

ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

ONGOING ECONOMIC IMPACT OF SRS ON COLUMBIA COUNTY



— DR. CHRISTOPHER NOAH

The Savannah River Site Community Reuse Organization (SRSCRO) recently commissioned a study to examine the impact the Savannah River Site (SRS) has on the surrounding region. This is a summary of that report with emphasis on how SRS affects Columbia County. There have been several similar reports since 1998. Like previous studies, the primary purpose was to measure the impact of SRS on the surrounding five-county region and understand how the Site influences the surrounding communities. However, this report provides in-depth options to marshal the resources of the region to examine new ways the Site affects the economy.

SRS has been a key economic driver in the surrounding region since its establishment in the early 1950s. Today, the Savannah River Site continues to process and store nuclear materials as well as develop and deploy technologies to improve the environment and treat solid and liquid nuclear and hazardous wastes. As for economic impact, SRS and Fort Gordon are responsible for an estimated 37,000 jobs making the federal government and its associated contractors the largest industry sector in the region. By comparison, the healthcare and social assistance sector employs just over 30,000; the retail sector employs 25,000; and the educational services sector employs another 25,000. The manufacturing sector employs just under 20,000 in the region.

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Outside of the federal government, the fastest growing sectors in the region over the last five years were lodging and restaurants; healthcare and social assistance; and retail trade. The sectors that have lost the largest number of jobs over the last five years are educational services and construction.

The SRSCRO is a non-profit organization charged with developing and implementing strategies to diversify the economy of the five-county region: Aiken, Allendale and Barnwell in South Carolina and Richmond and Columbia counties in Georgia. It is governed by a 22-member Board of Directors appointed by local governments, chambers of commerce, and members of the South Carolina and Georgia Congressional Delegations. Its overall objective is to create an environment conducive to technology-based startups, business expansions and to attract new ventures to the region.

The organization is funded by selling surplus materials from SRS, using the proceeds to create jobs in the CSRA. Over the years, they have disposed of equipment and salvage from locomotives to file cabinets—all to benefit the region.

The influence of SRS extends across the entire region as many of the dollars circulating in the regional economy originate from or are related to the Site. The Site’s impact on the area goes beyond the number of jobs and the dollars spent in the local economy. It has a ripple effect in the local economy as each dollar spent circulates and each employee spends their earnings.

This analysis estimates three types of impacts: direct, indirect, and induced.

- **The direct effect** is primarily jobs.
- **The indirect effect** is the secondary impact of the Site buying goods and services from other local industries, with the cycle of spending working its way through the supply chain.
- **The induced effect** is the response by the local economy that occurs through re-spending of income.

These effects arise as SRS workers spend their income at retail, service, and other types of local establishments. This spending boosts profits at local businesses, which, in turn, leads to more spending by the businesses and their employees.

The total economic impact of SRS operations is the sum of the direct, indirect, and induced effects. The effects of all of the above are evidenced by output, employment, jobs and wages, and taxes as outlined below.

OUTPUT. SRS budget in 2016 was \$1.9 billion. Of this, \$1.2 billion was spent in the local economy in the form of wages, benefits, and other direct expenditures. This generated an additional \$1.2 billion. In other words, for every one dollar SRS organizations spend in the local economy, an additional dollar is spent in the five counties.

EMPLOYMENT. The Site includes five federal agencies and seven contractors that employed 8,566 residents of the five-county region in 2016. *(While there are other government agencies and contractors at the Site; because of classification and other factors which would make the impact even higher, they are not included in this report.)* This spending generated an additional 10,139 jobs in sectors such as restaurants, real estate, employment services, building services, and retail. Thus, for every one job at SRS, an additional 1.2 jobs were created in the five counties. In all, the Site is responsible for 18,705 jobs in the regional economy, which is 7.9% of the five-county region’s employment base.

JOBS AND WAGES. The average salary at SRS is \$86,818.79 (\$121,356 if you include benefits and other compensation). By comparison, the average earnings per job for the region is \$52,159 (including benefits and other compensation). The average job at the Site pays the equivalent of 2.3 average jobs in the area.

TAXES. Activities at the Site generate local, state, and federal taxes. The Site generated \$91 million in state and local taxes and \$291 million in federal taxes. The study estimated that SRS generates \$29 million

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in sales tax (32% of total state and local revenues). The second largest source of revenues is personal income tax at \$25 million (27%). Property taxes account for \$21 million of local and state tax revenues (23%). The remaining local and state tax revenues are generated from sources such as fines and fees, like motor vehicle licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, and corporate taxes.

