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Community Calendar

Masons to meet

The Lincolnton Masonic Lodge 354 holds its regular meeting on the third Thursday of every month. Dinner is served at 6:30 with the meeting starting at 7:30.

AA meeting

There is an Alcoholics Anonymous/AI Anon meeting being held each Tuesday Saturday at 7:00 p.m. at Dunn's Chapel Methodist Church located at 6563 Ridge Road in Appling, Georgia.

Mass schedule

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 1015 N. bypass W., Hwy 78, Washington, Georgia, is holding Sunday Mass at 8:30 a.m. and services on Thursdays at noon. For more information call 706-678-2110.

Queen of Catholic Church, 1326 Washington Rd., Thomson, hosts regular services Mondays at 9 a.m., Wednesdays at 6 p.m., Saturday vigils at 5 p.m. and Sunday Mass at 11 a.m. For more information call 706-595-2913.

Substance abuse class

Parks Grove FBH Church is holding a substance abuse class every Monday night from 8-9 p.m. It's open to men and women who are struggling with any type of addiction.

Bible study Tuesdays

Rev. Dr. Anthoni D. McElrath, senior pastor of Green Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Augusta, will host a weekly bible study on Tuesday nights, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Lincoln County Public Library.

Library hours

The Lincoln County Public Library is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. - noon. Computer labs are shut down 15 minutes before closing.

Jones fund at FSB

A fund to benefit Derek Jones has been established at Farmers State Bank to help with medical expenses. For more information, contact Teresa Jones at 706-359-5920 or 401-0434.

City council meetings

The Lincolnton City Council meeting dates for 2021 are as follows: Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7. All meetings are held at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Silver Lining anniv.

As we approach the sixth anniversary of the Silver Lining Foundation of Newberry Missionary Baptist Church we would like to thank you for your past support. As

we continue to help those going through cancer treatment, we hope that we can depend on your generosity this year.

The Silver Lining Foundation is a foundation that provides financial assistance to help cover travel and meals for patients that are being treated for cancer, is in need of financial support. Please consider making a pledge of \$2 - \$5 per month or any other amount will be greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to Silver Lining Cancer Foundation, c/o Newberry Missionary Baptist Church, P.O. Box 173, Lincolnton, GA 30817.

Midway cookbook

Midway UMC's "Midway to Heaven" cookbook is now available from Tommie Henderson (Henderson Logging); Brenda Danner McGahee (tag office); in Washington from Betty Sue Bunch (REA) or Linda Anthony (706-678-7616).

In addition to recipes group photos from 1930, 1950's, 1964, 1999 and church history data are included. Makes a wonderful gift. \$15.

AA/AI Anon meeting

Freedom Group meets at 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights at Faith Community Church Fellowship Hall located at the Thomson Hwy. (Hwy. 43) and Leathersville Rd., Lincolnton, Ga. The sign will read, "The Good Shepard Home."

Join Lincoln County 4-H

Lincoln County 4-H would like to reach out to private school or home school students in grades 5th-12th who are interested in joining Lincoln County 4-H. Please stop by our 4-H office at 2080 Rowland York Rd, Lincolnton or call our office at 706-359-3233.

Foster care agency seeks families

Neighbor To Family Inc. is a sibling foster care agency with a unique approach to foster care. We provide sibling groups with a nurturing foster home that enables brothers and sisters to stay together while in care. We are always looking for Foster Parents. Find out how to become a foster parent and change the world one sibling group at a time.

For more information, please contact Tamala Thompson at 706-284-3267 or tamala.thompson@ntf.org.

Divorce care group

Are you separated or divorced and still have bitterness or pain? Faith Community Church is offering DivorceCare online starting August 16th.

We will meet online every Monday from 7pm-8pm. This will last for 12 weeks and you can join at any time.

Please register by going to DivorceCare.org, putting in zip code 30817, and then select Faith Community Church. There is no charge for the class but you will need to order the workbook for \$20 when you register.

If you have questions please send an email to MrsLeescounseling@gmail.com.

Ty Cobb exhibit at museum

The Thomson-McDuffie Museum, for a short time only, has a special exhibit featuring baseball legend, Ty Cobb; the rare exhibits change often. The museum is free to the public and is located at 121 Main Street. It is open Friday and Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. The museum is also open by appointment to groups of ten or more by calling (706) 990-8784. Come, bring the kids, and enjoy the rich history of the Thomson-Wrightsboro-Lincolnton area.



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Obituaries

Geraldine Brown Banks

Mrs. Geraldine Brown "Dean" Banks, 87, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at her residence on Foxwood Drive, Washington, Georgia.

The graveside service was held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 2021 at County Line Baptist Church cemetery in Rayle, Ga. with Rev. Tripp Goodwin officiating.

Mrs. Banks was the daughter of the late Justice David Brown and Nettie Lois Colvard Brown of Wilkes County. She had retired as owner of Dean's Clothing in Lincolnton, Ga. and was a member of Lincolnton Baptist Church. Dean was very talented and had many interests that included painting and other hobbies that she enjoyed after retirement.

Survivors include her husband of 47 years, Joe F. Banks; two daughters, Rhonda Newberry and husband, Johnny and Joanna Waller and husband, Wade both of Washington; three grandsons, Griff Newberry and wife, Jessica of Greensboro, GA, Wesley Waller and wife, Brandi of Watkinsville, Ga. and Jacob Waller and wife, Amelia of Athens, Ga.; five great grandchildren, Madison Newberry, Myla Newberry, Wilkes Waller, Teigen Waller and Jase Waller. Mrs. Banks was preceded in death along with her parents by ten siblings.

