

Coming Soon

To A School Near You.....

October 13, 2008

District Events

21st Century Community Learning Centers 9th Annual *Lights On Afterschool Rally*

On Thursday, October 16, 2008, the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) after-school program will join more than 7,500 sites across the nation in effort to help send the message that after-school programs is key to student success for the 9th Annual ***Lights On Afterschool!*** Rally. The sites located at DeRenne, Hubert, Mercer Middle Schools and Bartow, East Broad, Garrison, Haven and Pt. Wentworth Elementary Schools and Beach High School will support the rally with an open house, special guest appearances, activities and entertainment.

Open House Schedule

Elementary Sites	3:45-6:00 p.m.
Middle schools and Beach H.S.	2:45-5:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Phyllis Begg, Project Director at 395-5686.

National Red Ribbon Week and Border Tying Ceremony

National Red Ribbon Week will be recognized with a Border Tying ceremony at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 20 at the Effingham and Chatham County line. This national event stresses the importance of working across county and state lines to produce results in the war on drugs.

For more information about National Red Ribbon Week, visit the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration at www.usdoj.gov or contact Michael Stubbs at 395-5531.

Oatland Island Wildlife Center Presents the 2008 Halloween Hike

Oatland Island Wildlife Center will host its 2008 Halloween Hike on October 24th and 25th from 4:00–9:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.00 per child and \$5.00 per adult. Take a hike through Oatland's "Friendly Forest" with your little trick-or-treater. Along the way, meet some friendly critters and collect tasty treats. Put on your costume and enjoy this family friendly event. Other activities include face painting, hay rides and crafts. Treat bags will be provided!

Oatland Island Wildlife Center is also proud to present the all new **SkyLase Laser Show**. This incredible experience features laser lights and images that play in time to Halloween Music. Show times will run throughout the Halloween Hike event so check the schedule when you arrive for exact times. This exciting show is not to be missed!

For more information, call Oatland Island at 898-3980.



Oatland Island Wildlife Center Annual Cane Grinding and Harvest Festival

Oatland Island Education Center's Cane Grinding and Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Visitors will enjoy this festive fall celebration amidst the aromas of cane syrup, hearth baked corn bread, and other fall harvest foods. Visitors can taste samples of home made butter, apple butter, hearth baked corn bread and other harvest food.

There will be games and crafts for the kids and entertainment by the Savannah Folk Music Society, as well as pony rides and hay rides. Bring non-perishable food items for Second Harvest Food Drive and receive a free pass for a future visit to Savannah's 'Wild Side'!. Admission is \$7.00 for 18 and older, \$5.00 for military, seniors and children 4-17 and children under 4 are admitted free.

For more information call 898-3980 or visit Oatland's web site at www.oatlandisland.org.

School Events

UGA Marine Extension Service at Skidaway Island to Visit Spencer Elementary

The Marine Extension Service from the University of Georgia at Skidaway Island will be visiting Spencer Elementary Tuesday, October 14. They will be heading a CrabEcology program with the third grade students at 9:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 1:00 p.m., and 2:35 p.m. in the school's science lab.

For more information, contact Spencer Elementary at 395-2500.

Johnson High Students to Celebrate National School Lunch Week, October 13-17

Students at Johnson High School will celebrate National School Lunch Week, October 13-17, through prize give-a-ways and a mock presidential election. Johnson's point of sale system will be selecting customers randomly the entire week to participate in their celebration give-a-ways.

The main event will take place on Thursday, October 16, with a general election. Students will be given the chance to cast their vote for the actual candidates that are running for the office of President of the United States.

For more information, contact Johnson High at 303-6400.

Gould PTA Meeting and Reading Night

Gould will hold its October PTA meeting and Annual Reading Night on Thursday, October 16 at 6:00 p.m. There will be grade level reading activities for students and their families.

For more information, contact Gould Elementary at 395-5400.

Jacob G. Smith's Pre-K Celebrates Grandparents' Day

Jacob G. Smith Pre-K is having a Grandparents Celebration/Dessert at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 16. This will mark the end of their unit on Grandparents. Students will be making some desserts to share with their Grandparents and other family members who attend.

For more information, contact Jacob G. Smith at 395-6530.



Charles Ellis “Gallery on 49th” Exhibition Premiere

The public is cordially invited to “Gallery on 49th” Exhibition Premiere, Thursday, October 16, from 6:30 pm - 8:00 p.m., at 220 East 49th Street. The collaborative gallery includes artwork from students, parents, teachers, and artists from the community. The Gallery is currently the home to over eighty pieces of original artwork, including painting, illustration, print making, fibers, etching, graphic design, pottery and photography. Darrell Naylor-Johnson, Vice President for SCAD e-Learning and Charles Wooten, Principal of Ellis, will make opening remarks. Live music and refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Charles Ellis Montessori Academy at 201-5470.