At the federal level, the payroll tax generates \$156 million in revenues. Personal income taxes amount to \$92.8 million. Corporate taxes generate \$31.6 million of federal tax revenues. Customs and excise taxes and nontax revenues make up the remaining \$11 million (4%).

WORKFORCE TRANSITION. The average age of workers at SRS is approximately 50 years old, and a large portion of the workforce (3,000 by some estimates) at the Site will be eligible to retire over the next three to five years. To maintain current staffing levels, the Site organizations will likely hire younger, less experienced workers that earn less than the retiring workers. Although many of the retirees may choose to stay in the region, some will move away. Eighty-seven percent of SRS retirees stay in the five-county area. A portion of the retirees continue to live in the area and draw retirement income. Average retiree income is \$37,156.51, which includes pension and Social Security.

ECONOMIC EFFECTS ON COLUMBIA COUNTY

• **Surprisingly**, although the Site is located “across the river”, there are many SRS employees who live in Columbia County. In fact, 1,308 out of 8,296 SRS employees call Columbia County home. That is one in every six employees. (While there are other government agencies and contractors at the Site, because of classification and other factors which would make the numbers even higher, they are not included in this report.)

• **While about 15%** of SRS employees reside in Columbia County their economic impact is considerable. Columbia County is making big investments in community assets – downtowns, town centers, park and recreation systems, and performing arts and sports venues. The Site represents less than 2% of employed

residents in Columbia County (1.8%). However, due to the high wages for the skilled workers at SRS the impact on Columbia County is much greater.

• **The SRS area** has a population of 547,000. The population has grown more than 10% since 2006, from 494,000. Columbia County has led the region in population growth, increasing more than 33% over the decade.

• **The median household** incomes of each county in the region vary widely. Columbia County has the highest median household income at \$71,021 and is the only county with a median income higher than the US.

• **Columbia County** is the only county in the region that has a higher labor force participation rate than the state and the nation. (65.1%)

INFLUX OF NEW RESIDENTS. The larger potential impact on the five-county region, especially when considered with the ongoing growth at Fort Gordon, is a result of the influx of new residents into the region. Between 2,500 and 3,000 new workers could move to the area associated with SRS. In addition, Fort Gordon is expanding to house the Army Cyber Command. This move is expected to create 4,700 civilian and military jobs. Including family members, the Army estimates a total of 13,000 new residents in the Augusta metro area by 2020. Around 2,400 of these will be school-age children. This influx of new residents from both SRS and the fort will influence the regional housing markets, the public education system, and the demand for community amenities. The housing markets are tightening and more inventory of single family homes will likely be needed to accommodate the influx of new residents to the region. Additional rental units will also be needed to accommodate the next generations of residents.

JOB LOSS/GAIN. Although the outlook for the Site appears steady currently, employment at the Site could fluctuate if missions are lost or gained. To understand the potential impact of a 1,000-job loss or gain at the Site, a 1,000-job loss at the Site would result in a total job loss in the region of about 1,700, a loss of about \$127 million in labor income, and a loss in output of \$200 million. A 1,000 job gain at the Site would be the same magnitude of impact, but positive.

• **In real estate**, Columbia County, with just over 1,000 active listings, has the highest median list price (\$259,900) and the lowest median days on market (65 days).

• **Over the last decade**, employment in Columbia County rose 14%, in comparison employment in Richmond County rose about one%.

• **Over the last five years**, SRS lost about 900 jobs. Using the 15% for the number of SRS employees in Columbia County, that equals a loss of 139 jobs.

For a copy of the full report, go to:
www.srscro.org



ART in the PARK
Fall Fest

Saturday, October 14th
10:00am-4:00pm

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COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S CORNER THINK PREVENTION: LOCK YOUR VEHICLE

Lock it and pocket the keys. Nearly 20% of all vehicles stolen had the keys in them. Remember to lock the truck, hatchback or the tailgate of a station wagon or sport utility vehicle.

Never hide a second set of keys in the vehicle. Extra keys can easily be found if the thief takes time to look. Store spare key in your wallet/purse.

If possible, avoid parking next to vans, pick up trucks, and other large vehicles. These large vehicles can hide your car and make it more difficult for others to observe.

