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Dear Friends and Neighbors, In this edition of Fyi* South Georgia Guide, you will discover places in out local community to explore, a taste of Southern cuisine, and some of our favorite community partners.

We invited the residentsof the communities featured in the guide to submit their favorite recipe, which ranges from family favorites to the simplest for anyone learning to cook. Tips are also provided throughout the guide on topics such as getting settled into a new community and resources you may find helpful. We hope you enjoy all aspects of living in South Georgia! Feel free to contact us if you have any questions about the South Georgia area.

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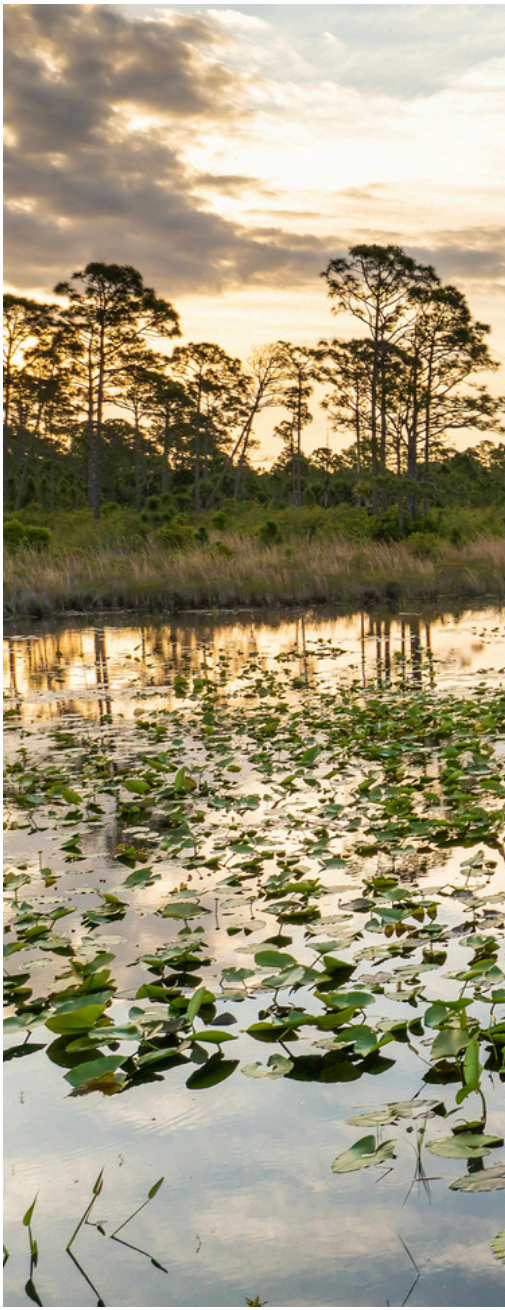
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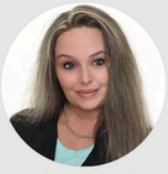
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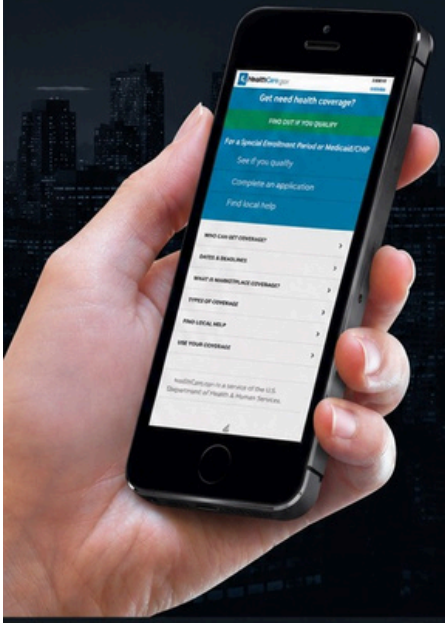
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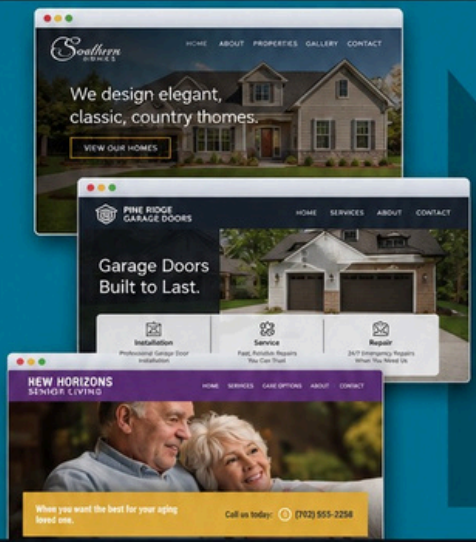
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### EMERGENCY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Cook County Sheriff's Office | 229-896-7471 |
| Non-Emergency Dispatch | 229-896-8722 |
| Animal Control | 229-896-8722 |

### HEALTHCARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Southwell Medical | 229-896-8000 |
| Cook County Health Department | 229-896-3030 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Adel (Main Line) | 229-896-4504 |
| Utilities Office | 229-896-2780 |
| Utility Outages / After Hours | 229-896-4504 |
| Locate Department | 229-896-3372 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Cook County Schools | 229-896-2294 |

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Cook County Tax Commissioner | 229-896-4569 |
| Probate Court | 229-896-3941 |
| Magistrate Court | 229-896-3151 |
| Cook County Library | 229-896-3652 |

### TRANSPORTATION & TRAVEL

| | |
|---|---|
| Georgia Dept. of Driver Services | 678-413-8400 |
| Georgia 811 (Call Before You Dig) | 811 |

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## *Need to Know Numbers*




**IMPORTANT CONTACTS FOR RESIDENTS & VISITORS**

Keep this guide handy for quick access to essential city services and community resources.

### EMERGENCY

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Lowndes County 911 (Non-Emergency) | 229-671-2000 |
| Hahira Police Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-794-9555 |
| Hahira Fire Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-794-9555 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |
| Georgia Crisis & Access Line | 988 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Hahira (Main Line) | 229-794-2011 |
| City Hall | 229-794-2011 |
| Code Enforcement | 229-794-2011 |
| Municipal Court | 229-794-8050 |
| Public Works | 229-794-2011 |
| Utility Billing | 229-794-2011 |
| Parks & Recreation | 229-794-2011 |
| Hahira Public Library | 229-794-2151 |
| Building Permits & Inspections | 229-794-2011 |

### PUBLIC SAFETY

| | |
|---|---|
| Hahira Police Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-794-9555 |
| Lowndes County Sheriff's Office (Non-Emergency) | 229-671-2900 |
| Georgia State Patrol – Valdosta Post | 229-293-3251 |
| Crime Stoppers (Remain Anonymous) | 229-333-TIPS (8477) |
| Neighborhood Watch / Community Policing | 229-794-9555 |

### HEALTH & MEDICAL

| | |
|---|---|
| South Georgia Medical Center | 229-333-1000 |
| South Georgia Medical Center – Urgent Care | 229-333-1010 |
| South Georgia Medical Center – ER | 229-333-1011 |
| SGMC Health Line (24/7 Nurse Line) | 229-333-1250 |
| Lowndes County Health Department | 229-333-5293 |
| Georgia Department of Public Health Info. | 1-866-782-4584 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Lowndes County Schools Central Office | 229-333-8500 |
| Hahira Elementary School | 229-794-4710 |
| Hahira Middle School | 229-794-4715 |
| Lowndes High School | 229-333-8550 |
| Pine Grove Middle School | 229-333-8560 |
| Lake Park Elementary School | 229-333-8570 |
| Valdosta Early College Academy | 229-333-8460 |
| Wiregrass Georgia Technical College | 229-333-5340 |
| Valdosta State University | 229-245-4111 |

### TRANSPORTATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Valdosta Regional Airport | 229-244-7711 |
| Valdosta Transit System | 229-259-3592 |
| Lowndes County Transit (CATCH) | 229-671-1456 |
| Georgia Department of Driver Services | 678-413-8400 |
| GDOT – District 4 Office (Tifton) | 229-386-5000 |
| Road Conditions (GDOT 511) | 511 |
| Amtrak – Valdosta Station | 1-800-USA-RAIL |