Jacob G. Smith Historical Play

Ms. Francis’ first-grade class at Jacob G. Smith will experience Mrs. Paula Hunt portraying “Martha Jefferson.” She will discuss the contributions that Thomas Jefferson has made to our society with Ms. Francis’ first-grade class. She will show the students souvenirs from her visit to Thomas Jefferson’s home in Monticello, Virginia. The presentation will take place on Thursday, October 16, 2008 at 12:00 noon.

For more information, contact Jacob G. Smith at 395-6530.

Savannah Arts Academy Present Fall Colors Featuring the Silver Winds Ensemble

On Thursday, October 16, Savannah Arts Academy will present Fall Colors featuring the Silver Winds Ensemble at 7:00 p.m. on the Main Stage at Savannah Arts Academy, 500 Washington Ave. Admission is \$5.00. Everyone is invited to attend!

For more information, contact Savannah Arts Academy at 201-5000.

Gould Elementary School Kindergarten Fall Festival

Gould Elementary School will hold a Kindergarten Fall Festival on Friday, October 17 from 12:15-3:15 p.m. There will be fall activities for students and their families.

For more information, contact Gould Elementary at 395-5400.

Jacob G. Smith’s First Graders to see Junie B. Jones

The first-grade students at Jacob G. Smith have been listening to the Junie B. Jones books by Barbara Park. They are all looking forward to attending the Junie B. Jones play at the Savannah Civic Center on Tuesday, October 21. There they will watch a theatrical performance for information and pleasure. On returning to the school, the students are excited about describing their experiences through descriptive writing.

For more information, contact Jacob G. Smith at 395-6530.

State Writing Winners at Shuman to be Honored

Two Shuman Middle School sixth graders won second and third places in Georgia Insurance Commission’s statewide Fire Prevention Essay. Michael Walker placed second and Jada Pinckney placed third. Both students will be honored at an awards ceremony in Atlanta on Thursday, October 23, 2008.

For more information, contact Shuman 201-7500.



Charles Ellis Montessori Launches "Ellis Afternoon Musicales" Concert Series

Early this month, Charles Ellis PTA launched a series of free afternoon concerts called "Ellis Afternoon Musicales." Future usicales will include harpsichordist Anne Acker on Tuesday, September 23, "What Is Jazz" featuring Jody Espina and friends on Tuesday, October 14 and the Shuman Middle School Chorus on Tuesday, October 28. The program will continue into November with guest artists yet to be announced. Held at 3:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the months of September through November, the Musicales are designed to raise musical knowledge so families can both understand the role of music in their child's education and advocate more effectively for successful programs to enrich that education.

The concerts are free and open to the public, and all are welcome.

For more information, go to the Ellis PTA website, www.ellispta.com.

Community Events

2008 Walk the Walk 5K

South Coast Medical Center Presents the United Way of Coastal Georgia 2008 Walk the Walk 5K on Friday, October 17, 2008 in City Market, Downtown Savannah. Start time is 6:00 p.m. for runners and 6:05 p.m. for walkers. Entry fee is \$20 and must be paid by October 10. Registration forms can be obtained on-line at www.active.com. Proceeds will benefit United Way of Coastal Empire.

For more information, call 651-7720.

Parent University Kicks Off Their First Session

Parent University will hold their first session of the new school year on Saturday, October 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Savannah High School (400 Pennsylvania Avenue). Parents will have the opportunity to take classes, learn valuable lessons and network. Free childcare and lunch will be provided. Exciting character and virtues classes are available for youth and special guest will be there to inform and entertain.

To register or get further information about Parent University, call (912) 507-8566, 201-2196 or 201-2155.

American Diabetes Association's *Walk on the Wild Side*

On Saturday, October 18, 2008, The American Diabetes Association will host the Walk to Fight Diabetes at Oatland Island. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the walk will start at 10:00 a.m. The event will include a 2-mile walk, a health and fitness festival with FREE screenings, children's activities, breakfast and music.

For more information about forming a walk team or sponsorship opportunities call Suzanne Willis at (912) 353-8110 ext. 3093 or email suwillis@diabetes.org or visit www.diabetes.org/stepout.



EPACT, INC. Presents its 1st Annual What's the "411?"

Join EPACT, Inc on Saturday, October 25, 2008 at Savannah State University's Tiger Arena from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for their 1st Annual What's the "411?" event. Family and friends are invited to come out and "make a difference." Information about services in the community will be available. The day will be filled with valuable information about how to reduce your energy bills, proper vehicle maintenance and there will also be FREE food samples, door prizes and much more!

For further information, contact Linda Bright at 356-1713 or 484-1992.

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