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Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

— Psalm 1:1-2, KJV

Newton BOE appoints Bailey to complete late member's term

Democratic candidate for District 4 seat will remain on Nov. 3 ballot

By **TAYLOR BECK**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Anderson Bailey will complete the late Almond Turner's term on the Newton County Schools Board of Education, representing District 4.



Anderson Bailey

Bailey was unanimously approved to fill the vacant seat during the board's meeting Tuesday night. He will hold the position through Dec. 31 — the end of Turner's

term before beginning his own after his victory in an August runoff.

Turner was tragically killed in November 2019.

The Newton County native and retired military veteran is currently running unopposed as a Democrat for the District 4 seat in the General Election on Nov. 3. No Republican candidate qualified.

In the Aug. 11 runoff election, Bailey received 59% of the vote to defeat Jeffrey Johnson, who received 41% of the vote.

Bailey served in the U.S. Army and Georgia Army National Guard for several years. He was employed by the city of

Covington for 14 years as a meter reader. Bailey has been a GHSA multicounty basketball official for more than 25 years, has volunteered as a coach with the Newton County Recreation Department for many years and has earned Certification of Local Government Management from the University of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute of Government. He also serves as Minister of Music at Murray C.M.E. Church in Covington.

Bailey is married to Angela Bailey; they will celebrate 38 years of marriage this November. The Baileys have three children — Courtney, Yasmine, and Anderico — and two grandchildren — Jaylin Gunn and Parker Bailey.

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Board member says NCSS wasn't ready for all-virtual
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The additional buildings are planned for the site in the background of this aerial photo of Stanton Springs business park.

Facebook to expand Newton Data Center

By **TOM SPIGOLON**
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SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — Facebook announced Wednesday, Sept. 16, it will add three more buildings to its Newton Data Center complex by 2023, a company official said.

The new buildings are part of a second phase of construction for the center and will include nearly 1.5 million square feet in the Stanton Springs business park in northeast Newton County.

Combined with two buildings now under construc-

tion, it will give the social media company a total of 2.5 million square feet in five buildings covering 416 acres and represent a total \$1 billion investment.

It also will employ more than 200 for Facebook, officials said.

Local, state and federal leaders and Facebook announced in March 2018 its plans for the Newton Data Center project.

Its first phase includes two buildings totaling 970,000 square feet and is to employ about 50 when completed in 2021, said Katie Comer,

community development regional manager for Facebook.

Work on the facility also has resulted in construction jobs for between 1,000 and 1,200 workers, Comer said.

The Joint Development Authority (JDA) of Newton, Jasper, Morgan and Walton counties operates Stanton Springs. Comer said the authority "has been a joy to work with" as Facebook developed its facilities.

"The development authority and the team there at Stanton Springs have just been great to work with

over the past two years," Comer said.

"This is such a special community," Comer said. "They have welcomed us with open arms."

Facebook saw the need for the expansion and decided to move on with a second phase of construction, Comer said.

"Our community here has just welcomed us with open arms, whether it's hiring local talent that we have in our Joint Development Authority counties (or) being

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Roses to occupy Covington K-Mart property

Retail store plans to open late November; NexGen storage to follow

By **TAYLOR BECK**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Regional retailer Roses recently announced plans to open a new location in Covington at the former K-Mart building, located off Turner Lake Road, the city announced Wednesday.

Roses sells food, clothing, home furnishings and electronics.

"We are very excited to bring this type of development to the city of Covington, and hope to work with the city on other economic development projects" said property owner Bhushan Khanna.

The K-Mart building has been vacant since Sears Holding

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Pictured is an architectural rendering of the Roses retail store set to occupy the former K-Mart property in Covington. A NexGen storage facility will also occupy a portion of the property.

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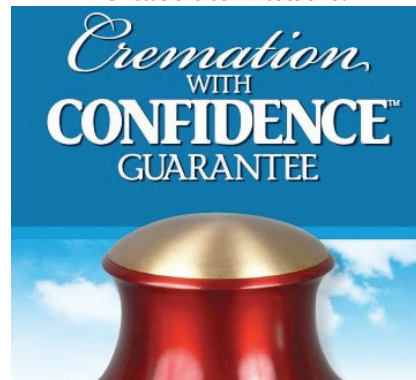
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Dr. Neil Shaw Penn

Dr. Neil Shaw Penn, 88, passed away at sunset peacefully at home on Sept. 11, 2020.

He was a loving husband and father, an impactful educator, a faithful parishioner, a pioneer in disability circles, a committed citizen and he never met a pun he didn't make.

Born in Parkersburg, West Virginia, Neil was the oldest of five brothers. Despite acute polio at age eight and life-long crutches, Neil cut a distinctive figure around their hometown of Dunbar, West Virginia. He was reliably in the thick of things from sledding downhill after a snowfall to making passes on the basketball court. An avid sports fan, he enjoyed the job of statistician for his high school and college sports teams. March Madness would find

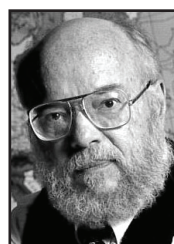
Neil tracking the action every day and frequently cheering on his alma mater Duke.

Neil earned his bachelor's degree at West Virginia Wesleyan College, a masters in history at Duke University and a Ph.D. in history from Emory University. In his first years teaching at West Virginia Tech — decades prior to the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) — each weekday found Neil patiently climbing two flights of the steep walnut staircase — the equivalent of 50 push-ups — to his assigned second story classroom.

In 1973, Neil wrote a doubly rewarding Ph.D. dissertation. After extensive research and writing he came to Oxford College to teach and complete his doctoral degree requirements. During the final period of writing and frequent evening editing sessions with his charming, insightful and proficient typist, Carol, not only did he earn his doctorate from Emory University but meanwhile conducted an old school courtship.

In 1974, to his established and orderly bachelor life of study, teaching, friends and community, Neil added instant family. Following a quiet wedding beneath the crystal chandelier of the old Oxford College chapel, Neil and Carol and children, Jennifer and Evan, established home on Haygood Avenue. Neil embraced — rising to the occasion as an incredibly patient, generous and loving parent.

A professor of history for over 40 years, Dr. Penn was considered by both students and colleagues one of Oxford College's finest teachers. The difficulty of his "map tests" were legendary



among generations of Oxford students. His penchant for historical puns, e.g. "early in the 17th century, the Dutch had found the secret sauce and set out to Hollandaise much of the world", inevitably slipped into the notes of less vigilant scholars. Neil was honored with every teaching award that Oxford College offered. Students dedicated the yearbook to him and twice presented Neil with the Phi Theta Kappa Award for Dedication, Enthusiasm and Creativity in Teaching. The Oxford College Alumni Association presented Neil with their Outstanding Teaching Award, and his colleagues honored him with the Fleming Award for Excellence in teaching and also established the Neil Penn History Award to be presented annually to the top history student. Upon his retirement in 1998, students endowed a Library Book Fund in his name. And in 2005 Emory University Emeritus College presented Neil with the Distinguished Emeritus Award.

Foremost a teacher, Neil found numerous ways to impact the college beyond the classroom. He selected and hired several of Oxford's longest serving and beloved faculty and he was active in many phases of student life including advising the campus newspaper, The Spokesman, and student government and ever so many college committees. His regular, long, open door office hours ensured students found him always available to meet, to guide, to discuss, to explore. Over 20 years after retiring from teaching at Oxford, his students sought him out when returning to visit the campus.

Married for nearly 50 years, Neil and Carol were optimistic and energetic citizens of Oxford town. They worked actively on the Town Planning and

Zoning Committee and served on the Oxford Historical Cemetery Foundation. They were involved members of Allen Memorial United Methodist Church serving on many committees over the years. They were founding, lifelong members of the Atlanta Post-Polio Association. When the Olympics came to Atlanta, Neil was selected to be a torch bearer carrying the Paralympic flame. A loving friend, husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Neil took time to be present in the lives of family. He and Carol traveled frequently around the country and the world to visit and participate in the lives of his children, grandchildren, brothers, nieces and nephews. A truly wonderful listener, his steady presence, support, love and commitment to family was limitless.

Neil is survived by his wife, Carol Penn; daughter, Jennifer (Mike) Weston; son, Evan (Lisa) Hough; grandchildren, Joana (Craig Dobson) Weston, Rees (Kara) Osborn, Elliot Hough, Erin Osborn and Abbey Hough; great-grandchild, Eliza; brothers, Jack (Gloria), Gary (Rae) and Paul (Pat); as well as many loving in-laws, nieces and nephews. His brother, Gene, predeceased him.

A Celebration of Life gathering will be planned at a later date due to the pandemic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Penn Book Fund, Office of Advancement and Alumni Engagement, Oxford College, 801 Emory Street, Oxford, Georgia 30054. To give online, go to the Oxford College website and click on "Giving" at the upper right of the screen. Click "Other" to indicate that the designation for the gift is the Penn Book Fund at Oxford College.

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Marilynn McDonald Whatley

Mrs. Marilyn McDonald Whatley, age 73, of Covington passed away Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020.

She was born in Clarksdale, Mississippi, on Nov. 15, 1946 to Otis Wayne and Velma Cloud McDonald who have preceded her in death.

Mrs. Whatley grew up in Dundee, Missis-

sippi, and graduated from Tunica County High School. Following high school, Marilyn graduated from Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi, and then onto the University of Mississippi where she received the master's degree in education. Later she completed the specialist degree at the University of Sarasota. She completed her coursework for her doctorate in education, but was unable to complete the dissertation due to medical problems. She was a retired educator from the Newton County School System having worked in several other school districts in the States of Georgia and Mississippi. Professionally, she was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa and Delta Kappa Epsilon. She was Teacher of the Year in Baldwin County Schools and a runner up in Newton County Schools.

Mrs. Whatley enjoyed needle work, was an avid reader and mem-

ber of several book clubs, enjoyed playing the piano, and was a former church handbell ringer. She was a member of The Church of the Good Shepherd where she was a former member of the Vestry and Junior Warden. She was a member of the Daughter's of the King and a leader in Education for Ministry. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Robert Wayne McDonald.

Mrs. Whatley is survived by her husband of 51 years, Richard Steven Whatley; her children, Erin Elizabeth Lockerman and Christopher, of Social Circle, and Richard Andrew McDonald Whatley and Abby Dougherty, of Lilburn; and grandchildren, Hannah and Ian Lockerman, and Clare and Charlie Whatley.

Friends, family and acquaintances have expressed respect and appreciation for Marilyn's loving servant

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In March 1974, James A. Yarbrough points to the escape route his family used after their mobile home was overturned after a storm raged through Newton County.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, OCT. 2

- The Arts Association in Newton County will host its annual "Pink Out" drive-in concert at 7 p.m. featuring Wren and the Ravens at Legion Field in Covington. The band plays an eclectic blend of retro soul, pop and R&B. Tickets are \$5 per vehicle and will go on sale Sept. 28. The best decorated vehicle with the "Pink Out" theme will win a special prize. Pink Out is the color that is commonly used to observe October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Sponsors of the concert are Covington Women's Health, Piedmont Newton Women's Health Center and Atlanta Cancer Care. Legion Field is at 3173 Mill St. NE in Covington. For more information, visit newton-countyarts.org.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24

- Covington Christian Church on the Round, located at 141 Highway 142 in Covington, will host its Fall Festival from 5-9 p.m. Enjoy the season in backyard family style! Everyone is invited to attend for an evening of hay rides, photo stations, food trucks and a bonfire. Break out your best recipes, because there will be an Apple Pie Contest, complete with blue ribbon and a gift card to Applebee's for the winner! Come enjoy s'mores and guitars around the fire, then finish the festivities with a small fireworks display. Admission is free. Visit covingtonchristian.org to learn more.

ONGOING

- The food pantry at the Covington First United Methodist Church is in dire need of more volunteers now that students and teachers are back in school and unavailable to help with this ongoing and much-needed project. If available to help, email Megan Hulgán at foodpantry@covington-first.org to sign up and begin training for service.

- Everyone is invited to join Covington Christian Church on the Round on Sunday mornings at 11 a.m. for worship. The church is located at 141 Highway 142 in Covington.

Submit your upcoming event to
The Covington News' community calendar
via email to news@covnews.com.

Kiwanis Korner

One of the international programs that the Kiwanis Club of Covington is happy to support is The Eliminate Project. Kiwanis International and UNICEF combined forces to eliminate neonatal and maternal tetanus in the world. Tetanus is a painful and deadly disease that causes extreme sensitivity to sound, light, and touch, and tetanus kills over 30 thousand babies each year. The goal of this project is to raise \$110 million. We are close to our fundraising goal, and thousands of Kiwan-

ians across the world have joined this fight to save or protect 55 million lives from this disease by pledging to The Eliminate Project. Though we seek to make a difference in our local community, the Kiwanis Club of Covington is proud to be a part of global initiatives like The Eliminate Project as well. If you would like to learn more about Kiwanis, come join us for a club meeting any Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Covington First United Methodist Church.

APPOINTS:

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District 4 stretches from Alcovy Road near I-20 in the north to South Salem Elementary School in the south and includes north central Covington and much of the city of Oxford.

Superintendent Samantha Fuhrey said Bailey tentatively is set to be sworn in Thursday, Sept. 24.

"While we miss Mr. Turner tremendously, we know he would want us to move forward to assure the residents of Newton County's District 4 are represented on our board," said Fuhrey. "We look forward to working with Mr. Bailey, and we welcome him wholeheartedly to the NCSS team."

In other business, the board approved the following business items:

- A financial report from the superintendent that showed

- A. The special-purpose local-option for education sales tax (ESPLOST) V distribution for July was

\$1,347,855, which was an increase of \$54,527 from the previous month. The average for the first seven months of ESPLOST V collections is \$1,247,170. The monthly average for ESPLOST IV was \$1,008,482.

- B. The title ad valorem tax (TAVT) collection for July was \$541,367.

- C. Salaries and benefits for August for 10-month employees are accrued into fiscal year 2020 as these payments are for work for the 2019-2020 school year. Most July and August QBE revenues apply to these salaries and benefits and have also been accrued into fiscal year 2020.

- D. Expenditures which relate to fiscal year 2020 continue to be processed.

- E. The school system is anticipating final collections for 2020 from the tax commissioner.

- F. The final ending fund balance will be available at the Octo-

ber board meeting.

- An enrollment report from the superintendent that showed there were 18,869 enrolled in Newton County Schools for 2020-2021 (592 in pre-K; 1,097 in kindergarten; 1,329 in 1st; 1,304 in 2nd; 1,305 in 3rd; 1,338 in 4th; 1,329 in 5th; 1,401 in 6th; 1,417 in 7th; 1,484 in 8th; 1,640 in 9th; 1,606 in 10th; 1,443 in 11th; 1,281 in 12th).

- The purchase of a membership in the Cognia Network for \$28,800, paid for from the General Fund.

- The purchase of teacher engagement services needed from Teach Upbeat, LLC, of Brooklyn, New York. The contract value was \$33,600.

- The identification of certain items to be declared surplus property and be disposed of per Board Police DO.

- The purchase of numerous whiteboards from School Outfitters of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the amount of

\$31,855.90.