### COMMUNITY RESOURCES

| | |
|---|---|
| Hahira Area Chamber of Commerce | 229-794-3000 |
| Visit Valdosta (Tourism Information) | 229-247-8560 |
| Boys & Girls Club of Valdosta | 229-244-2400 |
| United Way of Lowndes County | 229-333-1818 |
| The Salvation Army – Valdosta | 229-244-4411 |
| Goodwill Industries of South Georgia | 229-244-0433 |
| Valdosta Housing Authority | 229-242-7022 |

### UTILITIES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Hahira Utilities | 229-794-2011 |
| Electric Outage (24/7) – Georgia Power | 888-891-0938 |
| Water & Sewer Emergency (24/7) | 229-794-2011 |
| Natural Gas (Atmos Energy) | 1-866-322-8667 |
| Waste Collection (City of Hahira Public Works) | 229-794-2011 |

### OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Non-Emergency Police Line | 229-794-9555 | Georgia Power (Outages & Service) | 888-891-0938 | Suicide & Crisis Lifeline | 988 |
| Non-Emergency Fire Line | 229-794-9595 | Spectrum (Cable/Internet) | 833-267-6094 | National Domestic Violence Hotline | 1-800-799-7233 |
| Animal Services (Lowndes County) | 229-671-2760 | AT&T (Customer Service) | 1-800-288-0280 | Raising & Exploited Children Hotline | 1-800-THE-LOST |
| Humane Society of Valdosta/Lowndes County | 229-244-0105 | Veterans Crisis Line (Press 1) | 988 | Text 9-1-1 (When Available) | Text 911 |

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# Sheet Pan Lemon Herb Chicken & Veggies

*An easy weeknight dinner*



Serves 4

## INGREDIENTS

- 4 boneless chicken breasts
- 1 lb baby potatoes, halved
- 12 oz fresh green beans
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp lemon juice
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/2 tsp paprika
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- Lemon slices for serving

## DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400°F and line a sheet pan.
2. Toss potatoes with half the olive oil, garlic, seasoning, paprika, salt, and pepper. Roast for 15 minutes.
3. Coat chicken with remaining olive oil and lemon juice.
4. Add chicken and green beans to the pan with the potatoes.
5. Roast 20–25 minutes more, until chicken is cooked through and vegetables are tender.
6. Serve with fresh lemon slices for a bright finish.

**KITCHEN TIP:**
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|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Lanier County Sheriff's Office | 229-482-3545 |
| City of Lakeland (Main Line) | 229-482-3100 |

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Miller Lakeland Library | 229-482-2904 |
| Lanier County Sheriff's Office | 229-482-3545 |
| Lanier County Health Department | 229-482-3294 |

### HEALTHCARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Lanier County Health Department | 229-482-3294 |

### TRANSPORTATION & TRAVEL

| | |
|---|---|
| Georgia Dept. of Driver Services | 678-413-8400 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City Hall | 229-482-3100 |
| Utilities Customer Service | 229-482-3100 |
| Citation Payments | 877-575-7233 |

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- City Hall & Utilities (229) 686-5527
- Nashville Police Department (229) 686-6558
- Fire Department (Reporting Fires) (229) 686-3331
- Berrien County EMS (229) 686-5779
- Berrien County Sheriff's Office (229) 686-7071
- SGMC Health Berrien (229) 433-8600
- Berrien County Health Department (229) 686-5411
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# LAKE PARK

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### EMERGENCY SERVICES

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|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Lake Park Police Department | 229-559-7470 |
| Lake Park Police (After Hours) | 229-245-5270 |
| Lake Park Fire Department | 229-559-1959 |

### HEALTHCARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Lake Park Clinic | 229-559-6470 |
| Lowndes County Health Department | 229-333-5257 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| Lake Park City Hall | 229-559-7470 |
| Utility Bill Payment | 229-466-0002 |
| Public Works / Utility Emergency | 229-559-7470 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Lowndes County Schools | 229-245-2250 |
| Lake Park Elementary School | 229-316-8603 |

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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| Lowndes County Sheriff's Office | 229-671-2900 |
| Lowndes County 911 (Non-Emergency) | 229-245-5270 |
| Lake Park City Hall | 229-559-7470 |

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Home to the 23d Wing, the mission of the more than 4,500 military personnel and close to 1,000 civilians is to organize, train, and employ combat-ready pararescuemen, A-10C, HH-60W, HC-130J and support forces to execute worldwide close air support, force protection and combat search and rescue operations, national security and the global war on terrorism. The base is also home to the Air Force's 93d Air Ground Operations Wing, which is the primary organization the U.S. Air Force utilizes to broker air power operations in the joint warfare environment. The 93d AGOW serves as the enduring link between the Air Force and the Army.