Periodically check your license plates to make sure they haven't been stolen, switched or altered.

Whenever possible, park in a well lighted and busy area.

Whenever possible, park in an attended lot. Motor vehicle thieves do not like witnesses and prefer unattended parking lots.

On cold mornings, never leave your vehicle running unattended in order to warm up.

Avoid transferring items to the trunk of a vehicle where it is parked. A thief may be watching. Checkbooks, credit cards, or other credentials, which a thief could misuse, should not be left in a motor vehicle.

Park as close as possible to your home or a business you are entering.

Don't invite a vehicle break-in by leaving packages or valuables (cellular phones, CD players, etc.) in sight. Take valuables with you or put them under your seat.

Don't disconnect the buzzer that warns of keys left in the ignition. It's for your protection.



REED CREEK NATURE PARK INTERPRETIVE CENTER

For more Info call 706-210-4027 or
email reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov

Tiny Tot Story Time at Reed Creek (ages 2-4)

A special story and craft time for children ages 2-4.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Members: Free; Non-members: \$2/child

Space is Limited and Pre-registration is required.

Call 706-210-4027 or email reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov

Tuesday, September 12th 9:30 am - 10:30 am:

Eating the Alphabet by Lois Ehlert

****ALLERGY ALERT**** We will be sampling fruits and vegetables during this class.

Tuesday, September 26th 9:30 am - 10:30 am:

Pineapples Don't Grow on Trees by Jeremy Shroeder

What Makes a Wetland a Wetland? (ages 5+)

Did you know that not all wetlands have water year round? How do scientists identify a wetland? Come to Reed Creek Park and learn the characteristics of a wetland. We will be outside and may get muddy. Children should wear old clothing and rain boots.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Members: Free; Non-members: \$2/child

Space is Limited and Pre-registration is required.

Call 706-210-4027 or email reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov

Saturday, September 9th: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Turtle Research Methods (ages 8+)

Join us for a hands-on research experience studying the turtle population at Reed Creek Park. Children will be wearing chest waders and getting into the wetland. Please wear old clothing.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Members: Free; Non-members: \$2/child

Space is Limited and Pre-registration is required.

Call 706-210-4027 or email reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov

Saturday, September 9th: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

It's a Small World: Cells! (ages 8+)

In this class we will learn about the smallest unit of life as we practice using microscopes!

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Members: Free; Non-members:
\$2/child

Space is Limited and Pre-registration is
required.

Call 706-210-4027 or email
reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov
Saturday, September 23rd :
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm



