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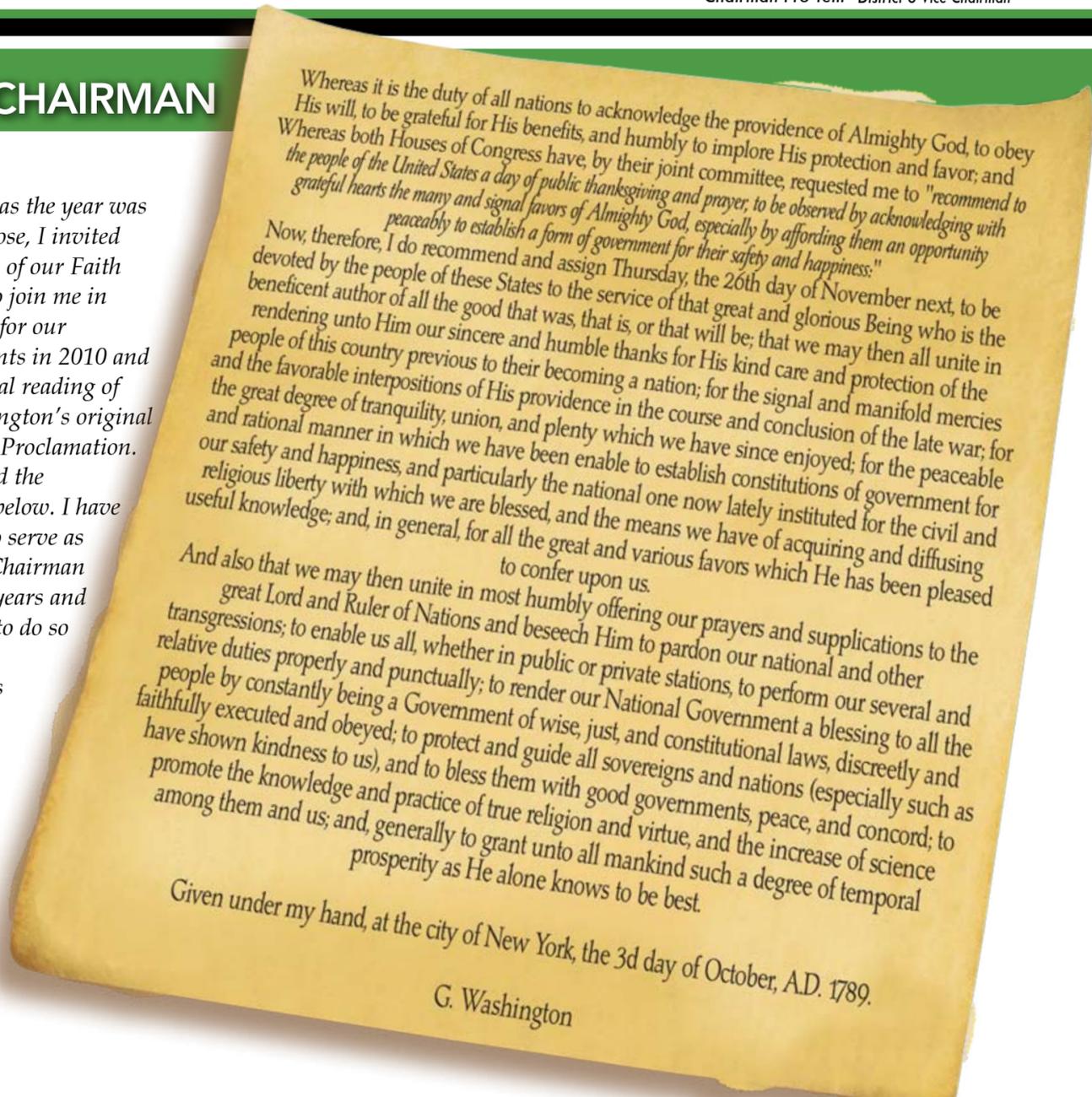


Pete Liakakis

On behalf of the Chatham County Commission I would like to extend best wishes and the blessing of a new year to all citizens of Chatham County. Last year was an extraordinary year for Chatham County as we began construction on over \$250 million of constructions projects that will not only improve our infrastructure but also provide many jobs to our local economy.

