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Steve Horton celebrated a victory on Tuesday night, Nov. 5, 2019, when he claimed the Covington mayoral seat with 60.39%

Horton claims Covington mayoral seat

Baggett, Floyd beat out incumbents for city council seats

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A day of campaigning led to a night of celebration for Steve Horton, who claimed the Covington mayoral seat from incumbent Ronnie Johnston on Tuesday night, Nov. 5.

It was closely contested among Johnston, Steve Horton and Eric Threets, but Horton prevailed with 60.39% of the votes. Johnston came in second place with 35.65% of the votes.

Horton celebrated the victory with friends and family in the square, and he told The Covington News that he felt “overwhelmed but in a good way.”

“We knew we had a lot of support but I didn’t take anything for granted. I’ve said since we’ve started campaigning it’s all about the town. It’s all about the people. The people spoke tonight,” he said. “I’m overwhelmed but I’m humbled by that support from the citizens.”

With people coming first in Horton’s mind, he knows that he will have to reach out to people and see what direction they want the city of Covington to move in under his direction.

“First things first, I want to get a little better feel of what the public wants from this point on and how we start that road, but we have to work with these other council people to know what they want to do,” he said. “For me, I want to know what direction the city wants to go into and the local businesses and what they have to say.”

Horton is very proud to have earned the new position of mayor, but knew he had plenty of people to thank for their support throughout this process.

“I couldn’t have done it without them, couldn’t have done it without everybody in this town,” he said. “I told one person over here, ‘Nobody does anything alone,’ and so I’m just one person in the middle of this movement that’s occurring right now and

thankful to be a part of it.”

Horton was the previous city manager for Covington, holding the position from 2005 to 2012. While serving as city manager, Covington became a ‘City of Ethics,’ was named a City of Excellence in 2003 and received an award for planning monies as a result of being named a recipient of the Atlanta Regional Commission’s Livable Centers Initiative Program in 2005.

Along with these successes, Horton also brought the city of Covington to a national distinction that could only be matched by two other cities in the country. During his tenure as city manager, Horton helped lead the city of Covington to become one of three cities to have four departments as nationally accredited agencies.

Johnston declined to comment Tuesday night.

■ See **HORTON, 2A**

Eady elected Oxford mayor

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With Mayor Jerry Roseberry retiring at the end of the year, after serving the community since 2006, Oxford voters took to the polls on Tuesday to elect the next mayor.

The candidates for mayor were two former councilmen - David S. Eady and Michael Ready. Eady resigned his Post 4 council seat to run for mayor; Ready remained in the Post 3 seat, as it is expiring, and he served as mayor pro tem.

In complete but official results, Eady was elected as the next Oxford mayor with 152 votes.

As mayor, Eady has several projects to complete, including additional sidewalks, becoming cost-effective and reducing energy burden.

“Over the next year, we have several projects to complete that the city council has been talking about for quite some time, including additional sidewalks on Emory Street.

■ See **EADY, 3A**



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Oxford mayor-elect David Eady.

Keener elected Social Circle mayor

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David Keener said he wanted to be the “People’s Mayor.”

Now he’ll have the chance.

Keener was elected mayor Social Circle on Tuesday in a landslide over two-term incumbent Hal Dally.

In complete but unofficial returns, Keener had 586 votes (58.37%) to Dally’s 418 (41.63%).

“Apparently the people wanted a change and that’s fine,” Dally said. “I hope the new mayor will continue with the strategic plan we’ve got in place and move the city forward.”

Dally said he planned to call Keener and concede the race. The outgoing

mayor said he leaves with no ill will.

“I served the city for 28 years, and I’ve enjoyed my service,” he said, including time as mayor and previously, leading the city Board of Education.

“They wanted to make a change, and that’s good too,” he said. “I had no problem.”

Keener did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Two incumbents will be returning to the City Council.

Steve Shelton won the District 4 seat easily, defeating two challengers without needing a runoff. Shelton got 237 votes (64.93%) compared to 95 for Ann Overbeck and 31 for Jay Perpall.

