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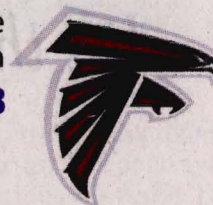
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Ribbon-cutting for FoodPIC set for Monday

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The University of Georgia (UGA) Griffin Campus will host the official ribbon-cutting for its Food Product Innovation and Commercialization (PIC) Center on Monday at 3 p.m. The public is invited to attend the ceremony on the local UGA campus on Experiment Street.

UGA President Jere Morehead and numerous state, local and UGA officials will be present for the ribbon-cutting of the 14,500-square foot facility, which is designed for short-term partnerships between food entrepreneurs and UGA scientists.

"The FoodPIC is where food entrepreneurs go with their ideas, and we turn them into reality — into physical prototypes that they can eat," said FoodPIC Director Kirk Kealey. "If they decide they want to continue their journey, we can help them with process development, package development, shelf stable studies, thermal process validation and the nutrition facts panel. We're a one-stop shop."


Prior to the groundbreaking for the facility in October 2014, the 2013 state budget allocated \$3.5 million to



The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the University of Georgia's Food Product Innovation and Commercialization (PIC) Center will be held Monday at 3 p.m. on the local UGA campus on Experiment Street. Pictured is the facility during construction in October 2016.

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Gwendolyn Hogan

Sept. 10, 1944
— Jan. 25, 2017

Griffin resident

Gwendolyn Hogan, 72, of Griffin, Georgia, passed away on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at WellStar Spalding Regional Hospital.

Gwen was born in Atlanta, and she was preceded in death by her parents, John J. and Frances Harbin Hogan; her other mother, Annie Hollingsworth; sister, Diane Belcher; and brother, Johnny Hogan. She was a former bookkeeper with Paul Heard Contractors.

Survivors include, sisters, Janet Clotfelter,

Visitation was Saturday, January 28, 2017, from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at Conner-Westbury Funeral Home, 1891 W. McIntosh Rd., Griffin. A funeral service will be conducted on Sunday, January 29, 2017, at 3 p.m. in the chapel of Conner-Westbury Funeral Home. Reverend Ralph Simmons and Janet Clotfelter will officiate. Interment will follow in Wildwood Baptist Church.

Please join the family and friends in honoring the life of Gwen Hogan by visiting www.conner-westburyfuneralhome.com and posting your tributes and memories.

Conner-Westbury Funeral Home, 1891 W. McIntosh Road, is in charge of arrangements.



FOODPIC

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construct the FoodPIC. Also, UGA and the Griffin-Spalding County Development Authority each provided \$1 million.

The FoodPIC, which will not focus on long-term food production and packaging, gives faculty members who will be working there an opportunity to develop larger batches, more materials and more fin-

ished products. In the past, scientists were constrained by the size of the existing, small pilot plant.

“The food industry is thriving in the state of Georgia, and FoodPIC is playing a leading role in its growth and economic success,” said Morehead at the groundbreaking. “Upon completion, the center will support a valuable partnership between the University of Georgia, the public sector and the global food industry.”

Program Jan. 30 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. UGA Radon Educator Gabrielle Dean will explain radon, the health risks associated with radon gas and answer any questions you might have about radon.

Young Scholar Program applications available

Young Scholar Program information and applications are available online at www.ysp.caes.uga.edu. The deadline for the online application is Jan. 31. The program is open to high school students who are at least 16.

Little Free Library to hold ribbon-cutting

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 3:30 p.m. for the Little Free Library at the Fairmont Homes CHARMS after-school program, 211 Quincy Ave., Apt. 2.

Black Heritage Festival to benefit GHS, SHS choral arts

The Griffin/Spalding Black Heritage Festival Committee presents the 4th Annual Griffin/Spalding “Black Heritage Festival” Saturday, Feb. 4, at 6 p.m. at the Griffin Auditorium 234 East Taylor St. The program benefits the Griffin and Spalding High School choral arts programs. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For tickets or for more information, contact Rosalyn Payne-Hill at 609-638-6704 or rosplay@aol.com.

Extension hosting Adopt-A-Stream workshop

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\$5,000 more.

Dix said a deputy he terminated “for conduct unbecoming went

Alexa Robinson at City of Griffin Stormwater at 770-229-6424 or arobinson@cityofgriffin.com.

Senior can get help with their taxes

Volunteers from the AARP Tax Aide Program will be at the Spalding County Senior Center to provide free tax preparation services for adults ages 50 and over. Even though it's free appointment are required. Appointments will be scheduled between the hours of 12:30 to 5 p.m., on the following dates — Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28; March 7, 14, 21, 28; and April 4, 11. Long and short forms will be processed. All tax-related records will be required to complete proper forms. The Spalding County Senior Center is at 885 Memorial Drive, Griffin. To make an appointment, call the Senior Center at 770-467-4384.

Main Street presents ‘The 39 Steps’

The Main Street Players presents “The 39 Steps” Feb. 9 to 19 with shows Thursday to Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. For tickets and more information, call 770-229-9916.

Veteran Summit coming up

DSPII (Discovering Soldiers Potential the Second Time Around) is hosting a DSPII Veteran Summit Feb. 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the UGA-Griffin Student Learning Resource Center Room 104, 1109 Experiment St. Working lunch if \$5.

Griffin Choral Arts to celebrate 10th anniversary

The board of directors of

125 people, with a ticket cost of \$25 per person. The attire is cocktail dressy, jackets for men. For more information, call 888-SING1-88 or visit the GCA website at www.griffinchoralarts.org.

Cherish The Ladies to perform

The Griffin Area Concert Association presents the Irish/American super group, Cherish The Ladies in concert at the Griffin Auditorium on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 7:30 p.m. Individual tickets are \$20 or \$15 with groups of 10 or more. Children are admitted free with a paid adult. Tickets are available at the door beginning at 7 p.m. and online at www.brownpapertickets.com. Tickets are available at the Griffin Welcome Center, First National Bank main office and Zebulon branch and A Novel Experience Bookstore in Zebulon.

For more information and to see a short video of Cherish The Ladies visit the GACA website www.griffinconcerts.org or call 770-228-3229.

40 Days for Life to hold vigil

40 Days for Life will hold a vigil from March 1 to April 9 on the public right-of-way in front of Preferred Women's Health Clinic, 519 Forest Parkway, Forest Park. The vigil hours will be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day. For more information, contact John Devlin at 770-467-0910 or johndevlin@att.net. More information is also available at 40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/forest-park/calendar.

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ment, it has become the training ground for surrounding communities. “We’re losing employ-

ed officers, “it’s in state law, if you quit before two years, you have to pay back a dollar