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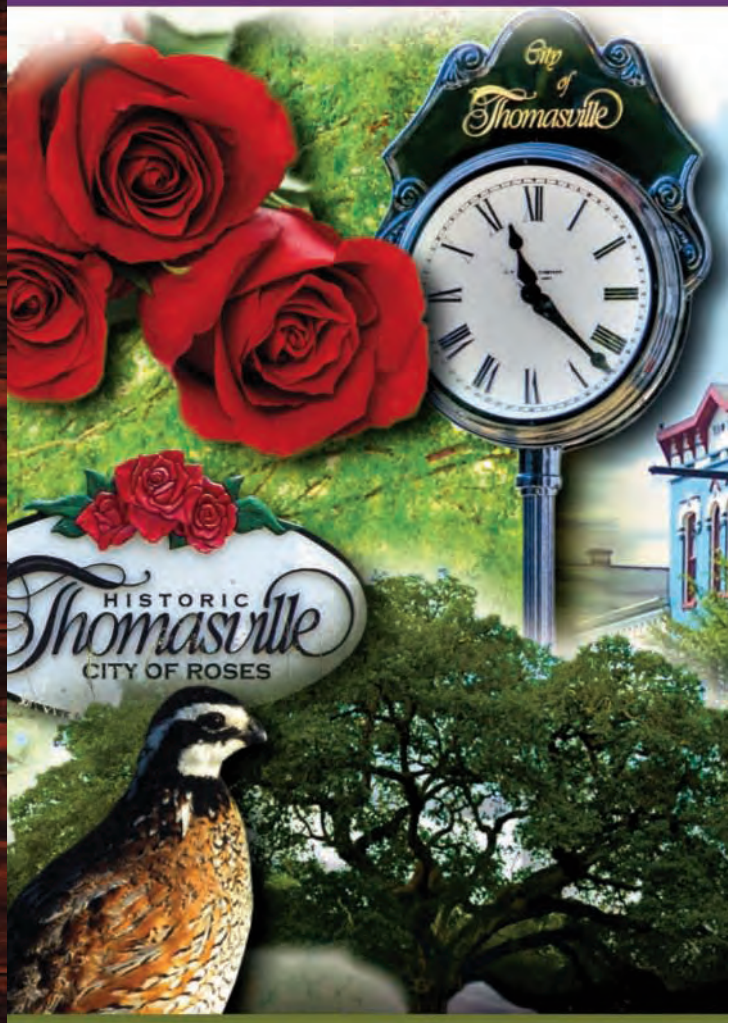

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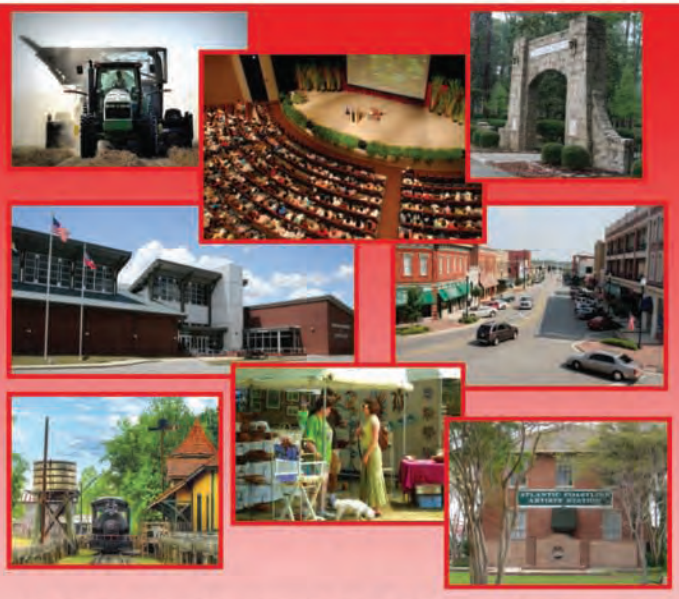

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The Marina
A marina, boat ramp and beach at George T. Bagby State Park offer easy access to the 48,000-acre Lake Walter F. George for fishing, boating and swimming. Anglers will be excited to learn that the state record blue catfish was captured in Lake Walter F. George in 2010. The large picnic shelter and numerous picnic sites are perfect places for families to enjoy their catch. An enclosed group shelter is also available for rental. **877-591-5575**

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www.gastateparks.org/GeorgeTBagby

Calendar of Events

JANUARY

Frontier Festival at Chehaw in Albany – Festival educating about the settlers from the 1700s and 1800s.

United Kennel Club Winter Classic in Albany – Three day event at Fairgrounds with hunting and dog shows.

FEBRUARY

Thomasville Antiques Show & Sale – Purchase exquisite antiques from the country's most prestigious dealers.

Southern Rivers Fine Arts Exposition in Camilla – Artist display accompanied by an evening of food and fellowship.

MARCH

Swamp Gravy in Colquitt – Georgia's Official Folk Life. Play

Peanut Proud Festival in Blakely – A peanut celebration in the heart of peanut country!

Wild Chicken Festival in Fitzgerald – A celebration of Fitzgerald's free roaming fowl.

Arts in Black Festival in Tifton – A dynamic celebration of African American heritage, culture, and art.

Rock, Roll & Run in Downtown Albany – Three day event at Fairgrounds with hunting and dog shows.

Cotton Blossom Roundup Rodeo in Nashville – Professional rodeo action featuring the Southeast's top cowboys and cowgirls.

Calico Arts & Crafts Show in Moultrie – Traditional handmade arts and crafts shows are a shopping extravaganza.

