

AUGUST 2022 CHAMPIONS' CHRONICLE

Join the Adventure!

As a state officer team, we must complete three program of work activities in our year as officers. This year as a team we have decided to partner with Adventure Bags, Inc. for our community service program of work activity. Adventure Bags is a non-profit organization that packs bags to give to children across the state of Georgia who are going through traumatic events. These bags give children something to call their own, something to keep with them wherever they go. They partner with domestic violence shelters, Department of Family and Children Services, law enforcement, fire stations, homeless shelters, and any other organization that helps Georgia's most vulnerable children. Since beginning in 2011 this wonderful organization has been able to serve over 40,000 children all over the state of Georgia.

The way SkillsUSA Georgia Postsecondary will be able to help Adventure Bags in the next year is by donating items the organization needs at various conferences throughout the year. The organization is constantly needing donations of items that are placed inside each bag. Every bag gets a hygiene bag that comes with age-appropriate items the child will need, a journal



with pen or pencil, activity book, reading book, blanket, stuff animal, a surprise bag with a few small toys, and a flashlight.

More information about what items are needed the most will be sent out closer to conference dates. If you would like to learn more about this organization or would like to make donations before conferences, go to adventurebags.org all information needed to make donations can be found on their website.

- Ashley Watson, Parliamentarian

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Washington Leadership Training Institute (Washington, DC)

Sat, Sept. 17 - Wed, Sept. 21, 2022

Fall Leadership (Macon, GA)

Fri, Nov. 18, 2022

Adventure Bags

Donation collections will be held at the Fall Leadership conference.

- Latisha Perkins, Vice President

ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Stephanie Grant incorporates the SkillsUSA Framework into chapter efforts through mentorship and collaboration: "A technical education opens our students' minds to soft skills that are essential life skills to achieve the unthinkable," Grant said.



"I teach the importance of integrity, responsibility, teamwork, diversity, safety, and self-motivation. Personal, workplace and technical skills prepare students for leadership in the world of work."

- Justin McClellan, Reporter



Emily Pinto, President

Get to know your Officers! EMILY'S CORNER

"Hello Champions, I'm Emily Pinto! I am a Design and Media Production student at Augusta Technical College, and am studying graphic design, photography, and web interface design. Yup, I know it's a lot – but I LOVE it! In my free time, I enjoy paddleboarding, hiking, and hanging out with my bunny, Paisley! I am a BIG advocate of living out your career dream - no matter what obstacles you might face. I believe that we all have the potential to have a career we love if we work diligently to get there!"

SKILLSUSA GEORGIA POSTSECONDARY NATIONAL MEDALISTS



SILVER



GOLD



BRONZE

Barbering

Keith Longoria, Savannah Technical College

CNC Turning Specialist

Jeremiah Daws, Lanier Technical College

Early Childhood Education

Apryl Capers, Albany Technical College

Extemporaneous Speaking

Michelle Tiller, Georgia Piedmont Technical College

Medical Math

Nishi Sotkovsky, Gwinnett Technical College

Prepared Speech

Sharon Broady, Gwinnett Technical College

Promotional Bulletin Board

Joyce Carter, Glenda Lippy, & Johneshia Fuller-Johnson
Savannah Technical College

Related Technical Math

Edgar Bryant, Gwinnett Technical College

TeamWorks

Leonardo Garcia, Trey Posey, Tyler West & Finn White
Georgia Northwestern Technical College

Career Pathways-Health Services

Kimberly Mendez-Ibarra, Aylin Rodriguez, & Yoselin Rodriguez, Lanier Technical College

Community Service*

Donna Lowe, Hunter Matthews, & Crystal Sapp
Savannah Technical College
*Highest Scoring Georgia Post-Secondary Team

Esthetics

Janessa Tanelus, Lanier Technical College

Firefighting

Austin Hatcher, Lanier Technical College

Graphics Imaging Sublimation

Justin McClellan, Augusta Technical College

Health Knowledge Bowl

Logan Baker, Tina Kennedy, Chioma Ojiagbaje, & Letisha Smith, Gwinnett Technical College

Medical Terminology

Ruth Orbegoso, Gwinnett Technical College

Nurse Assisting

Steven Green, Lanier Technical College

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Antonio Bell, Bailey Creamer, Parker Fountain, Nicole Shenk, Joshua Thomas, & Chris Wilson
Oconee Fall Line Technical College

Pin Design

Nadia Harris, Wiregrass Georgia Technical College

Restaurant Service

Hannah Nelson, North Georgia Technical College

Commercial sUAS Drone Demonstration

Tyjuan Maynor & Nicholas McDuffee
Savannah Technical College

Cyber Security

Andre Dessert & Andrei Wingo, Augusta Technical College

Electrician Construction Wiring*

Brandon Howell, Wiregrass Georgia Technical College

*Highest scoring Georgia Post Secondary Individual

Job Interview

Kimberly Sadecky, South Georgia Technical College

Marine Service Technology

Colton Phillips, Lanier Technical College

Medical Assisting

Ashley Floyd, Georgia Northwestern Technical College

Occupational Health and Safety-Single

Lily Darsey, Helen Sande, & Cristian Veloso
Savannah Technical College

Television (Video) Production

Dania Alawir & Christopher McIntosh
Augusta Technical College

THE 2022-23 THEME IS...



The SkillsUSA competition theme for the 2022-23 school year was revealed at the 2022 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference.

**“Live as if you
were to die
tomorrow. Learn
as if you were
to live forever.”**

- Mahatma Gandhi

CONGRATS CHAMPIONS!

The 2022 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference was held June 20-24 in Atlanta, Georgia. Over 12,000 people from every state and all sectors of the workforce joined together at the Georgia World Congress Center to attend and compete in this national conference and competition. SkillsUSA Georgia Post-Secondary was well-represented with over 200 student members and advisors in attendance. Together, we brought home 50 medals!

**Congratulations,
Champions!**

- Paige Buhite, Secretary