarding the water systems in Long County and the city of Hinesville. This information will be submitted to the state's environmental protection division to receive the necessary permits to start construction. As a part of the agreement, Hinesville will pay Long County \$500,000 to contribute to developing the county's water system. Then, the construction costs will be split evenly between the two, and the well will be jointly owned by both entities, but operated by the city. "Long County has limited facilities right now. We've spoken to them about assisting with their needs as well. This is a win-win situation for us." The city plans to use the current water and sewer fund, combined with leftover COVID relief funding to pay for the project - with the potential for taking out a loan. TAG: Howard says they plan to submit all of their information to the state in the coming weeks. They hope to have an approval back by early next year. Construction would take about 8-10 months after that. In Hinesville, HB WTOC NEWS.

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"No." The battle between Chatham County and its cities continues... there's still no agreement on how to split LOST revenue- and now, beach renourishment on Tybee Island, also becoming an issue. "The County walked away from the table in an offer that we made would've netted them 102 million dollars over 10 years of additional revenue that they don't have now, and an opportunity to protect Tybee Island through their beach renourishment. "We've already worked that out with the Corps of Engineers and Senator Ossoff and Tybee. Cause I was a part of that. So that's already in the plan. So you aren't really negotiating in good faith." ((GFX)) The Cities were offering a flat 26/74 percent split between the county and the cities- but also wanted beach renourishment. ((GFX)) The County, on the other hand- proposed taking the 26/74 percent split between the county and the cities- and then increasing the county's cut every year until it reaches 31 percent by 2025. Chairman Ellis says he thought the county was giving the cities what they wanted and he was surprised when the cities rejected the offer. ((VO)) Ellis says he feels that of the eight municipalities in the county- that the City of Savannah in particular is holding up negotiations. Ellis: "The City of Savannah is really the holdup. By putting things like Bush Road in, by putting things like Tybee beach renourishment in, you not negotiating in good faith. Those things have been already done." Jay Melder, Savannah City Manager, says that in the deal the County walked away from, Savannah would've been giving up 76 million dollars to Chatham County- which is a significant amount of money as costs continue to rise. "I don't think that that describes at all the City of Savannah holding up these negotiations. I think that describes the City of Savannah working hard, working in earnest, to close this deal, to protect taxpayers, to protect property taxes, and to work in the spirit of collaboration with the County." We don't know when the groups might be able to finally make a deal, as they're both saying the other side needs to play ball. Ellis: "When the City of Savannah and those who are in the negotiating room come to the realization of what's going on, then they can call and we can decide, but we told them, we don't need to have all of this going back and forth." Johnson: "We're

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ON UPDATE willing and have offered opportunities to be able to agree and sign and move on. The

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Councilman richard lassiter ended monday's garden city council meeting questioning how they're enforcing a code against airbnbs when it doesn't exist.... "Just be gung ho and fine them and there's no ordinance in place or anything stating an AIRBNB is prohibited" The city's attorney couldn't point to any codes that back up the reason for the fine "There's no permitted use for an airbnb except for the situation that a resident is renting out their place...they're allowed to do that in a residential area" But alluded to the fact that there could be an ordinance coming soon... "...one is being drafted. I wasnt aware that people were being cited right now for that...1,000 now you've told me so now i know and will look into that" Residents who showed up to the meeting Heather Moore and Jerry Bazemore were given the notice this week "I received a knock on my door in the morning and GC code enforcement was there...gun badge this in hand" There was no deadline on the notice --- "The officer said cease immediately...immediately" But city officials said to them in an email that the fines were "suspended" but they still needed to remove the listing They went on to say they would be "monitoring"...in other words watching the area for compliance "It's inexcusable that they put these violation notices out for us to deal with and figure out what's going on. They left it up to the residents" WTOC looked through the city's ordinances, including the two cited on the notice "occupational tax" and "permitted use" it was made clear during the meeting that there are no ordinances against short term ALYSSA: GC vacation rentals....yet residents still have paperwork that says they owe the city "It's really

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AIR BNB **FINES** 

because it seems to me if you're taking down a \$1,000 fine you have no just cause for a \$1000 fine" City officials could not be reached this afternoon for further comment.