In November, as the year was coming to a close, I invited some members of our Faith Community to join me in giving thanks for our accomplishments in 2010 and we had a special reading of George Washington's original Thanksgiving Proclamation. I have included the proclamation below. I have been blessed to serve as Commission Chairman for the past 6 years and will continue to do so with dignity, responsiveness and honesty.

Chairman,
Pete Liakakis



To the Citizens of Chatham County

For the past four years, I have had the privilege and honor to have been the Director of Drug Enforcement for Chatham County. After serving forty years in law enforcement, I have decided to retire from active service.

I want everyone to know that they can be proud of the men and women assigned to CNT. They daily do a dangerous and mostly thankless job of combating illicit drug activity county-wide. They are some of the most dedicated people I have worked with during my long career. I am especially appreciative of the Chairman and the County Commissioners for the support they have provided to CNT during my tenure.

CNT was formed in 1994 as a county-wide agency to reduce the flow of drug trafficking in our county. It was then, and continues to be, fully funded by Chatham County and the Board of Commissioners. CNT provides service to all the municipalities in Chatham County, the Richmond Hill Police Department, and the Bryan County Sheriff's Office. CNT was designated the primary drug agency for the county, placing emphasis on middle and upper level drug dealers, to attack the supply chain of drug organizations utilizing state of the art equipment and techniques. CNT completes this mission in conjunction with its Federal partners, mainly the US Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and US Customs, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Through this partnership, we have federally prosecuted over 200 individuals involved in organized drug distribution networks in the past few years, having a positive impact on crime in this area. Most of these drug distributors received sentences of 15 years to serve in the federal system, and under those sentencing guidelines, will serve a majority of that time.

CNT agents are requested and provide assistance to municipalities when additional expertise is needed to all law enforcement agencies in the coastal area. Agents routinely work cases with the GBI, Georgia State Patrol and as well as probations and parole agents. They work with the majority of the law enforcement agencies in the south east, in cases that impact the drug distribution networks in Chatham County.

Leaving such a fine group of officers is a difficult task, and I will miss each and every one of them.

Sincerely,
Roy Harris

SORT

There are close to 400 registered sex offenders living in Chatham County. The Chatham County Sheriff's Office's Sex Offender Registration and Tracking Unit or S.O.R.T. works hard every day to keep track of these offenders.

The unit is made up of a team of four deputies, Sgt. Mark Eichenlaub, Deputy Warren Blanton, Deputy Octavius Anderson and Deputy Rhonda Bryant-Elberby. Administrative assistant Gabrielle Lewis runs the day to day registrations, takes photos, and keeps the CCSO and GBI sex offender websites up to date.

The S.O.R.T. unit is required by law to do a residence verification check on each sex offender once a year. But the deputies go above and beyond and check three times a year. Every sex offender is required by Georgia law to report to the Sheriff's Office within 72 hours of their release. They are also required to give notice if they are moving or starting a new job. And they must check in 72 hours prior to their birthday every year.

If a sex offender is not living where they are supposed to be living or not working

where they are supposed to be working, the SORT unit will arrest them and charge them with Failure to Register, that's a felony. Last year S.O.R.T., in partnership with the Chatham County District Attorney's Office, indicted more than 70 sex offenders for Failure to Register and S.O.R.T. maintains a 100% conviction rate.

The Chatham County Sheriff's Office's S.O.R.T. unit is the most pro-active and aggressive sex offender tracking team in the State of Georgia.

These deputies do not work alone. They maintain a good working relationship with state and federal agencies including parole and probation officers and the U.S. Marshals.

The SORT unit also works hand in hand with the community to keep track of the predators living among us. The established a website to educate citizens about who is living in their neighborhoods. Anyone living in Chatham County can sign up to receive an e-mail notification each time a new sex offender moves into their neighborhood.

<http://sort.chathamsheriff.org/>

ARE **YOU READY** FOR SEVERE WEATHER IN **CHATHAM COUNTY?**

Plan Now, Stay Safe: Severe Weather Awareness Week February 6th – 12th, 2011

Now that the holidays are behind us, the trees down and the wrapping paper cleaned up, it is time to start thinking about what the New Year will bring. As you think about your resolutions like eating healthier and working out more, why not think about getting prepared!