■ See **KEENER, 2A**



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David L. Keener addresses a candidate forum on Sept. 23, 2019, in Social Circle, Ga.

Chairman Banes announces reelection campaign

Chairman selected for 2020 class of Leadership Georgia

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Marcello Banes said he is seeking a second term as chairman of the Newton County Board of Commissioners.

Banes also announced he has been selected for the Leadership Georgia Class of 2020.

Leadership Georgia is one of the nation’s oldest and most successful leadership-training programs for young business, civic and community leaders with the desire and potential to work together for a better Georgia. The process begins with a nomination followed by a rigorous application process, including obtaining letters of recommendation. About 60 participants are selected each year from a pool of several hundred applicants.

“To be nominated to Leadership Georgia was an honor,” Banes said. “To be chosen is a true blessing. I plan on using the skills and relationships developed from the Leadership Georgia training to continue to build a better Newton County. Along with the news of my acceptance into the Leadership



Marcello Banes
CHAIRMAN

Georgia Class of 2020, I am proud to announce my campaign for reelection as chairman of the Newton County Board of Commissioners.”

Banes began his first term as chairman of the Board of Commissioners in 2017.

“It has been a sincere honor to work diligently for the citizens of Newton County. I ran my initial campaign for Chairman under the platform ‘Believe, Begin, Become a Better Newton County.’ Upon my election, the citizens of Newton County bestowed upon me their faith that I would be a man of my word and work diligently and selflessly toward a better Newton County,” he said.

■ See **BANES, 2A**

Wescott defeats Gray in Porterdale

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Angela “Niki” Wescott was elected to the Porterdale City Council on Tuesday.

Wescott got 69 votes to incumbent Terry J. Gray’s 32 in the Post 1 race.

Wescott will begin her term in January.



Mayor Arline Chapman won a new term without opposition, as did Post 2 Councilwoman Linda Finger.

The city’s “brunch bill,” which allows for the sale of alcohol by the drink between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, passed 67 votes to 25.

Mayor congratulates Horton

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The morning after voters rejected his bid for a third term, Mayor Ronnie Johnston said he had enjoyed his time leading Covington.

In unofficial and incomplete results from the Tuesday election, retired City Manager Steve Horton won with about 60.4% of the vote.

Horton had 1,145 votes to Johnston’s 676 (35.65%) and 73 votes (3.85%) for the Rev. Eric D. Threets.

There were two write-in votes.

“I want to congratulate Mr. Horton and thank the city of Covington for the past eight years,” Johnston said. “I’ve really enjoyed it. It’s been a great ad-



Ronnie Johnston
COVINGTON MAYOR

venture for me and my family.

“We’re excited for the continued forward growth of Covington.”

Johnston said he couldn’t identify a factor that tipped the race but noted the low turnout. Only about 23% of the 8,269 registered voters in the city voted.

■ See **JOHNSTON, 3A**



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HORTON FROM 1A

BAGGETT, FLOYD CLAIM COUNCIL SEATS

In East Ward, Post 2, Fleeta Baggett faced off against Steve Plitt. Baggett received 54.13% of the votes and will succeed Councilman Michael Whatley, who has served since 2000.

In Post 3, East Ward, retired Covington fire Chief Don Floyd faced off against Councilman Josh McKelvey. Floyd beat out McKelvey with 52.76% of the votes.

In Post 1, West Ward, Councilman Kenneth L. Morgan was unopposed in seeking a second term.

The 'brunch bill,' non-binding referendum pass

With 66.43% of the votes, the "brunch bill" was passed in the city. The bill will give the city the authority to allow sales of distilled spirits or alcoholic beverages by the drink between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Sunday.

With 60.41% of votes, a non binding referendum was passed, which will regulate alcohol consumption in the downtown district, and at Legion Field.

Caitlin Jett, staff writer, contributed to this article.