- The purchase of PBIS Rewards software needed for the school system from PBIS Rewards of Evansville, Indiana. The total contract value was \$30,101.58.

- The purchase of laptop computers and accessories from Dell Marketing L.P. of Round Rock, Texas, in the amount of \$99,411.62.

- The purchase of educational resources from Nearpod of Dania Beach, Florida. The total contract value was \$49,040.00.

- The purchase of virtual tutoring services from Focus Care, Inc. (DBA FEV Tutor, Inc.) in the amount of \$220,000.

- The purchase of Intelitek's Foundations of STEM content and materials from Learning Labs, Inc. of Calhoun, Georgia. The estimated total cost was \$36,000.

- Personnel matters discussed in executive session.

FACEBOOK:

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in close proximity to (Hartsfield-Jackson) airport here ... to having renewable energy resources available in the state, it was just a no-brainer when it came time to expand," she said.

She said the company always factors in the possibility of future expansion when looking at any potential data center site, Comer said.

A community's rate of current development and potential for future development also plays a factor, she said.

"It's a growing, bustling area and we felt like we already did our first announcement in 2018 and, as we look to expand, it made sense," she said.

"We had great partnerships in this community and when we had the opportunity to expand this just seemed like it was a great way to do that."

A data center houses the equipment needed for Facebook users to store photos and videos, among other information, on pages.

"Data centers are part of the infrastructure that helps us bring WhatsApp, Instagram, Facebook and more to people around the globe," according to

the Newton Data Center's page.

Serra Hall, the Newton County economic development recruitment representative for the JDA, said, "We are extremely excited about the announcement from our partners at Facebook."

"Facebook's Newton Data Center is a wonderful addition to the high technology park of Stanton Springs," Hall said.

"Facebook's commitment to the four-county partnership between Jasper, Morgan, Walton and Newton County is appreciated and remarkable. Newton County is grateful for their movement forward into phase two and we continue to stand beside Facebook in their progression," Hall said.

She said thanks "should go to our Gov. Brian Kemp for the continued effort of leading Georgia to be business-friendly and focused."

"Along with our governor, the members of the Joint Development Authority of Stanton Springs and my recruitment counterpart, Shane Short of Walton County, should all be commended for our regional approach and

top tier developments within the park," Hall said.

"As an economic development representative for Newton County, it is exciting to see the progression of Facebook at Stanton Springs and the hard work from their team and all who work on the project each day," said Hall, who is also vice president of project development for the Newton County Industrial Development Authority.

"Today's announcement is a testament to long term vision and goals set forth by the local leadership and true partnership with private industry," she said.

Facebook already has

provided nearly \$1.5 million in grants to local schools, nonprofits and small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, officials said.

It also recently launched its Community Action Grants program which "supports projects that meet community needs by putting the power of technology to use for community benefit, connecting people online or off, or improving local STEM education."

Schools and non-profit organizations in Newton, Jasper, Morgan and Walton counties are eligible to apply. For more information, visit facebook.com/newtondatacenter.

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Our View on the Issue



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A Covington police officer helps a boy pick out clothes as part of the Back to School Shop with a Cop program.

Support our local police, law enforcement agencies

Law enforcement officers across the country haven’t been scrutinized just in the last few years. They’ve been under fire for decades.

In fact, Eastern Kentucky University crime historian Gary Potter told *TIME* magazine in 2017 that when the first form of police was instituted, it was as a “night watch,” and it wasn’t a job anyone wanted. Early policemen “didn’t want to wear badges because these guys had bad reputations to begin with, and they didn’t want to be identified as people that other people didn’t like,” Potter said.

If you take time to browse through Facebook, YouTube or other video sharing platforms, there will be no shortage of clips depicting the worst of America’s cops. Unfortunately, it isn’t surprising. It’s no secret that police brutality is a widespread issue in the U.S. and has been for years.

For every 100 bad videos found, you may finally stumble onto a video of police doing something nice. But that 1 in 100 doesn’t paint an accurate picture.

You see, law enforcement officers do much more than people realize. Not only do they work to uphold the law, but they also protect and serve their community.

In Newton County, our law enforcement officers help the community through a variety of outreach programs, such as the sheriff’s office’s C.H.A.M.P.S. and the Covington Police Department’s annual Fuzz Run which kicks off this weekend. But officers also do small things that often go unnoticed, like paying for someone’s dinner, helping fix a flat tire, buying a person groceries or simply having an uplifting conversation with someone who’s had a tough day.

Not all law enforcement officers are perfect, and while they should be held to the highest of standards, we should never let the actions of one “bad apple” cause us to dishonor and despise our local law enforcement agencies.

To show our support, a portion of proceeds made from the special section you’ll find in today’s newspaper will be donated to Covington Police Who Care and Newton County Deputies Who Care.

The Covington News encourages the public to join in and always support our local law enforcement agencies.

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A lesson learned at gunpoint

Three years ago a law enforcement officer held me at gunpoint on my way to church.

I had never felt so humiliated and threatened in my life. I’m not ashamed to say I cried after it happened. I was scared for my life.

Driving down a winding back road in rural Alabama, I was running late for church. Naturally, I was driving faster than usual, but this one Sunday morning I crossed paths with a Marshall County Sheriff’s deputy.

To this day, I couldn’t tell you how fast I was going, but it was obviously fast enough for a “blue-light special.”

When the deputy caught up to me, I pulled over. Admittedly, I knew the drill: license, registration and proof of insurance. In college I collected my fair share of speeding citations.

So, knowing what to do — or, so I thought — I squeezed my wallet out of my back pocket and then quickly reached for the glove box to get all my pa-

perwork. I didn’t want to waste any more time than I had to. I remember thinking singing was about to start.

Before I could pop the latch to the glove box, I heard a man’s voice yell, “Put your hands on the steering wheel, now!”

Confused, I looked over to find a pistol outside my passenger-side window. It was pointed toward my body.

He yelled his command again.

I was in shock and felt lifeless, but somehow my hands found their way to the steering wheel, as requested.

Then, with his gun still drawn, he unloaded a barrage of questions.

“Where are you headed? Is this vehicle stolen? Do you know how fast you were going? What’s in the glove box? Do you have a weapon in the vehicle?”

I answered with the truth: “Church; no it’s mine; no, sir, I don’t — I’m just running late; it’s where my insurance and registration is; no, I don’t have anything.”

At that point, a second deputy came to my side of the car and took my drivers license

Dave Belton District 112 state representative

Hatred against police hit new low this week

Hatred hit a new low last week as a hoodlum near Los Angeles gunned down two police officers sitting in their car.

As horrible as that assassination attempt was, its depravity was perhaps exceeded by the mocking jeers of the onlookers who filmed it. Instead of helping the dying officers, they laughed and cheered, yelling, “No justice; no peace!” Later, a leftist mob surrounded the hospital where the officers were being treated, shouting, “We hope they die!” A local leftist activist happily posted, “We should celebrate today that an oppressor has been slain. This is the start of retribution. This is a very good start.”

That activist is a frequent “counselor” of the leftist mayor of Los Angeles.

There’s a reason this is happening. One major political party has — for months now — created a toxic environment by telling us that police are inherently bad. They wrote it down in their party platform. Nearly all sports leagues cravenly followed, echoing the nonsensical narrative that the actions of a few bad cops makes

the entire nation “systematically racist”.

America is one of the first nations to ban slavery, give people of color the right to vote, give women the right to vote, and institute decades-long multi-trillion-dollar programs like the Great Society and Affirmative Action to help minorities. Businesses and colleges all over the nation — for half a century — have bent over backwards to help minorities and women. We elected a black president and thousands of senators, congressmen, mayors, fire and police chiefs, etc. of all colors... and loudly celebrate minority athletes and entertainers.

It is a fact that America is the best place in the world for people of color, different faiths and ethnicities, and LGBTQ. We are not a perfect nation, but we are far less racist now than we have ever been, and we are constantly getting better.

It is a fact that a police officer loses their life every single week. Police brutality is always wrong, but over the past decade it is actually trending down, not up. Last year, only 10 unarmed black people in the entire nation were killed by police, and five of those were fleeing arrest. Ninety percent of black homicides — nearly 7,000 last year — are commit-

— no weapon drawn. She never asked for my registration papers or proof of insurance.

She studied my license for a moment, then slowly lifted her eyes to study me.

“When you get pulled over, never reach for the glove box or make any sudden movements,” she calmly said. “Just keep your hands visible and don’t do anything until you’re told... When you reached for the glove box so quick, it made us think you might be hiding something or had a weapon.”

“Well, that’s not something they teach us in school,” I wanted to say.

After I told her I understood and apologized for speeding and giving them a scare, the man finally put his gun away.

I was then given a warning and told to have a nice day.

Spoiler: I did not have a nice day.

That was an encounter with law enforcement I’ll never forget. I was struck with fear and furious about the experience, but I learned something.

Whenever you encounter law enforcement officers, it’s important to be mindful of

your actions and how you present yourself, and you should also be respectful of their commands. Doing so will ensure the safety of all parties involved. Remember: those officers want to make it home, too.

Of course, it all could have been avoided if I didn’t drive too fast.

But I can’t help wondering, what if it were someone else? What if I looked or spoke differently? Then how would I have been treated?

When those questions begin circling my mind, I have to remember not every law enforcement officer is the same, which is a relief, yet a disappointment. I wish all law enforcement officers were the same. I wish they were all respectful of every person. I wish the choice to be violent was always the last resort and brutality a thing of the past.

Maybe, if we continue supporting our local police force and focus on working together, we’ll see that happen one day.

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doubled that number in 29 days, and confirmed that five other Arab nations want to join as well. “Peace requires courage,” said the minister of the UAE, adding, “by the grace of God” Arabs and Jews and Americans were joining together in “a moment of hope and opportunity.” The Israeli Prime Minister called it, “a pivot of history. It heralds a new dawn of peace,” that was “unimaginable just a few years ago” and that will “expand the circle of peace to all the children of Abraham.”

Nancy Pelosi called peace in the war-torn Middle East, “a distraction.”

This is the choice we face. On the one hand, we have a party that silently sanctions leftist Socialists who stir-up racial animosity to the point where normal citizens randomly assassinate police officers. On the other, we have a party that honors our first responders and the tremendous sacrifice they make to keep us safe — and a White House who brokers a historic peace between people of biblically different religions and races...who have been fighting each other for thousands of years.

Dave Belton is a Republican from District 112, serving in the Georgia House of Representatives.

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Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

- Greasy powder (abbr.)
- Rural Free Delivery (abbr.)
- Amount of time
- Greeting
- Form of “to be”
- Israeli diplomat
- Outfit
- The 13th letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- Deceptive movement
- Anxious
- Popular Letterman guest
- Saints’ signal caller
- Intoxicate
- Relationship
- Ask for one’s hand in marriage
- Popular Will Ferrell film
- Gargle
- Warning sensation before migraine
- Returned material authorization (abbr.)
- Erases
- At ease
- Small branch of an artery
- Mother of Hermes
- Body part
- Cavalry sword
- Wellness chants
- Helps little firms
- Afflicted
- Peep

- Nellie __, journalist
- Spiritual leader
- Doctor of Education
- Affirmative
- Cheek

CLUES DOWN

- Popular kids’ game
- Away from wind
- Round water pot
- Drink quickly
- A simple type of jet engine
- Something for nothing
- Painkiller
- Siskel’s pal
- Strong spirit distilled in Turkey
- Again
- Imitate
- Icelandic poems
- Jacob __, American journalist
- No (Scottish)
- Newborn
- Credit term
- Nonprofit research group in CA
- Male offspring
- Important baseball stat
- A way to compel
- Fiddler crab
- Jewish equivalent of “Sir”
- Every
- Midway between east and southeast

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39. Anti-slavery treaty

40. A friendly manner

41. Military figure (abbr.)

42. Area units

44. Sudden incursions

45. Expressed pleasure

46. Covered with hoar-frost

47. Job

48. Donkey

51. Swiss river

52. Prejudice

53. Actor Idris

54. Light dry-gap bridge (abbr.)

58. Criticize

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117286
9/13,20

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 & off premises consumption for:

BREAD & Butter Bakery, LLC
1124 MONTICELLO Street
APPLICANT’S NAME: Ronnie

Johnston

THE APPLICATION will be heard on October 5th 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.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117309
9/20

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:

ALYZA & Shanil LLC
SHANIL I. Surani
11408 BROWN Bridge Rd,
COVINGTON, GA 30016

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117157
9/20,10/4

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:

KROGER #436
RUBY STAR Clement
5341 HWY 20 S
COVINGTON, GA 30016

OCCUPATION TAX/BUSINESS

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LAST WEEK’S SOLUTION:

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117307
9/20,10/4

Bids

THE CITY of Covington is soliciting

sealed bids from licensed HVAC contractors to design and install an adequate heating and cooling system as specified in Exhibit “A” for the City of Covington.

SEALED BIDS must be delivered to City Hall, 2194 Emory Street NW, Covington, GA 30014, Attn: Scott Cromer no later than 10:00am on Thursday, October 29th, 2020. Bids

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WILL BE opened and read aloud at that time. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29th, 2020 at 10:00 am at Covington City Hall located at 2194 Emory Street NW Covington, Georgia 30014.

REQUEST FOR Bids and additional information may be obtained at City Hall or by accessing the request for proposals on the City's website at <https://www.cityofcovington.org/index.php?section=business-opportunities>

THE CITY of Covington reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Citations

CITATION

CAROLYN ELAINE SMITH has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of WILMA JEAN JOHNSON**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117256
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

EDWIN C MORITZ has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of ERIK M. MORITZ**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #117247
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

FRANCES W. BENTON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JEROME BENTON**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117248
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

GERALDINE THOMAS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of MARY LILLIAN THOMAS**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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BY: MARCIA Wynne
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PUBLIC NOTICE #117251
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

JACQUELINE LORRAINE DUPONT has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JEROME 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #117254
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

JOHN L. STRAUSS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of HELEN SANDRA HICKS**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117253
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

MARK BOWEN AND JORDAN BOWEN have petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of BETTY CAROL JORDAN**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117246
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

MARY KATHERINE HOOD has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of MARY KATHRYN HONAKER COX**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117252
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of AMY LEIGH HICKMAN, Deceased

JAMES MARSHALL HICKMAN, Executor has petitioned for Final Settlement of Accounts and Discharge from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before October 5, 2020, at ten o'clock am.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117300
9/20

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of GLADYS M. WILLIAMS, Deceased

BRIDGETTE ELIZABETH DAWSON, Executrix has petitioned for Final Settlement of Accounts and Discharge from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before October 5, 2020, at ten o'clock am.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117301
9/20

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of SHIRLEY BURASKI, Deceased

LISA ANN BURASKI DONNACHAIDH, Executrix has petitioned for Final Settlement of Accounts and Discharge from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before October 5, 2020, at ten o'clock am.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117302
9/20

CITATION

RICHARD WELCH has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of DENA MARIE MOOTZ WELCH**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117250
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

ROBBIN M. PASCHALL has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JAMES E. PASCHALL, SR.**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117257
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

SARAH L. QUINTON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of BOBBY GENE QUINTON, JR.**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117255
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

TED WRIGHT CHANCEY, JR. has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of FELICIA YVONNE CHANCEY**, 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 OCTOBER 5, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne
CLERK, PROBATE Court
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PUBLIC NOTICE #117249
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

THE PETITION of ALONZO BAILEY, JR., widow/widower of **JANICE EILEEN BAILEY**, 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 October 5, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117263
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

THE PETITION of DONNA F. GREGG widow/widower of **JAMES P. GREGG**, 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 October 5, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117262
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

THE PETITION of LAURA J. APPLEWHITE, widow/widower of **EDWARD R. APPLEWHITE**, 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 October 5, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117264
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

THE PETITION of LINDA CHERYL ELUMBAUGH, widow/widower of **CHAD W. ELUMBAUGH**, 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 October 5, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117265
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

THE PETITION of TIMOTHY L. MAYO, widow/widower of **TAMMIE R. MAYO**, 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 October 5, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117266
9/6,13,20,27

CITATION

TO: HALLIE LAVERN COLLINS

PATRICIA JACKSON has filed Temporary Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) **KHAMARION FOREST & KHAMAYIAH FOREST** minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before September 14, 2020 at ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: DANYELL Thomas
CLERK, PROBATE Court
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #117285
9/13,20

Debtors Creditors

NOTICE TO Debtors and Creditors

ALL CREDITORS of the estate of Kristopher M. Clarke late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment. **THIS 13TH** day of September, 2020

NAME: BETTY Clarke
TITLE: ADMINSTRATRIX
ADDRESS: 310 Homestead Way,
Covington, Georgia 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117222
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of ALEJANDRO EMILIO TORO**, 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 28th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

JUSTIN E. TORO
101 LEONELLE CIRCLE
SLIDELL, LA 70458

PUBLIC NOTICE #117258
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of AMELIA B DAMERON**, 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 AUGUST, 2020.