The men and women of Moody have historically enjoyed respect and support from area citizens, perhaps evidenced most strongly by the intense lobbying to save the base when it appeared on a closure list. Airmen know that when they get stationed at Moody, the South Georgia community is going to welcome them with open arms.

Personnel at Moody return the hospitality to the metropolitan Valdosta area. Generally, every other year, Moody hosts an open house and air show which provides the base an opportunity to give back to the local community and showcase the great mission on the base.

The public and Moody personnel enjoy access to nearby Grassy Pond, which has approximately 500 acres that is used for recreational activities such as boating, picnicking, camping, fishing, and hiking in a pristine wilderness setting. More info at www.moody.af.mil or their official Facebook @moodyairforcebase.



All activities are open to DoD card holders (unless otherwise noted). Visit moodyfss.com or facebook.com/moodyfss for more info.

# Our Facilities

**GRASSY POND (229) 559-5840**
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**Open to the public!** This 500-acre recreational area contains cabins, RV sites, tent sites, group shelters, nature trails, grills and other amenities. The major fishing area offers a variety of activities for guests such as a boat launch for personal boats. Park entry is FREE for Military/DoD ID cardholders, and $5 per vehicle up to six passengers and $2 per each additional person for the public. Grassy Pond is located at 5360 Grassy Pond Rd., Lake Park, GA.

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**bowling Center (229) 257-1690**
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### Family Member Programs
### Child Development Center (229) 257-9290
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## *Important Contacts for Our Military Community*



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### INFORMATION LINE
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Lake Park Police Department ..... 229-559-7470
Lake Park Police (After Hours) ..... 229-245-5270
Lake Park Fire Department ..... 229-559-1959

### HEALTHCARE
Lake Park Clinic ..... 229-559-6470
Lowndes County Health Department ..... 229-333-5257

### ARMY AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE (AAFES)
4343 George St.
229-257-3431

### AUTO SHOP
229-257-3056

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229-257-3211

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229-257-9220
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### COMMAND POST
229-257-3501

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229-257-2989

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### FIRE DEPARTMENT
Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency:
229-257-3102

### FITNESS CENTER
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### GRASSY POND
5360 Grassy Pond Rd.
Lake Park, GA 31636
229-559-5840

### LIBRARY
229-257-3539

### MEDICAL CLINIC
229-257-2778
1-800-889-3041

### MOODY FIELD CLUB
4251 George St. Bldg 901
229-257-3792

### YOUTH CENTER
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### MOODY INN
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### POST OFFICE
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### PUBLIC AFFAIRS
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### THE SPOT
Bowling Center
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### COMMUNITY CENTER
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### INFORMATION, TICKETS & TRAVEL
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### OUTDOOR ADVENTURES
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### RETIREE AFFAIRS
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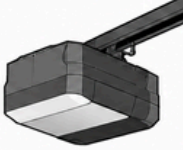
### COMMISSARY
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Important contacts and resources for residents, businesses and visitors.

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Thomasville Police Department | 229-226-2345 |
| Thomasville Fire Department | 229-225-4380 |
| Thomas County Sheriff's Office | 229-225-4380 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |

### HEALTHCARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Archbold Medical Center | 229-228-2000 |
| Archbold Behavioral Health | 229-228-2000 |
| Doctors Memorial Hospital | 229-228-1000 |
| Thomasville Urgent Care | 229-236-2273 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Thomasville (Main Line) | 229-227-7000 |
| City Hall | 229-227-7001 |
| Public Works | 229-227-7080 |
| Utilities Customer Service | 229-227-7009 |
| Municipal Court | 229-227-7015 |
| Thomasville Housing Authority | 229-228-2091 |
| Parks & Recreation | 229-227-7020 |
| Thomasville Public Library | 229-225-8020 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Thomasville City Schools Central Office | 229-225-4380 |
| Harper Elementary School | 229-225-2600 |
| Jerger Elementary School | 229-225-2601 |
| MacIntyre Park Middle School | 229-225-2602 |
| Thomasville High School | 229-225-2603 |