Photo by Michael Pope | The Covington News
Covington mayor-elect Steve Horton on election night, Nov. 5.

KEENER FROM 1A

Tyson Jackson was reelected in District 2 without opposition.

Board of Education Steve Trantham rode the wave of anti-incumbent sentiment into office, defeating Patrick Dally for his District 3 seat on the Social Circle Board of Education by a margin of 218 votes to 143.

Trantham said he felt encouraged by the push for new, fresh voices in local government and was happy to take a spot on the board.

"I'm gratified by the outcome," Trantham said. "My feet sure feel better from walking and talking to all the folks in my district. I'm

overwhelmed by the response."

Trantham said he felt the board, with two new members and a new superintendent, would do great things in the near future.

"My heart's in this school system," Trantham, a former Social Circle teacher, said. "Now I need to sit down with the board and see what we want to do with the issues facing us going forward."

Dally did not return calls for comment by press time.

In the District 1 race, Michael O'Connor beat incumbent Tonia Lumpkin by a mere 10 votes, 116 to 106, to take the other open seat on the board. Neither he nor Lumpkin returned calls for comment by press time.

Walton Tribune News Editor Stephen Milligan contributed to this report.

BANES FROM 1A

"This is not a responsibility I took or will ever take lightly. From my first day as chairman to now, I have remained constant in my objective to make Newton County better."

During his first term in office, Banes focused on three immediate goals: promoting unity and collaboration, stabilizing the financial foundation and infrastructure for the future of the community and empowering the economic development measures in Newton

County.

"I will continue to work collaboratively with all entities not only in Newton County but throughout the state. We have worked hard in my first term of making OneNewton a reality, becoming a strong team of commissioners and working with municipalities, authorities and the school board for the common goal of the success of Newton County," he said.

"I ask you for your prayers and support in my endeavor to continue to serve the citizens of this great community."

For more information, visit www.marcello-banes.com.

An incorrect date was used in a headline on page B1 of last week-end's paper. Christmas in Covington will begin Nov. 21.

An illustration of Santa Claus in a sleigh pulled by reindeer, flying over a city skyline. The skyline includes a church with a steeple and a building with a dome. The background is a light blue with white snowflake patterns.

Christmas in Covington

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Schedule of Events

November 21: The Lighting of Downtown Covington | 6:00pm until 8:00pm
presented by the City of Covington, Newton County and High Priority Plumbing

December 5: Candlelight & Carriages | 6:00pm until 9:00pm
presented by Newton Federal Bank with High Priority Plumbing

December 7: Annual Covington Christmas Parade | 10:00am
presented by the Covington Lions Club

December 7: Christmas Parade After Party | 1:00pm until 4:00pm
presented by Newton Federal Bank with High Priority Plumbing

December 8: Live Nativity on the Square | 6:00pm
presented by Covington First United Methodist Church with High Priority Plumbing

December 12: Candlelight & Carriages | 6:00pm until 9:00pm
presented by Newton Federal Bank with High Priority Plumbing

December 13: Covington Christmas Carnival | 6:00pm until 9:00pm
presented by High Priority Plumbing

December 14: Christmas Scavenger Hunt | 2:00pm until 4:00pm
presented by High Priority Plumbing

December 19: Candlelight & Carriages | 6:00pm until 9:00pm
presented by Newton Federal Bank with High Priority Plumbing

December 20: Friday Night Flicks on the Square | 5:00pm until 8:00pm
presented by Three Ring Studios with High Priority Plumbing

Have your photo taken with Santa!

November 21 | 7:00pm until 9:30pm

November 24 | 1:00pm until 5:00pm

November 30 | 1:00pm until 5:00pm

December 7 | 1:00pm until 5:00pm

December 8 | 1:00pm until 5:00pm

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■ JOHNSTON

Only about 23% of the 8,269 registered voters in the city voted.

