

# ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

## EVENTS FOR OUR CITIZENS:



We have devoted much of the recent newsletters to "Vision 2035" and what our citizens would like to see take place in Columbia County for the future. This newsletter, we would like to do something different. We know that many people attend events at the various entertainment venues in Columbia County; however, we realize that many people in the county may not be aware of the number of events that are available throughout the year and are open to the public. Below are just a few events that have taken place this year in our various county venues.

We also want to say a special thanks to our wonderful Community Events Department for their hard work and efforts to bring quality entertainment to Columbia County!

### PAST EVENTS



**Columbia County Military Memorial Dedication Ceremony**  
September 8, 2015 at Columbia County's Military Memorial Wall



**Classic Rock Meets Classic South**  
June 23, 2016  
at Evans Towne Center Park



**Boom in the Park**  
July 4 2016 at Evans Towne Center Park

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# EVENTS FOR OUR CITIZENS:



## Papa Joe's Banjo-B-Que

May 27 & 28 at Evans Towne Center Park



## Family Movie Matinee

Summer 2016 at the Jabez Sanford Hardin Performing Arts Center

## OTHER PAST EVENTS

### Fall/Winter 2015/2016

- ▶ 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
- ▶ Military Memorial Dedication
- ▶ Christmas in the Park
- ▶ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- ▶ Columbia County Charity Gala

### Spring 2016

- ▶ YUCHiKiOKEE Festival
- ▶ Easter Egg Scramble
- ▶ Rock Fore! Dough
- ▶ Blues, Brews & BBQ

### Summer 2016

- ▶ Party in the Park
- ▶ Thunder Over Evans
- ▶ BanjoBQue
- ▶ Summer Beach Blast
- ▶ Family Movie Matinee (June and July)
- ▶ Classic Rock Meets the Classic South
- ▶ Boom in the Park

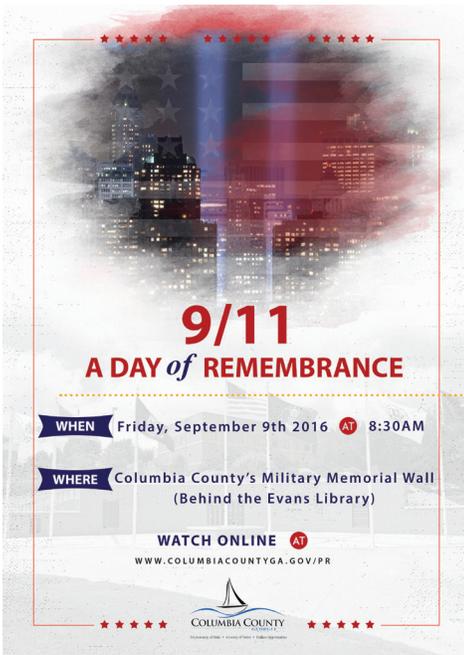
## COMING THIS FALL/WINTER SEASON:

Our main venues are outdoor facilities with the exception of the Jabez Sanford Hardin Performing Arts Center, which has 282 seats. Coming soon, contingent on the 2017 General Obligation Bond approval will be 2100 seat performing arts center. This theater will help bring quality Broadway type plays and musicals to Columbia County. Below is a design concept of this center. For information on the 2017 General Obligation Bond and other projects for the Bond issue - **go to: [www.cc2017gobond.com](http://www.cc2017gobond.com) or email us at [cip2017@columbiacountyga.com](mailto:cip2017@columbiacountyga.com).**



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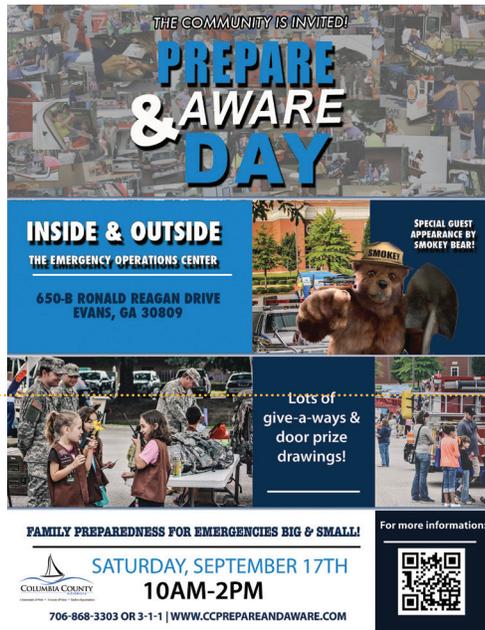
**9/11**  
**A DAY of REMEMBRANCE**