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COUNCIL **DOGGOS** 

ON BEACH

New at 4--- We're hearing from Tybee City officials about a proposal that could allow dogs on the beach. City Councilman Brian West is part of the potential project. He tells us dogs would only be allowed on the beach Wednesdays from November 1st to March 1st. Dogs would also only be allowed on the beaches from 19th street boardwalk to Inlet Avenue. The city would have code enforcement and department of public works out on the beach to make sure the area stays clean. Councilman West says this is all open for discussion

PROPOSAL and some things could change in the proposal.

**TYBEE** COUNCIL DOGGOS ON BEACH "I'm hopeful that we can get some fair and positive discussion about it and not just, there's no way it can be done, it can't be done, it's not possible. It is possible. We just need to figure out how to make it work for people." Tonight--City Council will meet to discuss the proposal during their meeting. They will not be voting on it. We'll continue to follow this

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"Chatham County, through its plots and ploys is playing a dangerous game of chicken that threatens nearly 70 percent of the residents of this county with a tax increase, enough is enough." Chatham County leaders walked away from a mediation session yesterday that was meant to solve the debate over how the county and its eight municipalities will split up tax money. A beach renourishment project on Tybee Island is what's holding up

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NEGOTATIO the deal. Millions of tax dollars are on the line. If either side doesn't come to an

NS UPDATE agreement by December 31st, LOST will expire.

Right before the cities gave an update on the latest talks, an inflatable clown could be LOST 12/8/2022 NEGOTATIO seen in the window of the Chatham County Courthouse. The county has not provided any 4:00:00 PM 4PM OD NS UPDATE information yet to our questions about how the clown got there. 00:00:14

> You may remember - the groups have until the end of this month to decide how to split local option sales tax money... also known as LOST money. County leaders say the

proposed offers didn't produce an acceptable distribution for all parties involved. The **CHATHAM** decision to walk away follows months of talks. If they don't come to an agreement by December 31st, LOST will expire. That means some people could see a higher property

LOST 12/8/2022 **TALKS** tax bill to make up for it. Our Hayley Boland went to today's meeting with city leaders. 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD LATEST

She'll have more on what's next...coming up on THE News at 6. 00:00:33 CITY COUNCIL TRUMAN **CLEANUP** 

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Council is set to vote on how to pay for more than \$570 thousand dollars in invoices submitted to the city after they cleaned up the debris left by a homeless camp under the bridge. Contractors also put up a temporary, 8-feet tall fence to keep anyone from returning.

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As leaders from the Coastal Empire prepare for the new session - a lot of the focus is on BO: CHATHAM

supporting business. Some of the priorities the delegation named at a Savannah-Area Chamber event last week include beefing up public transportation to make sure people

5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD PRIORITIES can get to work. Others named affordable housing and health care.

LL INTRO: These recent rezoning decisions follow a pattern of industrial rezoning off of Islands Highway just this year. While county officials say it aligns with their plan of industrial growth in the area, residents down Islands Highway say they still have some concerns. "All of this area was flooded and had water for a couple weeks." Ashley Mosier lives near a lot of the rezoned area on Islands Highway... she says she believes over recent years... the increase in paved surfaces throughout the area... has led to increased flooding in places like her backyard. "We began to realize not only myself, but our neighbors down the street, that adding that building and things, really you know, you have all of that hardpack, all of that building, that the water just runs off and has to go somewhere." This is just one of the concerns that Mosier and her neighbors have... other things... include the traffic the warehouses would bring to Islands Highway – which is only a two-lane road. "We shouldn't have to wait another 5-10 years and lose lives, or have school bus accidents, or you know, those kinds of things, because the roadway hasn't been improved. This is a small, two lane road." These two most recent applications make for four industrial rezoning projects just this year – all off of exit 76 on I-95. Jeff Ricketson, director of the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission, says... the county doesn't plan to rezone anything further east than it already has after these applications. "We're not talking about developing the entire coast, all the way out to the water's edge. It's just really the first couple miles off of Exit 76." Ricketson also says the developers of these warehouses... will be required to help fund road improvements. "Developers are going to be asked to contribute their share, their proportionate share to the cost of doing the improvements that the county is going to have to put in to accommodate the industrial development." Still... Mosier drives around the historic areas of Midway... worried about the warehouses that could soon be near them. "I believe it's like a cancer. When more big money comes in, they'll change the zoning, they'll change the wetlands, they'll change those things. Until it fits their agenda." Meanwhile, Ricketson says... this development will take place over time. "All of these warehouses are not going to be constructed at the same time and be here instantly. It will take place over a period of years as dictated by the market. The county does have the good fortune of having a little bit of time to build the roads before demand is to the point where they have to be in place." LL TAG: One of those rezoning applications from Tuesday night was tabled until further notice. County officials said they wanted more information about it. In Midway, HB WTOC NEWS.