“I think the only thing I can think of right now is there were only 1,600, 1,500 votes cast” — actually 1,896 were cast — “which is a pretty small fraction of the city of Covington, but it’s probably always that way,” he said, adding that he doesn’t plan to dwell on the wondering why he lost.

“I think it’s important for our city to come back together,” he said. “That’s what these things are about, and let’s move forward.”

Johnston said he hasn’t considered how the change in leadership might affect the ongoing search for a city manager. The current city manager, Leigh Anne Knight, is retiring at the end of the year

and the mayor and council recently interviewed six finalists — three of them current city employees — for the position.

The city later posted a public notice Wednesday afternoon of a called City Council meeting at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 20 in the Council Chambers, 2116 Stallings St. NW, for an executive session, followed by an open session to discuss the selection of a city manager.

Johnston declined to discuss the results of the City Council voting.

Fleeta Baggett won an open seat in the Post 2, East Ward, race with 54% of the vote against Steve Plitt.

Retired fire Chief Don T. Floyd unseated Councilman Josh McKelvey with a little less than 53% of the vote in the Post 3, East Ward, race.

Councilman Kenneth L. Morgan was reelected to the Post 1, West Ward, seat without opposition.

“No comment really,” Johnston said. “It is what it is.”

Finalists named for city manager

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Two men are finalists for the position of city manager of Covington.

The City Council will have a special meeting at 5:30 pm. Nov. 20 to discuss the search and is expected to hire C. Scott Andrews, the assistant city administrator for Smyrna, or promote Freddy L. Morgan, the city’s electric director.

The two men were chosen from a field of six semifinalists, which was whittled down from the nearly 70 applicants to succeed Leigh Anne Knight. Knight is retiring Dec. 13.

Council members spoke informally by telephone Wednesday and decided to proceed to the final meeting before making their choice. Knight said a review of state law revealed the city only had to give 14 days’ notice before the meeting.

Mayor Ronnie Johnston — who lost his reelection bid Tuesday — and council members met last week to interview the six semifinalists. Although those candidates have not been identified, Johnston said three were internal candidates.

Andrews has been in Smyrna since 2017. In his role there, he advises the mayor and City Council in setting policies, has worked with staff in planning the projects in the upcoming Cobb County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax and other major city projects.

Previously he served as the economic development director in Sugar Hill from 2014-17, and was with the city of Temple Terrace, Florida, from 2003-14. In that position, he ascended to the position of recreation supervisor.

He has a doctorate in organizational leadership from Argosy University.

In his application, he cited success in changing the 10-year vision plan for Smyrna to be staff-driven, to avoid volunteer burnout. He said that’s led to a 41% completion rate and the creation of key stakeholder groups.

“However, the greatest part of the Vision plan to date has been the critical citizen feedback we have received which played a major role in the implementation of the city’s 2018 comprehensive plan,” he said.

Andrews noted he worked to help Smyrna become the first city in Georgia to have a “hands-free”

law to keep drivers from holding cellphones behind the wheel. Now it’s a statewide law.

He said the first 100 days of his time as the Covington city manager would include setting “SMART” — specific, measurable, achievable, results-focus and time-bound — goals for departments and organizations. Andrews also said he’d work on building relationships with employees, the mayor and council and key business stakeholders.

Morgan said his current role gives him oversight of a department with a \$49 million budget, and in it he’s implemented new technology, infrastructure upgrades and revenue opportunities.

He came to Covington in September 2017 after serving as the operations and maintenance superintendent with Marietta Power for nearly 13 years.

In that role, Morgan had oversight of day-to-day operations of three divisions, responsible for installation, repairing, testing and maintenance of all electrical equipment on the system. He also served as the chairman of the city’s pension board — a \$108 million pension fund and a \$35.5 million supplemental fund.

He has previous supervisory experience with the city of Cartersville. Morgan has a bachelor’s degree from Southern Polytechnic State (now Kennesaw State University) and a Master of Business Administration from Shorter University.

Morgan said he has 15 years’ experience in strategic planning, including five-year capital improvement plans in Covington.