This year the National Weather Service is proclaiming February 6th – 12th Severe Weather Awareness Week. It is a week for all Georgians to consider the impact of severe weather and to have a plan mapped out in case they are faced with what could be potentially dangerous consequences. If you've never had a disaster plan or thought about what you would do if a tornado strikes, we've made it easy to prepare. During Severe Weather Awareness Week, the Chatham Emergency Management Agency's (CEMA) mission is to help Chatham County residents understand what severe weather is and teach the importance of items like disaster supply kits and NOAA weather radios. "CEMA's recommendations are based on local, state and national experience in preparing for and coping with severe weather and both natural and man-made disasters. Some "experts" are sensationalists advocating doomsday prophecies; however, the reality is: being well prepared, using reliable sources, and taking protective actions when the conditions warrant," said CEMA Director Clayton Scott.

This year CEMA is teaming up with Chief Meteorologist Jeff Kirk from WJCL/FOX 28. Jeff and the Future Trak weather team will cover a severe weather topic

each night at 10PM on Channel 28. "Severe storms can develop quickly in our area and sometimes with little or no advance warning. It is important to be familiar with different types of severe weather so that you can make quick decisions that can make the difference in protecting yourself and your family," said Kirk. CEMA will also engage Chatham County students to participate in the week's events by holding an essay contest. Students will be asked to share ways they stay prepared for severe weather. The winner of the essay contest will appear on The Morning Show on WJCL/FOX 28 as a guest weather forecaster Friday during Severe Weather Awareness Week.

CEMA will give away 25 Brita Tap Water Filters to residents who create their own disaster supply kits. Through the online contest residents will be asked to submit photos of their kits. During floods, tornadoes, severe storms and hurricanes it could take up to 72 hours before emergency workers can reach certain storm-damaged areas and restore utilities. Each family should be self-sufficient for 72 hours or longer. Disaster kits should include items such as non-perishable food, water, a first aid kit, toiletries, a weather radio, batteries, and pet care items. You can find a complete list of recommended supplies at ChathamEmergency.org.

During Severe Weather Awareness Week residents should also develop a family disaster plan. The most important step is meeting with your family to discuss what members should do when severe

weather strikes. Write down contact numbers, learn community evacuation plans, choose an "out-of-area" contact and then practice your plan. It will also be a good time to learn about Chatham County's Emergency Outdoor Warning Siren System. Currently there are 60 sirens, which cover 95% of the county. The outdoor warning sirens are used to notify people about hazards such as explosions and tornadoes that would require people to take action.

So start thinking about the new you and what's important in this New Year. There is no better time to learn ways to keep your family safe and remember planning now, could save your life in the future.

For more information about Severe Weather Awareness Week and planned activities log onto ChathamEmergency.org.



BEFORE A FLOOD OR HURRICANE

- Know your flood hazard. Check with the Chatham County Department of Engineering at (912) 652-7800 or City of Savannah Development Services at (912) 651-6530 to find out what flood zone you are in and what the Base Flood Elevation is for your lot. Note that flood zone determination requests are to be made in writing and can be faxed to Chatham County at (912) 652-7818 and (912) 651-6543 for the City of Savannah. You can get a good idea of your flood zone and risk from the map included with this publication and www.sagis.org.
- Understand the flood warning system and know the safest route to high, safe ground. Visit Chatham Emergency Management Agency (CEMA) at www.chathamemergency.org or call (912) 201-4500 to find out about the flood warning system and what evacuation route you should use.
- Prepare a family disaster kit. Learn more at www.ready.gov.
- Prepare your home. Learn how to turn off the gas and electricity to your house and do so if flooding is imminent. Protect your home against high winds associated with hurricanes and tropical storms (install storm shutters, reinforce

garage doors, etc.).

- Buy flood insurance. Flood damage is not covered by homeowner's insurance. It's affordable and easy to obtain. Renters can secure flood damage coverage for their personal property.
- Questions or concerns? See the "Contact for more information" table inside. Additional information, including evacuation routes and emergency shelters, can be found in the phonebook and at www.fema.gov, www.chathamcounty.org, www.chathamemergency.org, and www.savannahga.gov.

DURING A FLOOD

- Because flood water can rise quickly, be prepared to evacuate before the water level reaches your property.
- Stay informed during a weather event. Follow evacuation orders when issued.
 - Move to higher ground if you can do so safely—but DO NOT attempt to walk, drive, or swim through moving water or flooded areas. Just 6 inches of fast moving water can knock a person off their feet and less than 2 feet of swiftly moving water can sweep away heavy cars and trucks. Re-

member: turn around, don't drown. Drowning is the number one cause of flood-related deaths, followed by electrocution.