Thomasville Garden Clubs Standard Flower Show – Enjoy creative concepts, mass arrangements and functional table designs.

APRIL

May-Haw at Cotton Hall in Colquitt – Colquitt's own musical variety show!

National Grits Festival in Warwick – Where "Grits" is the official food prepared.

Tifton Truck & Tractor Pull – A rip roarin' truck and tractor pulling competition.

Bud Break Bash Wine Festival in Arlington.

Museum of Agriculture's Folk Life Festival in Tifton – A recognition of a traditional folk art and music.

Art on the Bricks in Adel – Regional artists display original art on the sidewalks of Adel.

Thomasville Rose Show & Festival – Roses, roses, roses…plus parades, music, arts, crafts and more!

Tift Area Car Club Show Tifton – Held at the UGA TCCC. For more info call 229-386-3416.

Native American Festival in Albany – Annual festival the third weekend in April at Chehaw Park.

Spring Fling in Moultrie – Two day event with concert, BBQ Competition and festival downtown.

MAY

River Town Days in Bainbridge – Fun for all along the banks of the Flint River.

Highway 82 Yard Sale in Terrell, Randolph, and Quitman Counties – Regional Yard Sale that spans three counties and 52 miles long.

Annual Tour of Homes in Dawson – Driving Tour of Historic Homes in Terrell County.

Love Affair Fine Arts Festival in Tifton – Arts and crafts festival featuring regional art, music and more.

Gnat Days in Camilla – Two day festival full of fun for the entire family.

Fletcher Henderson Jazz Festival in Cuthbert.

JUNE

Daylily Festival in Adel – Fantastic family fun, entertainment, and 100 arts and crafts vendors.

JULY

July 4 Celebrations throughout Plantation Trace.

AUGUST

Grape Stomp Festival in Arlington.

SEPTEMBER

Bainbridge BikeFest in Bainbridge.

La Fiesta del Pueblo in Tifton – Honoring the Latin-American community, culture comes alive, music and food.

Flatlanders Frolic Arts & Crafts Show in Lakeland

Dinner Theater Production in Dawson – Locally written and acted plays with a dinner.

Tifton Truck & Tractor Pull – A rip roarin' truck and tractor pulling competition.

Egg Festival in Sumner – Join us in Sumner, GA for an egg-citing time!!

OCTOBER

Swamp Gravy in Colquitt – Georgia's Official Folk Life Play.

Kolomoki Festival in Blakely – A festival featuring primitive skills, entertainment, good food and crafts!

Georgia Peanut Festival in Sylvester – If you haven't been yet, you don't know what you're missing!

Scarecrow Festival in Adel – Halloween fun with none of the fear Kids love it!

FLINT Music & International FEST in Albany – Two-stage Music Festival in Downtown Albany featuring an International Flair.

Randolph Crossroads Festival in Cuthbert – Opening Deer Season wwwrandolphcrossroadsfestivalcom.

Pelham Wildlife Festival – 5k run, parade, crafts, food, art show, and street dance.

Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition in Moultrie – Agricultural based trade show with field demonstrations and educational seminars.

Thomasville Regional Airport Fly-In – 300+ aircraft… THE best grassroots fly-in around

100 Mile Peanut Pickin' Yard Sale – 100 Miles of Bargins and Deals "Rain or Shine".

NOVEMBER

Lean Ox Festival in Lenox – Cook County's oldest festival Celebrating with fun, food, and crafters.

Thomasville Plantation Wildlife Arts Festival – Spectacular wildlife art by sculptors, painters, photographers and master crafters.

Southwest Georgia High Cotton 65 Mile Yard Sale – Yard sale venturing through Mitchell, Baker, Calhoun and Clay counties.

Christmas in Camilla – Evening of progressive shopping and dining.

Calico Arts & Crafts Show in Moultrie – Traditional handmade arts and crafts shows are a shopping extravaganza.

Lights! Lights! in Moultrie – See the most magnificent canopy of lights in South Georgia.

DECEMBER

Breakfast with Santa and Christmas Play in Dawson – Santa flies in from the North Pole for Breakfast.

Holiday Wine Festival in Arlington.

Hometown Holiday Celebration in Tifton – A lively downtown gala with loads of holiday entertainment.

Victorian Christmas in Historic Downtown Thomasville – Journey back in time to when true Christmas spirit reigned.

Victorian Christmas Celebration in Tifton – Experience the wonder of days gone by during the holidays.

Holidays on the Square in Blakely – A Christmas celebration with a parade, vendors, crafts and more!

Chehaw's Festival of Lights in Albany – Experience the fabulous display by car or ride the train.

Thronateeska's Santa Exhibit in Albany – Kicked off with a bazaar and over 2,000 Santa displays.

Christmas on the River in Bainbridge – Live entertainment, community tree lighting and a visit from Santa!

SnowFest in Adel – Play in real snow and sled down the giant snow slide.

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Did You Know?

• The Thomas County Museum of History has the oldest known private bowling alley in the country, built of heart pine lumber.

• The Sunbelt Ag Expo in Moultrie is the world's largest farm show with field demonstrations.

• In Fitzgerald, streets to the west of Main Street are named for Confederate Generals; streets to the east of Main Street are named for Union Generals.

• Colquitt County is the number one agricultural county in the state – over $422 million farm gate.

• Sit on piano keys and enjoy the music of Albany-born Ray Charles.

• Thomasville is home to the Big Oak (c. 1680). It has a limb span of 162 feet, and a trunk circumference of just over 26 feet.

• Andrew College in Cuthbert was charted in 1854 by GA Legislature and is the 2nd oldest charter in GA to confer degrees to women.