VANESSA DAMERON
138 WOMACK ROAD
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117220
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of ANNIE J. WATTS**, 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 21st** day of AUGUST, 2020.

MARION DIXON
155 SADDLEBROOK DR
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117214
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **DOROTHY A. CHILDS**, 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 18th day of August, 2020.

MARIO S. Ninfo, Attorney for
CRYSTAL HOLLIS, Executor
1198 CLARK Street, NW
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117204
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of GEORGE LEE VAUGHN**, 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 AUGUST, 2020.

NICOLE B BURTON
60 BRANDON DRIVE
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117218
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of HERCHEL HOOVER SHEETS**, 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 AUGUST, 2020.

RODNEY SHEETS
695 SKYLINE DR
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117259
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of JACKIE TARRH**, 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 27th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

RICHMOND TARRH
80 CROSSFIRE DR
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117260
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of JAMES BOYCE HOWARD**, 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 10th** day of SEPTEMBER, 2020.

RITA F. FRIX
3109 WOODCHUCK WAY
CONYERS, GA 30094

PUBLIC NOTICE #117304
9/20,27,10/4,11

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of JIMMY LEE BROCK**, 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 20th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

PATRICIA BROCK
9175 WESTVIEW DRIVE
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117213
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of MARVIN EUGENE 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 19th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

BRANDY J WEAVER
741 BARNESVILLE ROAD
GRIFFIN, GA 30224

PUBLIC NOTICE #117216
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

debtors and creditors of the **Estate of MARY HUTCHINSON**, 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 AUGUST, 2020.

TAWANA ROWAN
1444A PINE LOG RD
CONYERS, GA 30012

PUBLIC NOTICE #117212
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of PATRICIA IVIE**, 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 AUGUST, 2020.

HILLARY EDGAR, ESQ.
1132 FLOYD ST
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117219
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of PRISCILLA G. FAULKNER**, 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 25th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

ROBERT L. FAULKNER, JR.
1187 FLOYD STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117221
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of ROBERT CHARLES WARD**, 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 25th** day of AUGUST, 2020.

ROBERT D. WARD
2100 WATERS FERRY DR
LAWRENCEVILLE, GA 30043

PUBLIC NOTICE #117261
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of TOMMY RAY THOMPSON**, 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 14th** day of SEPTEMBER, 2020.

PATRICIA ANN THOMPSON
86 PARKER ROAD
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117303
9/20,27,10/4,11

NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
ERIC LAUREE BROWN
Plaintiff,
-VS-
YOLANDA M. BROWN
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2020-CV-1582-4
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: YOLANDA M. BROWN
431 KIRKLAND RD,
COVINGTON, GA 30014

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated **SEPTEMBER 1, 2020** you are hereby notified that on **8/27/20** (date of filing) **ERIC L. BROWN** (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 **LAYLA H. ZON**, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 2020.

LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #117277
9/13,20,27,10/4

Foreclosures

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE UNDER POWER NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Brad T. Williams and Sedera E. Williams** to Main Street Bank D/B/A Main Street Mortgage, dated May 9, 2002, and recorded in Deed Book 1219, Page 512, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the PRP II PALS Investments Trust by assignment to be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of one hundred eighteen thousand nine hundred and 00/100 (\$118,900.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on October 6, 2020, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 35 OF THE 10TH LAND DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA BEING LOT 4 OF MOTE CROSSING SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 35, PAGES 256-257, RECORDS OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, WHICH PLAT IS BY REFERENCE INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

THE DEBT secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

YOUR MORTGAGE servicer can be contacted at 800-603-0836 - Loss Mitigation Dept., or by writing to SN Servicing Corporation (Servicer), 323 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, to discuss possible alternatives to avoid foreclosure.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Brad T. Williams and Sedera E. Williams or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as **45 Mote Crossing, Covington, GA 30016.**

THE SALE will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

U.S. BANK Trust National Association, as Trustee of the PRP II PALS Investments Trust as Attorney in Fact for Brad T. Williams and Sedera E. Williams.

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GEORGIA BAR Number 547833

PUBLIC NOTICE #117223
8/30,9/6,13,20

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE UNDER POWER NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Carol P. Prendergast** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Grantee, As Nominee For Market Street Mortgage Corporation, dated September 29, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 2299, Page 141, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS CERTIFICATE TRUSTEE OF BOSCO CREDIT VI TRUST SERIES 2012-1 by assignment recorded on July 30, 2020 in Book 4044 Page 251 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine and 0/100 dollars (\$25,999.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at

public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on October 6, 2020, the following described property:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 185 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 140, Phase II of Fairview Estates Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 40, page 26-35, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

THE DEBT secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

THE ENTITY having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Franklin Credit Management Corporation they can be contacted at 800-650-7162 for Loss Mitigation Dept. or by writing to 101 Hudson Street, 24th Floor, Jersey City, New Jersey 07302, to discuss possible alternatives to avoid foreclosure.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Carol P. Prendergast, Alicia Gooden and Marques Prendergast or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as **150 CHANDLER FIELDS DR, Covington, GA 30016.**

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed and (3) any right of redemption or other lien not extinguished by foreclosure.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS CERTIFICATE TRUSTEE OF BOSCO CREDIT VI TRUST SERIES 2012-1 as Attorney in Fact for Carol P. Prendergast.

BROCK & Scott, PLLC
4360 CHAMBLEE Dunwoody Road SUITE 310
ATLANTA, GA 30341
404-789-2661
B&S FILE no.: 20-05028

PUBLIC NOTICE #117155
9/13,20,27,10/4

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER COUNTY OF NEWTON STATE OF GEORGIA

UNDER AND by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Security Deed dated September 18, 2018 from **IDO Home Solutions, LLC** ("Debtor" or "Grantor") granting Dominion Financial Services LLC ("Original Lender") a security interest in that certain real property known as 50 Chandler Trace, 60 Chandler Trace, 70 Chandler Trace, 80 Chandler Trace, 120 Chandler Trace, 130 Chandler Trace, 140 Chandler Trace, 150 Chandler Trace, 160 Chandler Trace, 170 Chandler Trace, Covington, GA 30016, as more particularly described therein (the "Properties") recorded on September 27, 2018, in Deed Book 3754, Page 136-150 in the Newton County, Georgia Records (the "Security Deed") as subsequently assigned from Dominion Financial Services, LLC to Dominion Financial Services 4, LLC ("Lender") recorded on September 27, 2018, at Deed Book 3754, Page 151-152, Newton County, Georgia Records ("Assignment of Deed") which secures that certain promissory note dated September 18, 2018 from Grantor to Original Lender, as subsequently assigned to Lender, in the original principal amount of \$756,000.00, with interest from the date thereof at the rate specified therein, as previously or subsequently amended, modified or replaced ("Note"), there will be sold at public outcry by Lender as attorney-in-fact of Grantor to the highest bidder for cash between the legal hours for sale before the Courthouse door in Newton County, Georgia, on October 6, 2020 the following described land, improvements and appurtenances (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Premises") to wit:

ALL THOSE TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 185 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOTS 223, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 276, 277, 278, AND 279, FAIRVIEW ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE III, ACCORDING TO PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 42, PAGES 31-41, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS HEREBY REFERRED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION

120 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 238 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000222000
130 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 237 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000223000
140 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 236 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000224000
150 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 235 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000225000
160 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 234 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000226000
170 CHANDLER TRACE – LOT 233 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000227000
50 CHANDLER CIRCLE – LOT 279 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000181000
60 CHANDLER CIRCLE – LOT 278 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000182000
70 CHANDLER CIRCLE – LOT 277 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000183000
80 CHANDLER CIRCLE – LOT 276 – TAX PARCEL NO.: 0012D00000185000

THE INDEBTEDNESS evidenced by the Note is due and payable and remains unpaid. The Security Deed therefore has become and is now foreclosable according to its terms. Accordingly, the Premises will be

sold at public outcry pursuant to the terms of the power of sale provided in the Security Deed. The Debtor has been notified of the same, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2.

THE PREMISES will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis without recourse against Linear or its auctioneer or other agents and without representation or warranty of any kind or nature whatsoever by Lender or its auctioneer or other agents with respect thereto. All persons attending the sale will be given an opportunity to bid on a competitive basis. Lender may offer the Property for sale, may adjourn and withdraw the sale and recommence the sale in its discretion. Lender reserves the right, in its discretion, to reject any and all bids that do not meet its minimum reserve price.

THE PROCEEDS of the sale are to be applied first to the expenses of the sale and all proceedings in connection therewith, including attorneys' fees (notice of intention to collect attorneys' fees having been given), then to the payment of all sums secured by the Security Deed, and the remainder, if any, will be paid to the person or persons legally entitled thereto, all as provided in the Note and Security Deed.

THE PREMISES shall be sold as the property of Grantor, subject to all restrictions, easements and other matters of record that are prior to the Security Deed and to which the Security Deed is subject and to any unpaid city, county and state ad valorem taxes or assessments relating to the Premises.

THE NAME, address and telephone number of the individual or entity who has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtors is: **DOMINION FINANCIAL Services 4, LLC**
C/O JOSEPH Linnenkamp

1029 N Calvert St.
BALTIMORE, MD 21202
(667)-600-4582

NOTHING HEREIN, however, shall obligate Lender to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the mortgage or loan.

TO THE best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, the owner of the Premises is the Grantor and the party or parties in possession of the Premises are the Grantor or tenants of the Grantor.

DOMINION FINANCIAL Services 4, LLC
AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT for **IDO HOME Solutions, LLC**
BETH E. Rogers, Esq.
ROGERS LAW OFFICES
100 PEACHTREE ST., Ste. 1950 ATLANTA, GA 30303
(770) 685-6320 phone
(678) 990-9959 fax

PUBLIC NOTICE #117267
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **TERRENCE D. BAILEY** to HOMEBANC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, dated December 19, 2003, recorded March 10, 2004, in Deed Book 1631, Page 426 , Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$96,300.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as trustee of MFRA Trust 2015-1, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Newton County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in October, 2020, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 322 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 24, RIVER MIST SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 29, PAGE 186, NEWTON COUNTY RECORDS. REFERENCE TO SAID PLAT IS HEREBY MADE FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED.

SAID PROPERTY IS IMPROVED PROPERTY KNOWN AS 90 RIVER MIST DRIVE, ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING PROPERTY IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA.

SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **90 RIVERMIST DR, COVINGTON, GA 30014.**

THE INDEBTEDNESS secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees (notice to collect same having been given) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable); the right of redemption of any taxing authority; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all zoning ordinances; assessments; liens; encumbrances; restrictions; covenants, and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is **TERRENCE D. BAILEY**, or tenants(s).

THE SALE will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

PLEASE NOTE that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, you are not entitled by law to an amendment or modification of the terms of your loan. The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Planet Home Lending, LLC, Loss Mitigation Dept., 321 Research Parkway, Suite

303, Meriden, CT 06450, Telephone Number: 855-884-2250.

WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF MFRA TRUST 2015-1

AS ATTORNEY in Fact for **TERRENCE D. BAILEY**

THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

ATTORNEY CONTACT: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (877) 813-0992 Case No. PHL-20-02910-1

AD RUN Dates 09/06/2020, 09/13/2020, 09/20/2020, 09/27/2020

R1SELAW.COM/PROPERTY-LISTING

PUBLIC NOTICE #117202
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement from **DH Lot Investor Fund Number Three, LLC** to Firstcity Bank dated September 5, 2008, recorded September 17, 2008 in Deed Book 2646, Page 388, Newton County, Georgia Records, and last assigned to NBC II, LLC in Deed Book 4044, Page 162, Newton County, Georgia Records. Said Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement having been given to secure a Promissory Note of even date in the original principal amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Six Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$756,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in October, 2020, all property described in said Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement including but not limited to the following described property:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 100 and 125 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being **Lots 63, 75 and 76 of HOLLY HILLS, PHASE I F/K/A HEATON PLACE, as shown on Final Plat of HOLLY HILLS, PHASE I F/K/A HEATON PLACE**, recorded in Plat Book 43, Pages 131-135, Newton County, Georgia Records. The description of said property as contained on said plat is hereby incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof.

SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **340 Mincy Way, Covington, GA 30016, 140 Heaton Place Trail, Covington, GA 30016 and 150 Heaton Place Trail, Covington, GA 30016**

THE INDEBTEDNESS secured by said Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided under the terms of said Promissory Note and Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in Promissory Note, Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold on an as-is basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, rights of way, easements, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement.

TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party (or parties) in possession of the property is/are: **DH LOT INVESTOR FUND NUMBER THREE**

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Deed to Secure Debt, Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement and (3) any right of redemption or other lien not extinguished by foreclosure.

PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the individual or entity who shall have the full authority to negotiate, amend, or modify all terms of the above described loan is as follows: **NBC II, LLC** by and through its attorney **Smith Welch Webb & White, LLC**, 2200 Keys Ferry Court, McDonough, Georgia 30253, 770-957-3937. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 44-14-162.2, the secured creditor is not required to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

NBC II, LLC, as Attorney in Fact for **DH LOT INVESTOR FUND NUMBER THREE**

THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

SMITH WELCH Webb & White, LLC
2200 KEYS Ferry Court
PO BOX 10
MC DONOUGH, GEORGIA 30253
TELEPHONE: 770-957-3937
FILE NO. 702020.0408

PUBLIC NOTICE #117234
9/6,13,20,27

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR

THAT PURPOSE.

