

# Chamber's Friday News!

February 28, 2014

*Congratulations!*



The Fitzgerald Rotary club hosted the Star Student—Star Teacher on Tuesday, February 4th.

John Foster is the 2014 Star Student, and he picked Debby Reynolds as his Star Teacher

The Chamber staff, along with the Star Student/Star Teacher and family, will be attending the Star Banquet in Valdosta on March 14th.



# Phlawless Barbershop LLC

102 W. Central Ave.

229-423-0349

***Travis Dowers***

***Justin Dowers***

A Ribbon Cutting will be held on Tuesday, March 11, at  
10:30 a.m. Hope to see you there!



**NOW YOU CAN FEEL  
EVEN BETTER ABOUT  
EATING AT ZAXBY'S®.**



Wednesday, March 5th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., is our fundraiser night at Zaxby's! Come to Zaxby's and help raise money for Monitor Enrichment Program just by eating delicious Zaxby's chicken!

**10% of total sales during fundraiser night will go to the program.**

**Hope to see you here!**

At this location only:  
128 Benjamin Hill Dr. W. • Fitzgerald  
229.426.7471



Who was your favorite celebrity when you were in high school?  
Join us for

Now  
60's  
70's  
80's  
90's  
00's  
10's

# DINNER OF THE DECADES

**CIS Celebrity Dinner**  
**March 6, 2014 ~ 7 pm**  
*early arrival for guests begins at 6:30*  
**Wiregrass Georgia Technical College**



PO Box 362  
408 W. Suwanee Street  
Fitzgerald, GA 31750  
220-423-7933  
[www.cisbenhill.org](http://www.cisbenhill.org)

## Communities In Schools

Fitzgerald/Ben Hill County

*The Celebrity Dinner is a fundraiser for Communities In Schools. We are a non-profit organization which specializes in drop-out prevention, touching the lives of all students in Ben Hill County. Our various programs are funded through grants, foundations and local fundraising efforts. Last year, we raised over \$22,000.00 from the Celebrity Dinner. This money comes from business sponsorships, ticket sales, auction/raffle items, and the money collected during the event.*

### *Here are a few ways you can help:*

- ♣ **BE A CELEBRITY!**
  - Choose your favorite **Celebrity** (Movie Star, TV Star, Music Star) from the decade you graduated
  - Waiters are asked to sell **8** tickets for their table
  - The tickets are \$50 each and guest will be treated to a wonderful meal catered by Fat Daddy's
- ♣ **RECRUIT A CELEBRITY:** Maybe dressing up is just not for you – but I bet you know someone who loves it!
- ♣ **SUPPLY AN AUCTION/RAFFLE ITEM:** During the event, guests are able to bid on items that have been donated. These include a variety of items: vacation get-a-ways, portraits, bleaching kits, plane rides, large retail items – tv's etc
- ♣ **BECOME A SPONSOR:** Businesses as well as individuals can be a sponsor for the dinner at different levels
- ♣ **BE A GUEST:** Tickets for the dinner are \$50 each

### *Sponsorship Levels:*

- ♣ **PLATINUM SPONSOR:** \$1000 or more – recognition as Platinum sponsor in the event's program, business name included in newspaper articles, business logo included in newspaper ad, **8 tickets, \$200 in tip money** to be divided among guest at the table, business promotion at the table
- ♣ **GOLD SPONSOR:** \$500 – \$999 donation - recognition as Gold sponsor in the event's program, articles in newspaper, **tickets for 2 guests, and \$25 in tip money** for each guest
- ♣ **SILVER SPONSOR:** \$250 - \$499 - recognition as Silver sponsor in the event's program, and articles in newspaper
- ♣ **BRONZE SPONSOR:** \$100 - \$249 - recognition as Bronze sponsor in the event's program, and articles in newspaper
- ♣ **CIS FRIENDS:** up to \$100 - recognition in the event's program, and articles in newspaper

*One idea for businesses is to provide a waiter as well as purchase tickets for their staff.  
Extra promotional incentives for the business can be received by becoming a Platinum Sponsor.*

**100% of money raised STAYS in Ben Hill County helping OUR children.**

**Communities In Schools of Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County, Inc, is a 501c3, nonprofit organization and all donations are tax deductible.  
\*Credit Cards and "Colony Cash" accepted**



Getting pump up for the CIS Dinner - March 6th.  
The Golden Girls will be in the House...

