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Taking Care

Simple Improvements Can Make Home Safer

by LISA M. PETSCHKE

Falls are the primary cause of injury and hospitalization for older adults, and half of those injured do



Lisa Petschke

not regain their former level of independence. Even more sobering, falls are the seventh leading cause of death in people aged 65 and over.

The majority of falls by seniors take place at home while they are carrying out everyday activities. Most often they occur in the bathroom, bedroom or a stairwell.

Health- and age-related changes that contribute to falls include arthritis, decreased sensation in the feet (known as peripheral neuropathy), loss of strength, visual impairment, balance problems and the use of certain medications.

The other major cause of falls is hazardous conditions in the home environment. Fortunately, there are numerous ways to reduce these hazards for yourself or a loved one. Many of them involve little or no

cost.

In The Kitchen

Keep regularly used pots, dishes, staple foods and other supplies within easy reach. Ensure the heaviest items are stored in the lower cupboards.

If you must reach high places, get a step stool that has a high handrail and rubber tips. Never use a chair.

In The Bedroom

Situate a lamp within easy reach of your bed. Also keep a flashlight on hand in case there's a power failure (don't forget to regularly replace the batteries).

Keep a phone at your bedside. If your bedroom doesn't have a phone jack, get a cordless phone and keep the receiver with you at night. (Don't forget to place it back on the base in the morning, so it can recharge during the day.)

Ensure there's a clear path from your bed to the bathroom.

In The Bathroom

Have grab bars installed by the toilet and in the bathtub or shower area. Ensure they are placed in the

proper location and well anchored to the wall.

Use a rubber mat (the kind with suction cups) in the tub or shower, and a non-skid bath mat on the floor.

Get a bathtub seat or a shower chair.

Obtain a raised toilet seat if you have trouble getting on and off the toilet.

Get a hand-held shower head so you can shower in a sitting position.

Stairwells

Steps should be in good repair and have a non-skid surface.

Have solid handrails installed on both sides of stairways – ideally these should project past both the top and bottom steps.

Keep steps free of clutter.

Ensure stairwells are well lit. If necessary, get battery-powered dome lights that easily attach to the wall.

General Tips

Wear slippers or shoes that fit snugly, offer good support and have a non-skid sole (avoid a sticky sole like crepe, though).

Ensure throw rugs and scatter mats have a non-skid backing. Better yet, remove them, since they are one of the most common causes of falls.

Keep walkways clear of electrical and telephone cords.

Avoid clutter in rooms and hallways.

Post emergency numbers by the telephone for easy access. If vision is a problem, get a phone with a large, lighted keypad.

Sign on with a personal emer-

gency response service, whereby you wear a lightweight, waterproof pendant or bracelet that has a button to press if you run into a crisis and need help. (Studies have found that getting help quickly after a fall reduces the risk of hospitalization and death.)

Use night-lights in the bedroom, hallways and bathroom. Get the kind that have a built-in sensor that automatically turns the light on in dim conditions. Also consider getting one or more plug-in, rechargeable flashlights that automatically come on when the power goes out.

Spend some time browsing in medical supply stores or perusing their catalogs to discover the many items available – for example, reachers and electric-lift armchairs – that can increase household safety and make everyday activities easier.

Consider a cane or walker if balance is an ongoing problem. Make sure you are fitted with the appropriate type of aid and receive instruction on proper usage.

Arrange for a home assessment by an occupational therapist if you would like more information about identifying potential safety hazards and successfully addressing them. The therapist may point out areas of risk and make recommendations that would not have occurred to you or your family.

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2018 Georgia Golden Olympics Registration Opens May 1st

Special to Senior News

The 2018 Georgia Golden Olympics is scheduled for September 26-29, 2018 in Warner Robins, GA. The Warner Robins Recreation Department and the City of Warner Robins will be our gracious host again this year. The registration materials will be available by May 1 by email and on the games website: georgiagoldenolympics.org. Registration will be open until August 1, 2018. From August 1-15 registration with a late fee will be available. No registrations will be accepted after August 15, 2018.

The 2018 Georgia Event is a qualifying games for the 2019 National Senior Games in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 14-25, 2019. Albuquerque is excited to be hosting the national event and have chosen some great venues for the events.