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Diane M Harris to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Home America Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated October 25, 2004, recorded in Deed Book 1784, Page 13, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as indenture trustee, for the NRPL Trust 2019-2 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2019-2 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4047, Page 53, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-ONE THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$141,000.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in October, 2020, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

THE DEBT secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS Fund Society, FSB, as indenture trustee, for the NRPL Trust 2019-2 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2019-2 is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

THE ENTITY that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: **Fay Servicing, LLC**, 425 S. Financial Place, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60605, 800-495-7166.

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Diane M Harris and Estate of Diane M Hart or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **25 Crooked Creek Way, Covington, Georgia 30016.**

THE SALE will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS Fund Society, FSB, as indenture trustee, for the NRPL Trust 2019-2 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2019-2

AS ATTORNEY in Fact for **DIANE M Harris**

MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce, LLC

1544 OLD Alabama Road

ROS WELL, GA 30076

WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE.NET

EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 41, 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, and being shown as Lot 12, Unit Two, Crooked Creek Subdivision, on a plat of survey of same recorded in Plat Book 37, Page 141, public records of Newton County, Georgia, which plat is by reference thereto Incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular and complete description.

MR/LWA 10/6/20

OUR FILE no. 5698519 - FT18

PUBLIC NOTICE #117198
9/6,13,20,27,10/4

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Martin R. Boyd and Kristen A. Boyd** to Newton Federal Bank, dated August 6, 2004, recorded in Deed Book 1730, Page 354, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to McCormick 106, LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3800, Page 597, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$140,000.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in October, 2020, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

THE DEBT secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

MCCORMICK 106, LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

LEIGHANN BATESON the above listed date.

YOU ARE hereby notified that on May 2, 201 9, a Petition for Dependency was filed in this Co urt requesting that the mi nor child be placed in the ca re, custody and control of the Maternal Grandparents. The petition alleges dependency based as defined in O.C.G.A. 15-1 1-2 (22). A Petition for Appointment of Permanency Guardian was filed with this court on March 2, 2020. You are hereby commanded and required to appear before the cou rt on the 6Lh day of October, 2020 at 1:00:00 am, to answer the allegations of the petition alleging dependency.

A COPY of said Petition for Dependency can be obtained from the Clerk of the Newton County **JUVENILE COURT**, at the Newton County Judicial Center. 1132 Usher Street. Covington, GA 30014.

READ CAREFULLY

THIS SUMMONS requires you to be present at a formal hearing in the Juvenile Court.

THE CHILD or other parties involved may be represented by a lawyer at all astages of these

PROCEEDINGS.

IF YOU want a lawyer, you may choose to hi re you r own lawyer. If you want to hire a lawyer,

PLEASE CONTACT your lawyer immediately

IF YOU want a lawyer but are not able to hire a lawyer without undue financial hardship, you may ask for a lawyer to be appointed to represent you. The Court would inquire into your financial circumstances and if the Court finds you to be financially unable to hire a lawyer, then a l awyer will be appo inted to represent you.

IF YOU want a lawyer appointed to represent you, you must let the Court or the officer of the

COURT HANDLING this case know that you want a lawyer immediately.

WITNESS THE Honorable Jenny S. Carter, Judge of said Court.

THIS THE 21st day of August, 2020

JANELL GAINES
CLERK OF Court
NEWTON COUNTY Juvenile Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #117205
8/30,9/6,13,20

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
J.S. SEX: MALE
DOB: 10/28/19 Case #107-220J-0203

A CHILD Under 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS AND PROCESS

TO: **MADISON TYLER,** Mother, **JOHN DOE,** Putative Father, and any unknown, unnamed biological father, or other persons claiming to have a parental interest in the minor child named above born to Madison Tyler on the date listed above.

YOU ARE hereby notified that a Petition (Dependency) was filed in the Juvenile Court of Newton County on April 21, 2020, requesting that the iminor child be placed in the care, custody and control of the Georgia Department of Human Services, acting by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services.

YOU ARE hereby commanded, personally or by attorney, to be and appear at the Newton County Juvenile Court, 1132 Usher Street, NW, Covington, Georgia 30014, for a hearing to be held on the 8th day of October, 2020, at 3:00 p.m., then and there to answer why the prayers for relief as set forth in the Department's Petition should not be granted.

A COPY of said Petition (Dependency) can be obtained from the Clerk of the Newton County Juvenile Court, at the aforementioned address.

READ CAREFULLY

THIS IS a very serious matter. This Summons requires you to be present at a formal hearing in the Juvenile Court.

THE CHILD or children and other parties involved may be represented by a lawyer at all stages of these proceedings.

IF YOU want a lawyer, you may choose to hire your own lawyer. If you want to hire a lawyer, please contact your lawyer immediately.

IF YOU want a lawyer but are not able to hire a lawyer without undue financial hardship, you may ask for a lawyer to be appointed to represent you. The Court would inquire into your financial circumstances and if the Court finds you to be financially unable to hire a lawyer, then a lawyer will be appointed to represent you. Please contact immediately the Newton County Juvenile Court at 770-784-2060 if

you wish to request a lawyer to be appointed to represent you. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DAY OF COURT TO REQUEST AN ATTORNEY.

WHETHER OR not you decide to hire an attorney, you have the right to attend the hearing of your case, to call witnesses on your behalf, and to question those witnesses brought against you.

WITNESS THE Hon. Jenny S. Carter, Judge of said Court, this 14th day of August, 2020.

/S/JANELL GAINES
DEPUTY CLERK,
NEWTON COUNTY Juvenile Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #117165
8/23,30,9/6,13

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
J.T. SEX: Male D O B :
08/23/17 CASE #107-20J-0350

CHILD(REN) Under 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS

TO: **JANET THOMPSON,** mother; **COREY COLLISION,** putative father; **ANTOINE HOWARD,** putative father; **GEWAY SALEEN,** putative father; **JOHN DOE,** and any unknown, unnamed biological father or other persons claiming to have a parental interest in the minor child named above born to Janet Thompson on the date above-listed.

A PETITION to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed in this

Court on September 15, 2020, by the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services, concerning the above child(ren). In accordance with O.C.G.A. §15-11-281, you are hereby notified that this proceeding and the hearing(s) specified herein is/are for the purpose of terminating your parental rights and to place permanent custody of said child(ren) with the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services, pending adoption. The Court shall mail a copy of said Petition to the last known address of the above-named parent(s) within fifteen (15) days of filing the Order of Service by Publication. This is a summons requiring you to be in Court. If you fail to come to court as required, you may be held in contempt of court and punished accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, you, the party(ies) named above, are commanded to be and appear on the date and time stated below, and to remain in attendance from hour to hour, day to day, month to month, year to year, and time to time, as said case may be continued, and until discharged from the Court, and you are commanded to lay any and all business aside and to be and appear in said Court at the time and place below stated, each of you then and there to make defense thereto and to show cause why the said child(ren) and all parties named herein should not be dealt with according to the provisions of the law.

NOTICE OF EFFECT OF
TERMINATION JUDGMENT

GEORGIA LAW provides that you can permanently lose your rights as a parent. A Petition to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed requesting the Court to terminate your parental rights to your child(ren). A copy of said Petition to Terminate Parental Rights can be obtained from the Clerk of the Newton County Juvenile Court. A Court hearing of your case has been scheduled for the 8th day of December, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at the Newton County Juvenile Court, Newton County Judicial Center, 1132 Usher Street, NW, Covington, Georgia 30014.

IF YOU fail to appear, the Court can terminate your rights in your absence.

IF THE Court at the trial finds that the facts set out in the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights are true and that termination of your rights will serve the best interests of your child(ren), the Court can enter a judgment ending your rights to your child(ren).

IF THE judgment terminates your parental rights, you will no longer have any rights to your child(ren). This means that you will not have the right to visit, contact, or have custody of your child(ren) or make any decisions affecting your child(ren) or your child(ren)'s earnings or property. Your child(ren) will be legally freed to be adopted by someone else.

EVEN IF your parental rights are terminated:

(1) YOU will still be responsible for providing financial support (child support payments) for your child(ren)'s care unless and until your child(ren) is/are adopted; and

(2) YOUR child(ren) can still inherit from you unless and until your child(ren) is/are adopted.

PURSUANT TO statute, you are put on notice that as a biological father you may lose all rights to your child(ren) named above and will not be entitled to object to the termination of your rights to such child(ren) unless, within 30 days of receipt of notice, you file:

(1) A petition to legitimate such child(ren); and

(2) NOTICE of the filing of the petition to legitimate with the Court in which the termination of parental rights proceedings is pending.

THIS IS a very serious matter. A party is entitled to an attorney in the proceedings. You should contact an attorney immediately so that you can be prepared for the court hearing. You have the right to hire an attorney and to have him or her represent you. If you cannot afford to hire an attorney, the Court will appoint an attorney if the Court finds that you are an indigent person. Whether or not you decide to hire an attorney, you have the right to attend the hearing of your case, to call witnesses on your behalf, and to question those witnesses brought against you.

IFYOU have any questions concerning this notice, you may call the telephone number of the clerk's office which is 770-784-2060.

THIS IS a summons requiring you to be in Court. If you fail to come to court as required, you may be held in contempt of court and punished accordingly.

WITNESS THE Honorable Jenny S. Carter, Judge of said Court, this 15th day of September, 2020.

JANELL GAINES

(Deputy) Clerk
JUVENILE COURT of Newton County, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #117305
9/20,27,10/4,11

Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **COREY J'SHON HILL**

CALISHA LASHONE JESSIE
PETITIONER,
VS.
CORTEISE ORMOND WILLIAMS
RESPONDENT.
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2020-CV-1744-2

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE
NAME(S) OF CHILD(REN)

CALISHA LASHONE JESSIE filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on JULY 24, 2020, to change the name(s) of the following minor

child(ren)
FROM: COREY J'SHON HILL to COREY J'SHON JESSIE.
ANY INTERESTED party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within the time prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§ 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).

PUBLIC NOTICE #117276
9/13,20,27,10/4

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **LEGEND DEMAR HUTCHINS**

TIARA LYN
PETITIONER,
VS.
MAURICE VALENTINE
RESPONDENT.
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2020-CV-1619-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE
NAME(S) OF CHILD(REN)

TIARA LYN filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on AUGUST 20, 2020, to change the name(s) of the following minor child(ren)
FROM: LEGEND DEMAR HUTCHINS to LEGEND DAURELL VALENTINE.
ANY INTERESTED party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within the time prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§ 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).

PUBLIC NOTICE #117227
9/6,13,20,27

Notice of Proceedings

DEPARTMENT OF Transportation v. Certain easement rights; Barbara J. Palmer; and Newton County Tax Commissioner, individually, SUPERIOR COURT of Newton County, Docket No. 2020-CV-691-2, In Rem

CITATION

THE SAID named persons and any and all other persons known and unknown claiming any right, title, power, interest, ownership, equity, claim or demand in and to the lands hereinafter described, and all occupants, tenants, lessees, licensees and all holders, owners and users of ways and easements in, across, over and under said land are hereby notified, under the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Sections 32-3-4 through 32-3-19, providing for the exercise of the power of eminent domain by the State of Georgia, or any of its subdivisions, or by any county of such State, as follows:

THAT THE above stated case, being a condemnation in rem against the property hereinafter described, was filed in said Court on the 19th day of March, 2020; That, in accordance with provisions of the aforesaid Official Code, a Declaration of Taking, duly authorized and properly executed as provided by the Official Code, has been made and filed in said case, declaring the necessity for and exercising the power of taking the said described lands for State-aid public road purposes, thereby vesting the title to same in the Department of Transportation; and, in pursuance of such authority, the Department of Transportation has deposited with the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County \$600.00 as the just compensation for the said lands described; and all persons claiming such fund or any interest therein, are hereby required to make known their claims to the Court;

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the Plaintiff-Condennor has prayed the Court for Immediate possession of said property, and all persons having any interest in or claim against such property, as above set forth, are required by the Order of the Judge of said Court to surrender possession of the property to the Department of Transportation no later than 30 days from filing of the Declaration of Taking.

THAT IN accordance with the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 32-3-13 through 32-3-19, if the owner, or any of the owners, or any person having a claim against or interest in said property, shall be dissatisfied with the compensation, as estimated in the Declaration of Taking and deposited in Court, such person or persons, or any of them, shall have the right, at any time subsequent to the filing of the Declaration and the deposit of the fund into Court but not later than 30 days following the date of service as provided for in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Sections 32-3-8 through 32-3-10 to file with the Court a notice of appeal, the same to be in writing and made a part of the record in the proceedings.

THE SAID property, as thus affected, is described as follows:

P.I. Number:
PARCEL NUMBER:
REQUIRED:
PROPERTY OWNERS:
0015930 – NEWTON COUNTY **3**

CERTAIN EASEMENT Rights
BARBARA J. Palmer; and Newton County Tax CommissionerAll that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 257 of the 1st Land District and/or 477 Georgia Militia District of Newton County, Georgia, being more particularly described as follows:

A PERMANENT easement is condemned to construct and maintain any required slopes within the easement area shown on the attached plat.

BEGINNING At a point 41.20 feet left of and opposite Station 106+42.47 on the construction centerline of CR 213 on Georgia Highway Project No. 0015930; running thence N 33°10'13.4" E a distance of 7.42 feet to a point 48.41 feet left of and opposite station 106+44.24 on said construction centerline laid out for CR 213; thence N 34°17'42.6" W a distance of 28.01 feet to a point 65.00 feet left of and opposite station 106+21.68 on said construction centerline laid out for CR 213; thence S 70°37'23.6" E a distance of 428.72 feet to a point 65.00 feet left of and opposite station 110+50.40 on said construction centerline laid out for CR 213; thence S 19°22'36.4" W a distance of 23.68 feet to a point 41.32 feet left of and opposite station 110+50.40 on said construction centerline laid out for CR 213; thence N 70°38'22.6" W a distance of 407.93

feet back to the point of beginning. Containing 0.226 acres more or less.

THE TITLE, estate or interest in the above-described land; required by the condemnor and now taken by condemnor for public use is as follows: A permanent easement is condemned for the right to construct and maintain slopes within the easement area shown on the attached plat marked Annex1-A dated the 10th of January, 2019; attached hereto as Appendix A to Exhibit A as Annex 1-A.

THIS 19TH day of March, 2020.
LINDA D. Hays, Clerk
SUPERIOR COURT of Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #117268
9/13,20

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

ANTHONY HALEY
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
KIAIRA GREENWOOD
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2020-CV-984-3

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BY ORDER for service by publication dated the 12th day of August, 2020, you are hereby notified that on the 13th day of May, 2020, Anthony Haley filed suit against you.

YOU ARE requested to file with the Clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon plaintiff's attorney, an answer in writing with sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THIS 17TH day of AUGUST, 2020.

LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #117201
8/30,9/6,13,20

Public Notice

COMMON LAW COPYRIGHT
NOTICE
COPYRIGHT© 2020 JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST.

NOTICE PROVIDED Under Certified Mail No._____

LAWFUL/LEGAL NOTICE provided to:

PUBLIC NOTICE
THIS IS formal legal/lawful notice that you are in breach of Copyright. This information is pertinent so please read it carefully and/or have your legal team review it as failure to understand or act is not a remedy or defense.