- If you are caught at home by rising water, move to the second floor or the roof. Take your disaster supply kit with you.
- If evacuation is required and you can safely do so, turn off all utilities at the main power switch and close any gas valves. On the road, watch for and avoid floodwaters, fallen debris and power lines.

AFTER A FLOOD

Danger does not end when flood water recedes.

- Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe
- Hidden structural damage may make a building unsafe
- Have a professional check your heating, electrical system, and appliances for safety prior to using
- Don't use any food or water that was exposed to floodwaters
- Dry your house slowly but thoroughly. Pump out flooded basements slowly to avoid structural damage.

SPOTLIGHT ON JUVENILE MENTAL HEALTH COURT

The Chatham County Juvenile Mental Health Court, presided over by the Honorable John Beam, got its start in April 2009. It is the first Juvenile Mental Health Court operating in the State of Georgia. Developed after the Court recognized that many youth were coming through the Juvenile Court who were dealing with mental health issues, the Juvenile Mental Health Court was created. Because of the creation of the Juvenile Mental Health Court, all juveniles who are charged with a delinquent offense are systematically screened for mental health issues and a comprehensive system is now in place to match the proper level of Court supervision while coordinating their mental health services. For those juveniles who are high risk offenders and have serious mental health issues, a therapeutic and intensive probation now exists which is known as the Juvenile Mental Health Court. This therapeutic and specialized probation allows the Court and the community to work together to ensure that the child and family have the proper supervision and support to be successful, and the community to be safe.

Working with KidsNet Georgia, a state collaborative operating out of the Governor's Office which provides a community-based system of care for youth with serious emotional disturbances and addictive diseases and their families, Juvenile Mental Health Court staff assess children for mental health and substance abuse issues. The Court particularly seeks to serve high risk juvenile offenders with severe mental health diagnoses who otherwise would not be successful serving a "typical" sentence on probation. The Court provides linkages to services in the community which benefit both the juveniles and their families. The goal of the Court is to reduce the recidivism rate of the juvenile offenders they serve. The success rate is measured by a number of factors including: lower recidivism rates, less amount of time in the detention center, improved school functioning and strengthened community support.

The Court accepts juvenile offenders aged 11 to 17 who have committed a variety of offenses, including violent felonies. Some of these juveniles are not being successful on their current probation and face having their probation revoked. These juvenile offenders are often chronically disruptive in school. The Court is in constant contact with school staff. The Court's team is multidisciplinary, and includes a Mental Health Clinician (Mary Jo Gajewski, Licensed Clinical Social Worker), as well as representatives from the District Attorney's Office (ADA Kim Rowden), the Public Defender's Office (APD Jill Roth), Probation, the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department, the Savannah-Chatham Board of Education, the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, the Coastal Center for Developmental Services, DFACS, Parent and Child, the Rape Crisis Center, the Housing Authority, Voc Rehab, mental health specialists at the Youth Detention Center, and other family advocates. The team works to formulate a well-developed individualized plan for each juvenile who comes before the committee.

After a juvenile's case has been adjudicated, but prior to sentencing, the Juvenile Mental Health Court team conducts a staffing, the goal of which is to determine why the child was not successful on probation and develop a plan for success. This recommendation that is developed by the committee, which includes the family, is sent to the Judge so that a determination can be made about what type of probation and conditions would aid the child in being successful. The Court seeks to empower the parents of each juvenile offender and tap their expertise to ensure compliance with the Court's instructions. Not every juvenile will participate in the Juvenile Mental Health Court, but each receives an individual plan that becomes part of the disposition of his or her case. There is a specialized Juvenile Probation Officer who has a background in mental health who understands how kids' emotional needs affect their behavior. The goal is to "lift up, not lock up"; each child's due process rights are balanced against the community's security and safety needs.

A juvenile offender's eligibility for Juvenile Mental Health Court is determined by a three prong test. First, the juvenile must have a mental health issue that

drives his or her criminal behavior. An Axis I diagnosis is required, and generally no cognitively low functioning juveniles can be accepted. Second, based on probation violation petitions and any new delinquent behavior, the juvenile must be failing on traditional probation or likely to fail if the Court were to impose traditional probation. Third, the juvenile must be able to benefit from the program, i.e., not require a higher level of care.