Start training now for the 2018 Georgia Golden Olympics and the 2019 National Games. For more information on the National Senior Games go to the website at nsga.com.

Make a Contribution to the Georgia Golden Games, Inc.

The Georgia Golden Games are funded by registration fees and by contributions from friends, organizations and others who have an interest in the health and well-being of older adults. If you would like to make a contribution toward the event and the programs offered, you may send to the address listed at the bottom of this newsletter or you may go to the website and make an online contribution. All contributions are appreciated and will be used to make the games even better. Thank you in advance. For information contact Georgia Golden Games, Inc., 770-867-3603 or visit georgiagoldenolympics.org.

Agency Alert

Getting Vaccinated – Adults Need Vaccines, Too!

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Immunization is one of the safest ways for you to protect your health and the health



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of your loved ones. Vaccine side effects are usually mild and go away on their own. Severe side effects are very rare.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; your need for immunization doesn't end when you become an adult. Getting vaccinated will protect yourself and your loved ones from serious diseases.

Regardless of age, we all need immunizations to protect against serious, and sometimes deadly, diseases. Protection

from vaccines you received as a child can wear off over time, and more vaccines are now available.

The specific vaccines you need as an adult are determined by your age, job, lifestyle, health conditions, travel destinations, and which vaccines you've had in the past.

Throughout your adult life, vaccines are recommended for protection against:

- Seasonal influenza (flu) (for all adults)
- Pertussis (whooping cough) (for all adults who have not previously received the Tdap vaccine and for women during each pregnancy)
- Tetanus and diphtheria (every 10 years following Tdap vaccine)
- Shingles (for adults 50 years and older)
- Pneumococcal disease (for adults 65 years and older and adults younger than 65 who have specific health conditions or who smoke cigarettes)

By answering a few questions, you will be able to discuss your individualized needs with your doctor. Questions such as:

- Will you be traveling outside the U.S. in the near future?
- Do you have a weakened immune system due to illness or medications?
- Do you have HIV infection?
- Are you a resident in a nursing home or chronic-care facility?

Some conditions and behaviors can put you at higher risk of infections. Do you have any of these medical conditions:

- Heart disease (for example, congestive heart failure)
- Diabetes mellitus type 1 or 2 (also called "sugar diabetes")
- Chronic lung disease (for example, asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease [COPD])
- Kidney failure, end-stage renal disease, or on dialysis
- Chronic liver disease (for

example, hepatitis C virus infection, cirrhosis, and alcoholic liver disease)

- Spleen has been damaged or removed (for example, due to surgery or sickle cell disease)
- Cancer or cancer treatment
- Bone marrow transplant
- Have you had the chickenpox disease or received the chickenpox vaccine?

Adults can get vaccines at doctors' offices, pharmacies, workplaces, community health clinics, health departments, and other locations. Most health insurance plans including Medicare cover recommended vaccines. Check with your insurance provider for details and for a list of vaccine providers.

Ask your doctor which vaccines are right for you and keep them up to date on recommended vaccines.

Source: CDC: "Adults Need Vaccinations"

Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Openings

Submitted by
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A Division of the CSRA Regional
Development Center

The CSRA Regional Commission Area Agency on Aging is seeking individuals interested in



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planning for the needs of older adults in a fourteen-county area to serve as Advisory Council members. Council members act in an advisory capacity to the Area Agency on Aging staff. The

Council assists in determining priorities, identifying problem areas and needs and defining agency goals. We currently have openings in Burke, Columbia, Glascock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Richmond, Washington and Wilkes counties. Advisory Council meetings are conducted in March, June, September and December.

Potential members should be interested in programs for persons over 60 years of age and persons with disabilities. Interested parties should contact Jeanette Cummings at jcummings@csrarc.ga.gov; 706-210-2013 or 1-888-922-4464.