• The movie "The Long Riders" was filmed in Parrott.

• One of Valdosta's most famous residents – the gambler , gun-fighter and dentist John Henry "Doc" Holiday spent part of his childhood and youth in Valdosta during the 1860s.

• Swing by Colquitt and have a double helping of Swamp Gravy, the food and the play!

• The Callahan-Penhallegon home in Bainbridge was built by a steamboat captain, and his home was designed to look just like his ship.

• Discover Radium Springs Gardens in Albany, one of Georgia's natural wonders.

• Bainbridge is Georgia's Bass Capital.

• Every jar of Peter Pan Peanut Butter enjoyed in the world is manufactured in Sylvester, GA.

• Still Pond Vineyard and Winery in Arlington is the largest commercial vineyard in Georgia.

• The Baker County Courthouse is one of 27 courthouses in Georgia designed by James Wingfield.

• The Barber Pittman House in Valdosta was the home of the first Coca-Cola bottler.

• Arlington is home to one of the longest running festivals in the State of Georgia – The May Day Celebration.

• Moultrie has a world-class diving facility that is host to national diving events.

• Become Fireproof and try Facing the Giants as you visit the sites of Sherwood Pictures in Albany.

• Jump into Lake Seminole in Bainbridge, home of the first B.A.S.S. fishing tournament.

• Fitzgerald is only 9 miles east of the capture site of President Jefferson Davis, the only President of the Confederacy.

• Miller County is home of the Peter Toth Indian for the state of Georgia.

• Otis Ray Redding, Jr., best known for his passionate delivery and posthumous hit single "(Sittin' On) the Dock of the Bay" was born in Dawson, Georgia.

• Dawson is home to the tallest original courthouse in the State of Georgia.

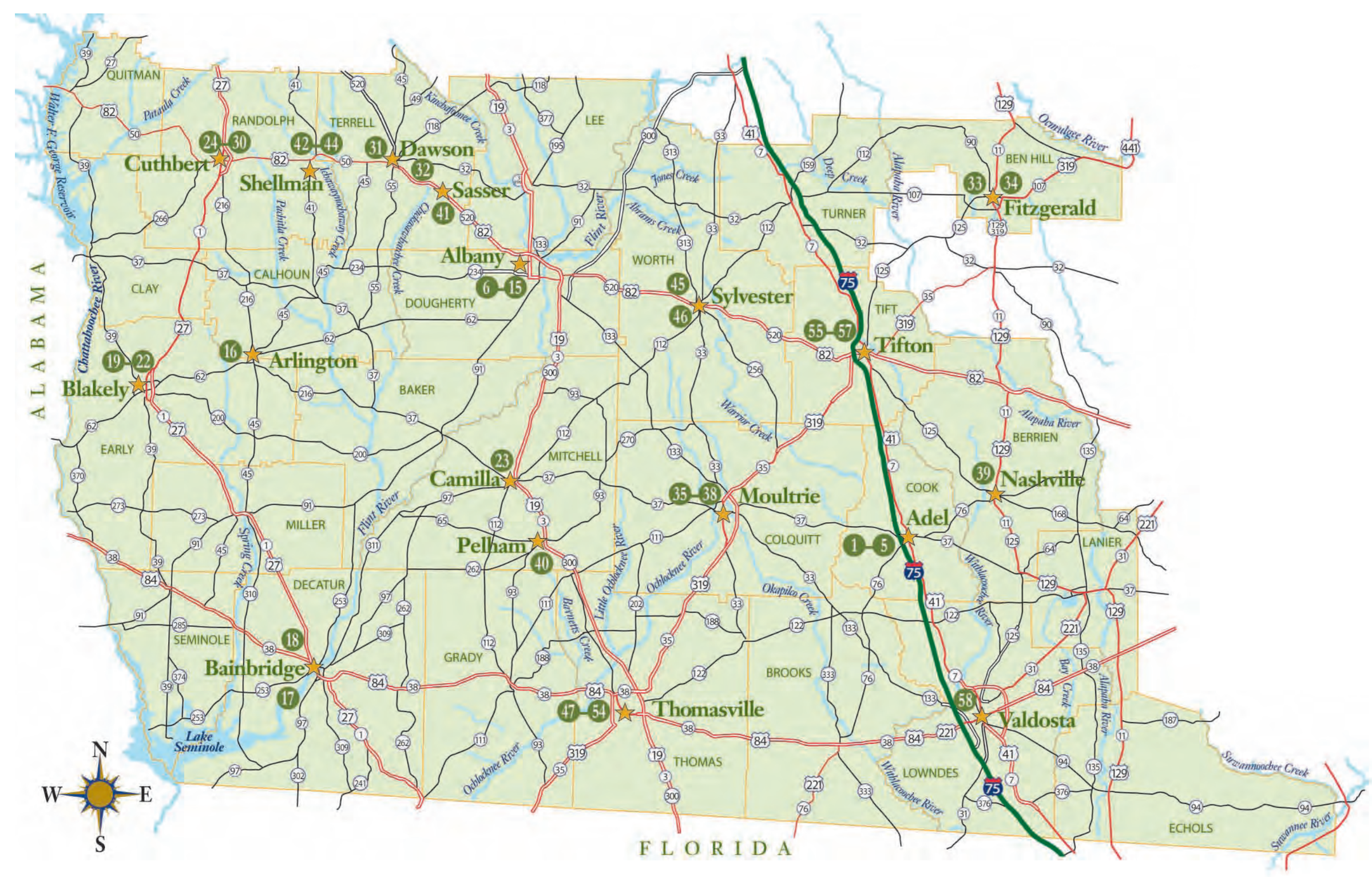
• WPAX Radio Station in Thomasville is the third oldest station in Georgia ad the 20th oldest station in the U.S.