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In 20-22...Bryan County's budget was approximately 73 point 2 million dollars. If approved...the proposed budget for 20-23 would jump to a whopping 261.4 million dollars. So...where is all that money coming from? Bryan County is set to receive more than 200 million dollars in special funds for infrastructure and water projects related to Hyundai's new electric vehicle site. That money will be coming from the state...not property tax dollars. It's to help meet the needs of what the County Administrator is calling "an impending economic boom." Board Chairman Carter Infinger... "It's for prep work for that Megasite. That was part of the incentive package for Hyundai to come that the state provided. It doesn't cost our residents anything, and we'll get the benefits from that." Apart from money for Hyundai...proposed funding from property taxes for countywide and unincorporated services will be more than 44 point 6 million dollars under the proposal. That's up about 6 million dollars from 20-22. Infinger says that increase represents the growth of the county. "We get new money in. People continue to come here, the value of houses go up, we get more property taxes and that helps offset for residents that are already here." TSPLOST money will also help fund road improvements along US-280 in the county's north end...and Belfast Keller Road in the south, among others. "The increase in the budget is because of growth. This budget's going to continue to provide the services we need in the community and the infrastructure." LL: Infinger points out that

12/12/2022 BRYAN CO. 5:53:00 PM 6PM OD **BUDGET** 

despite the increase...the county actually lowered its millage rate for next year. The proposed budget is expected to pass. In Bryan County...FS...WTOCN. 00:01:40

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Those are happening at 10 a-m and 5 p-m in the council chambers at Town Hall. You can also see them through the town's Facebook page and the Beaufort County Channel.

HHI STVR Town staff will cover a few of the changes in the meeting. The town says the biggest NEW RULES change is the new requirement for owners to have a business license and permit. They'll

12/13/2022 **INFO** start taking those applications on January 3rd. Town staff will also take questions. Again -4:59:00 PM 5PM OD **SESSIONS** those meetings are both tomorrow.

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MARSH But before they roll out the plan, they want to hear from you. If you are interested – the 12/13/2022 PRESERVA public meeting is happening now until 6 P-M at the Montgomery Athletic Association

4:59:00 PM 5PM OD TION Center. There's a short presentation and then an open house.

That's why they're holding two informational sessions tomorrow at 10 a-m and 5 p-m at HHI STVR
Town Hall. They'll also stream them on Facebook and on the County's channel. Town NEW RULES staff will cover a few of those changes in the meeting. They say there's one big change.

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12/13/2022 INFO Owners now are required to have a business license and permit for STVR's. Applications

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At a Beaufort city council meeting this week a five percent cost of living raise was passed a first reading for all city employees, something the mayor says has been coming. Sot: (Mayor Stephen Murray - Beaufort) "It's no secret, I mean if you're in the private sector or you're in the public sector between inflation and cost of living going up all over the place especially here the Lowcountry it's putting a lot of pressure on people here in the Lowcountry." Vo He tells me the city's elected officials wouldn't get the raise, but all other employees would enjoy a little extra just after the holidays. Sot "Good news is, city's in a healthy financial position - our revenues are exceeding our budgeted revenue amounts and we've been holding the line on the expense side - so we have money in the general fund to be able to do this without having to raise taxes." On cam tag: In order for this to fully go into affect it will have to pass a vote at its second reading on January 10th. The mayor tells me if that happens, employees will see this five percent raise directly after at the next pay period. Reporting from the city of Beaufort, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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The new offer is being sent to Chatham County Commission for consideration. It's a 10-SAV: LOST year agreement. If approved, it would see the LOST proceeds go up from 24-percent in DISTRIB. the first year to 31-percent by the fifth year. LOST is a 1-percent sales tax that everyone OFFER

