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Kent named new Piedmont Newton CEO

Former president, CEO of medical center in Newnan

By **BRETT FOWLER**
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COVINGTON — In the midst of a global pandemic, Piedmont Newton is bringing in new leadership.

The Newton County hospi-

tal announced Wednesday it had hired 18-year healthcare veteran David Kent as its new CEO. Kent replaces Dr. Eric Bour, who stepped down to return to the operating room to specialize in breast and general surgery.

“David has distinguished



David Kent

himself during his career as a successful healthcare executive and we are excited for him to join Piedmont,” Kevin Brown, President and CEO of Piedmont Healthcare, said. “Piedmont exists to serve its local communities and we were impressed with his desire to live in and serve Newton County and the surrounding communities.”

Kent most recently served as senior vice president of

business development for Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) Health. His previous administrative experience includes a stint as president and CEO of its Southeastern Regional Medical Center in Newnan, during which he grew the hospital's employee base from 178 to more than 900 full-time employees and 200 physicians. His efforts at Southeastern Regional Medical Center

earned the hospital the 2015 Atlanta Journal Constitution “Best Places to Work” designation.

“I'm excited to join Piedmont Newton and become a part of an organization that shares my values of providing high-quality, patient-centered care,” Kent said. “I have long been familiar with the Piedmont system and am looking forward to becoming

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A Cessna 414 takes flight at Covington Municipal Airport. File Photo

Airport gets COVID-19 recovery funds

Set to pick up \$30,000 from C.A.R.E.S. act

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COVINGTON — Covington Municipal Airport will get \$30,000 as part of the federal recovery funds.

Sens. David Perdue and Kelly Loeffler announced \$411 million for 97 Georgia airports as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Recovery and Economic Stability Act passed last month and signed by President Donald Trump.

The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded about \$10 billion in grants to airports across the country to help replace lost revenue and support airport operations and services, including payroll and utilities.

“As home to the world's busiest airport, Georgia has been particularly hard-hit by reduced air travel,” Perdue said.

“Declining revenues are forcing airports to choose between paying their bills and making payroll. The

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Newton County topped 120 cases of Coronavirus as of noon Friday

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COVINGTON — Nearly 6,000 more cases of COVID-19 were confirmed in Georgia this week.

According to a report from the Georgia Department of Public Health, Newton County had 121 confirmed cases of COVID-19 with three deaths as of noon Friday, April 17. The three deaths were males ages 85, 77 and 61, all of whom had underlying health conditions.

Across the state, 17,194 have now contracted the novel coronavirus. The DPH reported that there have been 3,324 hospitalizations and 650 deaths. At noon last Friday, April 10, the state reported 11,483 cases with 2,351 hospitalizations and 416 deaths.

Fulton County, where the first confirmed COVID-19 case in Georgia was reported, continues

to have the most cases in the state with 2,025. Dougherty has the second-most cases at 1,381, as well as 91 deaths — the most in Georgia.

Nearby Gwinnett became the first surrounding county to top 1,000 confirmed cases this week. It came in at 1,017 cases and 36 deaths Friday. Henry clocked in at 344 cases and five deaths, followed by Rockdale with 116 cases and six deaths, Walton at 59 cases and three deaths and Butts with 40 cases and no deaths.

The number of cases in Georgia has continued to climb in recent weeks, due in large part to a spike in testing.

The state partnered with CVS Health to open a drive-through testing facility at Georgia Tech last week. The facility has been able to administer up to 1,000 tests daily.

More testing was made available Thursday when the Gwinnett, See **CASES**, Page A2

Former county commissioner, city councilman

passes away

White dies at 75-years-old

By **MASON WITTNER**
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COVINGTON — Darwin Hubert White, former county commissioner and longtime Oxford City Councilman, died Monday evening. He was 75.

After graduating from Newton County High School in 1963, White devoted his time to giving back to the local community. He spent his first few years out of high school working for Lockheed Martin before pioneering a construction business in 1970. Through that, he built homes and developed subdivisions throughout Newton County.

Additionally, he served on the Oxford City Council in his 20s before later serving as a Newton County Commissioner from 1992 to 2000.

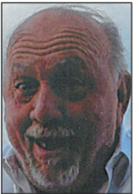
White was deeply invested in Newton County. He built lasting relationships with citizens through his business and political ventures, and was beloved by many.

“Hubert gave back more than anyone I've ever seen,” Fay White said of her late husband. “He donated money for a basketball court beside the Church of Covington. He gave rides, money and anything he could to the people in recovery. Most of all, he was present for his community no matter who you were or where you came from.”

White's son, Austin, spoke highly of his father as well.

“I think my dad was the community,” Austin said. “He was a community man. He just gave no matter what the circumstances. He was for the community and made sure that no matter what he had to do, he wanted to impact and build a personal relationship with the people in the community.”

A drive-through visitation will be held for White at Lawnwood Memorial Park on Wednesday, April 22.



Darwin Hubert White

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Fuesting resigns, Schirmer's contract not set to auto-renew

Social Circle has shake-up in leadership

By DAVID CLEMONS
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SOCIAL CIRCLE — Police Chief Jeff Fuesting has resigned, and the City Council voted last week not to allow the city manager's contract to renew automati-

ically. Mayor David Keener said City Manager Adele Schirmer accepted Fuesting's resignation last Thursday, effective April 19.

The council met in executive session for 3 1/2 hours last Friday night and afterward voted not to let Schirmer's contract renew automatically in October.

Keener said if the council hadn't taken

action before Saturday, the automatic renewal would have gone into effect. "This does not mean she will not be the city manager after October of this year but does mean that her current contract will expire in October without automatic renewal," Keener said.

He declined to comment late Friday about his hopes for Schirmer's future with the city and said he would issue a statement Saturday. Keener became mayor in January after several years on the City Council, including a council

tenure where Schirmer was hired. In fact, he made the motion to hire her in August 2015. She was hired by unanimous vote of the City Council.

She was the lone finalist out of 43 applicants for the job. Schirmer came to Social Circle from Blacksburg, Virginia, where her 26-year career culminated in serving as the director of engineering and geographic information systems.

"I am committed to the best interest of the city and community, as always," Schirmer said

Saturday morning. "I have and continue to serve at the pleasure of the mayor and council."

Schirmer succeeded Ross Hubbard, who was interim city manager for four months after the surprise termination of longtime City Manager Doug White.

Fuesting told The Covington News' sister publication, The Walton Tribune, he has accepted a job in the private sector and won't be able to identify his new employer until he begins there on April 20.

Fuesting came to town in October.

Gov. Brian Kemp tapped police Chief Tyrone Oliver, Schirmer's first big hire after coming to Social Circle, to lead the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice.

Sgt. James Pilgrim served as the interim chief, with Fuesting taking the reins Oct. 7. He previously served as the chief of police in Effingham, Illinois.

Pilgrim resigned Nov. 26 amid an investigation into alleged racist comments and shredded documents. After his resignation, Schirmer said she was not aware of "the detail and extent of the inappropriate behavior" until the investigation Fuesting led.



Adele Schirmer



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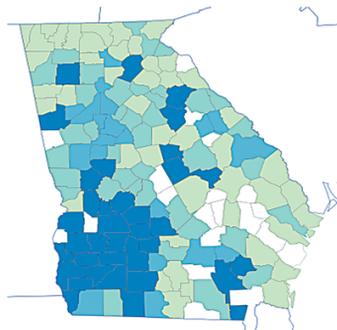
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Newton and Rockdale County Health Departments teamed up to open a drive-through testing site at the Georgia International Horse Park in Conyers. Scheduled appointments with the Health Department were required, but doctor referrals were not.

An estimated 300 tests were administered at the new Horse Park testing site on the first day, according to the Health Department.