COPYRIGHT NOTICE: All rights reserved. Copyright of trade name/trademark JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST including any and all derivatives and variations in the spelling, i.e. NOT limited to all capitalized names: JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST , BROWN , JSB , JAMAAL BROWN , BROWN JAMAAL JS , JS BROWN , or any derivatives thereof are under Copyright 2020. Said common-law trade-name/ trademark JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST may neither be used nor reproduced, neither in whole nor in part, in any manner whatsoever, without the prior, express, written consent and acknowledgment of Trustee/Trust in writing.

WITHTHE Intent of being Contractually Bound, any Juristic Person, as well as the agent thereof, by notice of this

COPYRIGHT IS noticed that neither said Juristic Person nor agent thereof is authorized to display, nor otherwise use in any manner, the common-law trade-name/trademark nor the copyright described herein, nor any derivative of, nor any variation in the spelling thereof, without the prior, written consent and acknowledgment of Trustee/TRUST, as signified in writing with signed consent. Trustee/Trust neither grants, nor implies, nor otherwise gives consent for any unauthorized use of JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN, and all such unauthorized use is strictly prohibited. **BY RECEIPT** of this notice you are hereby made aware of this copyright if otherwise ignorant of the fact that said **COPYRIGHT IS** a matter of public record. This is a notification that you are in BREACH. You herein have two options for remedy of this breach of copyright:

1) YOU consent to the removal of information and discontinuation of use of all information held in copyright that contains copyrighted materials from all databases publications, chronicles, manifestos, newspapers, and/or records of any type and issues a written apology; or

2) IF the first option of this section is neither effected or arrangements to affect cure of breach as described is not

ENGAGED WITHIN 10 days of return receipt of this Notice then the clause by default will be enacted and you consent to the following Self-executing Contract/Security Agreement in Event of Unauthorized Use as well as Payment Terms as described:

A) SELF-EXECUTING Contract/ Security Agreement in Event of Unauthorized Use: By this Notice, both the Juristic Person and the agent thereof, hereinafter jointly and severally "User", consent and agree that any use of trade name/trademark copyright other than authorized use as set forth herein, constitutes unauthorized use and counterfeiting of property, contractually binds User and renders this Notice a Security Agreement wherein User is TRUST and JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST is Secured Party, and signifies that User:

B) IN accordance with the fees for unauthorized use of TradeName/ Trademark/Copyright, as set forth herein,

CONSENTS TO be invoiced for outstanding balance and agrees that User shall pay TRUST all unauthorized use fees in full within thirty (30) days of the date User is sent "Invoice", itemizing said fees.

C) GRANTS Trustee/TRUST the right to invoice three times at thirty day intervals at which time User consents outstanding balance will be filed as a lien/levy via a UCC Financing Statement in the UCC filing office and/ or in any county recorder's office, wherein User is TRUST and TRUST is Secured Party and that Secured Party may file such lien/levy against property as a security interest in all of User's assets, land and personal

property, and all of User's interest in assets, land and personal property, in the sum certain amount of **\$500,000.00 PER** each occurrence of use of the common-law copyrighted trade-name/trademark, plus costs, plus triple damages;

D) CONSENT and agrees that said UCC Financing Statement described in "c" is a continuing financing statement, and further consents and agrees with TRUSTS filing of any continuation statement necessary for maintaining Secured Party's perfected security interest in all of User's property and interest in property pledged as collateral in this Security Agreement and described herein until User's contractual obligation theretofore incurred has been fully satisfied;

E) WAIVES all defenses; Consents and agrees that any and all such filings described herein going without remedy are not, and may not be considered, bogus/frivolous and that User will not claim such a defense in regard.

F) APPOINTS Secured Party as Authorized Representative for User, effective upon User's default re User's contractual obligations in favor of Secured Obligation as set forth herein granting TRUST/ Trustee full authorization and power for engaging in any and all actions on behalf of User including, but not limited to, authentication of a record on behalf of User as Secured Party, at Secured Party's sole discretion, and as Secured Party deems appropriate, and User further consents and agrees that this appointment of Secured Party as Authorized Representative for User, effective upon User's default, is irrevocable and coupled with a security interest.

TERMS OF Strict Foreclosure: User's non-payment in full of all unauthorized use fees itemized in Invoice within said ninety (90) day period for curing default as set forth in authorizes without recourse Trustee/Secured Party's immediate non-judicial strict foreclosure on any and all remaining former property and interest in property, formerly

PLEDGED AS collateral by User, now property of Secured Party, which is not in the possession of, nor otherwise disposed of by Secured Party upon expiration of said period.

JAMAAL-SANCHEZ: BROWN,

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INCURS SAME unauthorized-use fees as those associated with JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN TRUST, as set forth in the first paragraph of the first page.

PLEASE FEEL free to contact us at any of the following:

EMAIL - creativecurrency3@gmail.com

JAMAAL-SANCHEZ: BROWN TTEE WITHOUT PREJUDICE/WITHOUT

Recourse

ON BEHALF of JAMAAL SANCHEZ BROWN

TRUST,

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117275
9/13,20

LINDA D. Hays, Clerk
NEWTON COUNTY Clerk of Superior Court
1132 Usher Street,Room 338
COVINGTON, GA 30014
770-784-2035
FAX: 770-788-3717

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE. CURRENT October 2020- March 2021 Grand Jury of Newton County, not less than sixty (60) days after the second publication of this notice, shall appoint two (3) individuals who are otherwise qualified to serve as Member No.

3, ALTERNATE Member No. 2 and Alternate Member No. 3

of the Newton County Board of Equalization. These members shall be appointed to serve the Term from January 1,2020 to December 31, 2022.

THIS 14TH day of September, 2020

LINDA D. Hays, Clerk
SUPERIOR COURT of Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #117296
9/20,27

NOTICE IS hereby given that at 6:30 p.m. on September 9, 2020 at 2116 Stallings Street, Covington, Georgia the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington, Georgia, shall provide for a hearing on the passage of an ordinance entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISION OF TITLE 12 OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTION 12.04.020 (OBSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED) THEREOF, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

A COPY of said proposed ordinance is posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall, 2194 Emory Street, Covington, Georgia.

THIS 10TH day of September 2020.

THE CITY OF COVINGTON
AUDRA M. Gutierrez
CITY CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE #117306
9/20

NOTICE OF LOCATION AND
DESIGN APPROVAL
P. I. 0016805
NEWTON COUNTY

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: August 12, 2020

THIS PROJECT will replace the existing bridge located on County Road 8/Bethany Road over Snapping Shoals Creek. The project is approximately 0.2 miles in length. This project is 100% in Congressional District 4, located in Land District 1, and GMD 547.

THE PROPOSED typical section will be two 12-foot travel lanes (one in each direction) with 6-foot shoulders and rural side ditches. The bridge will be closed and traffic will be directed to

an offsite detour during construction.

MARK GILES, Area Manager
DISTRICT 2, Area 5
MGILES@DOT.GA.GOV
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT of Transportation
1570 BETHANY Road
MADISON, GA 30650
(706) 343-5837

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:

THE AUCTION will be held at: **CHANCEY'S WRECKER** Service, Inc **539 MCDANIEL** Mill Rd **CONYERS, GA 30014** **OFFICE 770-483-0698** **FAX 770-922-5223**

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

YOU ARE hereby notified, in accordance with OCGA 40-11-19 (a) (2), that each of the below-referenced vehicles are subject to a lien and a petition may be filed in court to foreclose a lien for all amounts owed. If the lien is foreclosed, a court shall order the sale of the vehicle to satisfy the debt.

THE VEHICLES are currently located at 4199 OLD ATLANTA HWY, COVINGTON, GA 30014 and have been foreclosed upon through Newton County Magistrate Court.

THE VEHICLES subject to liens as stated above are identified as:

VEHICLE MAKE: DODGE Year: 2011
Model: CALIBER
VEHICLEID#:1B3CB3HA5BD106608
Vehicle License # NA
VEHICLE MAKE: FORD Year: 1997

Model: F150
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VEHICLE MAKE: HONDA Year: 2017
Model: ACCORD
VEHICLE ID #: 1HGCR2F58HA053442
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VEHICLE MAKE: HONDA Year: 2001
Model: ACCORD
VEHICLE ID #: 1HGCG165X1A084634
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VEHICLE MAKE: FORD Year: 2011
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Model: ODYSSEY
VEHICLE ID #: 5FNRL18623B044407
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VEHICLE MAKE: DODGE Year: 2016
Model: CHARGER
VEHICLE ID #: 2C3CDXFG5GH118134
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VEHICLE MAKE: CADILLAC Year: 2006
Model: SRX
VEHICLE ID #: 1GYEE637360142400
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VEHICLE MAKE: CHEVROLET Year: 2007
Model: IMPALA
VEHICLEID#:2G11WB58K879245578
Vehicle License # NA
VEHICLE MAKE: HONDA Year: 2001

Model: CIVIC
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Vehicle License # NA
PUBLIC NOTICE #117271
9/13,20

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE

BUDGET SELF Storage of Covington, pursuant to the Georgia Self Storage Act, 10-4-213, shall conduct a public sale of the following units at 6217 Highway 278 NE, Covington, GA 30014; 770-787-0900; after 1 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29th, 2020. All bids will be accepted online through www.storageauctions.com. Budget Self Storage of Covington reserves the right to withdraw units from such sale and reject any bid. Terms of sale are cash or money order only. The following unit will be sold:

- **A111** Delather Gomenu: This unit appears to contain a washer, dryer, table, boxes, refrigerator, wall art, mattress, box spring, & nightstand.
- **D06** Jimmy Hicks: This unit appears to contain boxes, cabinet, table, chest, & totes.
- **A72** Robbie Kirby: This unit appears to hosuehold item,

suticase, bags, & umbrella.
• **G33** Currisa Gildon: This unit appears to contain rails, head and foot board, totes, and boxes.

PUBLIC NOTICE #117199
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PUBLIC AUCTION: Sellars Wrecker Services, In accordance with the OCGA (40-11-2) the following vehicle will be sold to the highest bidder at public auction that will be held on September 27, 2020. Sealed bids will be accepted from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Sellars Wrecker Services, 295 Hwy 162, Covington Ga. 30016.

- **2016** Chevrolet Malibu 1G11B5SA6GF165732
- **2002** HONDA ACCORD 1HGCG32092A032273
- **2015** CHRYSLER 200 1C3CCABXFN689969
- **2009** MAZDA 6 1YVHP82A695M31133
- **2003** HONDA CIVIC 2HGES25773H578728
- **2003** HONDA CIVIC 1HGEM229X3L035375
- **2001** VOLVO S60 YV1RS58D812014105
- **2002** DODGE DAKOTA 1B7GG42N42S683094
- **1998** TOYOTA CAMRY

4T1BG22K8WU386842
• **2000** GMC SONOMA 1GTCS1944Y8151469
• **1979** KAWASAKI (MOTORCYCLE) K2440A000430
• **1982** HOMEMADE TRAILER T008852

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Trade Names

TRADE NAME REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

TO WHOM It may Concern: **PLEASE BE** advised that **TOMEKA HOLYFIELD**, whose address is 290 WISTERIA BLVD., COVINGTON, GA 30016 is the owner(s) of the certain business now being carried on at 290 WISTERIA BLVD., COVINGTON, GA 30016 in the following trade name, to-wit: **HELPPPP AGENCY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS**; and that the nature of said business is: BUSINESS SOLUTIONS SERVICES.

THIS STATEMENT is made in conformity with O.C.G.A. §10-1-490 et seq. requiring the filing of such statement with the Clerk of Superior

Court of this county. **THIS THE** 3rd day of September, 2020.

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Two shootings at same location leave woman injured, bullet holes in apartment wall

STAFF REPORTS

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COVINGTON, Ga. — One woman was transported to the hospital for a gunshot wound and another taken into custody Sunday, Sept. 13, after city police responded to two shootings nearby each other in south Covington.

An officer reported being called to an apartment on Magnolia Heights

Circle about 11:23 a.m. about a report of a woman who said she shot herself in the leg.

However, once the officer arrived on the scene it was determined another woman who lived in the apartment was a possible suspect in the shooting, a report stated.

The two had been arguing since earlier in the day, the report said.

An ambulance transported the

victim to Grady Hospital in Atlanta while the other apartment resident was transported to Covington Police Department where the Georgia Bureau of Investigation was to interview her, the report said.

Then, around 4:25 p.m., the same officer was helping investigate the earlier shooting when a dispatcher reported a call of a shooting at another apartment on Magnolia Heights

Circle.

A witness told the officer two males discharged a firearm at the third-floor apartment and at a vehicle. Two bullet holes were found in a wall just under the bedroom window, the report stated.

No other information was available.

Local child care center closes after 2 employees get COVID-19

2-month-old boy contracts novel coronavirus, parent says

By TAYLOR BECK

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COVINGTON, Ga. — A local child care center was shut down after two employees tested positive for COVID-19.

Administrators for KC’s 24-hour Child Care Center in Covington, said the facility would be closed for deep cleaning and re-open Sept. 28.

Administrators said two employees’

COVID-19 tests were confirmed Friday, Sept. 11. Once the child care center was notified, parents were also made aware and the facility was closed thereafter.

Administrators said the child care center had been following the required guidelines to help slow the spread of disease.

Hours after *The Covington News* initially spoke with KC’s administrators, an

employee and parent of a child being cared for at the facility said the entire truth had not been told.

Destiny Smith said not only two employees had tested positive, but her 2-month-old son had also contracted the novel coronavirus. She said he was briefly hospitalized but later released Sunday, Sept. 13, and was recovering.

The mother said she was awaiting her COVID-19 test results at the time of publication.

Smith also said not

every staff member was wearing masks and social distancing.

In following up with the child care center, an administrator told *The News* masks were not mandatory because “they can be hazardous to small children” if ever to get in their possession, citing the risk of choking or cutting off circulation to a limb, which falls in line with the CDC’s guidelines.

The CDC recommends that everyone 2 years and older wear a mask, but “masks

should not be put on babies or children younger than 2 because of the danger of suffocation. Children younger than 2 years of age are listed as an exception as well as anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.”

Administrators also refuted any claims that no guidelines were being practiced. The child care center has been following all mandated state reg-

ulations concerning COVID-19. Teachers and administrators have been checking temperatures at the door each day and regulating how parents drop off and pick up their kids, administrators said.

“We’re following all the guidelines that we’re supposed to be following,” an administrator said.

KC’s 24-hour Child Care Center is located at 5119 Hwy 278 NE in Covington.

Executive director commends Senior Center staff effort during pandemic

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

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COVINGTON, Ga. — The Newton County Senior Center is not closed. It never closed.

Throughout this pandemic, the work of the Senior Center not only carried on but heavily increased. While much of the nation is rightfully focused on healthcare workers and first responders, there are many overlooked essential workers such as those who work to assure seniors living alone still have the necessary meals and services they had before COVID-19.

Senior Center Executive Director Freda Reed was extremely proud of her staff.

“I want the community to know there are people behind the scenes working hard for seniors,” she said.

Though the in-person daily activities were initially canceled, the senior center continued its Home Delivery Meals program and also began performing other types of senior assistance.