SEPTEMBER 2017

Date	Time	Program	Branch	Description
Mon, Wed & Thurs	10:15 AM	Two-dollars Class	Evans Library	A fun program to learn and practice new & engaging ways of helping your child develop early literacy skills! Registration required.
Mon, Wed & Thurs	11 AM	Preschool Class	Evans Library	Join us each week for this fun program to learn and practice new & engaging ways of helping your child develop early literacy skills!
Tues	10:30 AM	Child Enrichment	Harlem Library	Each week we will read stories and do crafts geared to help children fall in love with reading.
Tues	10:30 AM	Baby & Me	Eucler Ck Library	This special class is designed especially for babies under two.
Tues	10:30 AM	ESL	Evans Library	This class is free and open to adults whose first language is not English. Come and practice your conversational English with us!
Tues	4:15 PM	Child Enrichment	Eucler Ck Library	Stories, songs, dancing and the coolest crafts around. Registration required.
Wed	10:30 AM	Child Enrichment	Eucler Ck Library	Stories, songs, dancing and the coolest crafts around. Registration required.
Thurs	4:30 PM	Afternoon Adventures Class	Evans Library	New & engaging ways to develop early literacy skills! Breaks to plan and regroup for upcoming sessions. Call 706-447-7657 for dates.
Fri, September 1, 2017	11 AM	Sensory Class	Evans Library	Interactive stories, games, songs, and activities for children and caregivers of all abilities! Ages 3+. Register 706-863-1946 ext 3.
Fri, September 1, 2017	12 PM	Libraries Close Early	All Branches	All Columbia County Library branches are closed at noon on Fri, September 1. Book drops will be locked to prevent over filling.
Sat, Sept 2- Mon, Sept 4	All Day	Libraries Closed for Labor Day	All Branches	All Columbia County Library branches are closed for Labor Day and computer updates. Book drops will be locked to prevent over filling.
Tues, September 5, 2017	5:30 PM	Teen Crafternoon	Harlem Library	
Wed, September 6, 2017	10 AM-12 PM	Email 101	Evans Library	Learn the basics of using email. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Wed, September 6, 2017	12 PM	Doodle Hour Adult Coloring	Evans Library	You've seen the trend, now try it! Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring.
Wed, Sept 6 & 13 & Fri, Sept 27, 2017	1:30-3:30 PM	Camera: Part 1, 2, & 3	Evans Library	Learn to make the most of your digital camera. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Thurs, September 7 & 14, 2017	10 AM-3:30 PM	Computer Boot Camp: Parts 1 & 2	Evans Library	Are computers a mystery? This two-part class is for you. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Thurs, September 7, 2017	3:30-5:30 PM	Gaming at the Library	Evans Library	Teens can take a break and play video and board games.
Thurs, September 7, 2017	5:30-7:30 PM	Fiber Arts Craft & Chat	Evans Library Café	This group is open to all crafters: crochet, knit, loom, cross stitch, etc. Open to people who want to learn as well as those already crafty.
Thurs, September 7, 2017	5:30 PM	Email 101	Harlem Library	Learn the basics of using email. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Sat, September 9, 2017	10 AM	Genealogy 101	Evans Library	Learn the genealogy basics of research and organization. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Sat, September 9, 2017	10 AM	Keep Calm and Coupon On	Eucler Ck Library	Have you wondered about saving money with coupons? Join this fun group to share tips and compare ideas.
Sun, September 10, 2017	3-5 PM	<i>The Book Thief</i> Movie Showing	Evans Library	Join us in the Hardin Auditorium theater for a showing of <i>The Book Thief</i> before Markus Zusak's visit on September 14.
Mon, September 11, 2017	3 PM	Genealogy Club	Evans Library	Join us to learn the basics then branch out to find your roots!
Mon, September 11, 2017	5:30 PM	Movie Night	Eucler Ck Library	Join us for movie fun and light refreshments for the whole family.
Mon, September 11, 2017	7 PM	Pub Fiction	Pizza Central	This laid-back book club meets at Pizza Central in Evans. The September selection is <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> by Margaret Atwood.
Tues, September 12, 2017	4 PM	Teen Guitar Class	Evans Library	Guitar instructions. Up to 6 guitars available for use, cannot be taken home. Ages 11-18. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Tues, September 12, 2017	4:30-6 PM	Arts & Crafts Buffet	Evans Library	Crafting materials and art supplies to experiment with and create. Dress for a mess! All ages welcome. No registration required.