"This is a fantastic collaboration between Rockdale and Newton County Governments, their EMAs and the Health Department," said Dr. Audrey Arona, district health director and CEO of Gwinnett, Newton and

COVID-19 Confirmed Case Rate per 100,000 persons by County



COVID-19 Confirmed Case Rate per 100,000 persons *Based on patient county of residence when known

Legend: *Not Presented, 18.6 - 79, 79.1 - 139.5, 139.6 - 200, 200 - 2036.9

Rate indicates the number of cases among Georgia residents per 100,000 population using 2019 Census data projections as the denominator. Rates for counties with fewer than 5 cases may not be accurate and are not presented in this report.

Rockdale County Health Departments.

As of noon Friday, 71,648 total tests had been administered throughout the state. The DPH lab ran 4,616 tests, resulting in 930 people testing positive. At com-

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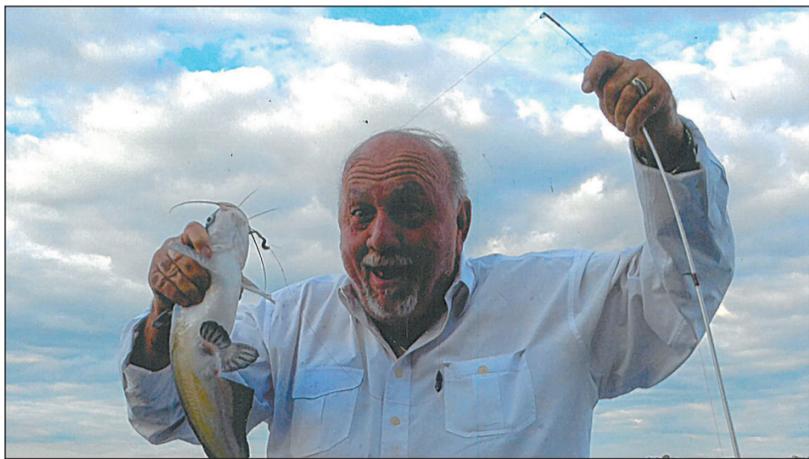
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Hubert White enjoying one of his favorite pastimes. Contributed photo

Darvin Hubert White
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Darvin Hubert White was born March 20, 1945 in Statesboro, Georgia to Darvin and Rita Ward White, who have preceded him in death. As a child, his family moved to Oxford, Georgia where he grew up. He was a 1963 graduate of Newton County High School where he excelled in track and field and was one of the state's best in running the mile. After high school, he was accepted into the Lockheed engineering apprenticeship program where he graduated number one in his class. After working at Lockheed for a number of years, he decided to pursue his passion, and started his own home-building business in 1970. He had a natural talent for designing unique homes with exquisite details. He was a student of classic architecture and built homes that reflected that style with extraordinary trim and woodwork and the maximum use of space. As a builder, he built homes of every size and style, and developed countless subdivisions in Newton County. He was a true perfectionist and was fully devoted to each and every project he took on, working endless hours until he achieved his vision. His family and associates were often told "If it's worth doing, it's worth over-doing." While growing his building business, he also became an entrepreneur, owning and operating several convenience stores, including White's Superette and a video store in the 1980s. He also devoted years to the renovation of his personal home on Floyd Street. He painstakingly preserved much of the dilapidated antebellum home, restoring it to its original glory while adding on to it extensively. Restoring the Neal-Sanders-Ramsey-White home took enormous effort and was his dream home. As his building and development business grew over the years, he continued to plan and dream of what was next. He had a relentless pursuit of excellence in everything he did and never retired professionally.

In addition to his business ventures, he had a lifelong interest in politics. While in his twenties, he served on the Oxford City Council, and

was the youngest person to do so at that time.

He proudly served as a Newton County Commissioner from 1992-2000, and never missed a county meeting while in office. He developed close friendships with many of his fellow commissioners and with them he helped bring a tremendous amount of industry and growth to Newton County. Through his political interests, he was privileged to meet many dignitaries and politicians, including President George W. Bush. He was also very proud to have helped found and serve on the GRN (Gwinnett Rockdale Newton) Community Service Board and was always committed to helping people in recovery and mental health. He donated time and effort to Metro Atlanta Recovery Residences (MARR), even purchasing and renovating the "Women's Recovery Center".

Hubert had many passions. He loved fishing, dove and quail hunting, going to the beach and on cruises, and watching sports, especially the Atlanta Braves. For many years, he coached all three of his sons' (Hugh, Scott and Austin) baseball teams and led several of them to championship tournaments, including a trip to the Dixie Boys World Series with his son, Hugh, in 1980. Without question he loved the beautiful game of baseball because it so closely resembles the "game" of life. Coaching gave him an opportunity to mentor, teach and encourage young people, which he loved to do.

Hubert was a larger than life character who lived life to the fullest. He was extremely passionate, talented, smart, opinionated, and always spoke his mind. Those who knew him well knew him to have a huge heart, a kind, generous and fun spirit, a big laugh, and a self-deprecating sense of humor. He was always grounded by his family and his unfailing faith in the blessed Trinity: God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. His pride and joy in life was his family, especially his wife Fay, his children and grandchildren. Words are inadequate to express how very much he loved his

family and his heritage. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Darvin "Hugh" White.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Fay, and his children, Anna and Austin White, Scott White (and wife Elizabeth), Heather White-McClane (and husband Matt); Stepsons, Zach Thomason and Jacob Thomason (and wife Kelsey); Grandchildren, Tristan M. and Darvin "Cole" White, Irelyn and Evalee Thomason, Matthew and Madison McClane; his former wife, Linda Patterson (Charlie), Sister, Joyce Sullivan (Larry); Niece and nephew, Kristen Sullivan (Harry), and Justin Sullivan (Heather); Aunt and Uncles, Bobbie and Floy Thackston and Denver Ward, father-in-law Weldon Webster, brother-in-law John Webster (Patty), nieces Rachel Reis(Jeromy) Nanette Lanoue (Brad) nephew Daniel Webster (Elizabeth) great nieces Raelyn Reis, Piper Reis, Norah Reis and Freya Lanoue, as well as countless close friends and relatives.

The family offers an opportunity for those desiring to pay their respects between the hours of 12:00pm until 2:00pm on Wednesday, April 22, 2020, with a drive through visitation at Lawnwood Memorial Park, 1111 Access Road, Covington, GA 30014. You will pass in front of the Memory Chapel Mausoleum and express to the family your support with a wave or a kind gesture. In his memory please consider donating to MARR (www.marrinc.org /678-805-5140).

During this time of Covid 19/Coronavirus pandemic and social distancing requirements no one will be allowed to stop during this time. Please know that the family appreciates your prayers, kind thoughts, and considerations during this difficult time. Please leave your condolences and comments for the family at the Tribute Wall of this announcement. Arrangements are being handled by J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home, 2157 East Street, SE, Covington, GA 30014.

Frances Lee Bennett

Caldwell & Cowan Funeral Home

Frances Lee Bennett of Covington, passed away Thursday, April 16, 2020, at the age of 87. Mrs. Bennett was a faithful member of Canaan Baptist Church. After Retiring from Mobil Chemical Company, she enjoyed gardening and working in the yard in her free time. Mrs. Bennett was a loving mother and grandmother and adored the time she spent with her grandchildren and great grandchildren

making memories. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Bennett; daughter, Kathy Cagle; son, Tony Lee Bennett; parents; sister, Betty Bennett.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Brenda Bennett; grandchildren, Lynn Hammonds, Chris Bennett, Ryan Bennett, Blake Bennett; numerous great-grandchildren; sister, Carolyn McDonald; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A Private Graveside Service for Mrs. Bennett will be held at Lawnwood Memorial Park, in Covington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Mrs. Bennett to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation, 3395 NE Expressway, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30341.

Due to the current COVID-19, and coronavirus pandemic recommendations, the family regrets that the services must be private.