“Some people have called to ask if we are open,” Reed said. “The

answer is we never closed. Presently, we are unable to have normal onsite activities due to state-mandated guidelines and restrictions for Senior Center gatherings, but we are adapting. Many county offices were able to close or have employees work remotely. We feed seniors, and there is definitely no option to close or work from home. We have to come to work every day. There are so many seniors who count on us, especially those who depend on meals delivered to their homes.”

On a temporary basis, seniors who absolutely depended on the Senior Center’s lunchroom for meals during the week have been added to the Home Delivery Meals program. The addition of more seniors to the meals program has only been possible through CARES Act funding, generous donations, and the help of the Senior Center’s nonprofit component.

A longtime partner and supplier of student volunteers in years past, Oxford College recently selected the Senior Center as a

deserving organization and awarded funds. The funds paid for a highly successful drive-thru farmer’s market which put fresh produce in the hands of seniors in need.

“We are grateful of being selected and appreciate their ongoing support,” Reed said.

The entire staff immediately rose to the challenge presented by the pandemic and have made many personal sacrifices to ensure that seniors continue to have meals and support. The staff of 13 divided the list of over 400 Senior Center members and make a point to call each of them at least twice a month. Depending on a senior’s situation, staff members call some seniors weekly.

There is great concern about the toll isolation has caused seniors.

“Some seniors we worry about,” Reed said. “Just talking on the phone, it is hard to know if seniors are really okay even if they insist they are because you cannot see eyes over the phone. When you look someone in

the eyes, you know if they are alright or not. For many, we are like family, and in some instances, we may be the only daily contact because their immediate family does not live in the area.”

The Senior Center is trying to ensure no senior is left without necessary supplies. The staff has gone above and beyond by giving up their time to volunteer afterhours and on weekends to run errands for homebound seniors and those too scared to venture out.

“The staff works from the heart. I could not find a better or more dedicated staff,” Reed said.

If the pandemic had not created enough difficulties, the Senior Center has been a construction site for months as it is undergoing a renovation and expansion. While excited the project is almost finished, Reed is saddened that so many seniors have waited years for this expansion and will not be able to immediately enjoy the new building upon completion as they had hoped due to the virus.

The theme for the new building is, “we are family,” which was the very first theme of the Senior Center when founded by Mrs. Josephine Brown. Reed and her staff work daily to embody that theme.

Furthermore, the Senior Center exemplifies the county’s #OneNewton theme as well as the Chamber of Commerce theme, “Take the time.”

The staff has taken the time to make sure all seniors have what they need and are well cared for.

The Senior Center has long been known around the state of Georgia as a place of innovation.

“We are trying our best to keep seniors encouraged and engaged while staying at home by suggesting they try a new hobby or call other seniors to chat, and if possible, video chat so they can see each other,” Reed said.

Seniors are even taught how to Zoom.

When the daily in-person activities of the Senior Center came to an abrupt halt, the staff became creative and developed fun, social distanced

parking lot activities such as car bingo, line dancing, exercises, etc. The popular 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Tuesday morning outdoor activities help provide some sort of normalcy for seniors.

“The seniors are so excited to see each other,” Reed said. “They really look forward to Tuesdays. We have a 100- and a 97-year-old who occasionally attend. Seniors are resilient. We usually have over 50 seniors in attendance while social distancing and wearing masks.”

The seniors love visiting with each other, even at a distance.

Although times are stressful, the Senior Center staff remains upbeat and focused.

“I want people to realize that we are here,” Reed said. “We are essential to our seniors so they can continue living a somewhat normal life. We are thankful for all the assistance from the community who love our seniors as much as we do.

“Let us continue to respect our seniors by making sure we do what is necessary for them to stay safe.”

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attitude, tenacity and high moral standards brought to bear in her life and her dealings with others.

There are no services planned at this time. J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home, TE Davis Funeral Services, 2157 East Street, SE, Covington, GA 30014.

James S. “Jim” Ramsey, Jr.

Mr. James S. “Jim” Ramsey, Jr., age 78, of Covington passed away Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020. He was born in Covington on Sept. 26, 1941, to James S. and Mary Parker Ramsey who have preceded him in death. Mr. Ramsey was a graduate of Newton County High School. He received his business degree for Emory University and also attended Oxford College. Mr. Ramsey started his career in the grocery business in the 1950s working for Kroger on the square in Covington. He went on to manage a number of Kroger stores throughout Atlanta including Emory Village Kroger, and was the youngest manager of a Kroger store at the Greenbriar Kroger. Mr. Ramsey later owned and operated Ramsey’s Grocery Store from 1970 to 1993 in Cliftondale. He returned to Kroger and following his retirement opened Ramsey’s Produce just off the square in Covington. Mr. Ramsey enjoyed playing golf and was an avid reader.

He was Methodist by faith and attended Julia A. Porter United Methodist Church. Along with his parents, Mr. Ramsey was preceded in death by his aunt Helen Mann. He is survived by his wife Laurie Ramsey, his children John Ramsey and his wife Elena of Newnan, Tony Ramsey and his wife Kimberly of Covington, and Parker Ramsey of Panama City, Florida; his grandchildren Julianne, Taylor, Rachel, Jonathan and James and his great grandchild Lyla, and several step children, step grandchildren and step great grandchildren along with numerous other family members and close friends also survive him.

There will be a gathering of friends from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020 at J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home. Graveside services will be private. Those desiring may make donations to Julia A. Porter, United Methodist Church P.O. Box 700, Porterdale, GA 30070 or to Salem Camp Ground P.O. Box 243, Conyers, GA 30012. J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home, TE Davis Funeral Services, 2157 East Street, SE, Covington, GA 30014.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) requirements will be followed. There is a limit of 50 people at any large gathering, social distancing must be recognized, the use of mask is encouraged, and most importantly if you feel sick or have any symptoms of COVID-19 you will not be allowed to attend the service. Please be respectful of the family during this difficult time and follow the requirements of the CDC.

Woman charged with concealing father’s death to gain Social Security funds

By TOM SPIGOLON
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COVINGTON, Ga. — A body found in south Newton County last month has been identified as a Covington man whose daughter’s recent arrest is linked to her alleged efforts to gain financially from his death.

Human remains found Aug. 13 in a wooded area in Bert Adams Boy Scout Camp have been identified as Perry Davis, 72, of Kirk Street in Covington.

Police arrested his daughter, Tamela Renee Carter, 48, of Covington, on Monday, Sept. 14, on charges related to concealing her father’s death to gain financially after he died at home.

“There is no evidence to suggest that this is a homicide,” said Covington Police Capt. Ken Malcom.

The Newton County Sheriff’s Office first investigated the case Aug. 13 after being called to a report of human remains being found, the sheriff’s office said in a news release.

The Covington Police Department became involved in

the investigation Aug. 26 after Davis’ family members in Ohio asked the department to conduct a welfare check on him, Malcom said.

The family members said they were concerned “due to a family member and caregiver giving them inconsistent information about Mr. Davis’ condition,” Malcom said.

Carter, who was also his caregiver, and Davis’ family had been in a “lengthy dispute” about finances and the victim’s care, the police captain said.

Family members told police that they had been contacted by Carter and told that Davis had died in April of natural causes and had been cremated.

The Davis family told police that Carter was to bring the remains to Ohio for a family memorial but failed to appear.

She later told them Davis



Tamela Renee Carter

was “OK” and led them to believe he was alive and living in a care facility.

However, Coroner Tommy Davis told investigators there was no record of a death certificate for the victim, Malcom said.

Covington Police detectives and officers then executed a search warrant Aug. 26 at Carter’s residence and found no evidence of her father’s whereabouts.

Carter “indicated” she was Davis’ caregiver, he was “OK,” and led detectives to believe he was in a care facility, Malcom said.

She also declined to reveal his location to detectives because she did not want Ohio family members to know the information, he said.

City police detectives then began working with the coroner and sheriff’s office detectives to determine if the remains belonged to Perry Davis.

They also contacted some state agencies and found there was no record of Perry Davis being a patient at a care facility anywhere in Georgia, Malcom said.

On Monday, Sept. 14, city police detectives interviewed Carter again and she told them Davis had died in his bed in mid-April at the Kirk Street home they shared, Malcom said.

Carter said she had taken her father to a wooded area off Scout Road in Newton County and placed his body there.

She also told investigators she continued to access Davis’ Social Security funds for four months following his death, Malcom said.

“We have been in constant contact with Mr. Davis’ family in Ohio and have given them this and other detailed information about this case,” he said. “We hope that this can offer the Davis family some closure.”

Carter was being held in the Newton County Jail without bond on charges of one count of Concealing the Death of Another, four counts of Forgery Third Degree, and one count of Obstruction of Law Enforcement Officers, according to sheriff’s office jail records.

Judge denies bond for former middle school teacher

By TOM SPIGOLON
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COVINGTON, Ga.

— A judge has denied bond for a former Newton County teacher accused of sex crimes against minors after saying he should remain jailed because he posed a risk of intimidating potential witnesses and tampering with evidence.

Winfred Akins, 47, of Covington, is facing charges of Computer or Electric Pornography and Child Molestation following his arrest Aug. 28.

Superior Court Judge Layla Zon said that evidence a prosecutor presented in a bond hearing Thursday, Sept. 17, showed he already had contact with a potential witness — his wife — and had convinced her to help him remove information that may have been used as evidence.

“The defendant, if he were to be convicted of these charges, is facing a substantial amount of prison time,” Zon said. “He clearly has an incentive to continue down

the path that he has already established.”

Akins worked as a teacher at Liberty Middle School in Newton County for two years before he resigned Sept. 3 after being charged with the crimes.

Assistant District Attorney Alex Stone told Zon that Akins had worked in at least two counties as a teacher and had “years of direct involvement” with young students.

She said the investigation began when a woman called a Newton County sheriff’s deputy to her house and said her 14-year-old son had received lewd messages by phone from Akins.

The suspect had asked the boy to commit a sex act so the suspect could watch him by video and tell him if he was doing it correctly, Stone said.

The complainant told investigators the incident occurred between Dec. 15 and Dec. 20, 2019, a sheriff’s office report stated.

Stone said investigators then secured a

search warrant for Akins’ home Aug. 28 and seized electronic devices, including laptop and desktop computers and cell phones.

They also seized documents containing “multiple lists” of names, and a pencil case containing names and photos of “young Black male subjects” on what appeared to be replicas of temporary driver’s licenses, Stone said.

However, she also told Zon she did not know if any of the images were of students.

At Liberty Middle School, Akins had served as a step team coach and as a student mentor, Stone said.

The suspect, who is married with two children, also had mentored a church youth group but was told to leave the job after he allegedly made sexual advances toward a



Winfred Akins

group member during a trip to Orlando, Florida, Stone said.

She told Zon that investigators were working to “dump” information from the devices they seized at Akins’ home. They also were working to set up interviews with possible victims, she said.

But Akins had called his wife and told her to contact cell phone companies to tell them some of his phones had been lost and their data should be “wiped,” Stone said.

Two phones investigators seized already had been wiped clean, she said.

Stone said the district attorney’s office was recommending that Zon deny bond for Akins because he had tried to influence a potential witness — his wife — and should not be allowed to return home because he has minor children there.

Attorney Audrey Holliday, who represented Akins, told Zon she was asking a “reasonable bond” for Akins. He had

never been charged with a crime and is not alleged to have committed any crimes with his own children, she said.

He also had resigned his teaching job, which meant he would not have contact with minor children, Holliday said.

Terms of the bond could include wearing an electronic ankle monitor, she said.

Stone, though, contradicted Holliday and said Akins had been previously charged with Driving on a Suspended License, Simple Battery and Deposit Account Fraud.

Zon said she denied bond because of his alleged actions to convince his wife to remove files from a phone. His wife was a potential witness and their children potential victims.

“While the investigation is ongoing, I cannot afford to allow anyone to tamper with or destroy evidence that might be pertinent to uncovering the facts in this investigation,” Zon said.

Tim Fleming stepping down as governor’s chief of staff

By DAVID CLEMONS
The Walton Tribune

Tim Fleming of Covington is leaving Gov. Brian Kemp’s administration at the end of the month to enter the private sector.

Fleming, a graduate of George Walton Academy in Monroe, has worked with Kemp since the future governor ran for state Senate in 2002, while Fleming was a University of Georgia student.

In 2010, Fleming managed Kemp’s campaign as he became only the second Republican secretary of state for Georgia.

“Tim has served my administrations for more than a decade,” Kemp said in a statement Thursday. “I am grateful for his service and hard work, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.”



Contributed Photo

Gov. Brian P. Kemp congratulates his new chief of staff, Tim Fleming, of Covington, after swearing him in for the position in January. Looking on are Fleming’s wife, Lacey, and their children. Tim and Lacey Fleming are graduates of George Walton Academy.

ors.”

Fleming was the chief of staff and then deputy secretary of state under Kemp, then managed Kemp’s campaign for governor.

After Kemp was elected in November 2018, he selected Fleming to be his chief of

staff.

“It has been the honor of a lifetime to serve this great state and champion the agenda of its 83rd governor,” Fleming said in a statement released by the governor’s office.

“I truly appreciate the

opportunities that Gov. Kemp and his family have provided me over the years, and I look forward to beginning this new and exciting journey in the private sector.”

A news release from the governor’s office did not identify Fleming’s next position, or even say if he has one.

Fleming was a member of Kemp’s task force on COVID-19. The pandemic became a major issue of the governor’s first term.

Caylee Noggle, the state’s chief management officer, will assume duties as the interim chief of staff to Kemp. She becomes the first woman to serve as chief of staff to a Georgia governor.

Fleming served as a Newton County Commissioner from 2009 to 2013.

EDUCATION

The Covington News

‘NCSSS was not ready to go all-virtual’

Newton BOE member, parent recommend district ‘abandon’ or ‘speed up’ reopening plan

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County Schools students are set to begin returning to the classroom for in-person instruction in phases starting Sept. 21, but one Board of Education member says the district should get them back sooner rather than later.

After commending the school system’s teachers and staff for their efforts over the last few days, District 1 board member Trey Bailey recommended to Superintendent Samantha Fuhrey Tuesday night to scrap the district’s current plan and reopen school buildings for in-person instruction.

“After the first six days of virtual learning, I believe we’ve learned one primary fact, and that is that Newton County Schools System was not ready to go completely virtual. Not all of it our fault, but I don’t feel that we were completely ready,”

Bailey said.

He said it was “overwhelmingly obvious” that kids need to be in school because the school system could provide a safer environment for students. He said churches and other local organizations that were trying to help students get connected didn’t have the resources the school does.

“While no one likes continually changing plans, sometimes we must do what is right (and) what is best for our students as soon as we can,” Bailey said.

Bailey recommended the district “abandon” the phase-in approach and set a date one week out to reopen schools for in-person instruction. He also suggested that when the district shifted back to in-person instruction, change students’ options from



Trey Bailey

three to two: unperson or virtual, self-paced. He said having teachers trying to instruct in-person and virtually was “asking too much” of them, especially if some teachers were required to conduct class for both options simultaneously.

Offering only two options would also help with device and hotspot shortages.

As part of his recommendation, Bailey also suggested letting kids who are willing to return to in-person instruction, regardless of the survey initially conducted in July.

