

# SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

## Savannah Country Day Dedicates New Lower School Building



Savannah Country Day School dedicated its new Lower School building Oct. 29. It is expected to be the first LEED-certified elementary school in Chatham County. The building features an expanded media center and a science facility with LED projection tele-

scopes, greenhouse and an animal care facility. LEED highlights include low-water urinals and water heads, as well as carpets, paints and cabinets with reduced

volatile organic compounds. The Savannah Country Day School is located at 824 Stillwood Drive, Savannah, Georgia 31419. [www.savcds.org](http://www.savcds.org).

## Savannah Mayor, Delegation to Blog from China

A delegation from the City of Savannah leaves Saturday, Nov. 1, for a nine-day trip to China to develop economic opportunities and formalize our Sister Cities Agreement with Jiujiang City in China's Jiangxi Province. This trip is the second half of a journey that began in the spring, when a delegation from Jiujiang traveled to Savannah and signed a Sister City Letter of Intent in City Hall.

The group, which includes Mayor Otis Johnson, aldermen Edna Jackson and Van R. Johnson, City Manager Michael Brown and representatives from the Savannah College of Art and Design and



Mayor Otis Johnson poses with gifts for China.

Savannah River Landing, will strengthen ties with government, business, civic and cultural leaders during the trip. Jiujiang, a city of 4.5 million, is a growing port city located along the Yangtze River.

Beginning Saturday,

members of the delegation will update a special travel blog on the City's Web site, which will include recaps of each day's events, special photos and maps. Citizens are encouraged to follow the delegation's journey online at [www.savannahga.gov](http://www.savannahga.gov).

## Isaiah Davenport House to present Holiday Evening Tours by Candlelight

The Isaiah Davenport House will present Holiday Evening Tours by Candlelight Friday, December 26 through Tuesday, December 30 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Patrons who wish to have a complete experience should be at the Davenport House no later than 8 p.m. Davenport House is located at 324 East State Street, Savannah - on the corner of Habersham and State Streets at Columbia Square.

The house museum will be open for evening tours exploring the December celebrations of the early 19th century inhabitants of the fine brick home on Columbia Square. Topics will include the meaning of the season, feasting, music, the Scottish influence on the family, treatment of house slaves during the holiday time, etc. The Dining Room table will

be set for an intimate adult meal with special treats for the New Year's Day celebration and the Drawing Room will be set as if preparing for a dance. Some docents will be in authentic early 19th century attire.

Seeing the home lit for the evening's program. Listening to music from the early 19th century. Tasting short bread and cider in the

garden. Hearing the story of early 19th century holiday celebrations from trained docents.

For adults - \$8 in advance and \$10 at the time of the tour. For children ages 6 - 18 -- \$5 in advance and \$7 at the time of the tour.

For information or to reserve a place, call 912/236-8097 or email [jcredle@savbusiness.net](mailto:jcredle@savbusiness.net).

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## Chatham Retired Educators Association

October 13 - Mr. Hugh Golson, our jubilant president initiated the agenda with a delightful greeting from Ralph Waldorf Emerson. He helped us celebrate Columbus Day with the singing of patriotic songs. His comments remind us of the different activities to be held at the Ralph Mark Gilbert Museum, November 2nd is Educators Day, the Eye Glass Drive and a review of some of the findings of the Teacher Retirement System.

Most of the committees made their reports. We are elated to report that our enrollments are increasing, state and local. The In-Touch Committee sent six

cards to the sick and shut-ins. In fact, two were with us today. Necrology reported the known deaths of three comrades, namely; Mrs. Ida Folger Garfield, Mr. James E. Grant Sr. and Mr. Solomon Myers Sr.

The State and District Legislatives joined us today, Mr. Micky Stevens, Mr. Buddy Carter, Mr. Greg Gordon, Mr. Lester Jackson and Mrs. Gloria Edwards. They briefed us on the concerns of the General Assembly, namely the crucial water problems statewide, trauma care, transportation, tax relief and gun laws. They urged us to contact our legislatives about our T.R.S., this is money we

have earned. They also emphasized our voting rights. Many of them left their cell numbers for them to be contacted.

Mrs. Barbara Foley, Director of Learning for Life Program. This program is recruiting volunteers for mentoring students in grades K-12th. Such persons are asked to share life experiences and read to them.

There were a number of new and returning educators with us today, namely; Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Thomas, Mrs. Theresa Wright, Mrs. Marva Harris, Mrs. Jessie Deloach, Mrs. Irene Thomas, Mrs. Marie Ingram, and Mrs. Ruby Futch. What a joy it was to have them.

Our next meeting will be held November 10th at our same meeting place, Carey Hilliard's Restaurant, on Abercorn Extension.

President, Mr. Hugh Golson  
Publicity Chairperson,  
Lula Wilson

## Tutors & Mentors Needed

Performance Initiatives, Inc. and Aldersgate United Methodist Church are collaborating with L.O.V.E. Mentors to offer after school mentoring and tutoring to our community youth. We believe we need to offer the best opportunities for life success to our future leaders.

The IT Ministry at Savannah Christian Church is donating their experience in setting up the computer lab and network system needed for this program, as well as refurbishing donated computers. Aldersgate United Methodist Church is provid-

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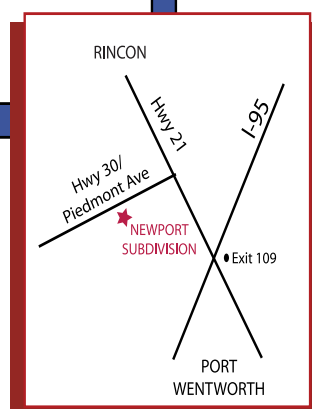


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