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The Voice of Telfair County #TeamTelfairGA

December 2018



### Thursday, November 29 2018

#### Walk with your family, friends, coworkers, club or by yourself.

Walk begins promptly at 5:30 p.m. Line up begins at 5:00 p.m. on Forsyth St. in front of the old Helena City Hall. Approximately 1 mile walk.

#### No fee to participate! Do not have to pre-register!

Bring your Jingle Bells and let's Jingle Bell ROCK-IT down Eighth & Oak St. (Hwy 341) in McRae-Helena, GA to the Chamber Office.

At the time of line-up (before walk begins) All Jingle Bell Walkers will receive a door prize ticket. At the end of the walk, drawings will be held for a chance to win one of the following: \$20 Shop at Home Gift Check \$10 Shop at Home Gift Check Goody Bags

Walk participants must be present,

with their ticket, when drawing is held.

Remember you cannot enter drawing unless you participate in the walk and get your ticket at line-up time!!

For more information call the Chamber at (229) 868-6365 or (229) 860-0203 or email rogers@telfairco.org

The Chamber Community Update will be on Facebook Live from Little Ocmulgee State Park on Monday, November 26 @ 4:30 p.m.

To watch go to: www.facebook.com/deepproductionstelfair.

Chamber's Monthly Pod Cast by Deep Productions, LLC www.deepproductionsllc.com

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Chamber Welcomes <u>New Member</u> Holly Diana Floral 20 Telfair Ave. McRae-Helena, GA (229) 868-2112



# McRae-Helena Christmas Night Out

November 29, 2018 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. McRae-Helena, GA

**'Tis the Season for Friends, Family, Fun & Shopping!** 





At participating locations, you can visit with friends, make new friends, enjoy entertainment, visit with Santa, decorate a Christmas cookie, enjoy refreshments and SHOP, SHOP, SHOP!!!



# **Participating Locations:**

### American Legion Auxiliary Thrift Shop

37 W. Oak St. | McRae-Helena, GA BBQ Sliders & Chips, Shopping

### **CJ's Flowers and Gifts**

101Third Ave. | McRae-Helena, GA Sales, Entertainment, Refreshments TCMS Chorus

### **Crossroads City Antiques & Flea Market**

60 W. Oak St. | McRae-Helena, GA Shopping Discounts, Refreshments

### **Farmers Home Furniture**

5 W. Pine St. | McRae-Helena, GA Shopping, Enter drawing to win a goody filled Christmas Stocking

### H&R Block

25A W. Oak St. | McRae-Helena, GA Visit with The Grinch & Cindy Lou Who, Cookies & Cocoa

### Joy's Flowers & Gifts

29 W. Oak St. | McRae-Helena, GA Sales & Refreshments



### McRae Rotary Club

located in parking lot of Farmers Furniture 5 W. Pine St. | McRae-Helena, GA Free Hot Dogs

### McRae United Methodist Church

1 College Ave. | McRae-Helena, GA Children's Choir on Steps of Church

### **Ryals Drug Store**

12 Second Ave. | McRae-Helena, GA Decorate a Cookie, Write Letter to Santa, Sales on Gift Sop Items

### Toni's House of Style

16 S. First Ave. | McRae-Helena, GA Sales, Refreshments, Entertainment with Caves & Company, Purple Daisy Cakes offering award winning sweets & other treats, Visit with Santa (bring your cameras for photos with Santa)



# A Small Town Christmas

Wednesday, November 28 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Milan, GA



### **Lighting of the Tree**

The Telfair Center for the Arts invites you to the Annual Lighting of the Tree.

Sunday, December 2, 2018 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Special Entertainment will be provided by the Macon Youth Orchestra.

Free Admission and Refreshments

Location Telfair Center for the Arts 903 W. College St. McRae-Helena, GA



# **Christmas in Lumber City**

Join us Downtown as we celebrate Christmas in Lumber City Monday, December 3 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 0.m.

Location: Main Street | Lumber City, GA

Activities begin with a Jingle Bell walk at 5:30 p.m. with lineup at the Livingston's IGA parking lot. followed by the Lighting of the Tree at City Hall.

Santa Claus will be coming to town to visit with

the kids so bring your cameras for pictures with Santa.

There will be music, food and other activities.