Tues, September 12, 2017	5:30 PM	Google School	Harlem Library	Learn to make the most of Google. Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Tues, September 12, 2017	2 PM	Adult Rock Painting	Harlem Library	Join in the newest craze in the CSRA and paint your own rocks! Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Wed, September 13, 2017	10 AM-12 PM	Google School	Evans Library	Learn to make the most of Google. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Wed, September 13, 2017	2 PM	Fiber Arts Craft & Chat	Eucler Ck Library	This group is open to all crafters: crochet, knit, loom, cross stitch, etc. Open to people who want to learn as well as those already crafty.
Thurs, September 14, 2017	10:30 AM	Crochet Class	Harlem Library	Keyhole Scarf Part 1 and Part 2. This class is taught in 2 sessions. Must pre-register.
Thurs, September 14, 2017	1 PM	Columbia Cty Genealogical Society	Eucler Ck Library	Whether you're an experienced genealogist or just learning to find your roots, this club has something for everyone.
Thurs, September 14, 2017	4-6 PM	Gadget Help with Alex	Evans Library	Do you have a new gadget that you can't figure out? Drop in to have our tech guru Alex show you the basics.
Thurs, September 14, 2017	4 PM	Teen Advisory Board	Evans Library	Help us decide what programs to offer this year while getting volunteer credit. Now with snacks!
Thurs, September 14, 2017	6-7:30 PM	Adult Guitar Club	Evans Library	Meet to discuss and share guitar tips, techniques, advice, etc.
Thurs, September 14, 2017	7-9 PM	An Evening with Marcus Zusak	Evans Library	Meet the author of <i>The Book Thief</i> , Markus Zusak. He will speak, answer questions, & sign autographs. Zusak.eventbrite.com to register
Fri, Sept 15 - Sun, Sept 17	All Day	Friends of the Library Book Sale	Evans Lib Lobby	Find your new favorite book for a great deal, and support the Friends of the Columbia County Libraries!
Fri, September 15, 2017	10 AM-12 PM	Facebook 101	Evans Library	Learn the basics of using Facebook. A Facebook account is required to get the most out of this class. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Fri, September 15, 2017	2:30 PM	NSA Stem Talk	Eucler Ck Library	Join us to learn about cryptanalysis, the science of coded messages!
Mon, September 18, 2017	4-5:30 PM	Teen Makerspace	Evans Library	Teens 13-18 use CAD software, development software, 3D scanner & printer, soldering equipment, and general electronics tools.
Mon, September 18, 2017	6:30 PM	Mon Night Book Discussion	Evans Library	The September selection is TBD. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 for more information.
Tues, September 19, 2017	2 PM	Adult Doodle Hour	Harlem Library	You've seen the trend, now try it! Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring.
Tues, September 19, 2017	6 PM	Creative Writing Workshop	Evans Library	Young authors provided with snacks, story prompts and fun environment to share ideas! Grades 3-5 only, registration begins Sept 1.
Wed, September 20, 2017	4 PM	Intro to Genealogy	Harlem Library	Learn the genealogy basics of research and organization. Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Thurs, September 21, 2017	11 AM	Adult Time Out	Eucler Ck Library	In September we'll learn about costume jewelry: is it trash or treasure?
Thurs, September 21, 2017	11:30 AM	Brown Bag Book Discussion	Evans Library	The September selection is <i>The Wolf Road</i> by Beth Lewis.
Thurs, September 21, 2017	4 PM	Harlem Book Club	Harlem Library	The September selection is <i>America's First Daughter</i> by Stephanie Pray.
Mon, September 25, 2017	4:30 PM	Family Game Night	Eucler Ck Library	Join us for games for the whole family.
Mon, September 25, 2017	6-7:30 PM	Fat Quarter Sewing Project	Evans Library	Make a zipper pouch with 2 fat quarters of fabric. Bring your own, come back each month. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Tues, September 26, 2017	3 PM	Open Sewing Hour	Harlem Library	Bring your sewing projects and use our machines.
Tues, September 26, 2017	4 PM	Teen Guitar Club	Evans Library	Meet to discuss and share guitar tips, techniques, advice, etc. Ages 11 to 18.
Tues, September 26, 2017	6 PM	Captain Underpants: Epic Library Event	Evans Library	Will you answer the call to fun with games, comics, and more? No registration required; recommended ages 6 and up.
Wed, September 27, 2017	11 AM	Therapy Dogs	Evans Library	Join us during National Dog Week to see a few tricks and learn tips on how to care for your dog!