He said the first 100 days of his time as city manager would include meetings with the mayor and council, along with employees and community stakeholders to get input “on the most pressing needs” in the city.

“I would also move forward with an operational assessment to ensure that we are moving forward efficiently,” he said.

“I’m excited for this opportunity because I can help make a difference in how we move forward as a city,” he wrote. “I’ve thoroughly enjoyed my time in Covington and I want to be an integral part of our ongoing process.

“I’m concerned with how our team interacts and moves forward with a shared vision for Covington.”

The notice given Wednesday notes the council may hold an executive session when it meets Nov. 20, followed by an open session.



Freddy L. Morgan (left), Covington’s electric director, and C. Scott Andrews (right) assistant city administrator for Smyrna.

EADY

■ FROM 1A

I’ll be working with the council on a strategic plan and five-year budget/work plan that we all agree to execute,” he said. “We will also look at establishing additional work processes and management discipline as we execute our plans, projects and work-orders as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible.

“One more thing I’d like to focus on is how we can reduce the energy burden experienced by some of our neighbors. We might explore alternative billing programs, like offering to average electric bills over 12 months so that

folks don’t struggle with spikes in their bills on months with extreme weather.

“And we might look at ways to enable our electric utility customers to finance improvements that will reduce their energy use and save them money on their bills, paying for those improvements with the savings over time — similar to “pay-as-you-save” programs implemented in other communities.”

Ready received 86 votes.

“No response,” Ready said. “Ran a proper race, and the results were not in my favor.”

Councilman George R. Holt went unopposed in Post 2.

Two newcomers went unopposed as well for council seats: Lynn Branham Bohanan in Post 1 and Laura McCanless in Post 3.



NCSO celebrates new precinct with ribbon-cutting ceremony

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The Newton County Sheriff’s Office celebrated the grand opening of their new Westside Precinct with a ribbon-cutting on Thursday morning, Nov. 7.

The new precinct is located on Salem Road in Covington, in the Kroger Shopping Plaza.

Cynthia Blackshear-Warren, advertising manager, and Amberlee Malcom-Trocheset, advertising representative, contributed to this article.



How to Sell Your Newton County House Without An Agent And Save the Commission

Newton County - If you’ve tried to sell your home yourself, you know that the minute you put the “For Sale by Owner” sign up, the phone will start to ring off the hook. Unfortunately, most calls aren’t from prospective buyers, but rather from every real estate agent in town who will start to hound you for your listing.