Once the child becomes a Juvenile Mental Health Court participant, he or she has a Court-imposed master care plan, which includes goals in all areas of the juvenile's life: home, school, and community. The plan has a schedule and lists incentives for compliance and sanctions for contract violations. The plan is signed by each juvenile participant and his or her parents, which indicates that they agree to participate in all of the services offered and the specialized supervision by the Court.

Periodic progress reviews are conducted with the parents, the Public Defender, and the District Attorney. The participants are closely supervised and their time is rigorously scheduled and controlled. The Court allows them to attend school, to spend time at home, to obtain mental health services, and to participate in approved activities such as sports, art groups for at risk kids, volunteer work, and part time jobs. Behavior that violates the Juvenile Mental Health Court care plan results in sanctions which are linked to the behavior. Such sanctions include removal of personal items, toys, or video games, chores, yard work, and community service. As a last resort, if the child poses a risk to the community, they may be detained at that point. Court participants have performed community service at the Eastside Community Center basketball games and holiday family events, and also at Feed the Hungry, where they unloaded trucks and organized food. The Court also provides incentives to reward participants' good behavior, including free time, field trips with staff, and gift cards.

In order to graduate from Juvenile Mental Health Court, a minimum of six months of compliant behavior is required. Alternately, the participant may graduate in a shorter period of time if they achieve a large accomplishment, such as acceptance to the Job Corp.

A JUVENILE MENTAL HEALTH COURT SUCCESS STORY:

An 11 year old juvenile with a persistent, severe mental health issue committed a burglary and was placed on traditional probation. While on probation, he committed another burglary, was chronically suspended from school, and chronically left home without permission and/or refused to come home. He was staffed and assessed for Juvenile Mental Health Court, placed on an Individualized Education Program at school, and assigned a service provider for mental health counseling and medication. He came into Juvenile Mental Health Court in August of 2009. On traditional probation, he saw his probation officer once a month. In Juvenile Mental Health Court, he interacted with Court staff and team members three to five times per week. If staff members checked on him and he was not where he was supposed to be, he was immediately sanctioned. The Court imposed such sanctions as taking away his Play Station and electronic monitoring. The juvenile's mother even took away his shoes so he could not leave the house at night. His school also changed his IEP and used immediate sanctions to deal with his impulse control. The Court provided support for his mother, as well. The juvenile started playing football, which occupied his free time. The end result was no more delinquent behavior and no new offenses or contract violations. He will graduate from Juvenile Mental Health Court in a few months.

Juvenile Mental Health Court conducts reviews every third Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. at Juvenile Court in Courtroom 2. If you would like more information about the Juvenile Mental Health Court please call the Community Information Line at 652-6913.

Since the opening of Chatham County's Animal Control facility in June 2010 the positive impact on animal care and public awareness, has resulted in significant and innovative changes that are a "work in progress". The new facility in and of itself attracts more visitors hence more animals are being adopted. A new Volunteer program, Friends of Animal Control (FACTS) has been implemented and is growing daily. Emphasis on preventive health care is a priority for our animals with the assistance of volunteer veterinarians frequently visiting our shelter. Our website, animalcontrol.chathamcounty.org has been strikingly updated and has become an excellent



resource to assist the public with reuniting animals with their owners, volunteer info, adoption procedures, events, city and county ordinance and a host of invaluable information the public now has access to.

We are committed to build on our successes; however I do want to comment on a few of our accomplishments with "numbers" if you will. I expect these numbers to increase substantially with an entire year forthcoming in our new facility.

In 2009 we returned 525 animals to their owners.

In 2010 we returned 612 animals to their owners.

In 2009 we had 871 animals adopted or transferred.

In 2010 we had 1354 animals adopted or transferred.

In 2009 we vaccinated 1655 animals for rabies.

In 2010 we vaccinated 2076 animals for rabies.

While these statistics are encouraging they can be better. It is imperative that we continue to promote public awareness regarding the benefits of spay and neutering



One of the most popular New Years resolutions is to get into better shape. If you are already participating in one of the great fitness programs at the Chatham County Aquatic Center you're ahead of the game. The key to fitness is to make a plan to get active and stick to it. By participating in a water aerobics or group fitness class you alleviate some of the stress of sticking to a plan by working out with friends. Studies show that exercising with peers in a group setting is a great way to keep motivation high.

One problem people run into when starting a new fitness regimen is falling for work-out myths. Here's a list of myths and facts to help you keep your New Years fitness resolution going strong!

Myth: I am out of shape so I should jump into a fitness program that is as intense as possible.