James Cleveland Crosby

Caldwell & Cowan Funeral Home

James Cleveland Crosby of Oxford, passed away Thursday, April 9, 2020, at the age of 76. Mr. Crosby enjoyed spending time outside whether it was fishing or shooting guns. He loved his home and family dearly and shared a special bond with his children and grandchildren. Mr. Crosby was preceded in death by

his parents, Alvin and Mary Crosby.

Survivors include his loving wife of 50 years, Joyce Crosby; sister, Veranda Cothorn; sons and daughters-in-law, Don and Betty Jacobs, David and Jamie Jacobs; grandchildren, James Goodman, Jr., Jamie Lynn Goodman, Renee Goodman, Erica Jacobs Miller, Elaina Jacobs, Evan Jacobs, Jeremy Jacobs, James Jacobs; 7 great-grand-

children.

The family would like to especially thank Erica Jacobs Miller, who through great personal hardship and sacrifice, provided exemplary care of Mr. Crosby.

Due to the current COVID-19, and coronavirus pandemic recommendations, the family regrets that a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Edward Alston Crudup, Jr.

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Edward Alston Crudup, Jr., 85, of Covington passed away at his residence on Wednesday, April 8th.

Ed was born on December 27, 1934, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Edward Alston Crudup and Anna Laura Jaquith Crudup who were educators in the public school systems of both Florida and Georgia. Ed was valedictorian of the graduating class of 1953 at Griffin High School. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1957.

In 1958 Ed married Mary Redmon Catchings in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. They moved their family to Covington in 1962. Ed went on to earn a Juris Doctorate from Emory University Law School in 1968 and practiced law in Covington for fifty years. He served the community as Municipal Judge in Covington during the 1970s and as the City Attorney from 1990 until 2016.

Ed was a member of the First Presbyterian

Church of Covington where he sang in the choir; the American Bar Association; the Covington Kiwanis Club; the Newton County Chamber of Commerce; and the Board of Trustees of the Newton County Law Library. He also spent twenty-five years in service to the Newton County Industrial Development Authority.

Ed was an Eagle Scout and enjoyed outdoor activities such as hiking, backpacking, camping, canoeing, gardening, snow skiing, hunting, and fishing. He enjoyed music and was a world traveler.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents, his wife of 56 years, Mary C. Crudup, and nephew, James J. Crudup, Jr. He is survived by his daughters, Anne B. Crudup and Emily Crudup Cameron; son-in-law, Allen P. Cameron; grandsons, Seth M. Cameron, USN, and Harold P. Cameron, a student at the University of North Carolina-Asheville; his brother, James J. Crudup and sister-in-law Gale R. Crudup; his nephew, E. Benton Crudup

(Stacey) and a great niece and nephew. He also leaves behind his special friend, Julia McWhorter Pope of Birmingham, Alabama.

A private family graveside service will be held in the First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden at a later date.

A memorial service and celebration of the life of Ed Crudup will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: First Presbyterian Church of Covington; environmental advocacy groups such as the Nature Conservancy, Audubon Society, or World Wildlife Federation; Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center in care of Georgia Wildlife Conservation Fund; the Humane Society, or the donor's choice of charity.

The family would like to thank the staff at Abbey Hospice in Social Circle; Dr. James Stillerman and his staff; as well as the doctors and staff at Georgia Urology in Conyers for their professionalism and compassion in caring for Ed.

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Teresa Elizabeth Lusher Shulz
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Teresa (Terry) Elizabeth Lusher Schulz, 88, peacefully passed from our presence to the goal of her entire life's work on Monday, April 6, at her home with the Little Sisters of the Poor in Washington, D.C. Visit <https://www.devolfuneralhome.com/funerals-and-obituaries-in-washington-dc/teresa-schulz>. Services will be announced at a later date.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

Public Notices

Abandoned Vehicles

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE PETITION ADVERTISEMENT

YOU ARE hereby being notified, in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 40-11-19.1, that petitions were filed in the in the Magistrate Court of Newton County to foreclose liens against the vehicles listed below for all amounts owed. If a lien is foreclosed, the Court shall order the sale of the vehicle to satisfy the debt. **THE PRESENT** location of the vehicle is: 9179 Aaron Dr. Covington, GA 30014

ANYONE WITH an ownership interest in a vehicle listed herein may file an answer to the petition on or

before:

ANSWER FORMS may be found in the Magistrate Court Clerk's office located at: 1132 Usher St Covington, GA 30014.

FORMS MAY also be obtained online at www.georgiamagistratecouncil.com

JAGUAR 2003 XJ8
SAJDA14C13LF59427 20-1336AV

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PUBLIC NOTICE #116724
4/12,19

Alcoholic Beverage

NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

NOTICE IS hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only for:

TWINSO ENTERPRISES LLC
DBA THE Social Goat
1115 CHURCH St, SE

APPLICANT'S NAME: Jennifer

Hartman

THE APPLICATION will be heard on April 20, 2020 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

ATTTEST: JENNIFER HISE, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST
CITY OF Covington, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #116744
4-19

NOTICE IS hereby given that an application has been made to the Newton County Board of Commissioners to obtain a license

to sell alcoholic beverages (beer & wine) for off premises consumption by:

PEACHMART 2536, LLC
SNEHA GILANI
2536 HIGHWAY 81 S
COVINGTON, GA 30016

OCCUPATION TAX/BUSINESS
License Contact:
TINA WATERS
BUSINESS LICENSE Clerk
TWATERS@CO.NEWTON.GA.US

PUBLIC NOTICE #116725
4/12,19

Citations

CITATION

ALLEASSA HARLEY has petitioned

to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of LULA B. H. SMITH**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: **MARCIA WYRNE**
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116710
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

CHARLES GILMON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of LEE ANN GILMON**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116711
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

CHERYL PRICE ANDERSON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of ALETHIA CLEMMONS PRICE**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116718
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

KIMBERLY GONZALEZ has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of CATHRYN LAFAYETTE**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116713
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

THE PETITION OF LINDA S SCHELL widow/widower of **JOHN S. SCHELL, JR.**, deceased, for Twelve Month's Support for having been duly filed, all interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk
PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #116716
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

THOMAS WAYNE BLACKWELL has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of FRANCES TAYLOR BLACKWELL**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116714
4/5,12,19,26

CITATION

THOMIKA RILEY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JEREMY TREYON RILEY**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before May 4, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116712
4/5,12,19,26

Corporations

NOTICE IS given that articles of Incorporation which will incorporate Touching Lives Globally Foundation Inc. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the Corporation will be located at 35 Silverton Drive, Covington, Georgia 30016 and its initial registered agent at such address is Irolda C. Douglas.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116742
4/19,26

Debtors Creditors

ALL CREDITORS of the **Estate of Diane F. Duke**, late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment to:

NAME OF Executor or Administrator:
KIMBERLY D. Voegeli and LISA D. Weickardt
EXECUTOR/ADMINISTRATORS
ADDRESS:
3121 CRANBERRY Ln.
BUFORD, GEORGIA 30519

PUBLIC NOTICE #116684
3/29,4/5,12,19

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of BONNIE C. HALL**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.

THIS THE 19th day of **MARCH, 2020.**

MICHELE GAY HALL SMITH
2061 POUNCEY ROAD
ALMORE, AL 36502

PUBLIC NOTICE #116692
3/29,4/5,12,19

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of CLEVELAND JOHNSON**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.

THIS THE 31st day of **MARCH, 2020.**

TAMARCUS SHARMAINE
JOHNSON
90 EAST LAWN WAY
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #116715
4/5,12,19,26

Divorces

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

ROSE MARIE WILLIAMS-WIGGAN

PLAINTIFF, -VS- MICHAEL ORAL WIGGAN
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No. 2020-CV-634-5

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: MICHAEL ORAL WIGGAN
C/O IRWIN

COUNTY DETENTION

CENTER 1 3 2

COTTON DRIVE OCILLA, GA

31774

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated **MARCH 16, 2020** you are hereby notified that on **FEBRUARY 12, 2020** (date of filing) **ROSE M. WILLIAMS-WIGGAN** (plaintiff) filed suit against you for Divorce. **YOU ARE** required to file an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication with the clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented).