The Area Agency on Aging is a division of the CSRA Regional Commission created for the purpose of improving the quality of life for older Americans. The specific objectives of the agency are threefold: to enable older adults to live in their own homes as long as possible with appropriate supportive services; to remove individual and social barriers to economic and personal independence for older persons including the provision of opportunities for employment and volunteer activities; and to act as an advocate for older persons in developing community resources for the aged throughout the fourteen county area while providing a comprehensive service network. Counties included in the agency's jurisdiction are: Burke, Columbia, Glascock, Hancock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Taliaferro, Warren, Washington, and Wilkes.

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Poets' Corner

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If...Then

by Lola Trudelle Parham

*If fear can feel like
dangling precariously off the
end of an ice covered slope,
Then His grace might be like
Hearing a voice yell,
Grab the other end of my rope!"*

*If hopelessness can feel like
Trudging onerously
Through a dreary mud bog,
Then His grace might be like
Spying dry land and a sky blue
butterfly
Flitting about a decaying log.*

*If grief can feel like
Winding through a dark, dank
tunnel
With, seemingly, no end,
Then His grace might be like
A sliver of light and gulp of fresh
air
As you round the next bend.*

*If grace can feel like
A flower unseen,
Though its fragrance persisted,
Then our choice might be
To savor the scent,
Or deny the bloom ever existed.*

I AM A JACKET

by Kathie Lavon Binion
(Written in February 1972)

*I have been in Vietnam for nineteen
months on this guy's back. I have
been through rain, heat, mud, dirt,
water, and I even have a few bullet
holes in my , plus a lot of wear and
tear. You know it sure gets hectic
being a jacket. I don't mind it some-
times because some fo the excitement
is fun and interesting; but, boy oh
boy, some of it is pure hell.*

*Now if I could change my color to a
nice bright blue or a soft lavender
instead of this dull green. Well, I
suppose I am this color for a specific
reason, just as I suppose these men
have a good reason for fighting this
war.*

*But, I knew something like this was
coming up when they sewed me all
together and put me in a big old box
and shipped me to this huge building
they have over here. This supply man*

*split me and my buddies up but that's
'cause these here men need us to
cover their backs so they'll have
some protection. Maybe someday us
jackets will be reunited; that is if
there is anything left of us after they
get through. There is always the
chance that if we survive the war
they will take us home for souvenirs.
Before they stick us up in the attic to
decay, their mothers, wives, sweet-
hearts, or whatever, will wash us
with some harsh detergent, harsh
enough to burn our buttons' eyes;
and, just like that egg that fell off the
wall (somehow his name has slipped
my mind) they won't be able to put
me back together again. Well, I got
to get some rest before I get put on
this guy's back and dragged through
the same boring routine of
drilling, filling, and fighting. So, so
long folks and remember us with
special care.*

(Publisher's Note: This poem is being shared by Mrs. Joy Albright. It was written in February 1972 by her daughter Kathie, who passed away on December 19, 2016. Joy's husband, who is a retired Air Force service member, served in Vietnam. Having personally served in Vietnam in the U.S. Army Infantry, I can certainly identify with this special "jacket" story.)

Opinion

The Resurrection Story... Never Old, Ordinary or Optional

by DANIEL W. GATLYN, USN
Ret. Minister/Journalist

There is no debate, the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ; and, His burial; are exceptionally documented events in the annals of history! No power, authority or government has been able to refute the record of such! And there is no precedent or parallel to His Resurrection! The Biblical account of the latter corresponds to the authentic records handed down!

He died, He was buried, and He Arose!!! Explanations and questions will remain; but, the fact that "it" happened, is forever settled! And, the rationale for embracing a Resurrection is inextricably attached to anyone's eternal salvation! The Resurrection Story is never Old, never Ordinary, nor Optional!

The factual account of Christ returning from the grave is as fresh and inspirational today, as it was

2000 years ago! It excites all mentalities! It inspires both the young and old! It introduces and perpetuates Hope, as no other known incident in life! It surges through the repertoire of possibilities; emphasizing a "God plan" that stirs the inner core of every human being! It is unique, offering forever, unprecedented peace and purpose! Indeed, the Story is ancient, but never Old!

Like wise, the highly profiled Resurrection Story is never an Ordinary event! It stands forever as the leading Miracle of the ages!

Exciting commentary has graced both page and proposition; but, nothing has ever shaken the existence of mankind as has the reappearance of Christ from the dead! The fact of anyone breaking all bonds of carnal deterioration completely escapes the computation of masterful minds!