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NEWTON COUNTY JAIL LOG

<p>COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Reggie Joseph Barras, 38, 1024 Fusseiler Boulevard, Basile, Virginia, was arrested November 2 and charged with theft by shoplifting.</p> <p>Leonita Pace Best, 38, 2858 Fieldstone Court, Conyers, was arrested November 4 and charged with theft by shoplifting.</p> <p>Kevin Lee Brown, 56, 6348 Turner Lake Road, Covington, was arrested October 31 and charged with aggravated battery and cruelty to children.</p> <p>Cynthia Lorane Carroll, 35, 961 Highway 11 South, Social Circle, was arrested October 31 and charged with armed robbery.</p> <p>Alex Devon Crumbley, 20, 431 Kirkland Road, # 2133, Covington, was arrested November 3 and charged with disorderly conduct.</p> <p>Ricky Darty, 65, 5136 Hackett Street, Covington, was arrested October 31 and charged with driving while license suspended or revoked and probation violation.</p> <p>Delanious Quintrell Dorsey, 31, 739 Beech Street, Social Circle, was arrested October 31 and charged with DUI-alcohol, giving false name, address or birthdate to law enforcement officer and improper lane usage.</p> <p>Stephano Alexander Dorsey, 30, 739 Beech Street, Social Circle, was arrested October 31 and charged with DUI-alcohol and vehicles to drive on right side of roadway.</p> <p>Sharia Lakel Franklin, 27, 1245 Rockbridge Road, Conyers, was arrested November 2 and charged with forgery.</p> <p>Tanesha Latice Hamm, 29, 755 Shoreline Trail, Conyers, was arrested November 2 and charged with forgery.</p> <p>Justin Corey Harris, 36, 101 Kellogg Street, Mansfield, was arrested October 31 and charged with public drunkenness.</p> <p>Justin Corey Harris, 36, 101 Kellogg Street, Mansfield, was arrested November 5 and charged with disorderly conduct.</p> <p>Patrick Gregory Kolbe, 26, 1807 Chamber Road, Apartment 21, Statesboro, was arrested November 4 and charged with possession of marijuana, less than 1 oz.</p> <p>Katie Marie Moore,</p>	<p>26, 5258 Fletcher Drive, Oxford, was arrested November 2 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge and theft by shoplifting.</p> <p>Gerald Lamone Perdue, 26, 1048 Flat Shoals Road, Atlanta, was arrested November 2 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Edmund Lee Pettaway, 61, 80 Bunting Place, Covington, was arrested November 3 and charged with DUI-alcohol and improper lane usage.</p> <p>Brittney Ann Pike, 31, 160 Rebon Maddox Road, Jackson, was arrested October 30 and charged with theft by shoplifting.</p> <p>Tonya Sylvia Piles, 47, Homeless was arrested November 5 and held for other agency.</p> <p>April Christina Sasser, 47, Homeless, was arrested November 3 and charged with criminal trespass.</p> <p>Treaver Martez Stanley, 27, 9184 Blackwell Street, Covington, was arrested November 2 and charged with failure to appear.</p> <p>Eddie Lee Stinson, III, 23, 431 Kirkland Road, Covington, was arrested November 1 and charged with DUI-alcohol and open container.</p> <p>Treyvorius Lamarian Stodghill, 20, 6171 Petty Street, Covington, was arrested October 30 and charged with possession of alcohol by minor, public drunkenness and willful obstruction of law enforcement officers.</p>	<p>hicle, improper lane usage and open container.</p> <p>Karen Lynn Anders, 39, 128 Brushwood Lane, Palm Coast, Florida, was back for court October 30.</p> <p>Matthew Wayne Armstrong, 45, 5 East Palmetto Street, Porterdale, was arrested November 1 and charged with possession of a schedule I controlled substance (Heroin), possession of hydrocodone, possession of methamphetamine and speeding (14-24 over).</p> <p>Erica Dianne Babcock, 22, 125 Little Hayves Drive, Loganville, was back for court November 1 and charged with entering automobile or other motor vehicle with intent to commit theft (2) and probation violation.</p> <p>Larry Junior Baines, 64, 5139 Nixon Circle, Covington, was arrested November 5 and held for probation.</p> <p>Eric Lee Baisden, 40, 8184 Laurel Drive, Covington, was arrested November 4 and charged with driving without a valid license and duty of driver to stop at or return to scene of accident.</p> <p>Jabir Makin Kendrick, 31, 330 Sunflower ln, Covington, was arrested October 31 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>Javaris Devonte Bridges, 30, 10150 Sunny Drive, Covington, was court sentenced October 31.</p> <p>Chantoya Elissa Brown, 27, 670 Barshay Drive, Covington, was arrested November 3 and charged with battery-family violence and criminal trespass.