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pays in Chatham County. Savannah Mayor Van Johnson calls it a step in the right

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The extension passed tonight gives city officials more time to re-evaluate industrial rezoning proposals. The moratorium began back in June after residents complained about INDUSTRIAL land next to their homes suddenly being rezoned for industrial use. City manager Steve MORATORI Davis says they're on track to get a permanent ordinance on rezoning passed by the first April meeting.

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LL INTRO: Negotiations continue between Chatham County and the eight municipalities within the county regarding the split of local option sales tax funds. Chatham County commission offering what they call yet another compromise at their meeting this morning. The main point of contention between the county and the cities – is the initial sales tax split in 2023. In a statement released yesterday - the most recent offer from the municipalities - gave the county 24 percent of the revenue in year one, increasing to 31 percent by 2027. In this morning's meeting, the county made a new offer - with 25 percent going to the county in the first year, increasing to 31 percent one year sooner, in 2026. Chairman Ellis says this most recent offer still prevents further burden on the taxpayer. "Everybody, the county, and all municipalities will be for next year, 2023, will be in a solid position, and nobody has to raise taxes." This offer has been turned over to the municipalities to consider. LL TAG: Chairman Ellis reiterates that he's confident that they'll

**CHATHAM** LOST **TALKS** 

12/16/2022 4:59:00 PM 5PM OD LATEST come to an agreement before the end of the year. As a reminder, they must come to a decision before December 30th, or these funds go away. In Savannah, HB WTOC NEWS. 00:01:12 One item that passed- but not without discussion- will increase the City Manager's purchasing power from \$25,000 to \$50,000- anything above that, he has to get approval from council. Another item, that sparked debate for close to half an hour, was a "sprucing up" of the 4th floor of City Hall, where the City Manager's office is. Melder was asking council to approve \$85,000 to do it. Alderwoman Kesha Gibson Carter said that this spending request directly relates to LOST and how the County sees the City of Savannah's negotiations. She and Alicia Miller Blakley said that the County would have a fair concern about wasteful spending of LOST funds within the City of Savannah, calling Melder's request "frivolous".

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Breaking News. The Savannah City Council has unanimously voted to accept the County's latest offer to split funds from the Local Option Sales Tax. Under that agreement, 25 percent of the money will go to the County. That percentage will increase over the next several years to reach 31 percent. The rest will be split with the municipalities. The City

says everyone is on board with the offer.

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CITY 12/20/2022 COUNCIL 7:00:00 PM 7PM OD **MEETING**  25-percent will go to the county. That number will go up over the next several years... eventually to 31-percent. The cities within the county will split the rest. The city says \*everyone is on-board.

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The Hostess City says it's prepared. And that includes the water fountains across Savannah You're looking one of the city's most popular fountains in Forsyth Park Despite the cold - the iconic landmark will still be active for those who are willing to brave the temperature. The city shuts off only one fountain - that's the one on Victory Drive so the SAVANNAH water doesn't accidentally ice the roadway. The others stay on so the pipes don't freeze FOUNTAINS and burst. The city has staff checking on the fountains all weekend to make sure they're

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5:29:00 PM 5:30pm OD & COLD running properly. New at 5 - WTOC has reaction from Savannah Mayor Van Johnson, who says he's pleased everyone can move forward, writing in a statement, "The municipalities negotiated together in good faith to arrive at the fairest distribution possible and this distribution agreement will allow all local governments in Chatham County to continue meeting service demands for residents and visitors." Coming up on THE news at 6 - our Alyssa Jackson has more from the county's announcement.

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BOARD OF New at 6-- New and incumbent members of the Chatham County Board of Elections were ELECTIONS officially sworn in today. Judge Thomas Bordeaux swore in incumbents Malinda Hodge, SWEARING Marianne Heimes, and James Hall. He also swore in newly elected member Trish Brown.