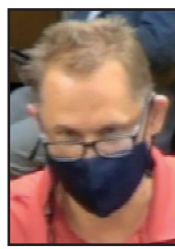
“What we have right now is not working,” he said. “Let’s end the computer glitches, the internet outages, the screen freezes and the high-jacked Zoom chats — I’ve got high schoolers. Let’s put an



Samantha Fuhrey

end to parent confusion and frustration. Let’s fix the inequity for students with poor internet service, and let’s stop asking the impossible of our teachers. So the solution to making it less difficult, less contentious, less confusing, less exhausting, less costly, is to accelerate or abandon the phased-in reopening plan in favor of a start date, and then give two learning options — one in person, two virtual self paced — and lastly, let’s get all of our willing students back into the classroom. We have the protocols in place, we have the equipment necessary, we have the resources. Let’s get our kids back in the school so we can provide education excellence for all students.”

Michael Sugg, a par-



Michael Sugg

ent of Newton County Schools students, voiced similar thoughts to the board under public participation. He said his children were having several issues with Zoom and the schools’ other online platforms.

“So far, my kids have yet to be able to remain in class for an entire day without getting booted out of Zoom or the platform in some shape or form,” Sugg said.

Sugg also said parents of other students have reached out to him and said they were having trouble, too.

Sugg called on the district to find out how many students were able to participate in 100% of their classes, in some of their classes or in none of their classes.

Like Bailey, he also suggested the school system look at modifying the reopening plan to get kids back to in-person instruction as soon as possible and stop “wasting” money

and time on infrastructure issues.

“Stop virtual learning and resume in-person learning for all the students immediately,” he said. “I wish the infrastructure was there. You guys aren’t responsible for all the infrastructure ... Things you can control is the simplicity of getting kids back in person. That’s what you can do.”

No actions were taken by the superintendent after Bailey’s and Sugg’s comments, but before Bailey made his recommendations, Fuhrey said she and other administrators had explored the possibility of accelerating the reopening plan, but many principals across the district didn’t think it was a good idea. She said “the overwhelming majority” of principals did not want to make changes.

“They felt the current plan gave them ample time to get everyone in place and then make any adjustments if necessary,” she said.

Eastside FFA Named Horticulture Chapter of Year

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Eastside High School FFA program was recently named the 2020 Horticulture Chapter of the Year by Georgia North Region Agriculture Education. According to Eastside FFA advisor Catrina Pollard, the award is based on student results from agriculture competitions during the 2019-2020 school year.

“I was shocked and excited for the kids because they worked so hard throughout the year,” Pollard said. “I just hate that due to COVID and the schools being closed, I was unable to share the award with the kids in person.”

Pollard said her FFA students competed in contests such as floral design, nursery landscape, and floriculture throughout the school year.

area. We also had two state winners so that gave us many points. That combined with the fact that our students did very well in the contests earned our program a lot of points.”

Because schools closed early in the spring due to COVID, Pollard said at least five contests were cancelled so she had no idea the Eastside program had accumulated enough points to qualify to win the award.

“It’s a tremendous honor and I’m so proud of the students,” she added. “They worked hard throughout the school year and most definitely deserve the recognition.”

“The Eastside Agriculture Education program consistently delivers high-quality instructional opportunities as well as student employability and leadership skill development,” said Dr. Tim Schmitt, NCSS

Director of CTAE and Workforce Innovation. “This award recognizes

es that great work and the program’s focus on horticulture. It’s a

testament to a very hard working team of teachers and students.”



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Catrina Pollard, Eastside FFA Advisor, was recently presented the 2020 Horticulture Chapter of the Year.

Newton County Schools extends free meal program

COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County School System (NCSS) will continue its Free Meal Distribution Program through December 2020 after U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the USDA) would extend several flexibilities to school districts through Dec. 31. The flexibilities allow summer meal program operators like the Newton County School System School Nutrition Program to continue serving

free meals to all children into the fall months.

Parents are encouraged to use the free My Stop app, accessible from a smartphone or tablet as well as a desktop computer.

Parents may visit newtoncountyschools.org/parents/my_stop_app for login instructions. For more information, contact the NCSS School Nutrition Program at 770-788-3120.

From Staff Reports

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Keith Rondon, co-owner of Dent Scene in Covington, has more than 30 years of experience in the automotive industry. His craftsmanship and attention to detail allows Dent Scene to excel in providing customers with the cosmetic exterior automotive repair they need.

Dent Scene does it best in Covington

By MASON WITTNER
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COVINGTON, Ga. — If you're in the market to receive quality craftwork for your vehicle with a home-town flavor, Dent Scene is likely the shop for you.

Owned and operated by Keith and Valerie Rondon, Dent Scene exists to provide customers with cosmetic exterior automotive repair. They work on cars, trucks, motorcycles and boats, offering white glove service through paint-free dent repair, bumper blends, scratch repair and touch ups.

Dent Scene has been located in Covington off Highway 278 for just over two years. Keith and Valerie previously operated the business remotely, as well as a short stint in nearby Loganville. Two years ago the Rondons set up in what used to be the Saw Shop, prompting Keith to pour countless hours into remodeling from the floor up to give Dent Scene a state-of-the-art facility.

"The inside of this shop gives you an indication of the quality of work Keith does," Valerie said. "He really makes everything that he touches look phenomenal."

Keith has more than 30 years of experience in the automotive industry, while Valerie has an extensive background in customer service. Together, the Rondons offer quality care for automobiles while making customers feel like they're welcomed into a family.

Dent Scene's work number belongs to a cellular phone

rather than a landline. This is done intentionally to ensure that calls aren't missed when the Rondons are out on the road. Additionally, the caller I.D. allows repeat customers to be greeted with a friendly conversation rather than a cold, business-like approach each time they schedule an appointment.

"I don't know of any other companies that can take care of their customers on a first-name basis once they become a client," Valerie said.

On the technical side of things, Keith takes great pride in his work. He's been entrenched in the automotive industry since he was 13 years old and continues to work on his craft each day.

All of Dent Scene's work is done by hand, and they believe customers won't find better dentless paint repair and minor cosmetic repairs than what they have to offer.

"There's a certain level of skill involved to be able to do these things. I liken it to the amount of time that a surgeon has gone to school. That kind of skill and knowledge," Valerie said.

When patrons purchase pre-owned cars from dealerships, there are often hidden fees added to the total price that are filed under the term "miscellaneous." These fees can include service work to fix scraps, scratches and bumps on a car prior to sale.

Rather than providing that service in the dark for the commercial business like they've done for dealerships in the past, the Rondons founded Dent Scene to bring



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Dent Scene specializes in paint-free dent repair, bumper blends, scratch repair and touch ups.



that service into the light.

That means absolutely no hidden fees and unmatched customer service to go along with it.

"Instead of us working for those dealerships and commercial accounts, Dent Scene was born out of a desire to give back," Keith said. "We're here to provide those dealership services that we used to do for the dealerships for our customers. We just want to bring it out to the public."

Dent Scene is located at 5119 U.S. 278 Northwest, directly off of Piper Street NW. For more information, or to schedule an appointment for your automobile, please contact Keith and Valerie at 678-907-1127 or via email at Fixed@DentScene.net.

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2020 FOOTBALL
SCHEDULE

Alcovy Tigers
0-3 (0-0)

North Forsyth – 3-35, L
@ Newton – 0-27, L
@ Duluth – 27-42, L
9/25 – Eastside (at Sharp)
10/9 – @ South Forsyth
10/16 @ Lowndes
10/23 – @ Colquitt
10/30 – @ Grovetown
11/6 – Lakeside, Evans
11/20 – @ Evans

Eastside Eagles
1-1 (0-0)

@ Winder-Barrow – 27-14, W
Newton – 7-21, L
9/25 – @ Alcovy (at Sharp)
10/2 – @ Johnson, Gainesville
10/8 – Apalachee (at Sharp)
10/16 – @ Clarke Central
10/23 – @ Loganville
11/5 – Jackson County
(at Sharp)
11/13 – Walnut Grove
(at Sharp)
11/20 – @ Greenbrier

Newton Rams
2-0 (0-0)

Alcovy – 27-0, W
@ Eastside – 21-7, W
10/2 – @ McEachern
10/9 – @ Houston County
10/16 – @ Parkview
10/30 – Brookwood (at Sharp)
11/6 – @ Mill Creek
11/13 – @ Grayson
11/20 – South Gwinnett (at Sharp)

Social Circle Redskins
1-2 (0-0)

G.W. Academy – 7-35, L
@ Providence Ch. – 31-28, W
Walnut Grove – 16-42, L
9/25 – Putnam County
10/2 – @ Oglethorpe County
10/16 – Washington-Wilkes
10/23 – @ Lincoln County
11/6 – Commerce
11/13 – @ Townes County
11/20 – Greene County

*Note: Schedules are
subject to change.*

Newton Rams 21, Eastside Eagles 7

TWICE AS NICE

Rams roll past Eastside to claim second straight county crown

Newton running back (2) Quincy Cullins carries the ball against Eastside in the first half of Friday night's win. Cullins, who spent the first two seasons of his varsity career as an Eagle, scored the Rams' first touchdown of the night.

By MASON WITTNER
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COVINGTON, Ga. — The Newton Cup is staying with the Rams. Newton High School completed the county sweep Friday night when it survived a tough test against Eastside High School, pulling away late in a 21-7 victory. It marks the second straight year the Rams have earned the Newton Cup — knocking off Alcovy and Eastside in back-to-back weeks to start both seasons.

It wasn't the prettiest

win. The Rams found the end zone just once through the first three quarters, and they continued to struggle — albeit, much less than last week against Alcovy — in the penalty department.

But by the time the fourth quarter rolled around, they stepped up and put the Eagles to bed.

“Perseverance, and the way that we fought,” Newton head coach Camiel Grant Jr. answered when asked his key takeaway from the win. “Eastside is

always a very well-coached team. They always play hard. I have a lot of respect for those guys. It was stressful going through it, but that's what I expected.”

Clinging to a 7-0 lead, Newton wasted no time giving itself some breathing room in the fourth quarter. On the first play of the period, junior quarterback Jevarra Martin Jr. dropped back and hit senior Nyland Green in the back-left corner of the end zone, doubling the Rams' advantage.

But Eastside wouldn't go away quietly.

On their second drive of the fourth quarter, junior running back Dallas Johnson found a seam in the middle of the field and burst through it on his way to a 79-yard touchdown. Just like that, following more than three quarters' worth of offensive woes, the Eagles found themselves trailing 14-7 with 6:01 left to play.

Newton attempted to answer on the ensuing drive, but couldn't.

After working their way down to the 11-yard line, the Rams had their field goal attempt blocked to give Eastside the ball back at the 2:50 mark.

The Eagles continued to ground and pound their way toward midfield. But as they faced a fourth down on the Rams' 49, a fumbled snap was recovered by Newton sophomore Justin Benton to seal the deal.

“Our guys did a tremendous job

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Eastside running back Dallas Johnson (3) broke off a 79-yard rushing touchdown to pull the Eagles within 14-7 late in the fourth quarter.

TWICE:

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defensively,” Grant said. “They really set the tone for us for the whole night. And if we can get them to continue to play that way, we’re going to have a chance in every ball game.”

The dagger was promptly applied by senior Rontravious Perry, who took a handoff and jetted toward the left side of the field before skirting down the sideline for a 49-yard touchdown with just over a minute remaining.

Eastside dropped to 1-1 on the season, but head coach Troy Hoff was encouraged by the effort of his team to claw back into the game late.

“We’re fighting. That’s a team that sticks together, and

they’re going to give us four quarters of effort,” Hoff said. “We’re not who we want to be yet, but we’ve got time to get there.”

The lone score in the first half came on a 13-yard rushing touchdown from Newton senior Quincy Cullins, who, fittingly, spent the first two years of his varsity career clad in green and white for Eastside.

The Eagles will try to get back in the win column when they return to Sharp Stadium next Friday, Sept. 25, for a county clash against Alcovy. As for the Rams, they’ll remain idle next Friday before resuming action on Friday, Oct. 2, at state powerhouse McEachern.



Taylor Beck | The Covington News
Newton quarterback Jevarra Martin Jr. (18) stands in the pocket and looks downfield to find an open receiver Friday night against county rival Eastside. The junior threw one TD pass and helped lead the Rams to victory.

Duluth Wildcats 42, Alcovy Tigers 27

Alcovy drops third straight loss

By **GARRETT PITTS**
Correspondent

DULUTH, Ga. — Numerous costly penalties combined with a difficult time moving the ball early led to the Alcovy High School football team dropping its third game of season Friday night, falling to the Duluth Wildcats by a score of 42-27.

After tough losses to North Forsyth and Newton, Alcovy was looking to get back on track as it would once again travel north to face the Wildcats.

From the first snap of the game, penalties were playing a big factor for both teams, as the first half would see over 20 total penalties from both sides.

On the second play of the game for the Tigers, Duluth was able to strip the ball from Melvin Mapp to give the Wildcats the ball back in outstanding field position. Duluth used the turnover to march down and score the first points on a four-yard rush from Lonnie Ratliff.

Two quick three-and-outs from the Alcovy offense would result in two quick scores for the Wildcats as they would continue to run the ball, scoring two touchdowns on the ground by Jaiden Jones to extend the Duluth lead to 21-0 halfway through the first quarter.

On the Tigers’ next drive, the Wildcats linemen met Alcovy quarterback Ashton Evans at the line and forced a fumble, giving Duluth the ball around midfield.

On the next Wildcat snap, Duluth halfback Nyle Ervin took the ball outside and outran the Alcovy defense for the



Garrett Pitts | Correspondent
An ambush of Alcovy Tigers tackle Duluth’s ball carrier Friday night; however, the Tigers’ efforts weren’t enough to get the victory. The Wildcats defeated Alcovy by a score of 42-27.

53-yard touchdown run, extending the lead to 28-0 at the end of the first quarter.

In need of a score, Alcovy head coach Jason Dukes began to let Evans go through the air more, and the young quarterback delivered immediately. Two quick passes would set up a 30-yard touchdown pass from Evans to senior wideout MJ Stroud.

After a mixed extra point, the Tigers went into halftime down by a score of 28-6.

Coming out of halftime, the key for Alcovy was going to be stopping the Duluth rushing attack while also generating an attack of their own, as majority of the first half saw the Tigers offense get stopped on almost every drive.

After receiving the opening kickoff of the second half, the Wildcats marched down the field and eventually got into the end zone on

a 10-yard touchdown pass from Ratliff to Jones. The score extended the Duluth lead to 35-6.

Before the end of the third quarter, Ervin was once again able to get through the Tiger defense, rushing up the middle for the 37-yard touchdown run to give the Wildcats a 42-6 lead.

After three big passes from Evans to open the fourth quarter, the Tigers would continue to march down the field and Evans would once again find Stroud in the back of the end zone, this time on a 21-yard touchdown pass. After the second touchdown of the day for Alcovy, they still trailed 42-13 with eight minutes left in the game.

After a quick three-and-out by the Duluth offense, a fumbled snap by the punter put the Tigers on the nine-yard line to start their next drive. Alcovy answered quick with

running back Tristan Mayweather taking the carry outside for the nine-yard touchdown, bringing the Tigers closer by a score of 42-19.