WITNESS THE Honorable **W. KENDALL WYNN, JR.**, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 16th day of **MARCH, 2020.**
LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #116683
3/29,4/5,12,19

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

ASHLEE GRIFFIN,
PLAINTIFF,

V.

BRADLEY GRIFFIN,
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION Number
2020-CV-616-4

NOTICE

TO: BRADLEY GRIFFIN

BY ORDER of the Court for service by publication dated **MARCH 18, 2020**, you are hereby notified that on **MARCH 11, 2020**, the Plaintiff, **ASHLEE GRIFFIN**, filed suit against you for divorce. You are required to file with the Clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, **Stephen L. Coxen, Coxen & Worthington, LLC, 5109 Highway 278 NE, Suite B, Covington, Georgia 30014**, an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of March 18, 2020.

WITNESS, THE Honorable **Horace J. Johnson, Jr.**, Judge of Newton County Superior Court.

THIS 18TH day of March, 2020.

LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #116677
3/29,4/5,12,19

Foreclosures

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Crooked Creek Development, Inc., 2) Unknown Successors and Assigns of Crooked Creek Development, Inc., 3) Coldwater Creek Community Association, Inc., 4) tenants/occupants/residents, 5) Ameris Bank f/k/a McIntosh State Bank, 6) Newton County Tax Commissioner, and 7) all persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as 175 Coldwater Dr., Covington, Georgia 30016

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem the described property as 175 Coldwater Dr., Covington, Georgia 30016 (Tax Parcel 0008A 00000 051 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0008A 00000 051 000, Land Lot 12 of the 10th Land District Newton County, Georgia, being 5.02 acres, more or less, being shown as Lot 52 of Coldwater Creek Subdivision in accordance with the Plat of Survey prepared by Patrick and Associates, Inc., certified Louie D. Patrick, Georgia R.L.S. No. 1757, said plat being dated August 22, 2002 and recorded in Plat Book 58, pages 158-162, known as 175 Coldwater Drive.

THIS BEING a portion of that property as contained in that Warranty Deed from Kraft Homes, Inc. to Crooked Creek Development, Inc. dated April 24, 2002 and recorded at Deed Book 1213, page 178, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia.
WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December, 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3786, Page 603.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116705
4/12,19,26,5/3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Crooked Creek Development, Inc., 2) Unknown Successors, Assigns Crooked Creek Development, Inc., 3) Regions Bank, 4) Coldwater Creek Community Association, Inc, 5) Newton County Tax Commissioner, 6) Tenants/Residents/Occupants, and 7) all

persons known or unknown who claim 185 Edinburgh Ln., Covington, Georgia 30016

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem the 535 Anderson Creek Rd., Covington, Georgia 30016, (Tax Parcel 0066A 00000 019 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0066A 00000 019 000, Land Lot 204 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being 0.97 acre, more or less, and further represented by plot of survey by William J. Gregg Sr., RLS No. 1438, dated May 13, 1974, and recorded in the Clerks Office of Newton County Courthouse Plat Book 12, page 21, further described in Deed Book 213, page 143, known

as 535 Anderson Creek Road.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3786, Page 606.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) David C. Moyers, 2) Unknown Heirs and Assigns of David C. Moyers, 3) Newton County Tax Commissioner, 4) Tenant/Resident/Occupant, and 5) all persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as Alcovy Rd. a/k/a 12771 B Alcovy Rd., Covington, Georgia 30014

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem 185 Edinburgh Ln., Covington, Georgia 30016 (Tax Parcel 0008A 00000 067 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0008A 00000 067 000, Land Lot 12 of the 8th District Newton County, Georgia, being 1.35 acres, more or less, being shown as Lot 67 of Coldwater Creek Subdivision, Unit Two on the Plat of Survey recorded in Plat Book 43, Pages 67-71, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia, said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the property known as 185 Edinburgh Ln.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3786, Page 604.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116704
4/12,19,26,5/3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Jackie Dale Jones, 2) Unknown Heirs and Assigns Jackie Dale Jones, 3) Saira C. Sandoval, 4) Unknown Heirs and Assigns Saira C. Sandoval, 5) Newton County Tax Commissioner, 6) all tenants/residents/occupants, and 7) all persons known or unknown who claim Kirkland Road, a/k/a Kirkwood Drive, Covington, Georgia 30016

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem 2872 Highway 212, Covington, Georgia 30016, (Tax Parcel 00330 00000 066 C00), as follows, to wit:
ALL THAT parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 00330 00000 066 C00, Land Lot 92 and 69 of the 8th Land District Newton County, Georgia, being 1.22 acres, more or less, being a portion of Tract 5, on plat of survey for Rodney H. Ogelsby, Jr., and Roy Kuhn by John F. Brewer, Registered Land Surveyor, dated August 24, 1988, recorded Plat Book 23, Page 35, Newton County Records. Said plat and the record thereof is hereby incorporated by reference for description, known as 2872 Highway 212.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3787, Page 10.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116722
4/19,26,5/3,10

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Estate of Curtis L. Jones, 2) Unknown Administrators, Heirs and Assigns of Estate of Curtis L. Jones, 3) Estate of Lillian M. Jones, 4) Unknown Administrators, Heirs and Assigns of Estate of Lillian M. Jones, 5) tenants/occupants/residents, 6) Newton County Tax Commissioner, and 7) all persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as Lake Road, Covington, Georgia 30014

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem the described property as Lake Road, Covington, Georgia 30014 (Tax Parcel 0074B 00000 070 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0074B 00000 070 000, Land Lot 82 of the 8th Land District, Newton County, Georgia, being 0.61 acre, more or less, located within Lakeside Grove Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 49, located on Lake Road.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3787, Page 1.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116701
4/12,19,26,5/3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Dorothy S. Pollard, 2) Unknown Heirs and Assigns Dorothy S. Pollard, 3) Newton County Tax Commissioner, and 4) all persons known or unknown who may claim Deer Trail, Oxford, Georgia 30054

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem Deer Trail, Oxford, Georgia 30054, (Tax Parcel 0036A 00000 019 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0036A 00000 019 000, lying and being in the 1249th G.M. District of Newton County, Georgia, being 1.01 acres, more or less, and being Farm, No. 240E, Phase VIII, in the East Atlanta Farm Division as shown on the Plat of Survey recorded at Plat Book 7, page 16, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia, said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property, further described in Deed Book 1805, Page 403, located on Deer Trail.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3787, Page 3.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116698
4/12,19,26,5/3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Estate Elizabeth Greenway, 2) Unknown Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns Estate Elizabeth Greenway, 3) Estate David Frank Green, III, 4) Unknown Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns Estate David Frank Green, III, 5) Newton County Tax Commissioner, 6) Tenants/Residents/Occupants, and 7) all persons known or unknown who claim an interest in property known as 535 Anderson Creek Rd., Covington, Georgia 30016

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem the 535 Anderson Creek Rd., Covington, Georgia 30016, (Tax Parcel 0066A 00000 019 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0066A 00000 019 000, Land Lot 204 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being 0.97 acre, more or less, and further represented by plot of survey by William J. Gregg Sr., RLS No. 1438, dated May 13, 1974, and recorded in the Clerks Office of Newton County Courthouse Plat Book 12, page 21, further described in Deed Book 213, page 143, known

as 535 Anderson Creek Road.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December, 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3786, Page 605.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

PLEASE BE governed accordingly.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116709
4/12,19,26,5/3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION STATE OF GEORGIA/COUNTY OF NEWTON

TO: 1) Estate of Joyce Godfrey, 2) Unknown Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns of Estate of Joyce Godfrey, 3) Estate of Thelma Godfrey, 4) Unknown Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns of Estate of Thelma Godfrey, 5) Estate of Jacqueline Godfrey Evans, 6) Unknown Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns of Estate of Jacqueline Godfrey Evans, 7) John P. Godfrey, Jr., 8) tenants/occupants/residents, 9) Newton County Tax Commissioner, and 10) all persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as Oxford Road, Oxford, Georgia 30054

TAKE NOTICE THAT:
THE RIGHT to redeem the described property as Oxford Road, Oxford, Georgia 30054 (Tax Parcel X0610 00000 004 000), as follows, to wit:
ALL AND only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel X0610 00000 004 000, 9th Land District of Newton County, Georgia, being 5.55 acres, more or less, located on Oxford Road.