**WHEN** Friday, September 9th 2016 **AT** 8:30AM

**WHERE** Columbia County's Military Memorial Wall  
(Behind the Evans Library)

**WATCH ONLINE** **AT**  
WWW.COLUMBIACOUNTYGA.GOV/PR

COLUMBIA COUNTY



THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED!  
**PREPARE & AWARE DAY**

**INSIDE & OUTSIDE**  
THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

650-B RONALD REAGAN DRIVE  
EVANS, GA 30809

SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE BY SMOKEY BEAR!

Lots of give-a-ways & door prize drawings!

**FAMILY PREPAREDNESS FOR EMERGENCIES BIG & SMALL!**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH**  
**10AM-2PM**

706-868-3303 OR 3-1-1 | WWW.CCPREPAREANDARE.COM

For more information:  




**GAME DAY @ LADY A**  
COLUMBIA COUNTY'S ULTIMATE TAILGATE EXPERIENCE!  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, VENDORS AND COLLEGE FOOTBALL STREAMED LIVE ON THE BIG SCREEN!

WHAT BETTER WAY TO WATCH THE



THAN ON THE LARGEST SCREEN IN THE SOUTHEAST?

SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER  
EVANS TOWNE CENTER PARK



VISIT WWW.GAMEDAYLADYA.COM FOR UPDATES AND INFORMATION



*Columbia County Christmas*  
December 2016

The same great Christmas in the Park that you have grown to love!  
This year a more magical season to come. Stay tuned for the official announcement!





[www.holidaysatthepark.com](http://www.holidaysatthepark.com)



Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat  
Evans Towne Center Park  
Thursday, October 27, 2016  
5pm-8pm

FREE EVENT  
Bring one canned food item to enter!

[HolidaysAtThePark.com](http://HolidaysAtThePark.com)

Benefiting Columbia County Cares Food Pantry



## COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S CITIZEN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

The Columbia County Sheriff's Office will again be holding a Citizen's Law Enforcement Academy beginning Thursday, September 15, 2016.

Participants will be given an insight to the everyday operations of the Sheriff's Office as well as firearms training, which will include live fire on the Sheriff's Office Shooting Range.

This "free" course is offered each Thursday evening (6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.) for 10 weeks, and is open to Columbia County residents 18 years of age and older.

Anyone interested in attending the class should contact the Sheriff's Office Community Services Division at 541-2856 or download an application from the Sheriff's Office Community Services Division link at [www.columbiacountyso.org](http://www.columbiacountyso.org).

# FLOOD PROTECTION

## CHECK YOUR FLOOD HAZARD.

### Flood maps and flood protection references are available at the Public Library.

You can also contact the Engineering and Environmental Services Division in Building A of the Government Complex to see if you are in a mapped flood plain.

If you don't have flood insurance, talk to your insurance agent. Homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. However, because Columbia County participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, you can purchase a separate flood insurance policy. This insurance is backed by the Federal government and is available to everyone, even for properties that have been flooded.



Please contact Shari Mendrick:  
(706) 312-7247 or  
smendrick@columbiacountyga.gov  
to use this free service.

## NOTICE FROM THE COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**The voter registration deadline for the November 8, 2016 General Election is Tuesday, October 11, 2016.** If you need to register to vote, complete a change of address or change of name, confirm your registration, or locate your voting precinct – please visit [www.mvp.sos.ga.gov](http://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov) or stop by the Board of Elections Office, Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm. For assistance or more information, you may call our office at 706-868-3355.



## COLUMBIA COUNTY SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2016

### Board of Commissioners Meetings

Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Tuesdays, September 6th and 20th, 6:00pm  
Tuesdays, October 4th and 18th, 6:00pm

### Board of Commissioners Committee Meetings

Management & Internal Services and Development & Engineering Services  
Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Tuesday, September 13th, 8:30am

### Public Works Services and Community and Emergency Services

Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Tuesday, September 27th, 8:30am

### Management & Internal Services and Development & Engineering Services

Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Tuesday, October 11th, 8:30am

### Public Works Services and Community and Emergency Services

Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Tuesday, October 25th, 8:30am

### Columbia County Planning Commission Meetings

Building A Auditorium, 630 Ronald Reagan Drive, Evans, GA  
Thursdays, September 1st and 15th, 6:00pm  
Thursdays, October 6th and 20th, 6:00pm

# UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS



## E. LOCKHART

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 • 7:00 PM

Emily Jenkins, who uses the pen name E. Lockhart, is a writer of children's picture books, young-adult novels, and adult fiction.