# **Telfair County Christmas Parade**

### Friday, December 7, 2018 6 p.m. McRae-Helena, GA

This year's theme is "Celebrate the Music and Melodies of Christmas".

The parade route will begin at the intersection of Forsyth Street and Eighth Street and end at Piggly Wiggly on Oak St (Hwy 341) in McRae-Helena, GA.

Industries, businesses, civic groups, school groups, dance groups, churches and individuals are invited to place an entry in the parade.

### Deadline to place an entry in the parade is 12 noon on December 5, 2018.

All entries must be registered with the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce. After submitting an entry form, participant will receive a decal number.

Entry forms and rules can be obtained from the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce or downloaded from <u>www.telfairco.org</u> under the Christmas Events tab.



Floats only will be judged but other entries are encouraged & welcome.

# 1<sup>st</sup> place trophies will be awarded in the following classes:

\*Non-Profits | Civic Groups | School Groups | Churches

\*Industries | Businesses | Government Agencies with 30 or less employees

\*Industries | Businesses | Government Agencies with 30 or more employees

### Parade Entry Fees are as follows:

\*\$10 Floats (trailers, flat beds, or anything that would be considered a float entry)

\*\$5 All other entries (walkers, cars, trucks, atv's, golf carts, motor bikes, bicycles, horses)

# **Festival of Trees**

### November 14 -December 18

Viewing Hours Open to the Public Monday-Thursday 8AM-5PM

Please join us for live Christmas music, light refreshments, and viewing of the trees.

Location DuBose Porter Center Oconee Fall Line Technical College 560 Pinehill Road, Dublin, GA

Make plans now to attend this holiday event!

For more information, please call: 478-274-7770.

### Hike to Santa's Workshop

December 14 & 15 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. both days

Hosted by Friends of Little Ocmulgee State Park

Admission is \$5 per carload. This will be in place of the park pass. <u>Annual passes will not suffice for admission.</u>

Parking for the event will be in the large lot across from the campground. A "sleigh" will pick up "hikers" and take them to the trailhead at the lodge. From there, they will hike to Santa's Work Shop (Group Shelter #1) along a mostly boardwalk trail through an enchanted light display. Anyone not wishing to walk the trail can ride the wagon directly to the Work Shop.

Once the hikers reach the workshop, they will visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and enjoy snacks, hot chocolate, and punch.

Each child visiting with Santa will receive a bag of treats.

All are encouraged to bring their cameras for pictures with Santa.



A wagon will take all attendees back to the parking lot to their vehicles.

Check out their Facebook pages for more information: at Friends of Little Ocmulgee State Park or Little Ocmulgee State Park or call (229) 868-7474

### **Founders Day**

December 8, 2018 | 10 a.m.

You are invited to Celebrate the Founding of Telfair County in the year 1807.

Event begins with breakfast followed by a speaker.

Location: Methodist Church, Jacksonville, GA

Jacksonville, Georgia was settled in 1807 and incorporated in 1815 and was the first county seat for Telfair County.

From 1807 to 1812, court met in various homes. In 1812 a courthouse was erected on the site of the present Methodist Church in Jacksonville, GA

This event has been sponsored by the Pioneer Historical Society since 2007.

# 2019 Man, Woman and Business of the Year Nominations

The Telfair County Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the 2019 Telfair County Man, Woman and Business of the Year.

The Man and Woman of the Year awards are given to recognize a Telfair County Man and Woman's generosity of spirit and volunteerism and of long-term community support and dedication to Telfair County.

The Business of the Year award is given to recognize the contribution of a Telfair County business, organization or agency that has made a positive contribution to fostering and promoting business vitality in Telfair County.

The recipients of these awards will be announced at the 2019 Annual Banquet, which will be held on February 28, 2019.

Nomination forms can be obtained from the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce; by email to rogers@telfairco.org; or downloaded from www.telfairco.org under the "Chamber Programs" tab.

Nomination forms must be returned to the Chamber of Commerce by 12 noon on January 4, 2019.

# **Educational Opportunities**

### Birth to Books Parent Academy

The Telfair County School system would like to invite ALL parents of children ages 0 to 5 in Telfair County to the *Birth to Books* Parent Academy. The *Birth to Books* Parent Academy is an early literacy program that is available this school year. The program focuses on early literacy development for children ages birth to 5 years old. Eligible children will be able to sign up for free books.