• Tift County is the Turf Grass Capital of the world.

• The City of Cecil is the only racing venue east of Utah with ½ mile oval track and ¼ mile drag strip.

• Turner County is home to the world's largest peanut monument.

• Cuthbert is home to the nation's only water tower located on a federal highway.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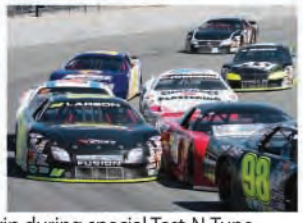


Cook County's premier racing venue "Fuels Your Need for Speed." SGMP features a ¼ mile concrete dragstrip and a ½ mile D-shaped oval speedway, with professional racing and events year round. From funny cars to jet cars, this major racing attraction has it all! Fans can bring their own street car, truck, motorcycle or race car, and race down the dragstrip during special Test-N-Tune Street Drags! I-75, Exit 32. **229-896-7000 • www.racesgmp.com**

2 Reed Bingham State Park

Home to abundant wildlife – gopher tortoises, spotted turtles, limpkins, moorhens, alligators and majestic American Bald Eagles. During winter, thousands of "buzzards" roost in the trees or soar the skies overhead. 80% of the Coastal Plain's diverse plant community can be found along the park's Nature Trails. A 375-acre lake welcomes boaters, skiers, swimmers, and fishermen. Enjoy campgrounds, picnic shelters & playgrounds. I-75, Exit 39, 6 miles west. **229-896-3551 • www.gastateparks.org**

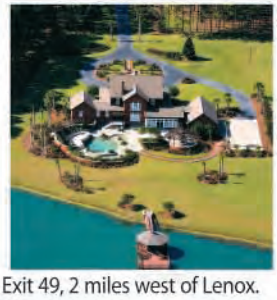
3 Live Oak Plantation

Nestled among 3000 acres of beautiful Georgia pines and live oaks. Lavishly rustic accommodations for 12, casual elegant southern dining, cordial staff, and traditional southern quail hunts are unmatched. Live Oak Plantation is the sporting destination for individuals, groups and families. Choose the main lodge or cabin. Experience a personal or business retreat that you and your friends and colleagues will never forget. I-75, Exit 37, West Cook County. **229-896-2112 • www.huntliveoak.com**

4 Carolyn Harris Performing Arts Center

Cook County's premier entertainment venue. This 550 seat state-of-the-art theatre annually hosts numerous productions sponsored by the Cook County Council for Arts, including: Showtime, Gospel Gathering, Swamp Gravy , The Lowe Family, and Theatre Guild Valdosta. The "Carolyn" plays host to community productions, Cook High School events, the Miss Adel Daylily Festival Pageant, and professional shows and concerts throughout the year. For tickets and information, call **229-896-2281 • www.adelcookchamber.org**

5 Lenox River Ranch



An 8,800 square foot lodge with pool and patio, 6 spacious double bedrooms, conference space for 22, high tech amenities, Jacuzzi, kitchenette, brick fireplace and the cozy country feel of home. There's even an on-site chef! Lenox River Ranch specializes in released Quail Hunts including guide, trained dogs, and pulled wagons. Minutes from the Ranch are golf courses, dining, and entertainment. I-75, Exit 49, 2 miles west of Lenox. **229-563-3061 • www.lenoxriverranch.com**

ALBANY

6 Albany Area Arts Council

Tour the historic Carnegie Library building that houses the Albany Area Arts Council. While there, pick up your free calendar of events for performing or visual arts or purchase tickets to area arts events. Also view exhibitions of works by regional artists. Carnegie Building, 215 N. Jackson St. Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10 am–4 pm Free Admission. **229-439-2787 • www.albanyartscouncil.org**

7 Albany Civil Rights Institute

In 1961, crowds gathered at Mount Zion Baptist Church to hear Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; Old Mount Zion, built in 1906, is the most important artifact in ACRI's collection. Come hear the power of music, experience exhibits of the Long Southwest Georgia Movement and see what happened to ordinary people in extraordinary times. 326 W. Whitney Ave. Hours: Tues.-Sat., 10 am-4 pm Call for prices. **229-432-1698 • www.albanycivilrightsinstitute.org**

8 Albany Museum of Art

Six galleries host numerous nationally and internationally recognized artists' exhibitions throughout the year. Visit the Albany Museum of Art and view one of the finest collections of sub-Saharan African art in the Southeast. The AMA also features AMAzing Space, an interactive education gallery for children. 311 Meadowlark Drive. Hours: Tues.-Sat., 10 am–5 pm Free Admission. **229-439-8400 • www.albanymuseum.com**

9 Albany Welcome Center

The restored circa 1858 Historic Bridge House, now home to the Albany Convention & Visitors Bureau, was built by African-American bridge builder Horace King. Stop by for information, maps, brochures, Albany souvenirs and to watch the film, "From the Heart of Southwest Georgia." 112 N. Front St. Hours: Mon.– Fri. 9 am– 5pm; Sat. 10 am–4 pm. **229-317-4760, 866-750-0840 • www.visitalbanyga.com**

10 Chehaw - Nature's Playground

Nearly 800 acres of fun, including a 100-acre, AZA-accredited zoo, which features natural habitat exhibits with native and exotic animals. Young children can enjoy one of the state's largest play parks, visit the petting zoo, or ride the miniature train. Camping, fishing, hiking, disc golf, mountain biking and BMX bike racing are available. 105 Chehaw Park Road. Hours: 9 am–5 pm, Fees: Call **229-430-5275** or visit **www.chehaw.org**