Such an event stands alone as "the impossible transformed into actuality!" The unshackling of

demise and victory over extinction must be recognized for what it truly is... the handiwork of an Omnipotent Personality! It is never Ordinary!

Lastly, and most important, it is not an Optional item! Every living individual, regardless of philosophical excursions, must come to grips with the invaluable assets of an empty tomb! You will either embrace the Risen Christ; or, forever suffer the consequence! All the good works of an extended earthly existence will not suffice... it is by the Victorious Defeat of Death that you are extended the promise of Heaven!

The Scriptural and historical revelation of a Saviour for human sin and error, followed by the immeasurable manifestation of miracle transformation, is far and above the philosophical confines of fleeting dispensations and personalities.

No! The Resurrection story is never Old, Ordinary, or Optional!

On the Cover

Masters is the Main Event in April!

by CAROLYN BRENNEMAN

The Augusta Masters Golf Tournament is coming! As usual, it is held at Augusta National Golf Club in our lovely city. This 2018 Masters Tournament will be the 82nd edition of the Masters Tournament. Our city hosts the first of golf's four major championships for 2018. Augusta National Golf Club is one of the most famous golf clubs in the world. The tournament is a major win for the City of Augusta, bringing in thousands of visitors from around world.

How did it all come about? The Augusta Club was founded by amateur golf champion Bobby Jones and investment banker Clifford Roberts. Mr. Jones wanted to build a golf course after he retired from the game. Back in the 1930's, Mr.

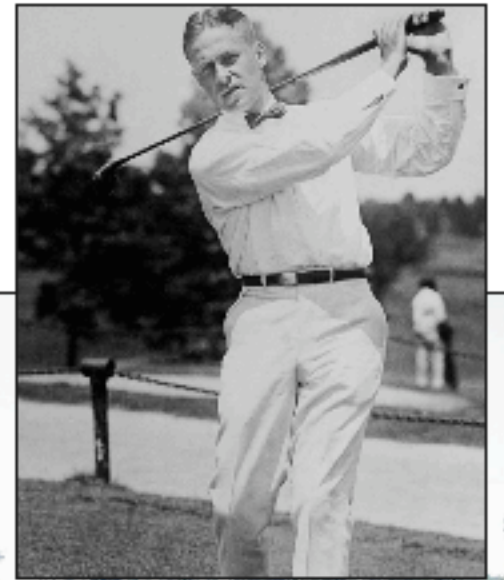
Jones sought the land that had been originally an indigo plantation in the early 19th century and later the land became a plant nursery, known as Fruitland Nursery. The golf course was designed in part by Bobby Jones and was ready for golfing in 1933. When the course was developed, each hole on the course was named after the tree or shrub with which it has become associated with. Some of the names are Juniper, Pampas, Yellow Jasmine, Holly, Firehorn, Golden Bell, and Carolina Cherry. Since the first golf tournament in 1934, the site has been host to a large number of golf tournaments.

The Masters event is quite extraordinary. The city opens itself up to the world for a week. It transforms into a vibrant city with a host of activities going on pretty much all day and night long. Keith Urban will be kicking off the first ever Grand Ole Rager concert at Evans Towne Center Park on Thursday, April 5th to start us off with entertainment. Lady A Amphitheater will also host many shows and events during this week. There are many restaurants where one can watch the event if we don't have tickets. The annual Masters brand is definitely iconic and universal and the economic impact is tremendous, bringing tons of money into the city. The azaleas, all dressed in white, pink and red are in bloom all around town. The magnolia trees

are also in bloom, displaying the brilliance of the flower; and, life is bustling during the great week.

So let's get out and enjoy!

Bobby Jones



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Keith Urban



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Medicare Card switch gives scammers a new hook

by **KELVIN COLLINS**
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Medicare cards are undergoing a big change to make them more secure. But in the meantime, scammers are (of course!) taking advantage of confusion around the launch. What's the change? Beginning next month, Medicare will begin mailing new cards to everyone who gets Medicare benefits. The new cards are to help protect your identity. Specifically, Medicare is removing Social Security numbers from the cards. Instead, the new cards will have a unique Medicare Beneficiary Number.