### **Oconee Fall Line Technical College**

Oconee Fall Line Technical College (OFTC) at Little Ocmulgee Instructional Center (LOIC)

140 North Third Ave. McRae-Helena, GA (229) 868-7834 www.oftc.edu

### Apply Today for the Spring 2019 Semester!

Advanced Student Registration began Monday, November 19 and will run through Final Student Registration on Wednesday, January 2.

Our New Student Registration will be held from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 6 rather than 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

New Student Orientation will be held on Thursday, January 3 at 5:30 p.m. at the Little Ocmulgee Instructional Center in Helena. Dates

December 3, 2018	6 p.m.	TCES Gym
January 28, 2019	6 p.m.	TCES Gym
March 4, 2019	6 p.m.	TCES Gym

Spring Semester begins on Monday, January 7, 2019.



Adult Education (GED) Alamo Campus Mondays 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

McRae-Helena Campus Tuesday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Students may attend both campuses!

# **Cardiovascular Health Screening**

### December 5, 2018

Telfair County Extension Office 4-H Room 91 Telfair Ave. Suite E McRae-Helena, GA

Appointment Required! Call 866-660-3699 to schedule your appointment.

No out of pocket for employees and spouses with the Telfair County BCBS or one of the State of Georgia BCBS medical plans. Bring your insurance card to the screening.

Employees and spouses that DO NOT HAVE one of the BCBS medical plans above, tests are available at a discounted rate of \$95. We can check other plans as well.

Results are confidential.

# **Employment Opportunities**

<u>Coca Cola</u> Apply online at www.Coca-ColaUnited.com/Careers

#### <u>Husqvarna</u>

Applications can be obtained from Husqvarna 263 E. Oak St. McRae-Helena, GA 31055 (229) 868-6737

#### Lumber City Nursing & Rehab

CNAs, PRN LPNS To apply: 93 Highway 19 Lumber City, GA 31549 (912) 363-2484

#### **Oconee Fall Line Technical College**

www.oftc.edu/about-oftc/human-resources (click on the tab "CAREERS@OFTC" Dublin Campus, Sandersville Campus, Jefferson Campus, McRae Campus

#### **Georgia Department of Labor**

5016 Park Way Eastman, GA 31023-6152 (478) 374-6994 (478) 374-6996 FAX (478) 374-6832 TTY www.dol.state.ga.us Counties Served: Bleckley, Dodge, Telfair, Wilcox

We Can Help!

#### **<u>Telfair Forest Products</u>**

Apply in person at: 11 West Industrial Blvd. Lumber City, GA 31549

#### <u>Telfair State Prison</u>

Walk in Interviews Welcome! Applications can be obtained from: Telfair State Prison 170 Longbridge Rd. McRae-Helena, GA 31055 (229) 868-3288

### Wheeler Correctional Facility-Core Civic

All interested candidates can apply at www.corecivic.com

#### Job Training Unlimited

7 Forsyth St. McRae-Helena, GA 31055 (229) 868-2000 www.region9wib.org Office Hours: Monday: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



# Join Team Telfair Today!

9 East Oak St. | McRae-Helena, GA (229) 868-6365 | Email: rogers@telfairco.org www.telfairco.org

#### **Reasons to Join**

#### Savings

⇒Chamber members could qualify for discounts on commercial property/equipment insurance	Churches Civic Organizations	\$75 \$75
$\Rightarrow$ Chamber members that participate in the "Drugs	Civic Organizations	\$ 75
Don't Work Program" may qualify for dis	Educational Facilities	\$350
counts on worker's comp insurance premiums	Financial Institutions	\$350
$\Rightarrow$ Discount on AirMedCare enrollment	Health Institutions	\$350
◆Exposure	Individuals	\$ 25
⇒Chamber Newsletter Announcements ⇒Brochure/Rack Card Courtesy Display	Industry Level I (1-50 Employees)	\$125
⇒Referrals ⇒Website Listings ⇒Facebook Announcements	Industry Level II (51-499 Employees)	\$175
⇒Ribbon Cuttings/Grand Openings ⇒Relocation Guides & Resources	Industry Level III (500 plus Employees)	\$500
◆Economic Development	<b>Professional Services</b>	\$125
⇒Membership supports the Chamber's economic development efforts with the State Economic	Retail Level I (1-50 Employees)	\$125
Development offices and local Development Authorities	Retail Level II (51-499 Employees)	\$175
Tourism Development Mouthership guaranteethe Chember's offerteein	Retail Level III	\$500
⇒Membership supports the Chamber's efforts in promoting tourism throughout the county for	(500 plus Employees)	ψ500
shopping, dining, events, festivals and attractions.	Utility Companies	\$250