11 Flint RiverQuarium

Admire the open-air aquarium with a 175,000-gallon Blue Hole. Get a unique look at southwest Georgia's mysterious under-water world with more than 100 species of fish, alligators, turtles and other aquatic animals. The Cypress Pond Aviary houses 30+ birds indigenous to the Flint River watershed. Visit the Adventure Center with changing exhibitions and the large screen format Imagination Theater. 101 Pine Ave. Call or visit website for hours and fees. **229-639-2650, 877-463-5468 • www.flintriverquarium.com**

12 Radium Springs Gardens

One of Georgia's Seven Natural Wonders, Radium Springs Gardens pumps 70,000 gallons of clear, 68-degree water per minute from an underground cave. Walk through a courtyard where the former Radium Springs Casino once stood, enjoy foliage-draped hillocks, crystal clear waters and flora both indigenous and exotic. Radium Springs Rd. Hours: Tues.–Sat., 9 am–5 pm; Sun., 1 pm–5 pm. Free Admission. **229-317-4760, 866-750-0840 • www.visitabanyga.com**

13 Ray Charles Plaza

Holding court in the center of the Plaza located on the Flint River is a life-size sculpture of the pioneering soul musician, seated at a Baby Grand piano which rests on a rotating pedestal. While Ray Charles' beloved melodies play at timed intervals, water flows over the pedestal and spills into a reflecting pool at its base. Grab a piano key bench and enjoy the concert. Front Street. **229-317-4760, 866 -750-0840 • www.visitabanyga.com**

14 RiverFront Park

A six-acre park spread out along the Flint River, RiverFront Park has a beautiful lawn for family picnics and gatherings, play fountain, pavilion areas, Turtle Gove Play Park with Dino Dig and Tot Lot, a 1.5 mile Greenways Trail System with a three-mile Riverwalk, the Horace King Overlook and the Albany Welcome Center located in the Historic Bridge House. Front Street. **229-317-4760, 866-750-0840 • www.visitabanyga.com**

15 Thronateeska Heritage Center

Located in Heritage Plaza, on the last brick street in Albany, the History Museum is housed in the historic 1912 Train Station. The Passenger Car is home to a model train exhibit. The new Science Museum offers a high definition, surround sound, full dome Planetarium. Also located in Heritage Plaza is the Fryer-Merritt House built in the 1800's. 100 W. Roosevelt Ave. Hours: Thurs.–Sat., 10 am–4 pm. **229-432-6955 • www.heritagecenter.org**

ARLINGTON

16 Still Pond Winery

South Georgia's premier Winery. Still Pond is a third generation family owned and operated winery, located on 170 acre Muscadine vineyard. Come visit Still Pond Winery and enjoy wine tasting and a guided tour of the winemaking facility as well as shopping in the gift shop. Call for directions information on festivals and events. Hours: Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm. 1575 Still Pond Rd. Arlington, GA. **1-800-475-1193 • www.stillpond.com**

BAINBRIDGE

17 Lake Seminole

In 2008, the Georgia State Legislature declared Bainbridge the Bass Capital of Georgia. It's no secret that Lake Seminole is one of the main reasons why. In fact, the world famous Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (B.A.S.S.) was founded at Lake Seminole, and the lake hosted the first B.A.S.S. Tournament in the world. Lake Seminole offers many other outdoor adventures, including water skiing, wake boarding, kayaking, canoeing and more! For more information, call **229-243-8555** or visit **www.visitbainbridgega.com.**

18 Oak City Cemetery

Established in 1852 when William H. Peabody was buried near the powder house where gun powder was stored during the Civil War. In 1878, the west section of the cemetery was deeded to Temple Beth-El, becoming one of the first Jewish Cemeteries in south Georgia. Miriam Hopkins, a Broadway, movie and television star from the early 1900s is buried in the cemetery as is Marvin Griffin, Georgia's 72nd Governor. Visit **www.visitbainbridgega.com.**

BLAKELY

19 Early County Museum

Visitors to the museum get a feeling of nostalgia from displays of school desks, a general store setting, paraphernalia from doctors' offices and a pharmacy, and a variety of farm equipment and tools in support of Early County's rich agricultural heritage. A gift shop features paintings and crafts by local artists. The museum is open Tues.-Thurs. from 9:00 am-5:00 pm. **229-724-7222 • ecm@earlycountymuseum.com** or visit us on Facebook.

20 Kolomoki Mounds Historic Park

Occupied by American Indians from 350 to 750 A.D., this park is the oldest and largest Woodland Indian site in the southeastern U.S. Visitors will find Georgia's oldest great temple mound dominating two smaller burial mounds and several ceremonial mounds. The park's museum is built around an excavated mound, providing an unusual setting for learning who these people were. Outdoor activities include camping, fishing, hiking and boating. **229-724-2150 • www.gastateparks.org/KolomokiMounds**

21 Coheelee Creek Bridge

The covered bridge was constructed in 1891 over the swiftly flowing Coheelee Creek which rushes over a small waterfall just after it passes beneath the bridge. Costing just $490.41 to complete, it has stood the test of time to become a rare treasure in southwest Georgia. It is the southernmost covered bridge in the United States. It provides a picturesque setting for a picnic lunch and step back in time. **229-723-3741 • www.blakelyearlycountychamber.com**

22 Historic Blakely

Established in 1825, Blakely is the county seat of Early County. Blakely's downtown offers a variety of local eateries and shops that are unique to southwest Georgia. A visit to the square would not be complete without seeing the last remaining wooden Confederate flagpole in the South, the peanut monument and the stately courthouse, affectionately called "the Grand Old Lady". Come and stay awhile! **229-723-3741 • www.blakelyearlycountychamber.com**

CAMILLA

23 Gnat Days

Camilla's Gnat Days evolved from the Georgia Corn Festival in the mid 1980's. The festival, held the first weekend in May, kicks off with a 5K walk/run and continues with a festival complete with arts & crafts, food & drink, vendors galore, live stage entertainment and children's activities such as a pet show & a bike race. The festival wraps up with an "Under the Oaks" dance with a live band.

