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Keri Moreland Recognized as Employee of the Year

Other Awards Also Presented Ending Fiscal Year 2011 for Camden County Government

Woodbine, Ga. (August 17, 2011) – Camden County Government feels strongly about the importance of recognizing the efforts of its most valued resources, the employees. The employees work hard on a daily basis to serve the citizens and contribute to the quality of life in our community. It has been known that employees are motivated by many different things -- appreciation ranking higher on the list than most. While budgets are slim and employees may not receive appreciation in the form of monetary pay raises, it is essential now more than ever to continue to celebrate the accomplishments of the most outstanding employees in other ways.

On Tuesday, August 16, 2011 the 3rd Annual Employee Awards Ceremony was held prior to the regular Board of County Commissioners meeting. Throughout the year employees are encouraged to utilize the established Employee of the Quarter program to nominate and recognize the efforts of their peers. The Employee of the Quarter winners for Fiscal Year 2011 included: Joey Clark, Keri Moreland, Stuart Sullivan, and James "Matt" Howell. At the end of each year, one of the Employees of the Quarter winners is awarded the distinction of Employee of the Year at a formal Employee Awards Ceremony. This year the distinguished honor of Employee of the Year was presented to Keri Moreland from the Department of Finance and Budget's purchasing office.

Keri has been described as "a team player who is committed to her job and to the Camden County organization. She genuinely wants to make this organization and our community a better place. Her enthusiasm to learn new things and desire to help others are two qualities that embody what it means to be Employee of The Year. She goes well beyond her job description to help and work with anyone who asks, always with an upbeat and happy attitude no matter what the task at hand demands. She

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epitomizes a strong work ethic and is focused on doing the best job possible for the County and fellow employees."

Other awards were also presented to Stuart Sullivan (Humanitarian), Clyde Miller (Safety Warrior), Kathy Johnson (Thrifty Nickel), Katie Bishop (Shining Star-Customer Service), Jennifer Carver (Super Star-Most Dedicated), and Tara Smith (Rising Star-Future Leader). Departmental Most Valuable Player awards were awarded to Audrey Mitchell, Clyde Miller, David Dugan, Keith Dukes, Robert Butler, Marilyn Sheffield, Cindy Vachon, Rebecca Gorton, Amber Defore, Betty Furlow, Kevin Chaney, and Betsy Parker. Additionally, County Administrator presented two of his own awards to Adam Kabasakalian (Leadership) and Butch Kennedy (Teamwork).



Pictured from left: Keri Moreland, Employee of the Year 2011, and Julie Swick, Chair, Employee Recognition Committee

"The contributions of County employees are what keep the County running. Their efforts are sincerely appreciated as they continuously focus on excellence and take pride in public service. What's amazing is the attitude the employees display on all occasions, even in the face of current challenging times" said Steve L. Howard, County Administrator.

This event was held at no costs to the citizens and would not have been possible without the support of our sponsors. The following sponsors generously donated monetary funds and/or in-kind services for the ceremony: Southeastern Bank, Advanced Disposal, TDS Telecom, Moreland Altobelli & Associates, Commissioner and Board Chair David L. Rainer, Commissioner Willis R. Keene, Jr., Commissioner Jimmy Starline, Commissioner Gary Blount, Commissioner Chuck Clark, County Attorney Brent Green, County Administrator Steve L. Howard, Sheila Vickers, Joe Mullins Photography, Longhorn Steak House, Ruby Tuesday, and Millhouse Steak House.

On behalf of Camden County's Employee Recognition Committee, congratulations to all of the award winners for 2011! YOU make the difference!

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