### **Telfair County Chamber of Commerce Meetings of the Board of Directors**

#### December 2018 No meeting scheduled

#### **2019 Monthly Meeting Schedule**

Time

January 8, 2019 February 12, 2019 March 12, 2019 April 9, 2019 May 14, 2019 June 11, 2019 July, 2019 August 13, 2019 September 10, 2019 October 15, 2019 November 12, 2019 December, 2019

Date

5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. No meeting scheduled 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. No meeting scheduled

All regular monthly meetings of the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors are held at the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce Office located at 9 East Oak St., McRae-Helena, GA unless otherwise indicated.

2018 Board of Directors Larry Wells, Chair | Jana Williams, Past Chair Laura Smith, Secretary Lee Cannon, Director | Ora Cooper, Director Ruthie Jackson, Director | Laura Kirk, Director Matt Singleton, Director | Eric Smith, Director Bo Yawn, Director

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> 2019 Annual Membership Rates (January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019)

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### **2018 Chamber Members**

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Premier Heating & Air Rhett Knight Farms, LLC Robins Financial Credit Union Rockin G Timber **Routh Realtors Ryals Drug Store** Smith Fitting Service, Inc. Southern Charm Personal Care Home Southeastern Immediate Care Southern Star Grill Stamps-Walker Agency, Inc. State Farm Insurance Stinson's Bar-B-Que, Inc. Subway Susan Evans Realty, LLC Telfair County Bank Telfair County Board of Education Telfair County Department of Family & Children Services Telfair County Extension/4-H Telfair County Farm Bureau Telfair Enterprise, Inc. Telfair Forest Products, LLC Telfair Snapshots The Cannon Law Firm The Cleft, Inc. The Housing Authority of the City of McRae-Helena The Merchants & Citizens Bank The Security State Bank Three Rivers Home Health Services Toni's House of Style Trinity Therapy Services, Inc. Vaughn Funeral Home, Inc. Webb Swamp Logging, LLC Wheeler County State Bank Willow Creek Drive In Windstream World Outreach Church Xpert Air & Refrigeration, LLC

Howard Abney Paula Anderson Thomas Anderson Guy Bland Sarah Bowen Betty Brewer Debbie Bullard Lee Cannon Ora Cooper Billy Fred Crawford Rose Crawford Gerald Ellington W. Don Holland Ruthie Jackson Danny Jones Deanna Jones Martha Ann Mullis **Ouinton Mullis Jimmy Pruett** Matt Singleton Eric Smith Laura Smith Neal Stanley Belinda Thomas Larry Wells Jana Williams Bo Yawn

<u>Cornerstone Members</u> City of McRae-Helena McRae Correctional Facility Robins Financial Credit Union Southern Star Grill

For more information about a Chamber Member www.telfairco.org PH: (229) 868-6365 Email: rogers@telfairco.org

### **Guidelines for Submitting Information for Chamber Newsletter**

Requirements for listing an event, article or information in the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce monthly newsletter:

\*Must be a current member of the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce;

\*Information must be submitted according to the schedule listed below;

\*Information will be accepted on a first received basis and as long as space is available;

\*Information should be submitted in a Word Document, Publisher Document or and photos in a high quality .jpeg;

\*Information should be submitted to the following email: rogers@telfairco.org.

Chamber cannot guarantee what page your information will be on or the size of the listing.

Deadline to submit articles, events or information to be included in the Chamber's Monthly Newsletter:

January 2019 Newsletter: February 2019 Newsletter: March 2019 Newsletter: April 2019 Newsletter: Deadline-December 21, 2018 Deadline-January 21, 2019 Deadline-February 21, 2019 Deadline- March 21, 2019