CUTHBERT

24 Andrew College

Founded in 1854, Andrew College is a two year Methodist related residential liberal arts colleges. The College buildings housed Hood Hospital during the last months of the Civil War. Old Main, built in 1892, comprised the entire College plant until 1947. The first college to initiate physical education for women, Andrew has a rich history. The college became coeducational in 1956. **1-800-664-9250 • www.andrewcollege.edu**

25 Historic Homes

Architecturally diverse, Cuthbert homes span the years 1830 to present day. Homes represent such diverse styles as antebellum English, Jeffersonian, antebellum, Greek revival, Early American, Victorian, 19th century, early 20th century and modern. One Cuthbert home was used as a model for the Little White House. Shellman also boasts beautiful homes, including a Gothic-style cottage, Cape Cod Colonial, Greek Revival and others. Beautiful architecture is located throughout Randolph County. **www.randolphcountychamber.org**

26 Cuthbert Water Tower

The Cuthbert Water Tower, erected in 1895, has the distinction of being the only water tower in the middle of a federal highway. The Water Tower defines the skyline of Cuthbert. For many years people believed that those who drank water from the Water Tower would either stay or return to Cuthbert. **www.randolphcountychamber.org**

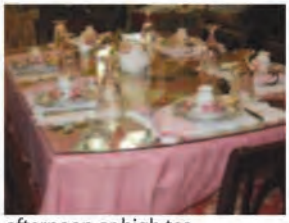
27 Randolph County Courthouse

Built in 1886 of Dutch Romanesque design, this building is unique in South Georgia. A slate roof, brick walls, terra cotta ornaments, stone and brick porches make the building nearly fireproof. Two Georgia State Supreme Court justices practiced law within these walls, one serving as a Circuit Judge. The Lena Baker trial took place in this courtroom. The building is currently being renovated to house a Welcome Center, Museum and Regional Offices. **www.randolphcountychamber.org**

28 Randolph County Cemeteries

Two historic cemeteries – Rosedale and Greenwood – are located within the Cuthbert city limits. Greenwood contains the graves of Confederate soldiers who died in Hood Hospital. Thomas Muse, a pioneer Baptist preacher, is buried in Rosedale. Historic cemeteries, located throughout Randolph County, feature markers from 1830 to present day. Veterans of all U.S. wars have been located. **www.randolphcountychamber.org**

29 Julianna's Tea Room



Experience a slower, gentler time in this lovely tea room and its hidden courtyard located on the Cuthbert Square. The tea room specializes in themed events, receptions, showers, and intimate parties. Gifts include specialty teas, tea items, local cookbooks, baby items, jewelry and antiques that will suit any occasion. Bring your imagination, pick out a hat and enjoy an afternoon or high tea. Reservations required. **229-732-5523 • juliannas901@windstream.net**

30 Dominecker Inn Bed & Breakfast

This peaceful country setting, built of Georgia cypress and Tennessee flagstone, features an excellent view and walking trail to beautiful Lokey Lake. Antique and modern furnishings grace the red oak floors of all three guest rooms and common areas, and compliment the three tier deck. Wireless internet provides modern convenience to this pristine setting. **www.domineckerinn.com**

DAWSON

31 Terrell County Courthouse

Home to one of the tallest and oldest historic courthouses in the State of Georgia, Terrell County completed renovations on this courthouse in August 2009. Erected in 1892, the courthouse is still in use and boasts beautiful architectural details. It is home to the original clock that still chimes in Downtown Dawson. Open during normal business hours. **229-995-2011 • www.terrellcountygeorgia.org**

32 Main Street Theatre & Cultural Arts Center

Take in some entertainment at our local theatre completely renovated as of February 2011. The Theatre is consistently offering a variety of family friendly events including locally written, produced, and casted plays. The theatre hosts an annual fall Dinner Theatre production, Art Camp, Breakfast with Santa, and much more. **229-995-5329 • www.dawsonmainstreettheatre.com**

FITZGERALD

33 Blue & Gray Museum

Housed in an old railroad depot, this museum is dedicated to peace and harmony, with its vision based on the story of the founding of the city by Yanks and Rebs in 1896-thirty years after the Civil War-former enemies who worked side-by-side to create a community deep in the piney woods of South Georgia. P.O.Box 425. Fitzgerald, GA 31750. **1-800-386-4642 • www.fitzgeraldga.org**

34 Jefferson Davis Memorial Historic Site

When Confederate President Davis and a few staff members crossed the Savannah River into Georgia on May 3, 1865, they were headed for the Western theater of war where Davis planned to unite rebel forces and continue fighting for the "lost cause". On May 9, 1865, they camped in this pine forest not knowing that pursuit was so close behind. At dawn they were surrounded by Union cavalry and Davis was taken prisoner. P.O. Box 425, Fitzgerald.GA 31750. **1-800-386-4642 • www.fitzgeraldga.org**