One technique used by scammers is a phone call from a person claiming to work with Medicare. They are allegedly calling about the new Medicare cards, which will be mailed this spring. The scammer claims that there's a problem with your card. The con artist may say your new card was lost or someone tried to use your ID number. To resolve the situation, the scammer just needs your Social Security number for verification.

In another version, the scammer claims you must pay money to receive your new Medicare card. They may ask you for payment information, so they can "complete the process" for you. They may even ask you to mail them your old card.

How to Avoid Medicare Scams

- Know how the Medicare card switch works. Understand that Medicare isn't calling consumers about the card switch. Also, the new Medicare cards are being mailed, at no cost, to the address you have on file with the Social Security Administration.

- Never provide personal information to a stranger. Don't share personal details with anyone who calls you unsolicited. Do not confirm or give out your full name, address, Social Security number or any other personal information.

- Know that the cards will be mailed in waves, to various parts of the country, from April 2018 until April 2019. Our area will begin receiving cards sometime after June 2018.

- When you get your new card, be sure to destroy your old card. Don't just toss it in the trash. Shred it. If you have a separate Medicare Advantage card, keep that because you'll still need it for treatment. Otherwise, remember that when you get your new card, your Medicare coverage and benefits will stay the same.

- Guard your card. When you get your new card, safeguard it like you would any other health insurance or credit card. While removing the Social Security number cuts down on many types of identity theft, you'll still want to protect your new card because identity thieves could use it to get medical services.

If you need to update your official mailing address, visit your online Social Security account (www.ssa.gov/myaccount) or call 1-800-772-1213.

For more information about changes to your Medicare card go to go.medicare.gov/newcard. For more consumer tips that you can trust or to report a scam, visit BBB.org.

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It is time to put seniors in the spotlight

Submitted by
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Development Center

The CSRA Coalition of Advocates for the Aging and the Area Agency on Aging will shine

a light on senior issues at ENGAGE with CO-AGE on April 18, 2018 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the KROC Center, 1833 Broad Street. Together we will learn about CO-AGE (Coalition of Advocates for Georgia's Elderly), hear more about what legislation affecting aging Georgians passed and what did not in the 2018 General Assembly, and find out how to influence upcoming senior issues. CSRA Legislators and David Coffman, Consultant

with CO-AGE, have been invited to discuss the 2018 Session.

Together as a community of Advocates for Georgia's Elderly, we have the power to change the trajectory for older Georgians.

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Leadership Columbia County applications now available

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The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for its Leadership Columbia County program.

Leadership Columbia County – presented by SRP – is

designed to expose business and area leaders to the opportunities and challenges facing our community as well as promote and foster the development of leaders who are committed to shaping Columbia County's future. During the 10-month program, class members develop a high level of community awareness

as they engage in day-long class sessions covering various topics such as law enforcement, health-care, workforce and education, economic development and history of the county.

Applications for the class of 2019 can be downloaded at columbiacountychamber.com/Leadership-Columbia-County and

are due to the Chamber office no later than 5:00 p.m., on Thursday, April 19, 2018. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

For more information on this program, contact Beth Frits, Leadership Programs Coordinator, at 706-651-0018 or beth@columbiacountychamber.com.

Save the Date... ENOPION Theatre Company to present "The Gathering In The Shire"

Special to Senior News

Hello Friends! ENOPION Theatre Company has busy behind the scenes preparing for our next

production: "The Gathering In The Shire." This beautiful production is perfect for the whole family with music, scenery, and a story that will touch your heart! Tickets for all shows go on sale Monday, April 9th so mark your calendars. Have a

church or community group that plans to attend? Contact us today for details

Show Dates and Times: Friday, May 4th, 7 p.m.; Saturday, May 5th, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Friday, May 11th, 7 p.m.; and, Saturday, May

12th, 2p.m. and 6 p.m.

All shows are at The Kroc Center located at 128 Broad Street, Augusta, GA.

Tickets: \$16, adult admission; \$12, Seniors over 65, Children under 12, and Groups of 10 or more.