Fact: Every person is different. Becoming fit is not an overnight process; it takes time to see results and starting slow is sometimes necessary. The best place to start a new fitness program is with your doctor. They can help you set goals and a reasonable timeline for building up to intense physical activity.

Myth: I want to burn fat on stomach so I should target that area with crunches.

Fact: We can not target fat stores in the body with specific exercises. In order to burn fat in any part of the human body (hips, stomach, posterior, legs) we must burn calories. To lose one pound of fat we must burn 3500 calories more than we take in. With specific exercises we can tone specific muscle areas to make us look more toned, but fat must be burned from the body as a whole.

Myth: My buddy is my height and weight and can bench-press 300 pounds so I should be able to bench-press 300 pounds.

Fact: Every person is different. Muscular strength is not universally equivalent. When starting a weight lifting program it is best to start small. Use light weights to learn correct form and stay safe. Your best bet is to set up an appointment with a personal trainer who can help outline a weight training program that will have you seeing the results you want.

Myth: I have an injury or ailment that makes it hard to get to the gym or even go for a walk so I won't be able to get healthy.

Fact: Low or no impact workouts do exist and can be perfect for rehabilitating an injury or people with limited mobility. Water aerobics class at the Chatham County Aquatic Center can be a great place to get fit for people who want exercise but have strict physical or health limitations. In fact, the American Arthritis Foundation says that low impact water aerobics in a pool that meets their standards is not only a great way to stay fit, but can actually help alleviate pain caused by arthritis.* A meeting with your doctor can help get you started with a low or no impact fitness regimen.

Go to www.arthritis.org for more details.

their animals. Not only is it the ultimate solution for animal overpopulation, it deters animals from roaming, prevents disease, and it reduces animal aggression.

I cannot say enough how appreciative we are to all our "unpaid" volunteers, as they are "Priceless" to our continued success at our shelter. Our community and other organizations have been so generous with all types of donations from food, blankets, medicinal products, etc.... Thank You so much from the bottom of our hearts!

Lieutenant Brenda Boulware
Savannah-Chatham Metro Police
Special Ops Unit Commander
Animal Control-K9-Mounted Patrol



Chatham County's Construction Apprentice Program changes in 2010

82 percent placement rate of CAP graduates in 2009-10

When Aldridge Walker came home from prison he found instability and chaos, exactly what he didn't need to start over and lead a productive life. Three months after his return to Savannah, however, he was enrolled in Chatham County's Construction Apprentice Program (CAP). CAP gave him the opportunity; now he's working with a painting contractor as he completes the training program.

CAP works as a partnership among Chatham County, Savannah Technical College and Step Up Savannah, Inc. offering life skills and job training designed for adults who are motivated to get higher-paying jobs but may need another chance in life.

The life skills curriculum is taught over four weeks at St. Mary's Community Center. Instructor Matthew Gunn stresses strong work ethics, effective job-search and conflict-resolution skills, and employer expectations. Participants then transition to Savannah Tech for 20 weeks of instruction and hands-on lab training, according to Tara Sinclair, CAP program manager. Students take Intro to Construction, Materials, Safe Use of Hand and Power Tools, Blueprint Reading, and more; successful graduates earn a Technical Certificate of Credit.

In 2010, Sinclair and Zelon Williams, program coordinator for CAP, focused on outreach and attended numerous mixers to meet contractors and sub-contractors. Their networking has paid off.

Contractors appreciate how students and graduates present themselves, according to Ms. Sinclair. "Feedback has been very positive," she said. "They're very impressed with the work ethics portion of our curriculum. Too many workers don't understand the importance of just coming to work on time!"

Two CAP classes, along with YouthBuild (a youth training program), also took an OSHA safety course. In addition to the 10-hour training, Haskell Construction donated hard hats and safety vests to the program.

But Sinclair and Williams are most excited about cementing a relationship recently with Local Union 188, Pipe Fitters & Plumbers. James Edge and Sheldon Baker, CAP participants who were previously unemployed, have been sworn in, are receiving full benefits and are now working.

In addition to Local Union 188 hires, others worked this year on the Fellwood Homes Phase II construction project, including Kevin Jefferies, Cedric Borrum, and

Quran Bigham. Benjamin Riggs has been working on the WalMart project on Abercorn and at least one, David Wilson, now works independently

CAP diversified last year as well; in addition to the basic construction skills course, participants took Welding and Brick Masonry. Seven students went on to take masonry after they completed Concrete Forming at Tech, Sinclair said. Others progressed to Historic Preservation courses – both masonry and preservation require higher skill levels, and thus garner better wages. More importantly there's greater demand for these skills.