MOULTRIE

35 Moultrie-Colquitt County

Leave behind the hustle and bustle and find yourself surrounded by nature and beauty. Visit Moultrie, truly a sportsman's paradise, with outstanding hunting preserves and lodges that are home to deer, dove, turkey, quail and ducks. There is something for everyone. Come experience the southern charm of historic homes, world-class recreational facilities, cultural arts center, annual quilt exhibition, eclectic specialty shops and restaurants and be entertained by concerts, and the Spring Fling Festival. **www.moultriechamber.com**

36 Calico Arts & Crafts Shows

Held each March and November in Moultrie. These traditional handmade arts and crafts shows are a shopping extravaganza for pottery, clothing, furniture, jewelry, ornamental iron, painted glass, food gifts, leather and much more. The March event hosts 200 artists and craftsmen while the November event has 300. A variety of delicious food is available for purchase and Clogging Teams from around the South will entertain you. **229-985-1968 • www.calicocrafts.com**

37 Lights! Lights!

Join us in Downtown Moultrie every Thanksgiving Night to help kick off the holiday season. Shop in over 20 shops, ride a pony, have your picture made with Santa, visit Santa's live reindeer, join the countdown to light the most magnificent canopy of lights in South Georgia and listen to great entertainment. Thanksgiving Night, 6:00 pm, Downtown Moultrie Courthouse square. **www.moultriega.com**

38 Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition

North America's Premier Farm Show™ is held mid-October in Moultrie, with 1,200 exhibitors and a 600-acre working research farm. Showcasing the latest ag technology and equipment, highlight sections include Equipment, Livestock, Forestry, ATV, Automotive, Lawn & Garden, Ponds, Electricity, Propane Gas, Hunting & Fishing, Backyard Gardening and Family Living. Test tracks for trucks, equipment and harvesting demonstrations are held in the fields. **229.985.1968 • www.sunbeltexpo.com**

NASHVILLE

39 Nashville - Berrien County

Visit quaint one of a kind shops, tour our historic district including 1898 courthouse and 1902 jail, enjoy home style southern cuisine or take a load off and relax with a wine tasting at Horse Creek Winery. Nashville-Berrien County offers a wide array of activities complete with southern hospitality. **229-686-5123 • www.berrienchamber.com**

PELHAM

40 Pelham Wildlife Festival

This annual festival is the first Saturday in October. Great food, arts & craft vendors from all over the South, singing and dancing, 5 K Run and a Parade. There will be attractions and fun for all ages! The children's activities are in a central location where they can be kids. We wrap up with a street dance featuring local talent. Call **229-294-4924** or visit **www.pelhamchamber.org** for information.

SASSER

41 Mark's Melon Patch

Known as our famous roadside stand! Selling Georgia Made, Georgia Grown products at this Certified Farmer's Market is just one side of the patch. It is a true site to see in October when the sunflower field is in full bloom, pumpkins galore, music, kid's activities, and the famous homemade ice cream are what make Mark's Melon Patch so much fun. **229-698-4750 • www.marksmelonpatch.com**

SHELLMAN

42 Shellman Depot

The Central of Georgia Railroad built the Shellman Depot around 1868. The city, incorporated in 1885, was named after the first station master – Mr. Schellman, with the name changed to Shellman in 1908. The hub of activity for years, through passenger or commodities services, the recently renovated Depot once again functions as a center for private parties, family reunions, weddings and public functions. **www.randolphcountychamber.org**

43 Bruce's Country Corner

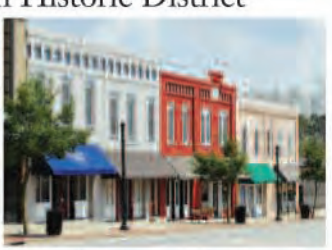
Located on Highway 82, this delightfully decorated shop features jellies, jams, relishes, sauces and other Georgia Grown, Georgia Made products and area specialties. Concrete art for the garden and seasonal local produce make shopping fun. Unique seasonal and year round gifts are available. Gift boxes and shipping services are available. **www.brucescountrycorner.com**

44 Randolph County Veterans Memorial Wall

This memorial wall lists the names of over 3,000 deceased veterans of Randolph County. The gazebo, in addition to chiming the hour, serves the community as a platform for Memorial and Veterans Day programs. Completing the triangle of tribute is a plaque designating Shellman as a Blue Star community, all serving as reminders of the sacrifices made to keep our country free. God Bless America! **www.rcgvm.org**

SYLVESTER

45 Sylvester Downtown Historic District



Downtown Sylvester is a vibrant commercial district. Tourist can take advantage of Sylvester's eclectic downtown, from sharing a story over a cup of coffee or a delicious meal, to finding that perfect gift at one of the many clothing, antique, salons, parlors, sporting goods and consignment shops. Look your best while you peruse the historic downtown. Find out what makes Sylvester truly unique. 102. S. Main St., Sylvester GA. 31791. **229-430-7735 • www.cityofsylvester.com**

46 Worth County

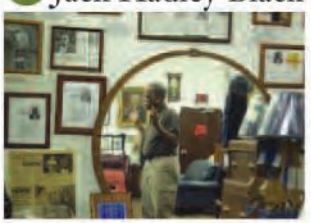
"Worth the Trip" Sylvester-Worth County is a rural paradise that Author Sue Monk Kidd, wrote about in the "Secret Life of Bees"! Home to Peter Pan Peanut Butter, luxurious plantations, Ole Engine 100, the Gourd Master Sam X's beautiful art and wood carvings, Golf Course of Pro Golfer Sonny Skinner, PGA, Tyson Animal museum where animals worldwide are displayed in their natural habitats and Pope Park the longest consecutively played baseball field in Georgia. **www.swcountychamber.com**