We spoke with some of the members about what being apart of this team means to them. 00:00:20

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PSA ALERTING VIEWERS THAT THEY CAN DONATE COATS TO PEOPLE IN NEED.

#### **WTOC**

PROMOS ALERTING VIEWERS ABOUT FIRST ALERT WEATHER DAYS AND WHAT THEY CAN DO TO PREPARE FOR THEM, ALSO, THR WTOC COMMUNTITY CALENDAR. ALSO, INCLUDES THE WEATHER APP AND HOW PEOPLE CAN HELP ADOPT AN FOSTER ANIMAL, NEWS ALERTS ON WTOC APP.

#### GAB

A VARIETY OF PSA'S PRODUCED BY THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS ON AMERICORP, HELMET AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, OPERATION LIFESAVER, SHERIFF ASSOCIATION, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, TEXTING AND DRIVING, NATIONAL GUARD, GEORGIA FARM BUREAU, VOTER ID, VACCINES, RENTAL ASSISTANCE, ETC.

#### **KEN NUGENT FOOD DRIVE**

PSA'S PROMOTING FOOD DRIVE. DUE TO PANDEMIC, DONATION WERE TAKEN VIRTUALLY THROUGH THE SECOND HARVEST OF THE COASTAL EMPIRE. ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED SENT TO SECOND HARVEST.

#### **MIGHTY EIGHTH**

PSA'S ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO MAKE A DONATION TO HELP PRESERVE THE STORIES OF THE MIGHTY EIGHTH.

#### NΔR

PSA'S FROM PROJECT ROADBLOCK TO DISCOURAGE DRINKING AND DRIVING.

#### RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES OF THE COASTAL EMPIRE

PSA'S PROMOTING THE ANNUAL WINE AND FRIES FUNDRAISER. PLUS, LETTING VIEWERS KNOW THEY CAN ROUNDUP AT MCDONALD'S FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

#### **SALVATION ARMY**

PSA'S HELPING THOSE IN LOUSIANA AFFECTED BY HURRICANES

#### **SAVANNAH HILTON HEAD AIRPORT**

PSA'S TO PROMOTE BRINGING A SOLDIER HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

#### ST. JOSEPH'S CANDLER

PSA PROMOTING THE ANNUAL SMART WOMEN EVENT AND THE LEUKEMIA REGATTA.

<u>STAND UP FOR CANCER</u>
PSA WITH ACTOR JAMIE FOXX ENCOURAGING POEOPLE TO GET COLORECTAL SCREENINGS.

#### WTOC TOY DRIVE

PSA'S DRIVING VIEWERS TO DONATE TOYS TO WTOC'S TOY DRIVE.