WILL EXPIRE and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice.

THE TAX deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of December, 2018 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3786, Page 605.

THE PROPERTY may be redeemed at any time before the 5th day of June, 2020, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street,

right-of-way of Maple Drive with the southern right-of-way of proposed Cross Street; thence running in a southern direction along the West side of Maple Drive 100 feet to an iron pin; thence South 88 degrees 30 minutes West 150.0 feet to an iron pin; thence North 02 degrees 25 minutes West 92.5 feet to an iron pin located at the southern side of proposed Cross Street; thence North 85 degrees 38 minutes East 150.1 feet to an iron pin and the point of beginning.

SAID LOT is part of Lot Number 109 of the Nelson Estate Subdivision as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 22, page 21, Newton County Deed Records.

LOCATED ON said property is a five (5) room, two (2) bath, brick veneer dwelling which is known as 8154 Maple Drive according to the present numbering system of the City of Covington, Georgia.

NOTICE OF the initiation of this proceeding has been given to CATHY BATES, EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHNNY R. BATES, as required by Georgia Laws 1981, p. 834 (O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.1 et seq.). **THIS PROPERTY** is being sold as the property of the ESTATE OF JOHNNY R. BATES subject to unpaid ad valorem taxes. The proceeds of said sale shall be distributed in accordance with the terms of said security deed.

NEWTON FEDERAL BANK AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR JOHNNY R. BATES, DECEASED EDGAR LAW Firm 1132 Floyd Street COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #116697 4/12,19,26,5/3

Juvenile Court
STATE OF Minnesota
DOUGLAS COUNTY

DISTRICT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL District
COURT FILE Number: 21-JV-20-242

RYANT, GRAGG
152 CANNON FARM ROAD SW
LOT 11B
OXFORD GA 30054

SUMMONS CHILD IN Need of Protection or Services Petition

IN THE Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Amy Melissa Whelchel and Ryan Todd Gragg, Parents

PLEASE TAKE notice that on February 11, 2020, a Petition was filed with the above-named court alleging that the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) to be in need of protection or services. A copy of the Petition is attached.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR IN COURT at the following date, time, and place where a hearing regarding the Petition and the best interests of the child(ren) will be held:

MAY 13, 2020 ADMIT/DENY PERMANENCY
Petition Hearing
3:00PM
DISTRICT COURT Judge
MICHELLE L. Clark
DOUGLAS COUNTY District Court
305 8TH Avenue W **
COURTS ENTRANCE- east side
off of Elm St **
ALEXANDRIA, MN 56308
320-762-3033

YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED WITH THIS SUMMONS because, pursuant to statute or court rule:

• YOU are a parent to the child(ren) named in the petition; or
• YOU are a party to this proceeding pursuant to Juvenile Protection Rule 32.01 or an attorney for a party; or
• YOU have legal custody of the child who is the subject of the Petition; or
• YOU are a person whose presence the court believes is important to a determination concerning the best interests of the child(ren) who are the subject of the Petition.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING:
• THE court may conduct the hearing without you; and
• THE court may find that the factual allegations and statutory grounds set forth in the petition have been proved; **AND**
• THE court may enter an order granting the relief requested in the petition, which may include:

• **REMOVING** the child(ren) from the home of the parent or legal custodian and placing the child(ren) in foster care;
• **PERMANENTLY** severing the parent's rights to the child(ren) pursuant to a termination of parental rights petition;
• **PERMANENTLY** transferring the child(ren)'s legal and physical custody to a relative; or
• an order for other permanent placement of the child(ren).

A STATEMENT OF YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IS ATTACHED, including the right to be represented by an attorney as authorized under the statutes and court rules. It is your responsibility to immediately notify the court administrator if your address changes.

TO RECEIVE an eReminder for future court dates via e-mail or text, visit www.mncourts.gov/Hearing/eReminders.aspx or scan QR code to enroll. Dated: March 31, 2020

COURT ADMINISTRATOR
ADVISORY OF PARTY AND PARTICIPANT RIGHTS- CHIPS WHO IS A PARTY

YOU ARE a party to this case pursuant to Rule 32 of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure if you are one of the following:

• THE child's legal guardian, including a parent or legal guardian who has sole or joint legal or physical custody of the child.
• IN the case of an Indian child, the child's parent, child's Indian custodian, or child's Indian tribe.
• THE person or social services agency who filed the petition.
• THE social services agency when someone else has filed a termination of parental rights or other permanency petition.
• THE child's guardian ad litem.
• A relative to whom the social services agency proposes to transfer the child's permanent legal and physical custody.

• THE child in a case where the only allegation in the petition is that the child is an habitual truant or a runaway.
• THE school district in a case where the only allegation in the petition is that the child is an habitual truant.
• ANY person who intervenes as a party pursuant to Rule 34 or who is joined as a party pursuant to Rule 35.
• ANY other person who is determined by the court to be important to a resolution that is in the best interests of the child.

WHO IS A PARTICIPANT
YOU ARE a participant to this case pursuant to Rule 33 of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure if you are one of the following:

• THE child who is the subject of petition.
• THE child's parent if you are not the child's legal custodian or if you are the child's alleged,

adjudicated, or presumed father.
• THE child's grandparent if the child has lived with you at any time during the two years before the filing of the petition.
• THE child's relative or other person providing care for the child.
• THE child's foster parent or a person proposed as a long-term foster parent.
• THE child's spouse.
• THE responsible social services agency, when the responsible social services agency is not the petitioner.
• THE guardian ad litem for the child's legal custodian.
• ANY other person who is determined by the court to be important to a resolution that is in the best interests of the child.

YOUR RIGHTS AS A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT ARE AS FOLLOWS:
PARTY PARTICIPANT
Your Rights
X X To receive a copy of the Petition regarding this Juvenile Protection Matter
X X To receive notice of all hearings (only if you keep the court administrator informed of your address)
X X To attend all hearings, unless excluded by the Court.
X X To receive copies of your social services file and other records.
X X To bring motions before the court and to present evidence.
X T O participate in settlement discussions and agreements.
X T O subpoena witnesses to testify on your behalf.
X X To make argument in support of or against the petition.
X X To examine and cross-examine witnesses.
X X To request review of the referee's findings and order, if your case is heard by a referee.
X X To ask the court to review its disposition upon a showing of a substantial change of circumstances or that THE PREVIOUS disposition was inappropriate.
X X To bring post-trial motions and to appeal from final orders of the court.
X X To be represented by an attorney. If you are the child (ten years of age or older), the Court shall appoint an ATTORNEY UNLESS that right is waived. If you are the child's parent, or the child's legal custodian, the Court may appoint an attorney to represent you if the Court determines that you qualify financially and that the appointment is appropriate. If you are the parent or Indian custodian of an Indian child, the court is required to appoint an attorney to represent you if you qualify financially. The Court cannot appoint an attorney to represent you if the only allegation is that the child is a truant, unless out-of-home placement is being considered by the court. The Court may order a parent or legal custodian to reimburse some or all of the attorney's fees.
X X If you are the child's foster parent, preadoptive parent, relative providing care for the child, or a relative to whom the social services agency proposes to transfer permanent legal and physical custody of the child, you have a right to offer information at each hearing. Any other person may request an opportunity to be heard, but the court is not required to grant your request.
X T O automatically become a party to the case if you are the child who is the subject of this proceeding, or the child's parent, or the child's grandparent and the child has lived with you at any time during the two years prior to the filing of the petition in this matter. All other persons may ask the Court's permission to become a party to the case. Ask the court administrator for the correct form to intervene as a party.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS should be addressed to your attorney or to the Court at any hearing.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116720 4/5,12,19

Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **WENDY ARCHER NASH PETITIONER**
CIVIL ACTION File Number: 2020-CV-660-4

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

WENDY ARCHER NASH filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on March 16, 2020 to change the name from WENDY ARCHER NASH to WENDY CHERYLLE ARCHER WADDELL. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED JANUARY 13th, 2020

WENDY A NASH
5232 ODUM ST, NW
COVINGTON, GA 30014

NOTICE #116682 3/29,4/5,12,19

Notice of Proceedings

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

TO: DASHAWN Lewis DASHAWN LEWIS

CIVIL ACTION No. SUCV2019001226-4

TAMIMAH YEHUDAH VS. DASHAWN LEWIS and MATTHEW LEWIS

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BY ORDER for service by publication dated March 18, 2020, you are hereby notified that on June 17, 2019, Tamimah Yehudah filed suit against you for \$TBD principal, \$TBD interest, and \$TBD attorney's fees.

YOU ARE required to file with the Clerk of Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiff's Attorney, Rita Tucker Williams, an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order for Publication.

WITNESS, THE Honorable Horace J. Johnson, Judge of this Superior Court.

THIS 19TH day of March, 2020.

LINDA D. Hays, Clerk SUPERIOR COURT of Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #116694 3/29,4/5,12,19

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

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Commissioners
PUBLIC NOTICE #116750 4/19

Public Notice

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO DESTROY SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

THE SPECIAL Education Department of Newton County School System will destroy records that have been collected, maintained, and/or used in providing special education services. This activity is in compliance with federal, state and local policy. The destruction of data policy provides that records may be destroyed when they are no longer needed for educational planning purposes.

STUDENTS WHO WILL BE AFFECTED
THIS DESTRUCTION policy only applies to **SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS BORN IN 1997**. **TO OBTAIN THESE EDUCATIONAL RECORD REQUEST FOR RECORDS MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO MAY 1, 2020.**

CONTACT THE Office of Special Education at: Newton County Public Schools - Board of Education, 2109 Newton Dr. N.E. Covington, GA 30014 or by phone: (770)787-1330, Ext. 1221. Records will be provided only to a former student who is 18 years of age or older or the legal guardian. We will notify the individual by phone when the requested records are prepared. The records must be picked up at the Board of Education. Anyone obtaining records will be required to produce identification that contains both picture and signature.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116681 4/12,19,26

CITY OF COVINGTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.52 that applicant Ashley Fisher has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness Application to be considered by the Covington Historic Preservation Commission.

THE APPLICANT proposes to change the exterior paint color from white to Queen Anne Pink and replace the existing awnings with black fabric awnings. The applicant also proposes to add a painted sign above the awnings that says "anthology." The subject property is within a historic district located at 1109 Reynolds Street- TAX PARCEL C026 0029 001, Covington, Georgia. The Covington Historic Preservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on May 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

DUE TO circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety and preservation of public services, public access to this meeting is limited to teleconference and video access. **THE PUBLIC MAY ACCESS THIS MEETING BY CALLING** 1-929-436-2866, use the following Meeting ID Number: 657-611-0502 and enter password: 11. To view online use the following link: <https://zoom.us/j/6576110502> and enter password: 11.

ALL INTERESTED parties are invited to attend. For more information, contact Monica Sagastizado, Planner I at msagastizado@cityofcovington.org, or 770-385-2178.

CITY OF COVINGTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.52 that applicant Robert L. Kitchens has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness Application to be considered by the Covington Historic Preservation Commission.

THE APPLICANT proposes to erect a 6' wooden fence around the side and rear yards. The subject property is within a historic district located at 5135 Odum Street- TAX PARCEL C023 0002 003, Covington, Georgia. The Covington Historic Preservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on May 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

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CITY OF COVINGTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.52 that applicants Michael and Angela Cronan has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness Application to be considered by the Covington Historic Preservation Commission.

THE APPLICANT proposes to build an 18' x 36' in-ground vinyl pool, enclosed by an approximately 6' fence. The subject property is within a historic district located at 4112 Conyers Street - TAX PARCEL C011 0004 010, Covington, Georgia. The Covington Historic Preservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on May 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

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CITY OF COVINGTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.52 that applicant Stan Hall has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness Application to be considered by the Covington Historic Preservation Commission.

THE APPLICANT proposes to install two awnings for handicap and elderly accessibility improvements. The subject property is within a historic district located at 1169 Clark Street- TAX PARCEL C026 0015 001, Covington, Georgia. The Covington Historic Preservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on May 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

DUE TO circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety and preservation of public services, public access to this meeting is limited to teleconference

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PUBLIC NOTICE #116748 4/19

NOTICE OF INTEREST OR INVOLVEMENT

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON

THIS IS A DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS OR INVOLVEMENTS BY CERTAIN DIRECTORS OF THE COVINGTON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.C.G.A. § 36-62-5

THE COVINGTON Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") has been charged by the City of Covington with administering a Small Business Stabilization Program to assist small businesses negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency. The DDA has received several Small Business Stabilization Program grant request applications from businesses in which certain DDA directors have an involvement or interest. If approved, these interests or involvements could each have a value in excess of \$200 in a calendar quarter.

THE FOLLOWING directors' have the below stated interests or involvements in the listed Small Business Stabilization Program grant requests:

ROBERT FOWLER: Applicants Maddie Mae Scoops, Town Square Olive Oil, WildArt LLC and Woven, LLC's landlords are companies in which Director Fowler has a membership interest. Applicant Square One Creative Group, LLC's landlord is a partnership in which Director Fowler has a partnership interest. Applicant Salon 360's landlord is a company in which Director Fowler's daughter has a membership interest.

CEDRIC HAMM: Director Hamm has an ownership interest in Applicant The Town House Café.

BARBARA MORGAN: Applicants Images Hair Salon, Into The Blue Scuba, LLC, Just a Hair Better and Power House Golf, LLC's landlord is a partnership in which Director Morgan has a partnership interest.

LARRY SULLIVAN: Director Sullivan has an ownership interest in Applicant Sherwood's Flowers & Gifts, Inc.

NO ACTION to approve or deny on the listed Small Business Stabilization Program grant requests shall be taken for 30 days following the date of this notice. A director having a substantial interest or involvement shall not be present at that portion the DDA meeting during which discussion of such matter is conducted and the director having a substantial interest or involvement shall not participate in any decision of DDA relating to such matter.

PUBLIC NOTICE# 111672 4/19,26

NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL PI No. 0013602 Newton

NOTICE IS hereby given in compliance with Georgia Code 22-2-109 and 32-3-5 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

THE DATE of location and design approval is: **March 30, 2020**

THIS PROJECT proposes to replace the existing bridge on PR1/Frontage Road over the Yellow River. The project is in Land District 10 and Land Lots 189 and 196. The entire project is in Newton County 2 miles west of the City of Covington.

THE PROPOSED project begins approximately 360 feet west of the existing bridge and extends east 350 feet past the existing bridge, for an approximate length of 0.2 miles. The new bridge over Yellow River will be constructed in place. Two walls are proposed along the approaches south of the road to protect and minimize impacts to the pump station and trailer park. Traffic will be detoured along I-20 during construction.