**Have you got your tickets yet for the CIS dinner?**

**Call Christi to find out how to get your ticket today...you don't want to miss the chance to see the "Golden Girls"....**

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***Blanche—Christi Schirack***

***Rose—Derinda Lewis***

***Dorothy—Ashley Morris***

***Sophia—Cooda Whitworth***



is selling Raffle Tickets for chances to win framed

## Fitzgerald Wild Chicken Pictures.

**Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20**

**Pictures will be raffled individually.**

The first ticket drawn will be the Rooster and  
the second ticket drawn will be the biddy.

Tickets will be sold until the drawing the night of Relay For Life,  
You do not have to be present to win!

They are in handmade barn board frames made by Billy Wilder  
and professionally framed by Nicki Smith at Central Trading Company.

The pictures were taken by T Nicole Walker. All proceeds go to Relay for Life!



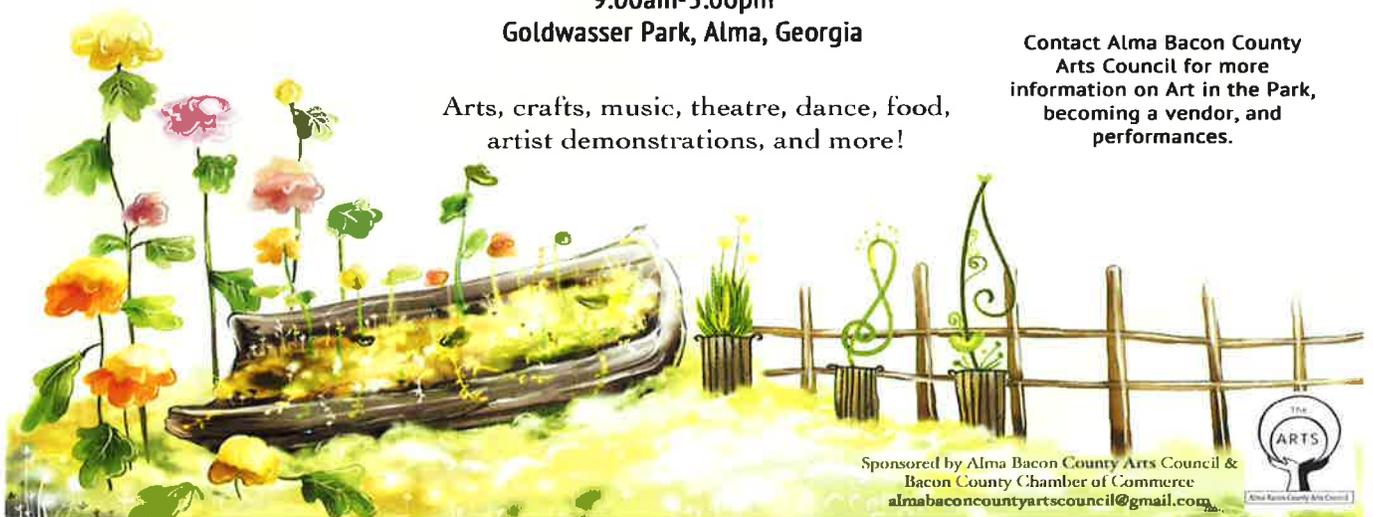
# Art in the Park

Saturday, May 10  
9:00am-5:00pm

Goldwasser Park, Alma, Georgia

Arts, crafts, music, theatre, dance, food,  
artist demonstrations, and more!

Contact Alma Bacon County  
Arts Council for more  
information on Art in the Park,  
becoming a vendor, and  
performances.



Sponsored by Alma Bacon County Arts Council &  
Bacon County Chamber of Commerce  
[almabaconcountyartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:almabaconcountyartscouncil@gmail.com)



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ECO Ballroom has  
happy hour every  
Friday 5-7 with  
specials!



ECO Boutique has  
daily spring  
arrivals and all  
winter items are  
marked down!



**LANDSCAPE**



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**(229)423-1080**

**FREE PINE STRAW GIVEAWAY!**

Come by between Feb 17-28  
to enter for a chance to win  
50 bales of pine straw!!

734 Benjamin Hill Drive West  
Fitzgerald, Georgia 31750  
Hours 8 am - 5 pm M-F

FOR  
ALL OF GOD'S  
YOUNG DISCIPLES



JOIN US  
as we go ALL OUT  
in the LUMINOUS FEW  
CHRISTIAN YOUTH RALLY

March 1st, 2014

• Arbor Baptist Church- Fitzgerald, GA  
(1137 N. Merrimac Dr.)

Free Food

• Free Entry

For Youth,  
By Youth

6:00 (food & fellowship) - until the party's over

(229)-457-1948

FELLOWSHIP - MESSAGE - LOUD MUSIC



CRAFTING @ The Carnegie with Whatever!  
Art- March 4th - 6:30pm!!! \$30 It is time to  
sign up!