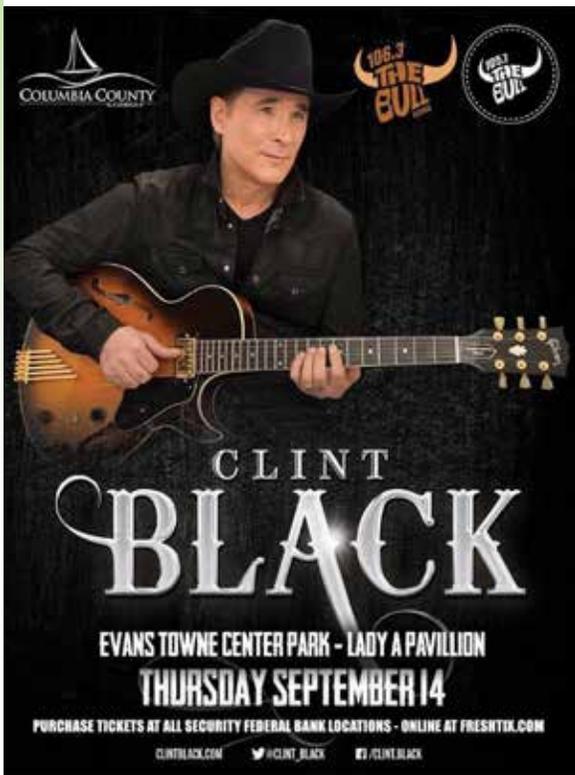
For a complete list of library programs, please visit www.gchrl.org