DRAWINGS OR maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation:

MARK GILES, Area Manager
DISTRICT 2, Area 5
MGILES@DOT.GA.GOV
1570 BETHANY Rd, Madison, GA 30650
(706) 343-5837

NOTE: ORDINARILY the maps or plats would be available for public review at our area office. Due to current COVID-19 measures, members of the public are not allowed to enter state buildings at this time. We apologize for the inconvenience. Anyone with questions or concerns about the project should call or email the area manager listed above. To obtain copies of the drawings, maps or plats, please follow the instructions outlined below.

ANY INTERESTED party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portions thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

KIMBERLY W. Nesbitt, State Program Delivery Administrator
OFFICE OF Program Delivery
ATTN: RECHEAL McMullin, Project Manager
RMCMULLIN@DOT.GA.GOV
600 WEST Peachtree Street, 25th Floor
ATLANTA, GA 30308
(334) 233-2231

ANY WRITTEN request or communication in reference to this project or notice SHOULD include the P. I. Number as noted at the top of this notice.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116741 4/12,19,26,5/3

Public Sales Auctions

IN ACCORDANCE WITH GEORGIA LAW 40-11-2: **THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AT**

INSURANCE AUTO Auction 125 Old Hwy 138 Loganville, GA 30052-4814 AND ARE PRESENTLY STORED AT SAID LOCATION.

IF NOT CLAIMED, THE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER ON 05/01/20 10:00 AM

YEAR MAKE Model

Color VIN No
2012 DODGE Challenger
2C3CDYAG5G8222131
2007 DODGE Caliber
1B3HB48B97D532958
2005 NISSAN Altima
1N4AL11D45N427975
2014 TOYOTA Prius
JTDKN3DU3E0390320
2008 VOLVO S60
YV1RS592582677249
2013 FORD Explorer
1FM5K7B8XDG95421
2011 BMW 3 series
WBAPK5C56BA994399
2003 HYUNDAI Elantra
KMHDN45D63U505202
2003 DODGE Ram Pickup
3D7KA28D13G740526
2009 LAND Range
SALSHE23479A193730
2006 DODGE Charger
2B3KA43G56H333547
2012 RAM 1500
3C6JD6AT8CG217470

PUBLIC NOTICE #116723 4/12,19

IN ACCORDANCE WITH GEORGIA LAW 40-11-2: **THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AT** MIDAS 9131 HWY 278 COVINGTON, GA 330014 AND ARE PRESENTLY STORED AT SAID LOCATION. IF NOT CLAIMED, THE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER ON 05/04/20 8:00 AM

YEAR MAKE Model Color VIN No

2000 CHEVROLET G3500
1GAH39KXY1110747

2008 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT
WVWUD73C88E054326

PUBLIC NOTICE #116746 4/19,26

NOTICE OF Public Sale of Personal Property Georgia Self Storage Act (210-215)

EXTRA STORAGE Rental Spaces is hereby given that the under signed self storage units will be sold at a public sale by competitive bidding, in their entirety to the highest bidder, on or after January 3, 2020 to satisfy the lien of the Lessor, Extra Storage Terrell Management LLC, for rental and other charges. The auction will be held at 11471 Brown Bridge Road Covington, GA 30016 and will begin on May 1, 2020 at 10:00 AM for the following units: Gordon Lewis-unit 69, Ben Pitts-unit 13, Ebonia Foster-unit 30 & 75, Kimisha Henderson-unit 66, Telly Brown-unit 4, Daphne Blount-unit 143, Paul Bischoff-unit 607. The contents consist of general household goods, furniture, boxes, and miscellaneous items. The terms of the sale will be cash only and must be paid for at the time of sale. All goods are sold as is. Extra Storage Rental Spaces reserves the right to withdraw any or all units, partial or entire, from the sale at any time. All contents must be removed completely from the property within 48 hours or sooner of auction completion.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116747 4/19,26

PUBLIC SALE/AUCTION

NOTICE IS hereby given that Dixie Self Storage located at 1447 Access Road, Covington, GA, 30014.



The sale of unopened beer, wine or distilled spirits for carryout purposes by licensed establishments is now permitted in the city of Covington through April 30. File photo

Covington OKs to-go beer, wine and spirits

By MASON WITTNER
mwittner@covnews.com

The city of Covington approved an amendment to its resolution regarding the sale of alcoholic beverages during a phone-in council meeting Monday, April 13.

The council unanimously passed an amended resolution which permits establishments licensed to sell beer, wine or distilled spirits for

on-premises consumption to also sell such alcoholic beverages in unopened packages for carryout purposes, so long as they abide by city ordinances and state laws.

This order shall run the length of Gov. Brian Kemp's shelter-in-place order, or the length of any subsequent order the governor puts in place. As of Monday, the statewide shelter-in-place order is set to run through April 30.

HOSPITAL

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part of such a strong community. I look forward to continuing the hospital's record of high performance and achievement."

Kent earned his undergraduate degree from Wabash College before earning his Master of Business Administration from Georgia State University's J. Mack Robinson College of Business.

Piedmont Newton became part of the Piedmont Healthcare system in 2015 and is part of the system's eastern hub comprised of Piedmont Athens Regional, Pied-

mont Newton, Piedmont Rockdale and Piedmont Walton Hospitals. The hospital was named the 2018 Small Hospital of the Year by the Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals, was certified a Great Place to Work in 2019 and has achieved Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade "A"s in the last three reporting periods.

In 2019, Piedmont Newton completed a \$10 million expansion and renovation of its Emergency Department which doubled the department's capacity from 16 beds to 32 beds, created an additional nurses station and a room for higher acuity trauma cases.

AIRPORT

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CARES Act funding, in addition to targeted assistance for domestic airlines, will help shore up this strategic industry and save thousands of quality jobs."

Loeffler said the state is a "travel destination" for many people.

"As a hub for tourism and home to the busiest airport in the nation, Georgia has been hit

hard by the dramatic decrease in air travel due to the coronavirus," she said.

"These grants will help Georgia airports maintain their crucial operations, pay employees and ensure they'll be ready to operate at full capacity when it's safe for all of us to travel again."

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport received \$338 million in the grant program.

Small business loan program runs dry

Many miss out on \$350 billion deal

By DAVE WILLIAMS
Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA - Small businesses in Georgia and across the country were left in limbo Thursday when the U.S. Senate adjourned without approving a new round of economic stimulus funding to help offset losses from the coronavirus pandemic.

Almost \$350 billion in Small Business Administration loans Congress passed last month as part of a \$2.2 trillion package has run out, as has a \$10 billion SBA program meant to get fast cash to affected businesses.

The SBA has approved loans to more than 30,000 Georgia businesses worth more than \$7 billion, Chris Clark, president and CEO of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, said Thursday. But many other companies have been left high and dry, Clark said.

"If you're already in the system, you've got a

spot in line," he said. "But if you haven't applied yet, you can't."

Clark said the SBA's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) has been hampered not only by a shortage of funds. During the program's first week, some types of small businesses - including sole proprietorships - could not apply for loans because the rules governing those businesses were not in place.

Clark said Georgia farmers got lumped into that business category and couldn't get relief.

"By the time the rules got promulgated, the funds were gone," he said.

While President Donald Trump and congressional leaders have pledged to pour more money into the PPP, the funding is being delayed by partisan politics. Republicans are pushing for a \$250 billion stand-alone package aimed only at small business, while Democrats want to double the package to include more money to help state governments and hospitals.

Clark said the final outcome likely will be

determined by the White House and majority Democrats in the House of Representatives, which was also the case during the negotiations that led

up to last month's bailout.

Clark said business groups will engage in intensive lobbying efforts during the weekend to try to get an agreement.

Governor Kemp has approved banks and small loan companies to stay open in order to provide cash to help people through this crisis.

With that in mind, Quick Loans of Newton County will be open to provide cash to those in need.

\$100, \$300, \$500, \$1000 and more!

Call for an appointment to apply for this needed cash!