Call Brandy—229-426-5035

[fitzgeraldbenhillartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:fitzgeraldbenhillartscouncil@gmail.com)



The Hanging Basket has just got in some spring fruit trees. Plums, Pears, Fig, blueberries, grapes, etc., and they have peaches and apples coming next week. Tim is also taking special orders if someone wants something specific or large

quantities. They will also be getting in their first shipment of Spring Flowers. Tim's hours have changed, but customers can check on their facebook page for this week's hours, or they can call Tim on her cell at 229-325-2113.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Hanging-Basket-Greenhouse-Nursery/150374731658662>

THE FITZ-BEN HILL ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS

# THE BUSHMEN

FREE CONCERT & STREET DANCE



GEORGIA'S PREMIERE BAND OF THE 1960'S

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS!!

**14.03.14**

**WHITE SWAN PARKING LOT**

CORNER OF W. PINE AND S. LEE ST

**SHOW HOURS** 7:00 - 10:00PM

TABLES WITH 8 CHAIRS AVAILABLE \$100 INCLUDES A LARGE PIZZA & 8 BEVERAGE TICKETS.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT. TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR A RESERVED TABLE CONTACT THE FITZGERALD - BEN HILL ARTS COUNCIL AT (229) 426-5035. LIMITED TABLES ARE AVAILABLE SO RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!

# Rancho Grande

## February & March Specials

### Lunch Menu #1 -14

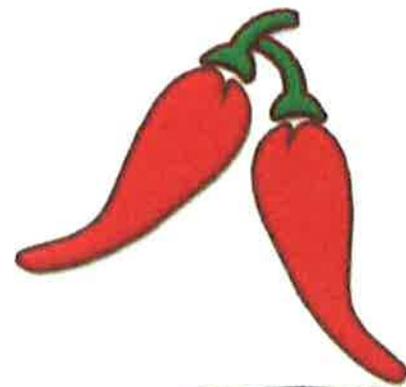
**\$\$\$ 2.99 + tax**

Margaritas

Monday—

Thursday

**Buy 1 Get 1 Free**



Domestic Beer .99

Imported Beer \$1.50



708 S. Grant Street  
Fitzgerald, GA 31750  
423-2323



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Phone: 229-423-7933

## Communities In Schools

Fitzgerald/Ben Hill County

## Utility Trailer Raffle

Tickets \$5 each

OR

5 for \$20

### Details:

- Size--6' x 12' with 4' ramp
- 2" coupler--5000lb capacity
- 3000lb capacity tongue jack
- 3500lb axle with e-z lube hubs
- ST205/75 tires w/15" steel spoke wheels
- Expanded metal floor
- Fender steps



LIPPERT  
COMPONENTS

*Winner announced March 6, 2014*

# **GOLD & SILVER BUYERS OF FITZGERALD**

*Just In Time  
For Valentine's  
Day*

201 E. Pine St.  
Fitzgerald  
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*Great  
Valentine's Day  
Gifts*

*Announcing the Addition of:*

## **DOVE JEWELERS**

**Carrying a Full Line of  
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*Also introducing the debut of:*

- **Beautiful Stainless Steel Jewelry**
- **Fine Rhodium & Zinc Jewelry**

**At Prices Anyone Can Afford!**

**(Open: 9:00-6:00 Monday-Friday & 10:00-2:00PM Saturday)**

**— Plus —**

***We can order Guitar, Drum & Wind  
Instrument Accessories.***

**(Order by 2:00PM for next day delivery)**

***Still Paying the Best Prices for Your Gold & Silver!***

# OSHA

## 10-hour OSHA GENERAL SAFETY TRAINING

**Instructor: Jacob Dukes, Southern Safety Consultants**

This 10-hour OSHA General Industry Training Course is intended for area employees who need general safety instruction that will emphasize hazard identification, avoidance, control, and prevention at an industrial or distribution center site.

All 10-hour OSHA General Industry Safety course completers will receive a certification card reflecting 10 total hours of OSHA General Industry Safety training.

This course will take a more in-depth look at the following safety topics:

- Introduction to OSHA
- Walking & Working Surfaces - Fall Protection
- Exit Routes, Emergency Action Plans, Fire Prevention Plans, & Fire Protection
- Electrical
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Hazard Communication
- Hazardous Materials
- Machine Guarding
- Bloodborne Pathogens



### LOCATION & DATES:

**Cook Campus - Sparks, GA**  
**Two Fridays: Feb 28<sup>th</sup> & March 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00 a.m. – 12 noon each day**

**Course fee: \$195/person**

**To register or for additional information, contact  
Bill Tillman at 229.219.1379 or [bill.tillman@wiregrass.edu](mailto:bill.tillman@wiregrass.edu)**

**WIREGASS**  
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# *Wild Chicken Festival*

March 14 & 15, 2014

***Historic Downtown  
Fitzgerald, Georgia***



## **2014 Ben Hill – Irwin Boy Scout Invitational**

Here is the opportunity to enjoy a golf outing at Turkey Creek Dining and Golf and support the youth of our area. This golf tournament will help provide needed funds to help deliver a quality program to scouts across all of Ben Hill County and Irwin County of the South Georgia Council. Thank you in advance for your support!!