Since 2006 CAP has recruited men and women, 18 years and older, and served primarily those without a high school diploma or whose employment record was spotty. In a sign-of-the-times shift, many who applied in 2010 were dislocated workers seeking to make a transition to a new line of work or needed the additional lift that a Technical Certificate of Credit brings.

More change is in the works for 2011. Predictions for new residential construction remain murky, though some industry insiders speculate the need for construction workers may pick up. Older workers are leaving the field, including those in brick masonry, so the demand for trained workers should follow. Still, the County's program will be transforming itself over the next year, as it examines how it can support other workforce training programs at area community centers.

Chatham County CAP thanks:

*Andrew Smith Construction
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Gibson Specialty Contracting
Haskell Construction
KJ General Contractor, Inc.
Mock Plumbing & Mechanical
Morris Plumbing
NorSouth Construction
RJ Hall Construction
Savannah Entrepreneurial Center
The Polote Corporation
Union Local 188 Pipe Fitters & Plumbers*

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Shuman Elementary garden project offers a new platform for adults and kids to learn...



In October, CAP students volunteered for a unique elementary school garden project that's being built with materials reclaimed from the former Strathmore Estates in east Savannah. Their willingness to volunteer in 2010 is leading to a paid gig in 2011.

Shuman Elementary, Chatham County PTA, Healthy Savannah and Savannah Urban Garden Alliance teamed up to construct raised garden beds on school grounds, where kids will not only learn how to garden but how to harvest rainwater using barrels. The plan also includes building a deck to be used for school events. The deck and the garden's raised beds will be made from building materials taken from the deconstructed homes in nearby Strathmore Estates (now called Savannah Gardens).

A new "green" business, called Emergent Structures, has spearheaded the reclamation of materials. The "de-nailing" of old wood was done by IKEA and other volunteers, and CAP students.

In the next phase of this community project, several CAP students will be paid to work on additional deconstruction and reclamation of materials from Strathmore to build the deck. This is possible through a grant awarded by IKEA to Emergent Structures.

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank the following individuals and organizations. Due to your efforts, we were able to collect \$29,962,000.00 in 2010 for the Children of Chatham County.

SCMPD

Chatham County Sheriff's Dept.
Tax Commissioner's Office
U.S. Attorney's Office
Chatham County Commission
Danny Powers, Tax Commissioner

The Police Departments of:

- Tybee Island • Bloomingdale • Thunderbolt
- Pooler • Pt. Wentworth • Garden City

And

Pete Nichols – "The Producer"

FACTS

In 2010, The Chatham County Child Support Office
Collected \$ 29,962,000.00
Received 2,593 New Applications
Established 1,445 Child Support Orders
Conducted 435 Paternity Tests
Determined Paternity for 1,270 Children
Arrested 451 Non-Paying Parents
Seized 90 License Plates
Jailed 372 Non-Paying Parents via Court
Suspended 1,163 Driver's Licenses
Seized \$ 77,404.14 From Bank Accounts
Seized \$ 158,763.62 From Christmas Bonuses

Staff Reductions Due To Budget Cuts

Staff of Chatham County Child Support in 2005: 52
Staff of Chatham County Child Support in 2010: 40

Chatham County Comprises 2.6% of the Population of Georgia. In 2010, the Chatham County Child Support Office Collected 4.34% of the Child Support Collected in Georgia.

Thank You

The Staff of Chatham County
Child Support Services

"A Helping Hand for Chatham County's Children"

Chatham CAN (Creating Access Now) is a project of the Chatham County Safety Net Planning Council funded by a grant from the Healthcare Georgia Foundation. Chatham CAN works to connect Chatham County's uninsured, low income citizens with specialty physicians.

Patients who receive needed specialty consultations or procedures before their medical condition becomes complicated incur lower overall health care costs, accumulate fewer costly emergency room visits and hospitalizations, and most important, enjoy better health and quality of life.

Chatham County Safety Net Planning Council and Chatham CAN wish to extend heartfelt thanks to the doc-

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tors in our community who have contributed their time and expertise to the care of our patients. In 2010 alone, over 165 doctors have answered the call.

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