</p> <p>Garnett Silk Brown, 24, 9247 Fieldcrest Walk, Covington, was arrested November 4 and charged with aggravated assault (2), possession of firearm or knife during commission or attempt to commit a crime and surety offense.</p> <p>Kareen Anthony Bruce, 30, 60 Winchester Drive, Covington, was arrested November 1 and charged with aggravated assault, batter-family violence, false imprisonment and terroristic threats and acts.</p> <p>Roger Dwayne Cole, 29, 961 Highway 11, Lot 66, Covington, was arrested October 31 and charged with failure to register as a sex offender.</p> <p>Michael Shane Copeland, 18, 30 Ann Court, Covington, was</p>	<p>court sentenced November 1.</p> <p>Traven Devarius Crosby, 22, 6319 Judas Tree Lane, Charlotte, NC, was arrested November 5 and charged with aggravated assault, battery-family violence, criminal damage to property, false imprisonment, kidnapping, terroristic threats and acts and theft by taking.</p> <p>Irby Eugene Daniel, 55, 8056 Starrsville Road, Covington, was arrested November 1 and charged with simple battery-family violence.</p> <p>John Martin Daniel, Jr., 40, 4899 Cherokee Way, Conyers, was arrested November 1 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Natasha Yvette Dunn, 35, 265 Derby Drive, Riverdale, was arrested October 30 and charged with possession of a schedule I controlled substance, possession of a schedule I controlled substance with intent, possession of firearm or knife during commission or attempt to commit a crime, purchase, possession, manufacture, distribution or sale of marijuana (2), trafficking in cocaine, illegal drugs, marijuana or methamphetamine and use of communication facility in commission of a felony involving controlled substance.</p> <p>Jarvis Jarvell Dyer, 28, 604 Bethany Road, Covington, was arrested October 30 and charged with aggravated assault, battery-family violence, criminal trespass, false imprisonment, obstructing or hindering persons making emergency telephone call and theft by taking.</p> <p>Thomas Dale Fox, 52, 970 Wood Bridge Drive, Conyers, was arrested November 4 and charged with parole violation.</p> <p>Denise Robin Fuller-Lee, 17, 200 Sable Circle, Covington, was arrested November 4 and charged with terroristic threats and acts.</p> <p>Cameron Blake Goen, 25, 160 Johnson Street, newborn, was court sentenced to 15 days November 1.</p> <p>Nicholas Matthew Hall, 31, Morgan County Jail, was back for court November 1.</p> <p>Doug Ancil Hatfield, 61, 162 Hampton Lane, Leesburg, was court sentenced to serve 72 hours November 4.</p> <p>Erin Nichole Heron, 36, 11489 Highway 36, Covington, was arrested November 1 and charged with criminal</p>	<p>damage to property.</p> <p>James Gary Hill, III, was back for court October 30.</p> <p>Valentino Cortez Jackson, 26, Homeless, was arrested November 4 and held for other agency.</p> <p>Richard Charles Jacobs, 51, 40 Salem Ridge, Covington, was arrested November 5 and charged with aggravated assault, battery-family violence, criminal damage to property, fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, obstructing or hindering persons making emergency telephone call and reckless driving.</p> <p>Shurnkita Shjwarn Jefferson-Daley, 46, 77 Upper River Road, Covington, was court sentenced to serve 30 days November 4.</p> <p>Juavaitnee Quatara Jester, 31, 2033 Old Concord Drive, Covington, was court sentenced October 31.</p> <p>Darrot Nakia Johnson, 32, 611 Marguerite Drive, Huntsville, Alabama, was arrested October 31 and held for other agency.</p> <p>Rodney Lee Johnson, 52, 1776 Salem Woods, Conyers, was arrested October 30 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Christopher Rashad Jones, 31, 6311 Woodland #614, Kansas City, Missouri, was arrested October 30 and charged with cruelty to children and simple battery-family violence.</p> <p>William Nathaniel Jowers, 22, 1239 Macedonia Church Road, Oxford, was arrested November 5 and charged with possession of marijuana, less than 1 oz., possession and use of drug related objects, riding on roadways and bicycle paths and tampering with evidence.</p> <p>Brandon Phillip Lawson, 27, 60 Pebble Crossing, Covington, was arrested October 30 and charged with DUI-alcohol, open container and willful obstruction of law enforcement officers.</p> <p>Darren Steve Lindsey, 41, 165 Belmont Trail, Covington, was arrested November 1 and charged with discharging firearm while under influence of alcohol or drugs, receipt, possession or transport of firearm by convicted felon, reckless conduct and unauthorized discharge of firearms within 50 yards of public highway.