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2017

Date	Time	Program	Branch	Description
Wed, September 27, 2017	11:30 AM	Environmental Matters Lunch & Learn	Evans Library Café	Bring your lunch and learn with the Eco-Lady about how you can impact our area.
Thurs, September 28, 2017	10:30 AM	On The Same Page Book Club	Eucler Ck Library	The September selection is <i>Secret Sisters</i> by Jayne Ann Krentz.
Thurs, September 28, 2017	4-5:30 PM	Teen Makerspace	Evans Library	Teens 13-18 use CAD software, development software, 3D scanner & printer, soldering equipment, and general electronics tools.
Sun, October 1, 2017	2:30-4:30 PM	Local Author Group Therapy	Evans Library	Are you a current or aspiring author? Need tips, tricks, or just venting about your work? Join us for this fun and supportive group.
Mon, October 2, 2017	4 PM	Young Makers Program	Evans Library	Geared especially for children ages 8-12. Kids will learn about science, engineering, and design with hands-on experiences.
Mon, October 2, 2017	4:30 PM	Super Novas Club	Eucler Ck Library	Join us for ghoulish activities!
Mon, October 2, 2017	6:30 PM	Doodle Hour Adult Coloring	Evans Library	You've seen the trend, now try it! Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring.
Tues, October 3, 2017	5:30 PM	Teen Craftemooon	Harlem Library	Join us for our monthly craft. Call 706-650-5009 for details or to register.
Wed, October 4, 2017	12 PM	Doodle Hour Adult Coloring	Evans Library	You've seen the trend, now try it! Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring.
Thurs, October 5, 2017	1:30-5:30 PM	Shepard Community Blood Drive	Harlem Library	Support your community and save 3 lives at this blood drive.
Thurs, October 5, 2017	3:30-5:30 PM	Gaming at the Library	Evans Library	Teens can take a break and play video and board games.
Mon, October 9, 2017	3 PM	Genealogy Club	Evans Library	Join us to learn the basics then branch out to find your roots!
Mon, October 9, 2017	5:30 PM	Movie Night	Eucler Ck Library	Join us for movie fun and light refreshments for the whole family.
Mon, October 9, 2017	7-9 PM	Pub Fiction	Pizza Central	This laid-back book club meets at Pizza Central in Evans. The October selection is <i>The Bean Trees</i> by Barbara Kingsolver.
Tues, October 10, 2017	4 PM	Eric Carle Book Party	Evans Library	Join us to celebrate the author of <i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> .
Tues, October 10, 2017	4 PM	Teen Guitar Class	Evans Library	Guitar instructions. Up to 6 guitars available for use, cannot be taken home. Ages 11-18. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Wed, October 11, 2017	2 PM	Fiber Arts Craft & Chat	Eucler Ck Library	This group is open to all crafters: crochet, knit, loom, cross stitch, etc. Open to people who want to learn as well as those already crafty.
Wed, October 11, 2017	2 PM	Teddy Bear Tea	Harlem Library	Bring your teddy bear for a special story and tea.
Thurs, October 12, 2017	10:30 AM	Crochet Class	Harlem Library	Join us to learn to make a crocheted hat. Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Thurs, October 12, 2017	1 PM	Columbia Cty Genealogical Society	Eucler Ck Library	Whether you're an experienced genealogist or just learning to find your roots, this club has something for everyone.
Thurs, October 12, 2017	4 PM	Teen Advisory Board	Evans Library	Help us decide what programs to offer this year while getting volunteer credit. Now with snacks!
Thurs, October 12, 2017	6 PM	Adult Guitar Club	Evans Library	Meet to discuss and share guitar tips, techniques, advice, etc.
Fri, October 13, 2017	10 AM-12 PM	Genealogy Class	Evans Library	Learn to use library resources to expand your genealogical search. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Fri, October 13, 2017	2:30 PM	NSA Stem Talk	Eucler Ck Library	Join us to learn about winning games- how much is luck, how much is logic?
Sat, October 14, 2017	10 AM-5 PM	Indie Author Day	Evans Library	Meet local indie authors and learn about the process of publishing your book!
Sat, October 14, 2017	10 AM	Keep Calm and Coupon On	Eucler Ck Library	Have you wondered about saving money with coupons? Join this fun group to share tips and compare ideas.
Sun, October 15, 2017	2:30-4 PM	Writing Workshop	Evans Library	Have you considered participating in National Novel Writing Month in November? Join us for tips and support for getting started.
Mon, October 16, 2017	4-5:30 PM	Teen Makerspace	Evans Library	Teens 13-18 use CAD software, development software, 3D scanner & printer, soldering equipment, and general electronics tools.
Mon, October 16, 2017	6:30 PM	Mon Night Book Discussion	Evans Library	The October selection is TBD. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 for more information.
Tues, October 17, 2017	5-7 PM	Halloween Crafting Party	Evans Library	Teens can make fun Halloween crafts to take home. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Tues, October 17, 2017	5:30 PM	Gadget Help with Alex	Harlem Library	Do you have a new gadget that you can't figure out? Drop in to have our tech guru Alex show you the basics.
Wed, October 18 & 25, 2017	10 AM-3:30 PM	Computer Boot Camp: Parts 1 & 2	Evans Library	Are computers a mystery? This two-part class is for you. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Wed, October 18, 2017	4 PM	Genealogy Class	Harlem Library	Learn the basics of finding your roots. Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Thurs, October 19, 2017	11 AM	Adult Time Out	Eucler Ck Library	Join us to make Mason Jar candle holders.
Thurs, October 19, 2017	11:30 AM	Brown Bag Book Discussion	Evans Library	The October selection is <i>The Christie Curse</i> by Victoria Abbott.
Thurs, October 19, 2017	4 PM	Harlem Book Club	Harlem Library	The October selection is <i>Pirate</i> by Clive Cussler.
Thurs, October 19, 2017	6-7:30 PM	Family Game Night	Evans Library Café	Join us for games for the whole family, ages 3 and up.
Thurs, October 19, 2017	6:30 PM	Natalie's Light Program	Evans Library	Learn about suicide awareness and prevention with experts from Natalie's Light.
Fri, October 20 & 27, 2017	9 AM	Computer Boot Camp: Parts 1 & 2	Eucler Ck Library	Are computers a mystery? This two-part class is for you. Call 706-556-0594.
Sat, Oct 21 & Sun, Oct 22, 2017	All Day	<i>Lord of the Rings</i> Movie Marathon	Evans Library	Join us for two days of <i>Lord of the Rings</i> movies. 10 am-5 pm Sat and 2-5 pm Sun.
Sun, October 22, 2017	3-5 PM	Gadget Help with Alex	Evans Library	Do you have a new gadget that you can't figure out? Drop in to have our tech guru Alex show you the basics.
Mon, October 23, 2017	4:30 PM	Family Game Night	Eucler Ck Library	Join us for games for the whole family.
Mon, October 23, 2017	6 PM	Fat Quarter Sewing Project	Evans Library	Make reusable bowl covers with 2 fat quarters of fabric. Bring your own, come back each month. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Tues, October 24, 2017	4 PM	Teen Guitar Club	Evans Library	Meet to discuss and share guitar tips, techniques, advice, etc. Ages 11 to 18.
Tues, October 24, 2017	5:30 PM	Word 101	Harlem Library	Learn the basics of Microsoft Word. Call 706-650-5009 to register.
Wed, October 25, 2017	10:15-11:45 AM	Play Café	Evans Library	Join us for self-guided crafts and activities.
Wed, October 25, 2017	11:30 AM	Environmental Matters Lunch & Learn	Evans Library	Bring your lunch and learn with the Eco-Lady about how you can impact our area.
Thurs, October 26, 2017	10 AM-12 PM	Social Media 101	Evans Library	Learn the basics of using social media safely. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Thurs, October 26, 2017	10:30 AM	On The Same Page Book Club	Eucler Ck Library	The October selection is <i>The Claws of the Eagle</i> by Barbara Deglar.
Thurs, October 26, 2017	1:30-3:30 PM	Email 101	Evans Library	Learn the basics of using email safely. Call 706-863-1946 ext 4 to register.
Thurs, October 26, 2017	4-5:30 PM	Teen Makerspace	Evans Library	Teens 13-18 use CAD software, development software, 3D scanner & printer, soldering equipment, and general electronics tools.