In lieu of flowers memorial con-



GERALDINE BROWN BANKS

tributions may be made to County Line Baptist Church, in care of Mrs. Midge Walker, 815 Walker Rd., Rayle, GA 30660 or to Lincolnton Baptist Church, P.O. Box 357, Lincolnton, GA 30817.

The family would like to thank Inspiring Hospice for the excellent care that was given to Mrs. Banks.

You may sign the family's online guestbook at: www.reesfuneral-home.net.

Rees Funeral Home, 195 N Peachtree St., Lincolnton, GA 706-359-3222 was in care of the arrangements for the Banks family.

Michael W. Murphy

Michael W. "Mike" Murphy was called home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on July 27, 2021. He passed away peacefully at his home in Lincolnton, Georgia with his family at his bedside.

A memorial service was held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, August 1, at Beggs Funeral Home.

Mike was born in Augusta, Georgia on December 30, 1951 where he spent his childhood and graduated from Butler High School in 1970. Later that year, in the fall of 1970, which was during the Vietnam War, he enlisted in the US Navy. During his military service, he was stationed at Ft Jackson and worked hard to achieve the rank of AT3. He was responsible for installing the radios and instrumentation in the A-7 Corsair jets. On July 5, 1976, a day after our country's 200th birthday, he received an honorable discharge from the United States Navy for his honest and faithful service. In gratitude for his wartime service, Mike was accepted for official membership in the American Legion.

Afterwards, he attended Augusta College where he studied business for three years. He retired from Nutrasweet and was owner of Breezy Hill Car Wash and Garden Center in Graniteville, S.C. He was a blood donor and Secret Santa for many years.

Mike and Dale were married on September 5, 1981 in Augusta and

soon afterwards they moved to Lincolnton to establish a home that they would live in "until death do us part." Their marriage has been a shining example of love, honesty, joy, faithfulness, and commitment that lasted for 40 years until his passing.

Together, Mike and Dale loved to travel and go hiking. Highlights of those trips include the Grand Canyon, Bryce's Canyon, Zion National Park, and Red Rock Canyon. Some of their favorite destinations together include Las Vegas, Nevada, Biloxi, Mississippi, Cherokee, North Carolina and Hoover Dam. Also, he was an avid UGA fan and loved cheering and rooting for his Georgia Bulldawgs.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years who was the love of his life, Dale Murphy; children, Ronda Tuten (Fred) of Lincolnton, Brian Cowart (Tonya) of Augusta, and April Whitley of Blythe, Georgia; grandchildren, Brandon Grant of Lincolnton, Austin, Chris and David, Cody, Cole and Sarah, all of Augusta and Blythe; great-grandchildren, Asher, Myles, Kyle, Caleb, Waylon and Mallory; and aunt, Mary Corbett of Augusta.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to Rectal Colon Cancer Center or Sheppard Community Blood Center.

Beggs Funeral Home, Lincolnton was honored to serve the family of Mr. Michael "Mike" Murphy.

Kenneth Allen Newsome

Kenneth Allen Newsome, "Whip" to many, was called home on July 22, 2021. He loved and was loved by his community for which he was so proud.

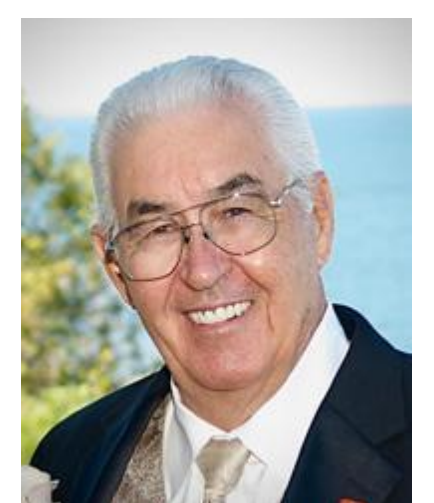
Kenny, the son of the late Kent and Mabel Newsome, was born on April 24, 1939 in Augusta, Georgia. A devoted company man for Georgia Power for over 36 years, he would often say "This is the only job I've ever had." Prior to moving to Lincoln County over 27 years ago, he was a resident of Evans, Georgia. He enjoyed golfing and horseback riding, as well as cheering on his beloved Lincoln County Red Devils every Friday night in the fall.

He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Iris "Risa" Morris Newsome and their son, Kenneth "Nat" Allen Newsome, Jr. (Melissa). At the core of his heart were his three young grandchildren, Briar Kent, Saylor Rose and Isla Louise.

Along with his wife, he was a founding member of New Work Baptist Church and as such his service was held August 4th at NWBC, 4900 Double Branches Rd, Lincolnton, Ga. Visitation was held from 6-7 p.m. with Pastor Jerry Owens delivering the service at 7 p.m. All who knew him are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, we ask a donation be made to the Parkinson's Foundation in Kenny's honor. www.parkinson.org.

Beggs Funeral Home, Lincolnton,



KENNETH ALLEN NEWSOME

was honored to serve the family of Mr. Kenneth Allen Newsome.

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Clark benefit fund at FSB

A fund to benefit Joy Clark had been established at Farmers State Bank. Donations are needed to help Joy with medical expenses as she has been diagnosed with liver cancer. Donations can be made at Farmers State Bank or mailed to PO Box 99, Lincolnton, GA 30817.

Pantry distribution

The Lincoln County Food Pantry has returned to inside distribution.

LCEP will adhere to CDC Guidelines of wearing mask!

Distribution dates are August 12 and 26 at the Fire Tower Road location.

BACK TO SCHOOL Bash

wednesday August 11TH, 2021
 First Assembly Lincolnton 1 6PM
 328 May Ave, Lincolnton GA

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