COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	County Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Board of Commissioners
Meeting Date:	Thursday, February 24, 2011	Type of Request:	Presentation/Recognition

Wording for the Agenda:

Recognition of members of the Starr's Mill High School Panthers Football Team who won the State Region III AAAA Championship in high school football.

Background/History/Details:

The 2010 Starr's Mill High School Football team set many school records in route to the school's first appearance in the State Championship Game. First year head coach Chad Phillips led the Panthers to a school record 14 wins and only one defeat. Key wins along the way were a 21-14 win over rival Whitewater, a 20 point comeback win in the playoffs against Brunswick, and a final minute win over perennial power Tucker in the state semi-finals. All of this success resulted in Starr's Mill High School earning the Region III AAAA Championship.

Members of the team, accompanied by their coach Chad Phillips will be present.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Recognition of the Starr's Mill High School football team for their accomplishments in 2010.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past?	No	If so, when?	
Do you need audio-visual for the presentation?	No	Back-up Material Submitted?	No

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Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	Approved by County Clerk	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

2010 Starr's Mill Football

FAYETTEVILLE, GA—February 17, 2011—The 2010 Starr's Mill High School Football team set many school records in route to the school's first appearance in the State Championship Game. First year head coach Chad Phillips led the Panthers to a school record 14 wins and only 1 defeat. Key wins along the way were a 21-14 win over rival Whitewater, a 20 point comeback win in the playoffs against Brunswick, and a final minute win over perennial power Tucker in the state semi-finals.

On the field, the team was led by running back Zach Laskey, who has signed a scholarship to play at Georgia Tech. Zach ran for a school record 1,515 yards and 22 touchdowns while also filling in at defensive back and linebacker on defense. Quarterback Adam Holley, who signed to play at West Georgia, was a duel threat as a runner and passer and was an impressive leader on and off the field. His main target was receiver Jeff Greene, also a Georgia Tech signee, who made many big catches during the Panther's run in the state playoffs.

The strong senior leadership and experienced coaching staff came together in 2010 and provided the Starr's Mill community with a run that will be remembered for a long time. The result of hard work, the Panthers also will have many players competing in college in the next few years after earning college scholarships. The following 2011 graduates will represent the Panther football program at the collegiate level starting in 2011:

1) Jeff Greene – Georgia Tech
2) Zach Laskey – Georgia Tech
3) Adam Holley – University of West Georgia
4) Jack Thomas – University of West Georgia
5) Alex Barr – North Carolina State
6) Eric Armagost – Brown University
7) Ufumba Kamalu – Butler Community College
8) Ryan Nowicki – University of Mississippi
9) Matt Hubbard – Georgia State University
10) Elijah Goodrich – Shorter University

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