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

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COLUMBIA COUNTY

106.3 THE BULL

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EVANS TOWNE CENTER PARK - LADY A PAVILLION

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14

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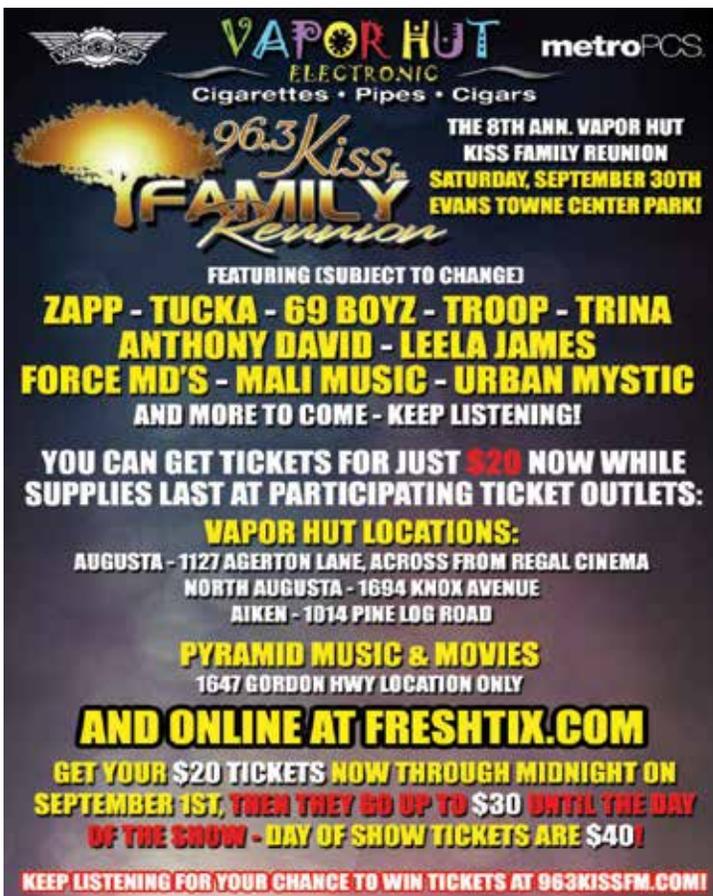
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For more information, please email: locations@filmcolumbiacounty.com




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FAMILY Reunion

THE 8TH ANNUAL VAPOR HUT KISS FAMILY REUNION
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH
EVANS TOWNE CENTER PARK!

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**ZAPP - TUCKA - 69 BOYZ - TROOP - TRINA
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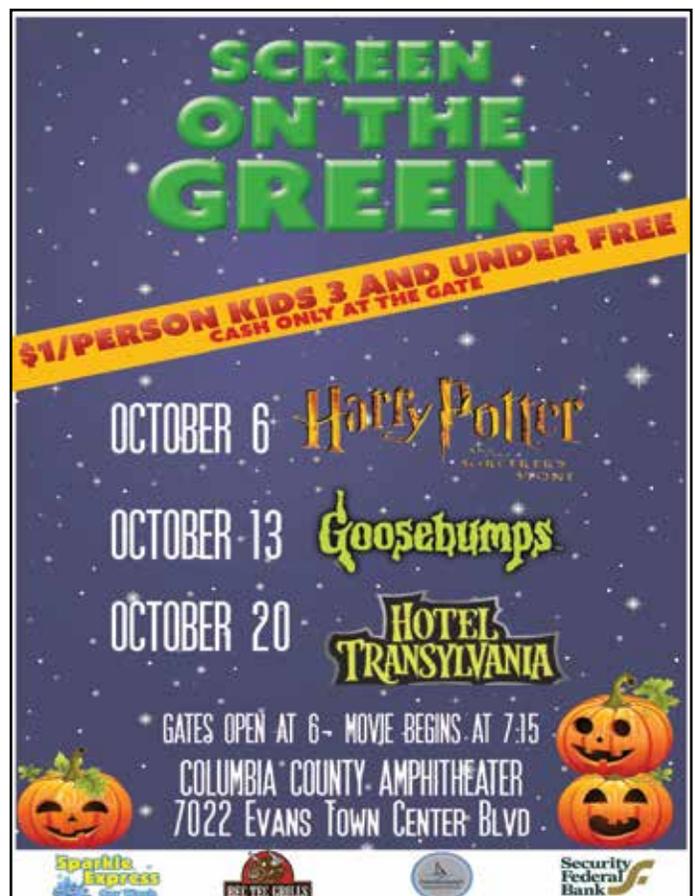
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OCTOBER 13 **Goosebumps**

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GATES OPEN AT 6 - MOVIE BEGINS AT 7:15
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