Quick Loans of Newton County

9140 Highway 278

Covington, Georgia 30014

Phone: (770)787-4211

Fax: (770)787-4447



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EDUCATION

NCSS provides end-of-year guidance for students, parents

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS
news@covnews.com

This week, the Newton County School System posted an End-of-Year Guidance Question & Answer page to provide students and parents with answers to questions commonly asked during these uncertain times. Some of the prominent questions and answers listed in the release can be seen below.

For a complete list of NCSS' FAQs about the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years, please visit their website at newtoncountyschools.org.

Retrieving Items from School

Q: How will students retrieve personal items from the school (medicine, notebooks, book bags, band equipment, lunch boxes etc.)?

A: School nurses will contact parents of students who have medication remaining at schools to make arrangements for the pickup of those items. Once Governor Kemp's Executive Order to Shelter in Place has expired and we are certain it will not be renewed, a plan for the retrieval of other items will be communicated to parents.

School Nutrition Program

Q: Will funds on

school meal accounts be available next year?

A: All school nutrition household balances are carried over to the next school year.

Q: Will I get a refund on the money I have in my child's lunch account?

A: All school nutrition household balances are carried over to the next school year. Parents or guardians unsure of their balances and/or requesting a refund are required to submit an email to snprefunds@newton.k12.ga.us. In the email, please include the following information:

1. A short statement requesting a refund
2. Parent(s) or Guardian(s) names
3. Current household address
4. Student(s) names
5. Student(s) enrolled schools

All refund requests are processed within two weeks of email request. Checks will be sent via USPS mail to the current address provided in the email request.

After School Program

Q: Will I get a refund on the money I have in my child's afterschool account?

A: Yes. Refunds have to be issued individually to over 800 accounts. Parents will receive a refund to their account by 4/17/2020.

Assignments/Grades/Promotion & Retention

Q: How will NCSS calculate student's final grades?

A: **Kindergarten:** Kindergarten students will continue to be assessed using the Kindergarten Report Card (GKIDS).

Grades 1-5: Students will not receive a grade for the 4th quarter. They will receive a Pass/Fail based on their 3rd quarter grade, which will lead to a Pass/Fail for second semester and a Pass/Fail for their final grade. Students should use the work packets and online learning experiences to improve their 3rd quarter grades.

Grades 6-8: Students will receive a numerical grade for middle school courses. Every effort will be provided to students, who were not passing at the second semester 9-week progress reporting period, to improve their grade. If the grade for the end of 2nd semester is lower than the 2nd semester 9-week progress grade, then the 2nd semester 9-week progress grade will post as the final grade for 2nd semester. If the grade for the end of 2nd semester is higher than the 2nd semester 9-week progress grade, then the end of the 2nd semester grade will post as the final grade.

Grades 9-12: High

school courses will be reported as numerical grades for the purpose of GPA calculations. All students enrolled in high school courses must post a numerical grade of 70% or higher to receive credit for the course. As a district, during COVID-19, we have adopted a "Hold Harmless" grading philosophy. "Hold Harmless" means that a student's fourth 9-weeks grade cannot decrease the third 9-weeks grade.

Students are encouraged to continue improving their overall GPA for post-secondary options and scholarships. Local high schools will monitor the academic progress of all seniors to ensure that they remain on track for graduation.

Q: How will schools determine promotion/retention?

A: **Grades K-5:** Students will not be retained for the 2019-2020 school year unless they were identified as retention candidates prior to March 13th. Students in need of additional support will participate in targeted intervention in the 2020-2021 school year. Communication in the form of a letter and/or final report card will be sent to parents.

Grades 6-8: If the student receives a final grade below 70%, the school's principal will consider the evidence of first semester grades, third quarter progress, and distant learning work to make the final decision for promotion/retention of a student. Every effort will be provided to students, who were not passing at the second semester progress reporting period, to improve their grade. Communication in the form of a letter and/or final report card will be sent to parents.

Grades 9-12: High school courses will be reported as numerical grades for the purpose of GPA calculations. All students enrolled in high school courses must post a numerical grade of 70% or higher to receive credit for the course. In order to be classified as a sophomore, junior or senior, students must meet the specified credit requirements which can be found in the 2019-2020 Student Handbook.

Q: How do I return my student's work packets?

A: Each school will have containers outside their building where instructional work should be deposited. It is also appropriate to take a picture or scan the assignments to be emailed to the appropriate teacher.

High School Specific Questions

Q: Will students have a Prom?

A: All high schools will host their proms on July 18. Each school will provide additional information to students as soon as possible.

Q: Will students have a graduation ceremony?

A: We intend to host a virtual Commencement Ceremony for each high school on Saturday, May 23, 2020, followed by an "in-person" Commencement Ceremony hosted at each school on August 1, 2020 (times will be communicated.) Should the August 1, 2020 Commencement Ceremonies not be possible due to continued health guidelines and requirements, the alternate date is scheduled for December 19, 2020 at each high school. We will continue to monitor updates from our state leaders, Georgia Department of Public Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Newton County Board of Health to ensure our plans comply with health guidelines and recommendations.

Q: How will seniors receive their diplomas?

A: Diplomas will be distributed during the week of May 26, 2020 should conditions permit. We will continue to monitor updates from our state leaders, Georgia Department of Public Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Newton County Board of Health to ensure our plans comply with health guidelines. Directions for picking up diplomas will be provided by each school at a later date.

Q: How will seniors receive their caps and gowns?

A: Jostens will host Outdoor/Drive-Thru deliveries for seniors who have paid their account. The dates were previously scheduled in April; however, due to the shelter-in-place Executive Order, the delivery date for caps and gowns will be rescheduled. Information regarding the dates and pick up times will be provided by each high school.

Q: How do we get refunds for senior/junior dues?

A: Senior and junior dues cover a variety of activities and items throughout the year. Refunds will vary from school to school. Therefore, each high school will communicate with juniors and seniors the amount (if any) that will be refunded. Should you have questions, please contact your school principal.

Newton County Theme School

Q: Will parent volunteer hours be waived at the theme school for the 2020 school year?

A: Volunteer hour requirements will be waived for the 2019-2020 school year. All volunteer hours completed during the 2019-2020 school year will rollover to the 2020-2021 school year.

Q: I did not sign my letter of intent for NCTS. Will my child(ren) be allowed to return to the school next year?

A: NCTS will contact parents who have yet

to submit their letter of intent, as a courtesy, for the 2020-2021 school year. These parents will have the opportunity to email the letter of intent to hanson.tina@newton.k12.ga.us.

Refunds

Q: How will refunds be handled?

A: Email request for refunds will be handled at the school level. Checks will be sent via USPS mail to the current address provided in the email request. Please email your school principal. In the email, please include the following information:

1. A short statement requesting a refund
2. Parent(s) or Guardian(s) names
3. Current household address
4. Student(s) names

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Testing

Q: Will there be any state-wide online testing?

A: All state-required spring tests have been cancelled.

Yearbooks

Q: How do I get a yearbook that was paid in full?

A: Once Governor Kemp's Executive Order to shelter-in-place has expired, and we are certain it will not be renewed, a plan for distribution of yearbooks will be communicated to parents and students by each school principal.

Textbooks

Q: How will textbooks be collected?

A: Once Governor Kemp's Executive Order to Shelter in Place has expired and we are certain it will not be renewed, a plan for the retrieval of textbooks will be communicated to students and parents by each school principal.

New Student Registration

Q: How will students register for school?

A: If you wish to register for the remainder of the school year, please access the registration page at the following link on the Newton County School System's website: <https://www.newtoncountyschools.org/parents/registration>.

Complete the registration packet and gather the required documents. When you have completed your registration packet, you may email/mail (via the USPS) it, with the supporting documents, to the school principal. If you wish to register your child for the 2020-2021 school year, please visit our website in late June or early July for a listing of summer registration.

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1. The act or process of imparting or acquiring general knowledge, developing the powers of reasoning and judgment, and generally of preparing oneself or others intellectually for mature life.

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