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Georgia Power (Customer Service) | 1-888-660-5890 |
| Thomas County Tax Commissioner | 229-225-4136 |
| Thomas County Tag Office | 229-225-4136 |
| Thomas County Board of Elections | 229-225-4487 |
| Thomas County Clerk of Court | 229-225-4131 |
| USPS (Thomasville Post Office) | 229-226-3777 |
| Waste Management (Trash Service) | 866-319-5397 |
| Tift Regional Health System (24/7 Nurse Line) | 229-707-4960 |
| Animal Control | 229-227-7287 |

### TRANSPORTATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Thomasville Police (Non-Emergency) | 229-226-2345 |
| Thomasville Transit System | 229-227-7000 |
| Georgia Dept. of Driver Services | 229-226-4131 |
| South Georgia Regional Airport (TMA) | 229-226-2604 |

### COMMUNITY & SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| Thomasville-Thomas County Chamber | 229-226-9600 |
| Thomasville Visitors Center | 229-226-7487 |
| Senior Citizens Center | 229-227-7020 |
| Goodwill Industries | 229-225-3636 |
| American Red Cross (SW GA Chapter) | 229-246-2200 |
| The Salvation Army | 229-226-3446 |
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### EMERGENCY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Tifton Police Department | 229-382-3132 |
| Tifton Fire Department | 229-391-3972 |

### HEALTHCARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Tift Regional Medical Center | 229-382-7120 |
| Southwell ExpressCare | 229-391-4080 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Tifton | 229-382-6231 |
| Public Works | 229-391-3944 |
| Utilities | 229-391-3949 |
| Customer Service | 229-391-3957 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Tift County Schools | 229-387-2400 |
| Tift County High School | 229-387-2475 |

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Tifton-Tift County Public Library | 229-386-7148 |
| Solid Waste | 229-391-3975 |
| Tifton-Tift County Landfill | 229-556-6222 |
| Senior Center | 229-556-6189 |

### TRANSPORTATION & TRAVEL

| | |
|---|---|
| Georgia Dept. of Driver Services | 678-413-8400 |

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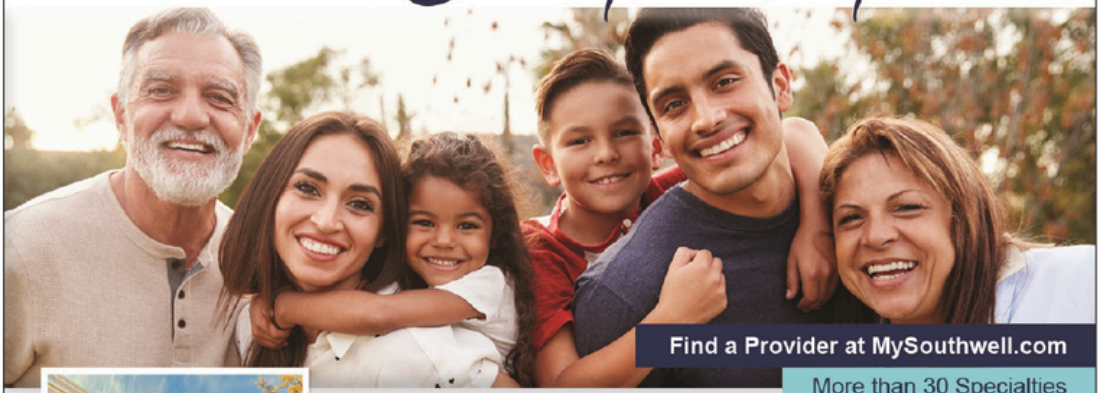



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# Chicken Salad Croissant Sandwiches

*A fresh lunch favorite*



Serves 4

## INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups cooked shredded chicken
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup diced celery
- 1/4 cup halved red grapes
- 2 tbsp chopped pecans
- 1 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 4 croissants
- Lettuce leaves

## DIRECTIONS

1. In a bowl, combine chicken, mayonnaise, celery, grapes, pecans, mustard, and lemon juice.
2. Season with salt and pepper, then stir until well mixed.
3. Chill for 20 minutes for best flavor.
4. Slice croissants in half and add lettuce leaves.
5. Spoon chicken salad onto the croissants.
6. Serve immediately, or wrap for a simple lunch on the go.

