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Flag for USS Georgia honored

Local officials gathered Friday, Jan. 4, at the Stephens County Courthouse Annex to recognize and honor a state flag which will be carried aboard Ohio class nuclear submarine USS Georgia. The flag is traveling to all 159 counties in the state along with a log to be signed by each county's governmental representatives. Gov. Sonny Perdue will present the flag and log book to the submarine's commanding officer during a return to service ceremony March 28 at Kings Bay Naval Station in St. Mary's, Ga. The Georgia has undergone a conversion to transform the vessel from a nuclear ballistic submarine to a cruise missile attack platform. It is one of four Ohio class submarines to have undergone the change. Pictured at the flag recognition and log book signing in Stephens County were (from left) a U.S. Navy representative, Toccoa Mayor David Austin, Stephens County Commission Chairman Kenneth Peoples, city commissioner Janice English, county commissioner Rex Anderson and Georgia Mountains Regional Development Center representative Danny Lewis.

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