The Augusta Chorale's Annual Spring Concert scheduled for May 6th

Special to Senior News

On Sunday, May 6, 2018, the AUGUSTA CHORALE celebrates its 36TH CONCERT SEASON with its Spring Concert. This year the Augusta Chorale will be joined by THE COLUMBIA COUNTY CHORAL SOCIETY.

Featured soloists include - Tenor, Brandon Ball; Tenor, Rev. Christopher Leslie; Tenor, Patrick N. Outler; and Bass, Dr. Hawthorne E. Welcher. The Aiken Civic Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Adam DePriest will provide orchestral accompaniment.

Dr. Anderson, artistic director of

the Augusta Chorale, will conduct the production and Ms. Angela Arrington will accompany the Chorale. The performance will be held at the Gilbert-Lambuth Memorial Chapel of Paine College at 4:00 p.m.

The Augusta Chorale together with The Columbia County Choral Society, will perform for the first time in the CSRA, the "Chariot Jubilee" by R. Nathaniel Dett. This Motet for Tenor Solo (Brandon Ball of Columbus GA) and Chorus will inspire all who attend. This will be followed by a "Tribute to Walter Hawkins" where soloists (Rev. Christopher Leslie, Patrick N. Outler and Dr. Hawthorne E. Welcher)

together with the choirs will present choral arrangements of his iconic gospel songs. The concert promises to be a truly 'marvelous' event.

Advance tickets are \$15 for adults. General admission on the day of the concert is \$20.00. Children under 17 years old and students are admitted free. Discounted tickets may be purchased online at www.augustachorale.org or by calling (706) 830-0991.

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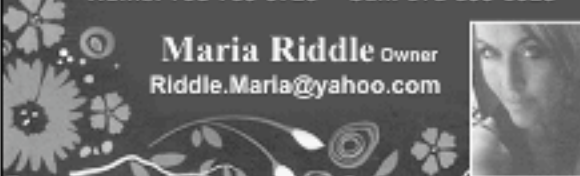
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20th Anniversary of National POW Museum at Andersonville National Historic Site

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Flyover of an L-19 aircraft and a UH-1 Huey helicopter will be one of the highlights of events to recognize the 20-year anniversary of the National Prisoner of War (POW) Museum at Andersonville National Historic Site. The Friends of Army Aviation-Ozark will fly the aircraft over the site and then land the helicopter on site for a static display.

Military and political leaders, veterans, and others will gather to honor former POWs and the 20-year history of the only museum tasked by Congress to preserve and share the stories of Americans held prisoner in service to their country. Distinguished guests include U.S. Air Force General Joseph L. Lengyel, Chief of the National Guard Bureau and member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Major General Craig C. Crenshaw, Commanding General of the Marine Corps Logistics Command; U.S. Representative Sanford Bishop; and Kathy Burns, Field Representative for U.S. Senator David Perdue. Former POWs from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War, and Iraq will attend. The American Legion Riders will also attend as part of their 2018 Unity/Legacy Ride.

Former POW speakers will share their experiences. Colonel David Eberly (USAF Ret.) was the senior allied POW of the Gulf War. Captain William Robinson (USAF Ret.), captured in Vietnam, was the longest held enlisted soldier in American military history. Seymour Lichtenfeld fought as a combat infantryman in World

War II and was captured during the Battle of the Bulge. Each will share his amazing and inspiring story.

Major Nicholas Holten, Commander of the U.S. Army SERE School, will present a program about Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape training. The day's events will also include performances by the Lee County High School NJROTC Armed Drill Team, the U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence, and bagpiper Colonel Dan Gillan (USMC Ret.).

Please join us on Sunday, April 8th, as we gather to honor those who endured the loss of their freedoms to protect ours. All events are free and open to the public.

Andersonville National Historic Site is located 10 miles south of Oglethorpe, GA and 10 miles northeast of Americus, GA on Georgia Highway 49. The national park features the National Prisoner of War Museum, Andersonville National Cemetery and the site of the historic Civil War prison,



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5:00 p.m. The National Prisoner of War Museum is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., daily. Admission is free. For more information on the park, call 229-924-0343, or visit at www.nps.gov/ande.

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