**KITCHEN TIP:**
*For extra Southern flair, add a pinch of paprika and serve with fruit or kettle chips.*




# ANNUAL EVENTS



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La Fiesta del Pueblo
National Forestry Pageant
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Broncs & Bulls Rodeo



**OCTOBER**
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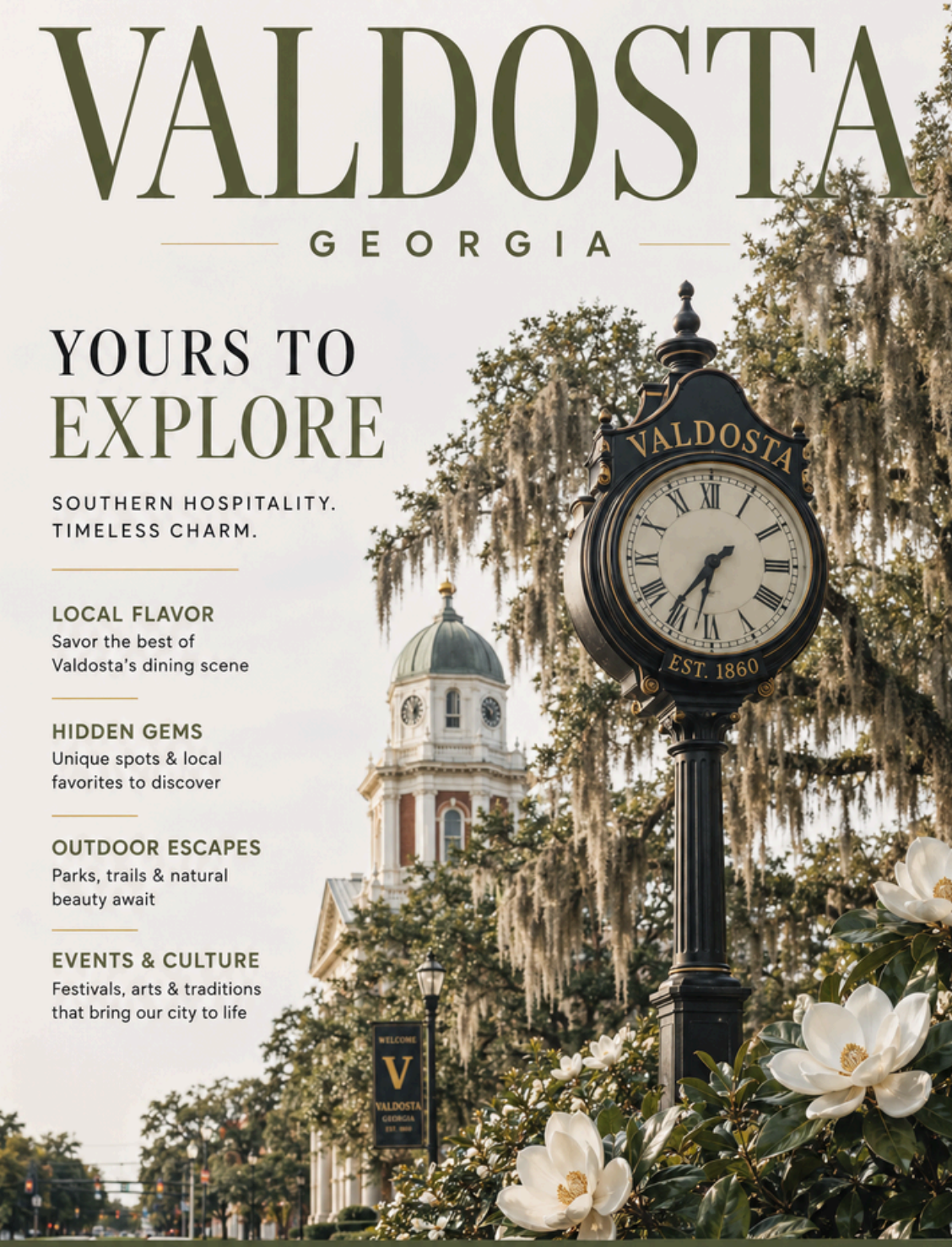
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### EMERGENCY