### **UNITED WAY OF THE COASTAL EMPIRE**

PSA PROMOTING THE ORGANIZATION'S CAMPAIGN

WTOC 11.1 PSA REPORT 4TH QTR 2022

innels (Plac	Air Date	Aired Length	Material Description	Aired House #	Order #
WTOC	10/1/2022-12/27/22	:30	70 yrs weather experience	SAV302131	88
WTOC	10/1/2022-10/4/22	:30	After Ian (POP)	SAV302151	15
WTOC	10/21/2022-12/30/22	:30	AMERICORP	SAV400396	28
WTOC	11/30/22-12/30/22	:15,:30,:60	Bedtime Math	SAV400318-20	28
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/29/22	:30	Before You Dig	SAV400343	32
WTOC	11/28/22-12/31/22	:30	Canady Coat Drive	SAV400407	117
WTOC	11/8/2022-11/27/22	:30	Day of Giving 22-	SAV400400-02,06	77
WTOC	10/19/2022-12/26/22	:30	Driving Electric-Clean Fuels Coalition	SAV400394	38
WTOC	10/9/2022-12/9/22	:30	Driving Experience-Clean Fuels Coalition	SAV400386	12
WTOC	10/1/2022-12/30/22	:30,:15	FA WX APP OCW 22	SAV301930-31	85
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/30/22	:30	FA WX Day No Cutter	SAV301935	32
WTOC	10/30/2022-12/24/22	:30	Future of GA AG	SAV400399	24
WTOC	12/7/2022-12/30/22	:30	GA Access-Health Insurance	SAV121211	8
WTOC	10/16/2022		GA DDS HEROES	SAV400338	1
WTOC	11/29/2022-12/7/22		GA DDS TRAINING	SAV400339	2
WTOC	11/6/2022-12/10/22		GA DeptOfHealth-Male, Female	SAV400381	3
WTOC	11/15/2022-12/11/22		GA Peanuts	SAV400342	5
WTOC	12/7/2022		GA Pub Health-Adolescents	SAV400319	1
WTOC	12/7/2022-12/8/22		Gov Office of Hwy Safety	SAV400244	2
WTOC	10/25/2022		Georgia811-ProtectTheMoments	SAV400308	1
WTOC	11/5/2022-12/7/22		GovOfficeHwySaf-DriveSober	SAV400337	5
WTOC	11/5/2022-12/18/22		Helmet Safety	SAV400388	6
WTOC	11/9/2022-11/27/22		Home of the Holidays 22	SAV400403	68
WTOC	10/1/2022-10/20/22		Hurr Ian Salv Army Relief	SAV400391-93	125
WTOC	10/2/2022-11/13/22		Hurricane History22(no Cutter),Story	SAV302146,302118	5
WTOC	10/30/2022-12/31/22		Jamie Foxx-Colon Cancer60	SAV400324	15
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/30/22		Keep it Clean	SAV400273	19
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/29/22		Make A Wish Lasso	SAV400353	22
WTOC	10/6/2022-12/30/22		Middle School Health	SAV400363	10
WTOC	10/16/2022-11/3/22		Mighty Eighth PSA	SAV400326	4
WTOC	11/10/2022-11/15/22		New WTOC Antenna	SAV302222	30
WTOC	10/19/2022-12/20/22		Pedestrian Safety	SAV400395	11
WTOC	10/1/2022-10/8/22		Phil the Park Oct 8th, SAT, TON	SAV302136-38	52
WTOC	12/26/2022-12/31/22		ProRdBlk-prevent drunk driving	SAV400408-17	68
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/30/22		Rescue Me Fridays-Zoom Room	SAV302089	64
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/31/22		RMHC Anthem	SAV400366	17
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/31/22		Ronald McDonald Roundup	SAV400341	17
WTOC	11/17/22-12/10/22		Clean Fuels Coalition-Saving Money	SAV400387	3
WTOC	10/9/2022-12/24/22		Seatbelts	SAV400367	3
WTOC	10/30/2022-12/26/22		StormChaserTool OC	SAV301866	19
WTOC	11/1/2022-12/15/22		Thompson Family	SAV400398	27
WTOC	11/8/2022-12/13/22		Tracking Nicole	SAV400398 SAV302220	13
WTOC	11/3/2022-11/10/22		trooper seatbelt	SAV400397	18
WTOC	10/1/2022-11/17/22		UnitedWayTeamUnited22, UW Campaign	SAV400397 SAV400390, 302162-	314
	10/1/2022-11/1//22	.50,.04	reps(different Businesses, people)	302181	314
WTOC	10/7/2022-12/31/22	:04	Weather App Accuracy	SAV300112	27
WTOC	11/18/2022-11/28/22		Wines and Fries 15-22	SAV400405	24
WTOC	10/2/2022-12/31/22		WTOC Community Calendar	SAV301393	125
WTOC	10/26/2022-12/31/22		WTOC news App Alert, news	SAV301574-75	103
WTOC	11/18/22-12/31/22		WTOC Toy Drive	SAV400404, 22-31, 302263	221
WTOC	10/5/2022-12/31/22	.10	WTOC WX App Alert-OCW22	SAV301932-33	229
WIOC	10/3/2022-12/31/22	:10	VV TOC VVA APP AIGHT-OCVVZZ	2WA201325-22	229

