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## LaGrange Mayor Proclaims October 27<sup>th</sup> Pat Alger Day



**LaGrange, Ga. October 30, 2017** – LaGrange Mayor Jim Thornton made an official proclamation Friday for LaGrange native and Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame Member Pat Alger.

Alger performed Friday at LaGrange College as a part of ExploreGeorgia.org’s Songwriters Series.

October 27<sup>th</sup> will now be officially known as Pat Alger’s Day in LaGrange, Georgia.

Alger graduated from LaGrange High School in 1965. Many of the songs he wrote were inspired by his life in LaGrange, specifically “Small Town, Saturday Night.”

He has written hit songs for many country music stars including Garth Brooks who recorded his songs “Unanswered Prayers” and “The Thunder Rolls.”

Alger performed with other songwriters E.G. Kight and Johnny Bulford. Bulford

performed in place of Tony Arata who was not able to make the concert because of a recent fall.



*LaGrange Mayor Thornton presenting proclamation to the city to Pat Alger*

What made the evening particularly special was the fact much of the audience was made up of his classmates. Eighty members of the LHS



Class of 1965 bought the first 4 four rows at the concert.

When the proclamation was read for Alger, he received a standing ovation.

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