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency (Police • Fire • Medical) | 911 |
| Valdosta Police Department | 229-293-3145 |
| Valdosta Fire Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-293-3144 |
| Lowndes County 911 (Non-Emergency) | 229-671-2900 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |
| Georgia Crisis & Access Line | 988 |

### CITY SERVICES

| | |
|---|---|
| City of Valdosta (Main Line) | 229-259-3500 |
| City Hall | 229-259-3507 |
| Code Enforcement | 229-259-3570 |
| Municipal Court | 229-333-6530 |
| Valdosta Utilities Customer Service | 229-259-3548 |
| Business License Office | 229-259-3530 |
| Parks & Recreation | 229-259-3540 |
| Valdosta Public Library | 229-333-6540 |
| Building Permits & Inspections | 229-259-3540 |

### PUBLIC SAFETY

| | |
|---|---|
| Valdosta Police Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-293-3145 |
| Valdosta Fire Department (Non-Emergency) | 229-293-3144 |
| Lowndes County Sheriff's Office | 229-671-2900 |
| Georgia State Patrol – Valdosta Post | 229-293-3251 |
| Crime Stoppers (Remain Anonymous) | 229-333-TIPS (8477) |
| Neighborhood Watch / Community Policing | 229-293-3145 |

### HEALTH & MEDICAL

| | |
|---|---|
| South Georgia Medical Center | 229-333-1000 |
| South Georgia Medical Center – Urgent Care | 229-333-1010 |
| South Georgia Medical Center – ER | 229-333-1011 |
| SGMC Health Line (24/7 Nurse Line) | 229-333-1250 |
| Lowndes County Health Department | 229-333-5293 |
| Georgia Department of Public Health Info | 1-866-782-4584 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |

### SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Lowndes County Schools Central Office | 229-333-8500 |
| Valdosta High School | 229-333-8550 |
| Valdosta Middle School | 229-333-8560 |
| J.L. Lomax Elementary School | 229-333-8570 |
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| Valdosta State University | 229-245-4111 |

### TRANSPORTATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Valdosta Regional Airport | 229-244-7711 |
| Valdosta Transit System | 229-259-3592 |
| Lowndes County Transit (CATCH) | 229-671-1456 |
| Georgia Department of Driver Services | 678-413-8400 |
| GDOT – District 4 Office (Tifton) | 229-386-5000 |
| Road Conditions (GDOT 511) | 511 |
| Amtrak – Valdosta Station | 1-800-USA-RAIL |

### COMMUNITY RESOURCES

| | |
|---|---|
| Valdosta-Lowndes Chamber of Commerce | 229-247-8100 |
| Visit Valdosta (Tourism Information) | 229-247-8560 |
| Boys & Girls Club of Valdosta | 229-244-2400 |
| United Way of Lowndes County | 229-333-1818 |
| The Salvation Army – Valdosta | 229-244-6411 |
| Goodwill Industries of South Georgia | 229-244-0433 |
| Valdosta Housing Authority | 229-242-7022 |

### UTILITIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Valdosta Utilities Customer Service | 229-259-3548 |
| Electric Outage (24/7) | 229-259-3550 |
| Water & Sewer Emergency (24/7) | 229-259-3550 |
| Natural Gas (Atmos Energy) | 1-866-322-8667 |
| Waste Collection (Public Works) | 229-259-3510 |

### OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Non-Emergency Police Line | 229-293-3145 | Georgia Power (Outages & Service) | 1-888-891-0938 | Suicide & Crisis Lifeline | 988 |
| Non-Emergency Fire Line | 229-293-3144 | Spectrum (Cable/Internet) | 1-833-267-6094 | National Domestic Violence Hotline | 1-800-799-7233 |
| Animal Services (Lowndes County) | 229-671-2760 | AT&T (Customer Service) | 1-800-288-2020 | Missing & Exploited Children Hotline | 1-800-THE-LOST |
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- Pay applicable fees
- Surrender your out-of-state license

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|---|---|
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| • ID Card (4 years) | $20.00 |

*Fees are subject to change. Check dds.georgia.gov for updates.*

## WHAT TO BRING

You must provide original documents (no copies) from ALL 3 categories:

1. **IDENTITY**
   U.S. Passport, Certified Birth Certificate, or Certificate of Naturalization
2. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**
   Social Security Card, W-2, or SSA document
3. **TWO PROOFS OF GEORGIA RESIDENCY**
   Utility bill, lease agreement, bank statement, pay stub, or government mail

*All documents must show your name and Georgia address.*

## UPGRADE TO A REAL ID

A REAL ID is required for domestic air travel and access to certain federal facilities.