THOMASVILLE

47 The Big Oak & Big Oak Cam

Thomasville's majestic Big Oak is a 330+ year-old Live Oak standing at 68 feet tall with a trunk circumference of nearly 27 feet. Use the Big Oak Cam to take your photo beside the massive oak and we'll post it on the web for you to download or e-mail to friends – a perfect souvenir of Thomasville! 124 E. Monroe St., **866-577-3600 • www.thomasvillega.com**

48 Jack Hadley Black History Museum



More than 3,000 artifacts tell the story of local, state, and national African-American achievers through time. The museum features educational exhibits on Buffalo Soldiers & Tuskegee Airmen, African-American Life on the Southern Hunting Plantations, Thomasville native Lt. Henry O. Flipper – the first black graduate of West Point, and much more! 214 Alexander St., **229-226-5029 • www.jackhadleyblackhistorymuseum.com**

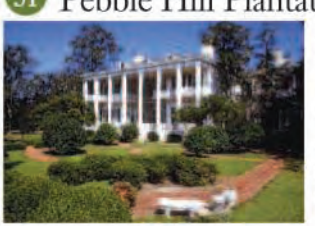
49 Thomas County Museum of History

Discover the fascinating stories of the earliest settlers and builders of the county, the cost of the Civil War, the grand Victorian Resort Era which made Thomasville famous, and the fabulous quail hunting plantations that still exist today. Then tour several historic buildings from Thomasville's past. 725 N. Dawson St., **229-226-7664 • www.thomascountyhistory.org**

50 Thomasville Rose Garden & Cherokee Lake

Take some time to stop and smell the roses at our Rose Garden where more than 500 rose bushes are in bloom April-July. The fragrant Rose Garden is located adjacent to another city owned treasure, Cherokee Lake, which boasts a walking trail, playground and covered pavilions. 420 Covington Ave., **866-577-3600 • www.thomasvillega.com**

51 Pebble Hill Plantation

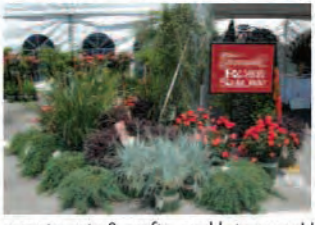


Discover a place of quiet beauty and experience a home rich in art, architecture, and history at this living museum. Visitors are welcome to explore the magnificent grounds on their own or take a guided tour of the Main House filled with exquisite antiques and the Elisabeth Ireland Poe Gallery that houses an extensive sporting art collection. 1251 U.S. Hwy. 319 South, **229-226-2344 • www.pebblehill.com**

52 Thomasville's Historic Downtown

This award winning "Great American Main Street City" is a shopper's dream-come-true. The restored Victorian storefronts put a lovely face on a fun variety of stores offering dozens of charming retail shops, antique shops, specialty stores and restaurants. The city's brick-paved streets lend an Old World feel to the bustling shopping district, which draws visitors from near and far. **229-227-7020 • www.downtownthomasville.com**

53 Rose Show & Festival



This three day event is held in beautiful historic downtown Thomasville and has been a Southwest Georgia tradition since the 1920s. Enjoy roses, roses, and more roses, parades, a street dance with live music, fantastic food, a car & truck show, flower shows, exciting sporting events, arts & crafts, and lots more! Held annually the weekend of the fourth Friday in April. **866-577-3600 • www.thomasvillega.com**

54 Victorian Christmas

Join us for two enchanted evenings revisiting Christmas past. Take an unforgettable journey back in time to the 1890s and enjoy horse drawn carriage rides, strolling carolers dressed in Victorian finery, holiday shopping, marshmallow toasting, church choirs and concert bands, holiday delicacies and of course, Jolly Old Saint Nicholas! Held annually the second Thursday and Friday in December in historic Downtown Thomasville. **866-577-3611 • www.thomasvillega.com**

TIFTON

55 Georgia Museum of Agriculture & Historic Village

Where the present meets the past! The historic village includes working farmsteads, a blacksmith shop, drug store, print shop, water-wheel grist mill and more. Costumed interpreters demonstrate the lifestyle in the old South from 1870-1910. You can even ride the steam engine train. The Museum also has an art gallery, country store, and conference center. **ww.abac.edu/museum**

56 Hilton Garden Inn Tifton

The Hilton Garden Inn is Tifton's ONLY full service hotel featuring a restaurant and lounge onsite. The hotel has 105 guest rooms & suites all featuring adjustable Garden Sleep System® Beds, microwaves & refrigerators, 32 inch HDTV's, & full size work desk with ergonomic chair. The hotel also features a 24-hour fitness center, Pavilion Pantry® convenience mart & business center along with an indoor pool & whirlpool. Meeting space for up to 200 people. **229-382-8484 • tifton.hgi.com**

57 UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center

South Georgia's largest event facility. With 95,000 square feet of space, the Center can accommodate all kinds of events. With a 2000 or a 350 seat auditorium, a large ballroom seating 1000 or fewer, if divided into smaller sections, a large reception lobby with a panoramic outdoor view, 22,000 square feet of exhibit space, the Center can provide full event planning services. Visit **www.ugatiftonconference.org** or **229-386-3416** for more information.

VALDOSTA

58 Theatre Guild Valdosta

Theatre Guild Valdosta (TGV) is an all-volunteer community theater group located in historic downtown Valdosta, GA that has been presenting some of the best theater in South Georgia since 1989. TGV is housed in the 'Dosta Playhouse, a renovated Depression-era movie theatre, and produces up to six live shows per year. Among those six shows are two children's' shows presented by The Gingerbread Players of TGV. For more information visit our website at **www.theatreguildvaldosta.com.**