# WTOC 11.2 (BOUNCE) PSA REPORT 4TH QTR 2022

hannels (Placed	Air Date	Aired Length	Material Description	Aired House #	Order #
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/31/22		70 yrs weather experience	SAV302131	189
DTOC	10/1/2022-10/3/22		After Ian (POP)	SAV302151	10
DTOC	10/19/2022-12/14/22		AMERICORP	SAV400396	18
DTOC	11/30/2022-12/5/22		Bedtime Math 30	SAV400419	8
DTOC	10/3/2022-12/30/22		Before You Dig	SAV400343	27
DTOC	11/29/2022-12/31/22		Coat Drive 22	SAV400407	75
DTOC	12/24/2022-12/31/22		Coat Drive 22	SAV400407	25
DTOC	11/9/2022-11/27/22	:30	Day of Giving 22-11/17	SAV400400-02,06	50
DTOC	10/19/2022-12/7/22		Driving Electric	SAV400394	14
DTOC	10/15/2022-11/21/22		Driving Experience	SAV400386	7
DTOC	10/2/2022-12/31/22		FA WX APP OCW 22	SAV301930-31	213
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/31/22		FA WX Day No Cutter	SAV301935	145
DTOC	10/30/2022-12/14/22		Future of GA AG	SAV400399	19
DTOC	12/3/2022-12/16/22		GA Access-Health Insurance	SAV400421	7
DTOC	11/29/2022		GA DDS TRAINING	SAV400339	1
DTOC	11/20/2022-11/21/22		GA Peanuts	SAV400342	4
DTOC	12/8/2022		Gov Office of Hwy Safety	SAV400244	1
DTOC	11/6/2022-12/24/22		GovOfficeHwySaf-DriveSober	SAV400337	8
DTOC	11/6/2022-12/19/22		Helmet Safety	SAV400388	7
DTOC	11/10/2022-11/27/22		Home of the Holidays 22	SAV400403	35
DTOC	10/1/2022-10/24/22		Hurr Ian Salv Army Relief	SAV400391-93	49
DTOC	10/1/2022-11/22/22		Hurricane History22,story	SAV302146,302118	51
DTOC	10/1/2022-10/21/22		Jamie Foxx-Colon Cancer60	SAV400324	7
DTOC	10/3/2022-11/21/22		Keep it Clean	SAV400273	11
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/28/22		Make A Wish Lasso	SAV400353	4
DTOC	10/1/2022-11/21/22		Middle School Health	SAV400363	7
DTOC	10/15/2022-11/3/22		Mighty Eighth PSA	SAV400326	8
DTOC	11/10/2022-11/15/22		New WTOC Antenna	SAV302222	19
DTOC	10/20/2022-12/14/22		Pedestrian Safety	SAV400395	7
DTOC	10/1/2022-10/8/22		Phil the Park Oct 8th	SAV302136-37	13
DTOC	12/26/2022-12/31/22		ProRdBlk-Drinking Driving Prev.	SAV400408-17	34
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/27/22		Rescue Me Fridays-Zoom Room	SAV302089	80
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/15/22		RMHC Anthem	SAV400366	10
DTOC	10/6/2022-12/31/22		Ronald McDonald Roundup	SAV400341	113
DTOC	10/3/2022-10/6/22		Saving Money	SAV400387	4
DTOC	10/8/2022-11/6/22		Seatbelts	SAV400367	3
DTOC	10/8/2022-12/31/22		StormChaserTool OC	SAV301866	59
DTOC	10/30/2022-11/29/22		Thompson Family	SAV400398	13
DTOC	11/19/22-12/31/2022		WTOC Toy Drive	SAV400426,302263, 400404,400423-30	94
DTOC	11/9/2022	:15	Tracking Nicole	SAV302220	6
DTOC	10/30/2022-11/6/22		trooper seatbelt	SAV400397	5
DTOC	10/1/2022-11/18/22		UnitedWayTeamUnited22	SAV400390	106
DTOC	10/9/2022		Water Safety	SAV400362	3
DTOC	11/18/2022-11/25/22		Wines and Fries 15-22	SAV400405	9
DTOC	10/1/2022-12/25/22		WTOC Community Calendar	SAV301393	46
DTOC	11/27/2022-12/18/22		WTOC WX App Alert-OCW22	SAV301932-33	33
5100	11/2//2022-12/10/22	.10	THE WAY APP AIGHT-OCAAZZ	5AV 501752 55	33

## DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

## SPECIAL WTOC PROGRAMS OCTOBER 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022

EVERY FRIDAY DURING FOOTBALL SEASON FROM 11:20-12:05AM

#### THE ENDZONE

WTOC SPORTS ANCHORS JAKE WALLACE AND LYNDSEY GOUGH HOST THIS 15 MINUTE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SHOW WITH HIGHLIGHTS FROM ALL THE HIGH SCHOOL GAMES OF THE REGION.