With another stop by the Alcovy defense, Evans got the ball back for the final time in the game, and he would once again deliver in the fourth quarter.

The sophomore quarterback connected with Mathias Height up the middle of the field for the 29-yard touchdown pass to shrink the Wildcats’ lead to 42-27 with less than a minute left in the game.

Despite a rough first half offensively, Evans ability to stick to the air attack in the second half is what brought the Tigers closer near the end of regulation.

After starting 0-3 on the season, the Tigers will head back home next week as they will face their county rival Eastside Friday, Sept. 25.

Walnut Grove Warriors 42, Social Circle Redskins 16

Walnut Grove pounds Social Circle

Warriors win snaps 15-game losing streak

By **BRETT FOWLER**
The Walton Tribune

SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — It was both jubilation and relief on the visitor sidelines of Redskins Stadium Friday night.

Walnut Grove defeated Social Circle 42-16 for its first win of the 2020 season while simultaneously snapping a 15-game losing streak that dated back to October of 2018.

Social Circle got on the board first thanks to a stripped ball by Petey Baynes that was returned to the Walnut Grove 3-yard line. However, the Redskins couldn’t find the end-zone and settled for a field goal from Aaron Arue to make it 3-0.

Walnut Grove answered quickly by returning the ensuing kickoff back 79 yards for a touchdown to make it 7-3.

From then on out it was all Walnut Grove.

The Warriors added a touchdown in the second quarter when



Brett Fowler | The Walton Tribune
Walnut Grove’s Chad Walden fights for extra yardage Friday night as a band of Redskins try to tackle him. Walden’s and the Warriors’ efforts led to a 42-16 win over Social Circle.

Evan Welborn connected with Colton Goodbar on a 49-yard screen pass for a touchdown to make it 14-3.

Welborn connected with Avery Schiner on a 26-yard touchdown pass with 1:18 left to play in the first half.

After Social Circle couldn’t get anything on their first possession of the second half, the Redskins punted it to walnut Groves Austin Coleman who took it to the house for another warrior touchdown.

Midway through the third things got chippy

between the two teams resulting in a fight on the Social Circle sideline. Once the dust settled for Walnut Grove players were ejected while three Social circle players were tossed.

The ejections didn’t seem to faze Walnut Grove, as Chad Walden broke off a 41-yard touchdown run on the next Warrior possession.

Walnut Grove’s final touchdown of the night came when Welborn called his own number for a 3-yard touchdown. Social Circle finally

found the end zone late in the game when Logan cross connected with Kam Durden for a 12-yard touchdown.

Durden added another touchdown on a 69-yard run with 1:15 left to play to cut walnut groves lead to 26 as the final seconds ticked off the clock.

Social Circle (1-2) will be back at home next Friday to host former Region 8-AA rival Putnam County while Walnut Grove (1-2) will take a week off before beginning its Region 8-AAAAA schedule.

Georgia Bulldogs Football

Coaches name 10 Bulldogs to preseason All-SEC team

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Alabama placed a league-leading 11 representatives on the 2020 Preseason Coaches All-Southeastern Conference Football Team, it was announced on Thursday. Georgia was second with 10 representatives, including Eastside High School graduate Eric Stokes, while Florida, LSU and Texas A&M each had eight. This marks the 18th consecutive year of the SSEC Coaches Preseason All-SEC Team. Ten schools had at least one First-Team All-SEC representative, including a conference-best eight from Alabama. Coaches were not permitted to vote for their own players. The SEC is scheduled to begin the 2020 season on September 26.

- 2020 Preseason Coaches All-SEC Football Team**
(* denotes ties)
- First Team Offense**
Tight End: Kyle Pitts, Florida
Offensive Line: Alex Leatherwood, Alabama; Trey Smith, Tennessee;

Darian Kinnard, Kentucky; Landon Dickerson, Alabama
Center: Drake Jackson, Kentucky
Wide Receivers: DeVonta Smith, Alabama; Jaylen Waddle, Alabama
Quarterback: Kyle Trask, Florida
Running Backs: Najee Harris, Alabama; Kylin Hill, Mississippi State
All-Purpose Back: Jaylen Waddle, Alabama

First Team Defense
Defensive Line: Bobby Brown, Texas A&M; LaBryan Ray, Alabama; Big Kat Bryant, Auburn; Jordan Davis, Georgia
Linebackers: Dylan Moses, Alabama; K.J. Britt, Auburn; Nick Bolton, Missouri
Defensive Backs: Patrick Surtain II, Alabama; Derek Stingley, LSU; Richard LeCounte, Georgia; Jacoby Stevens, LSU

First Team Special Teams
Kicker: Brent Cimaglia, Tennessee
Punter: Max Duffy, Kentucky
Return Specialist – Jaylen Waddle, Alabama

Second Team Offense
Tight End: Jalen Wydermyer, Texas A&M



Courtesy of Georgia Tech Athletics
Eric Stokes and nine other Georgia Bulldogs were recently named to the coaches' preseason All-SEC team. Stokes is a graduate of Eastside High School. Alabama led the All-SEC team with 11 selections.

Offensive Line: Sadarius Hutcherson, South Carolina; Deonte Brown, Alabama; Landon Young, Kentucky; Austin Deculus, LSU*; Brodarius Hamm, Auburn*; Wanya Morris, Tennessee*; Ed Ingram, LSU*
Center: Trey Hill, Georgia
Wide Receivers: George Pickens, Georgia; Terrace Marshall, LSU

Quarterback: Kellen Mond, Texas A&M
Running Backs: Ra-keem Boyd, Arkansas; Isaiah Spiller, Texas A&M
All-Purpose Back: Derek Stingley, LSU

Second Team Defense
Defensive Line: Kobie Whiteside, Missouri; Malik Herring, Georgia; Aaron Sterling, South Carolina; Dayo Odeyingbo, Vanderbilt
Linebackers: Henry To'o To'o, Tennessee; Monty Rice, Georgia; Erroll Thompson, Mississippi State*; Nakobe Dean, Georgia*; Ventrell Miller, Florida*
Defensive Backs: Kairi Elam, Florida; Eric Stokes, Georgia; Demani Richardson, Texas A&M; Tyree Gillespie, Missouri*; Marco Wilson, Florida*; Israel Mukamu, South Carolina*

Second Team Special Teams
Kicker: Cade York, LSU
Punter: Jake Camarda, Georgia
Return Specialist: Jerri-on Ealy, Ole Miss

Third Team Offense
Tight End: Arik Gilbert, LSU
Offensive Line: Carson Green, Texas A&M; Kenyon Green, Texas A&M;

Evan Neal, Alabama; Dan Moore, Texas A&M
Center: Landon Dickerson, Alabama
Wide Receivers: Seth Williams, Auburn; Elijah Moore, Ole Miss
Quarterback: Bo Nix, Auburn
Running Backs: Jerri-on Ealy, Ole Miss; Larry Rountree, Missouri
All-Purpose Back: Jerri-on Ealy, Ole Miss*; Kadarius Toney, Florida*; Christian Tutt, Auburn*

Third Team Defense
Defensive Line: Zachary Carter, Florida; Josh Paschal, Kentucky; Kobe Jones, Mississippi State; Glen Logan, LSU
Linebackers: Boogie Watson, Kentucky; Dimitri Moore, Vanderbilt; Nolan Smith, Georgia*; Ernest Jones, South Carolina*; Andre Mintze, Vanderbilt*
Defensive Backs: Jaycee Horn, South Carolina; Bryce Thompson, Tennessee; Yusuf Coker, Kentucky; Christian Tutt, Auburn*; Josh Jobe, Alabama*

Third Team Special Teams
Kicker: Evan McPherson, Florida
Punter: Mac Brown, Ole Miss
Return Specialist: Christian Tutt, Auburn

Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets Football

Sims looks to lead Jackets to another upset vs. No. 14 UCF

By PAUL NEWBERRY
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Jeff Sims hardly looked like a freshman in his first college game. Sure, there were a couple of early interceptions he'd like to have back, but no one was complaining after Sims rallied Georgia Tech to an upset at Florida State in the season opener. Now, Sims is set to face an even stiffer challenge when the Yellow Jackets host No. 14 Central Florida on Saturday. He's quickly become a big man on campus, reveling in a wave of accolades after becoming the first true freshman quarterback in Georgia Tech history to lead the team to victory in a season opener. Sims completed 23 of 34 passes for 277 yards — the most completions by a Yellow Jackets quarterback since 2005 — in a 16-13 victory over the Seminoles.

Don't expect him to revel in the adulation. The day after the game, he was the first player to show up for meetings, according to coach Geoff Collins, and the first player to hit the practice field. "My mom always taught me not to let anything get in my head," Sims said. "After the game, she always told me to celebrate that night, but the next day you have to get back to work. That's exactly what I did. I pushed off everything that happened (last) Saturday. Now



Courtesy of Georgia Tech Athletics
True freshman quarterback Jeff Sims threw for 277 yards in Georgia Tech's upset win over Florida State last weekend. He'll look for an encore performance Saturday when the Yellow Jackets host No. 14 UCF.

I'm preparing for UCF. I want to be a leader on this team and do whatever I can to help this team win." Georgia Tech (1-0) will be facing a team that knows a lot about winning. Over the last three years, UCF has won 35 of 39 games, becoming one of the best Group of Five programs in the country. The Knights' opener is their only game against a Power Five opponent during the regular season, and

they're eager to shine before a national television audience. "We've been good, I feel, for the last three to four years," linebacker Eriq Gilyard said. "We've been playing with kind of a chip on our shoulder to prove everybody wrong. This year we're not trying to prove anybody wrong, we're trying to prove ourselves right. We know how good we are." The Knights are coming off a bit of a disap-

pointing season by their lofty standards, losing three games — all on the road — by a total of seven points. Dillon Gabriel, who seized the quarterback job early in his freshman season, said he's far more prepared for those sort of tight games as a sophomore — despite the unusual offseason and a delayed start to the regular season because of the coronavirus pandemic. "Now I know how to approach them," said

Gabriel, who threw for 3,653 yards and 29 touchdowns in 2019. "It feels a lot different. Even with all this uncertainty, I feel confident with our guys." Some things to watch for when Georgia Tech hosts UCF:

Confusing the Kid
The UCF defense hopes to take Sims out of his comfort zone. While the Knights aren't known for bringing a lot of blitzes, they do play press coverage and look to deny the short and intermediate throws that worked so well for Sims in the opener. "It's critical for us that we create negative plays, get him into third-and-long situations, and try to put him in uncomfortable situations," UCF coach Josh Hupel said. "That's true with every young quarterback that you play."

Kicking Woes
The Yellow Jackets are looking to bounce back from a miserable performance in the kicking game. Freshman Jude Kelley had three kicks blocked by Florida State — two field goals and an extra point — but gathered himself to boot a game-winning 32-yarder in the fourth quarter. Collins blamed himself for not giving the special teams more work in preseason practice because he was so concerned about making sure the players followed coronavirus protocols. "That's completely on

me," he said. "Hats off to our guys for regrouping on that game-winning field goal."

Big Mac
UCF is counting on another big season from Greg McCrae, who rushed for more than 1,000 yards two years ago. An injury limited McCrae to 629 yards and seven touchdowns last season.

Run to the Ball
The Knights are focused on creating more turnovers this season. They had 21 a year ago — a significant drop from their average the previous two seasons (30) — and five of those came during a bowl win over Marshall.

Fans in the Stands
Georgia Tech is allowing a socially distanced crowd of about 11,000 for the game at 55,000-seat Bobby Dodd Stadium. Fans will be required to wear masks except when their eating or drinking at their seats. Georgia Tech athletic director Todd Stansbury said ushers would be moving through the stands to make sure everyone abides by the mandate. "A lot of people will be watching us to see if we can pull this off in a safe manner," Stansbury said. "Our athletes know they must represent their teams in the right way at all times. We're asking our fans to do the same."

FALCONS *Extra*

The Covington News

Falcons travel to Cowboys

2020 FALCONS SCHEDULE

- 9/13
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- 9/20
@ Dallas, 1 p.m.
- 9/27
Chicago, 1 p.m.
- 10/5
@ Green Bay, 1 p.m.
- 10/11
Carolina, 1 p.m.
- 10/18
@ Minnesota, 1 p.m.
- 10/25
Detroit, 1 p.m.
- 10/29
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- 11/8
Denver, 1 p.m.
- 11/22
@ New Orleans, 1 p.m.
- 11/29
Las Vegas, 1 p.m.
- 12/6
New Orleans, 1 p.m.
- 12/13
@ LA Chargers, 4:25 p.m.
- 12/20
Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
- 12/27
@ Kansas City, 1 p.m.
- 1/3/21
@ Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.

Note: Schedule is subject to change.

Atlanta, Dallas seeking first win of season

By SCHUYLER DIXON
Associated Press

Mike McCarthy got the sentimental stuff out of the way before his first home game as coach of the Dallas Cowboys, in the stadium where he won his Super Bowl with Green Bay a decade ago.

After getting hired, McCarthy wanted to know how long the ride was from team headquarters to AT&T Stadium, so he made the trip. Before a glorified practice in Dallas’ \$1.2 billion home during training camp, McCarthy took himself back in time.

When the Cowboys play Atlanta in a meeting of 0-1 teams Sunday, McCarthy will be thinking about home-field advantage — with a limited number of fans, of course — and other things associated with taking the proud franchise where it hasn’t been in the play-offs in 25 years.

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Courtesy of Atlanta Falcons | Rob Foldy
Falcons receiver Calvin Ridley (18) slips past a Seattle defender Sunday, Sept. 13, inside Mercedes-Benz Stadium. The Seahawks defeated Atlanta 38-25.

other things associated with taking the proud franchise where it hasn’t been in the play-offs in 25 years.

“I’ve had the chance to do the walk down memory lane,” McCa-

rthy said. “I’m really kind of past that and just want to establish ourselves at home this year.”

McCarthy’s Dallas debut coincided with the opening of the new

stadium in Los Angeles, and the Cowboys lost to the Rams 20-17. The Falcons fell to Seattle 38-25 despite 450 yards passing from Matt Ryan.

Atlanta lost four of

its first five games in 2018 and began 1-7 a year ago on the way to a pair of 7-9 finishes. The first 0-2 start in six seasons under Dan Quinn would further cloud the future of a coach who likely needs to make the playoffs to keep his job.

“That’s kind of something we preach around here a lot, be where your feet are,” cornerback Isaiah Oliver said. “Wherever you are right in that moment, wherever you are right at that time. Keep looking forward.”

Dak Prescott had a big first half leading the Dallas offense against the Rams, but the Cowboys scored just three second-half points and couldn’t produce with a chance to tie or win late. The theme was all-too-familiar after a disappointing 2019, when Dallas was 1-6 in one-score games.

“I take pride in having the ball in my hands late in the game,” Prescott said. “I’m not very proud of the way I’ve handled it and the team has handled it recently. But it’s something I’m sure will change. Everybody has got to embrace that.”



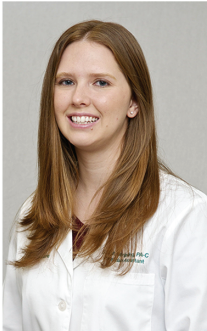
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