Date: Saturday, March 29, 2014 9:00 am shotgun start.  
3 Man Scramble - \$120 per team, includes event appreciation item, lunch, and cart (for first 20).

Mulligan Package - \$30, includes: – 2 mulligans, 1 “throw mulligan”, and 1 “closest to the pin” , 1 package per player

Prizes: Cash - 1st place team - \$400, 2nd - \$250, 3rd - \$150  
20 carts available, teams welcome to bring own carts.

**"Double Diamond"** Sponsors are a \$1,000 level which includes a name banner with logo\*, and a team.

**"Diamond"** Sponsors are a \$500 level and includes a "yard sign" with logo\* and a team.

**Hole** Sponsors are \$100 each and includes a sign with name, no logo.

**\*\* Logos – camera ready, must be furnished by March 14, 2014**

For additional information contact Roland McCarthy, South Georgia Council, 1841 Norman Drive, Valdosta, GA, 31601, 229.343.1615.



WIREGRASS

GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

# Drivers Education

Learning to drive is a major milestone in your teens life. It's important for young or inexperienced drivers to learn safe driving techniques. Joshua's Law requires 30 hours of class instruction and 6 additional hours of on the road experience to receive a class D license. Most insurance companies also give a reduction (approx. 10%) on insurance premiums upon successful completion. You may also be eligible for up to a \$150.00 tax credit.

The cost of the course is \$275.00.

March 8, 10, 22, 24, 2016

Hess Hill-Irwin Campus

*For more information contact:*

*Gail Giddens*

**229-468-2074**



Receive 10 hours of Bright from the Start Certified Continuing Education Training when you attend all five classes.

**Tuesday, March 11**

**“Blocks: A Foundation for Learning”**

**Thursday, March 13**

**“It Takes Two to Talk: Listening and Language  
In the Classroom”**

**Thursday, March 20**

**“The World Around Us: Preschool Social Studies  
Concepts”**

**Tuesday, March 25**

**“Room for Everything—Room  
Arrangement”**

**Thursday, March 27**

**“Positive Discipline: What is It  
And Why Do We Use It?”**

**Time: 7:00-9:00**

**Cost: \$15 each**

**Two Hours Credit Awarded for Each Class Attended!!**

Don't miss this  
opportunity for  
local training!!!

**Training Location:**

**Wiregrass Georgia Technical College  
667 Perry House Road  
Fitzgerald, GA 31750**

**To register contact:**

**Gail Giddens  
229-468-2074  
gail.giddens@wiregrass.edu**



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**WIREGRASS**  
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**ServSafe**

Coffee Campus

**April 7**

**9am-6pm**

**\$180.00**

**For more information or  
to register contact:**

**Gail Giddens**

**229-468-2074**

**Registration Deadline: March 19**

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# COLONY CITY COLOR CHASE 2014

5 K & 1 MILE FUN RUN

## WHEN

**Saturday, May 10, 2014  
8:00 am**

## WHERE

**Start/Finish Line at  
Jaycee Stadium**

**Fitzgerald High School 601 W. Cypress Street Fitzgerald, GA**

**Wear a white shirt!! • A different color powder thrown at each  
Kilometer on the 5K race route • Powder will be thrown along  
the 1 mile route to cover the kids!! •**



[www.fitzgeraldrotary.org](http://www.fitzgeraldrotary.org)

## ENTRY FEES

**By May 5: \$20 for adults/  
\$15 for children 12 and under**

**After May 5: \$25 for adults/  
\$20 for children 12 and under**

## THERE WILL BE RACE DAY REGISTRATION

## AWARDS & PRIZES

**T-shirts & race sunglasses  
to all preregistered  
participants.**

**5K : Trophies awarded to the  
top 3 in each age group.**

**1 Mile: Finisher medals to all  
participants 12 and under.  
Trophy to 1<sup>st</sup> place male and  
female 12 and under.**

**CONTACT ANY  
ROTARIAN FOR  
MORE INFO  
AND TO REGISTER.**

**Colony City Chase  
PO BOX 557  
Fitzgerald, GA 31750  
(229) 425-3400**