M-F 9AM-10AM

#### **MORNING BREAK**

A WEEKDAY TALK SHOW AIRING AT 9AM FEATURING GUEST INTERVIEWS, PERFORMANCES, WEATHER AND NEWS.

M-F-3PM-4PM

#### **AFTERNOON BREAK**

A WEEKDAY LIFESTYLE SHOW FEATURING HOT TOPICS INCLUDING ENTERTAINMENT, COOKING, HOME IMPROVEMENT, PARENTING, TRAVEL, HEALTH AND MORE.

#### 10/16/22-10/25/22 11:35PM/12:05AM SUNDAYS

#### **GHOST PIRATES COACH'S SHOW**

A RECAP AT SAVANNAH'S GHOST PIRATES HOCKEY GAMES

#### 10/19/22 7-8PM

#### **GA 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEBATE**

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE WADE HERRING DEBATES INCUMBENT US CONGRESSMAN REPUBLICAN BUDDY CARTER

#### 10/21/22 7:30PM-8PM

#### **GHOST PIRATES SPECIAL**

A LOOK AT SAVANNAH'S NEW MINOR LEAGUE HOCKEY TEAM

#### 10/28/22 7:30PM

#### WTOC GOES TO THE SUNBELT AG EXPO

WTOC TAKES YOU TO THE SUNBELT AG EXPO IN MOULTRIE, GEORGIA. THE EXPO IS KNOWN AS NORTH AMERICA'S PREMIER FARM SHOW.

#### 11/1/22 7:30PM

#### **GA GOVERNOR'S RACE: MEET THE CANDIDATES**

WTOC TAKES A LOOK AT THE GEORGIA GOVERNOR'S RACE IN THIS HALF HOUR SPECIAL

11/12/22 10AM-12PM

#### **VETERAN'S DAY PARADE**

MIKE CIHLA AND JIMMY RAY ON THE ON-AIR HOSTS OF THE SAVANNAH VETERAN'S DAY PARADE HONORING LOCAL VETERANS.

#### 11/25/22 10AM AND 11/26/22 7PM

#### WTOC HOLIDAY GUIDE

A LOOK AT WHAT LOCAL BUSINESSES ARE DOING FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

12/3/21 8PM-9PM

#### WTOC'S SEC CHAMPIONSHIP PREVIEW SHOW

WTOC PREVIEWS THE SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME BETWEEN GEORGIA AND ALABAMA.

12/16/21 8PM-9PM

#### PHIL THE PARK WITH THE SAVANNAH PHILHARMONIC

WTOC SHOWCASES THE SAVANNAH PHILHARMONIC WITH THEIR PHIL THE PARK CONCERT. THIS CONCERT WAS THE FIRST PICNIC IN THE PARK WITH A LIVE AUDIENCE SINCE 2019.

12/23/22 9AM-10AM

#### **WAYNE CO. CHRISTMAS PARADE**

THE WAYNE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PARADE IS SHOWCASED IN THIS HOUR LONG PRESENTATION.

12/25/22 8AM—9AM

#### **VIDALIA CHRISTMAS PARADE**

THE VIDALIA CHRISTMAS PARADE IS PRESENTED IN THIS HOUR LONG TIMESLOT

#### 12/24/22 7PM

#### ST. VINCENT'S ACADEMY CANDELIGHT CONCERT

THIS IS THE 50TH ANNUAL ST. VINCENT'S ACADEMY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT CONCERT FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

#### 12/30/22 10AM-10:30AM

#### **WTOC YEAR IN REVIEW-22**

A LOOK BACK AT WTOC'S BIGGEST AND MOST IMPACTFUL STORIES OF 2022