She is best known for the Ruby Oliver quartet (which begins with *The Boyfriend List*), *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* and *We Were Liars*.

Make your free reservations at [elockhart.eventbrite.com](http://elockhart.eventbrite.com).



## CHERYL STRAYED

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6 • 7:00 PM

Cheryl Strayed is the author of the #1 New York Times bestselling memoir *Wild*, the New York Times bestsellers *Tiny Beautiful Things* and *Brave Enough*, and the novel *Torch*.

*Wild* was chosen by Oprah Winfrey as her first selection for Oprah's Book Club 2.0. The Oscar-nominated movie adaptation of *Wild* stars Reese Witherspoon and Laura Dern.

Make your free reservations at [cherylstrayed.eventbrite.com](http://cherylstrayed.eventbrite.com).



## GARTH STEIN

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 • 7:00 PM

Garth Stein is the best-selling author of *Raven Stole the Moon*, *How Evan Broke His Head and Other Secrets*, *The Art of Racing in the Rain*, and *A Sudden Light*.

*The Art of Racing in the Rain* has sold more than 4 million copies in 35 languages. It spent more than three years on the *New York Times* bestsellers list.

Make your free reservations at [garthstein.eventbrite.com](http://garthstein.eventbrite.com).



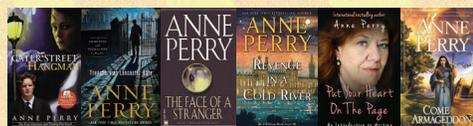
## ANNE PERRY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27 • 7:00 PM

Anne Perry is the international bestselling author of over 50 novels. She is best known for writing historical detective novels.

Perry is best known as the author of the Thomas Pitt and William Monk series, but she has also written series set in WWI, fantasy novels, young-adult fiction, and more.

Make your free reservations at [anneperry.eventbrite.com](http://anneperry.eventbrite.com).



# SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Date	Time	Program	Age	Description	Branch
Mon.'s, Wed.'s, and Thurs.'s beginning September 7	10:15 AM	Two-dollers Class	Children	Toddler Time is for children 2-3 years old. No registration required.	Evans
Mon.'s, Wed.'s, and Thurs.'s beginning September 7	11 AM	Preschool Time	Children	Preschool Time is for children 3-5 years old. No registration required.	Evans
Tues.'s beginning September 6	10:15 & 11 AM	Baby & Me	Children	Calling all babies! Bring your littlest ones to this class made just for them!	Evans
Tues.'s beginning September 13	10:30 AM	Baby & Me	Children	Baby & Me Class is for children under 2 years old. No registration required.	Eucler Creek
Tues.'s	10:30 AM- 12:30 PM	ESL Classes	Adults	Free English Language classes are now offered at the Evans Branch.	Evans
Tues.'s beginning September 13	4:15 PM	Child Enrichment	Children	Join us for stories, songs, dancing and the coolest crafts around. No registration required.	Eucler Creek
Tues.'s	6-8 PM	Writing Composition Group	Adults		Evans
Wed.'s beginning September 14	10:30 AM	Child Enrichment	Children	Join us for stories, songs, dancing and the coolest crafts around. No registration required.	Eucler Creek
Thurs.'s beginning September 8	4:30 PM	Afternoon Adventures	Children	Afternoon adventures is for all ages of children. Stories, songs, dancing and the coolest crafts around. No registration required.	Evans
September 1, 2016	4:15 PM	Campfire Book Club	Children	Our September theme is Mystery Night Book Club with sessions for grades 2-5 and grades 6-12.	Eucler Creek
September 3-5, 2016	All Day	All Columbia County Libraries Closed for Labor Day	Adults	All libraries will be closed. Online resources available at gchrl.org.	All Branches
September 9-11, 2016	All Day	Friends of the Libraries Book Sale	All ages	Find your new favorite book and support the Columbia County Libraries at this huge sale!	Evans
September 12, 2016	7 PM	Pub Fiction Book Club	Adults	Join us for a new kind of book club at Pizza Central in Evans. The September selection is <i>False Impressions</i> by Thomas Hoving.	Evans
September 15, 2016	11:30 AM	Brown Bag Book Discussion	Adults	The September selection is <i>Blood Drenched Beard</i> by Daniel Galera.	Evans
September 15, 2016	7 PM	Evenings with Authors: E. Lockhart	Adults	Peach Award winning author Emily Jenkins, who writes under the name E. Lockhart will speak and sign autographs. She has written best-selling novels including <i>We Were Liars</i> .	Evans
September 18, 2016	2:30-4:30 PM	Writer's Class - C. Hope Clark	Adults	Author and freelance expert C. Hope Clark will discuss what it takes to be a successful writer and give an introduction to developing plot.	Evans
September 19, 2016	6:30 PM	Mon. Night Book Discussion	Adults	Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 for the September selection.	Evans
September 25, 2016	10:30 AM	On the Same Page Book Club	Adults	The September selection is <i>Bosnia Mosaic</i> by Barbara Degler (who is an Eucler Creek Library Patron).	Eucler Creek
September 25, 2016	2:30-4:30 PM	Writer's Class Taught by C. Hope Clark	Adults	Author and freelance expert C. Hope Clark will discuss character development.	Evans
October 2, 2016	2:30-4:30 PM	Writer's Class Taught by C. Hope Clark	Adults	Author and freelance expert C. Hope Clark will discuss what it takes to be a successful writer and how to successfully edit.	Evans
October 6, 2016	6:00 PM	Star Wars Party	Children	Join us for adventures and activities reminiscent of those in a galaxy far, far away!	Evans
October 6, 2016	7:00 PM	Evenings with Authors: Cheryl Strayed	Adults	The best-selling author of <i>Wild</i> will speak and sign autographs. Light refreshments will be served.	Evans
October 9, 2016	2:30-4:30 PM	Writer's Class - C. Hope Clark	Adults	Author and freelance expert C. Hope Clark will discuss what it takes to publish and market your work.	Evans
October 10, 2016	7:00 PM	Pub Fiction Book Club	Adults	Join us for a new kind of book club at Pizza Central in Evans. The October selection is <i>The Girl with No Past</i> by Kathryn Croft.	Evans
October 17, 2016	5:30 PM	Starry Night Pajama Story Time	Children	Pajama time fun for all kids. Come join the fun in your pajamas.	Eucler Creek
October 17, 2016	6:30 PM	Mon. Night Book Discussion	Adults	The October selection is <i>Girl Waits with Gun</i> by Amy Stewart.	Evans
October 18, 2016	4:30 PM-6:00 PM	Harlem's 35th Ann. Celebration	All ages	Join us to celebrate 35 years in the Harlem Library and say goodbye to the old building before the new library opens in 2017.	Harlem
October 20, 2016	11:30 AM	Brown Bag Book Discussion	Adults	The October selection is <i>The Soul of an Octopus</i> by Sy Montgomery.	Evans
October 20, 2016	4:00 PM	Harlem Book Club	Adults	The October selection is <i>Agatha Christie: An Autobiography</i> .	Harlem
October 20, 2016	7:00 PM	Evenings with Authors: Garth Stein	Adults	Garth Stein, the best-selling author of <i>The Art of Racing in the Rain</i> , will speak and sign autographs. Refreshments will be served.	Evans
October 27, 2016	10:30 AM	On the Same Page Book Club	Adults	The October selection is <i>The Ugly Stepsister</i> by Aya Ling.	Eucler Creek
October 27, 2016	4:30 PM	Fall Carnival	Children	Face painting, crafts, refreshments & more!	Evans
October 27, 2016	7:00 PM	Evenings with Authors: Anne Perry	Adults	Anne Perry, the best-selling author of over 80 novels including the <i>Thomas Pitt</i> and <i>William Monk</i> series, will speak and sign autographs. Light refreshments will be served.	Evans
October 29, 2016	11:00 AM	Eucler Creek Family Fall Festival	All ages	Join us for games, a picnic, a cake bake-off, and more. It will be fun for the whole family!	Eucler Creek

All programs are subject to change. Call your local branch for details. Evans: 706-863-1946 Eucler Creek: 706-556-0594 Harlem: 706-556-9795

For a complete list of library programs, please visit [www.gchrl.org](http://www.gchrl.org)