*Look for the star in the upper right corner of your card.*

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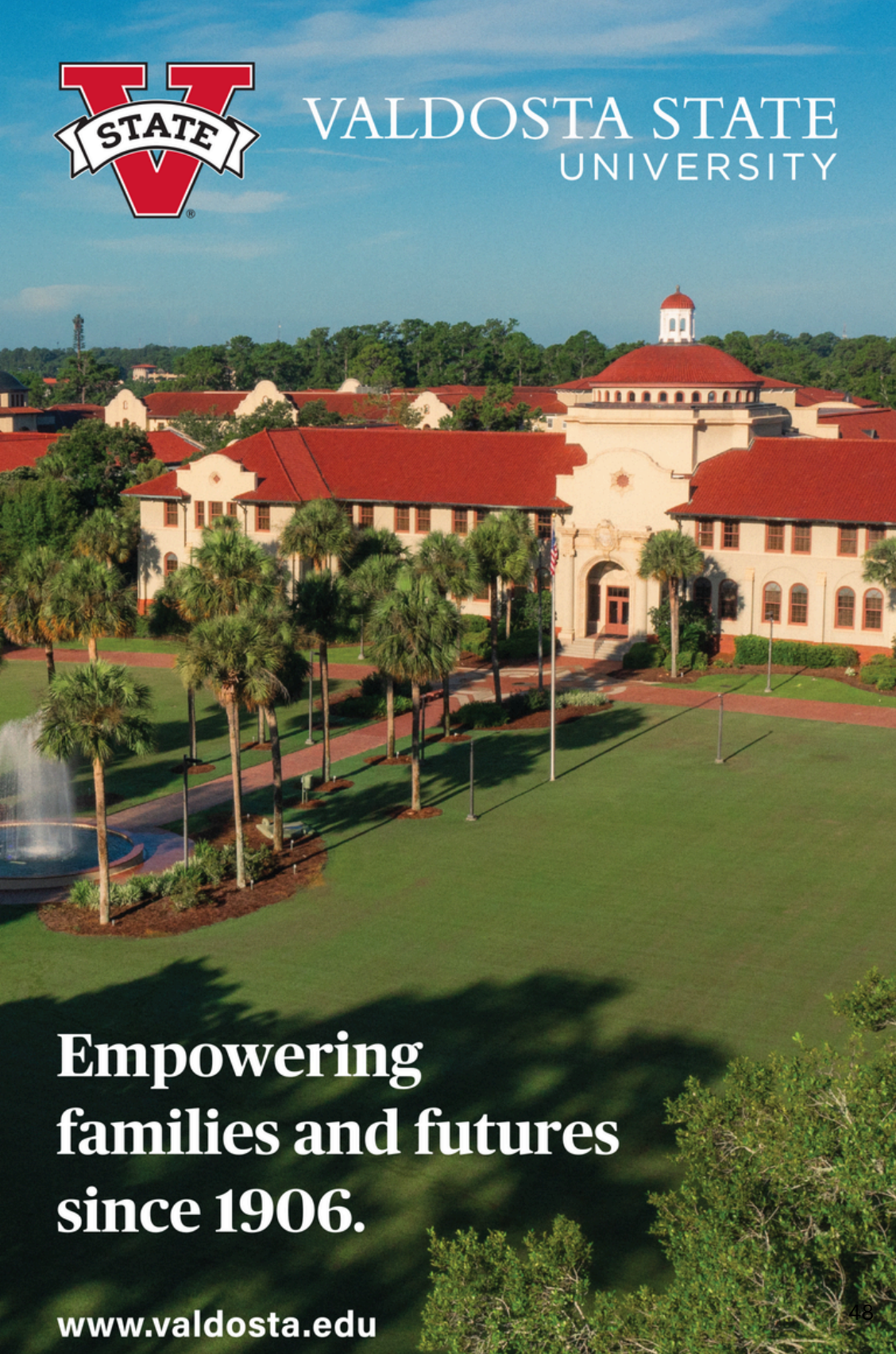
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