</p> <p>Jonathan Dale Long, 37, 418 Briar</p>	<p>Wood Road, Winder, was arrested November 2 and charged with possession of marijuana, less than 1 oz.</p> <p>Robbin Leigh Martin, 56, 123 Cowan Road, Covington, was arrested November 5 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Phillip Wayne Martin, Jr., 46, 75 Sears Road, Covington, was arrested October 30 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Anthony Drew McAlister, 35, 5826 Navajo Trail, Conyers, was arrested November 3 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>Christopher Paul McKenzie, 27, 20 Rolling Ridge Drive, Covington, was arrested October 30 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Asia Chanel Melvin, 20, 795 Navajo Trail, Covington, was court sentenced October 30.</p> <p>Santonio Marches Ott, 37, 241 Bridgewood Drive, Conyers, was arrested October 31 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Darryll Bernard Moss, Jr., 17, 75 Valley View Drive, Covington, was arrested November 4 and charged with possession of marijuana, less than 1 oz.</p> <p>Scott Lewis Pippin, 47, 2316 Rockbridge Road, Conyers, was arrested November 4 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Kenneth Earl Price, Jr., 28, 2216 Jones Road, Atlanta, was arrested November 5 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>Tommy Rufus Sawyer, Jr., 41, 111A Garden Gates Drive, Cornelia, was arrested October 30 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>Jordan Lee Smith, 19, 1942 Ga Hwy 81, Oxford, was arrested October 30 and charged with obstructing or hindering persons making emergency telephone call and possession of a schedule I controlled substance.</p> <p>Darron James Stodghill, 38, 172 Long Street Circle, Oxford, was arrested October 31 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Courtlee Wilton Taner, 31, 33110 Reese Road, Rutledge, was arrested November 5 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>Trisha Eileen Tant, 55, 160 Lazy Hollow</p>	<p>Lane, Covington, was arrested October 31 and charged with DUI-drugs.</p> <p>Lisa Marie Vanel-la, 51, 380 River Cove Ridge, Social Circle, was arrested October 30 and charged with probation violation.</p> <p>Renard Montrell Ward, 36, 185 Stone Ridge Way, Covington, was court sentenced to serve 30 days November 1.</p> <p>Mary Ruth Waters, 50, 5110 Highway 20 South, Lot 24, Covington, was court sentenced October 30.</p> <p>Jaqualla Patrice White, 33, 185 Park Avenue, Milledgeville, was arrested November 1 and charged with failure to appear.</p> <p>Clarence Bernard Williams, 28, 249 Village Drive, McDonough, was arrested November 4 and charged with probation violation for fingerprintable charge.</p> <p>James William Wren, 67, 5114 Worshan Street, Covington, was court sentenced to serve 1 day November 5.</p>
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Flint Hill teacher to appear in court for alleged shoplifting

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A Flint Hill Elementary School teacher will appear in front of a judge on Dec. 18 after an alleged shoplifting incident at Walmart months prior.

Shannon Lynne Teague was arrested by the Covington Police Department on Aug. 19 and charged with theft by shoplifting. She spent less than six hours in the Newton County Jail.

“Ms. Teague under-rang several items of meats from the self-checkout register and passed all points of sales,” according to the CPD incident report.

The total amount of the theft was \$95.35, according to the report.

“We are aware of the situation involving Ms. Teague as she self-reported the incident to her supervisor,” NCSS Public Relations Director Sherri Davis told The Covington News. “We will continue to monitor the case as it works its way through legal proceedings.”

Teague will be represented by an attorney. If there are any conflicts — on the attorney’s side — with the court case being held on Dec. 18, the date may change, according to the Covington Municipal Court.



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Shannon Lynne Teague.

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OUR THOUGHTS: Time to move forward in Covington

Congratulations to Mayor-elect Steve Horton on his decisive victory Tuesday.

Horton brings nearly 36 years of experience to the new role of mayor, having served as city manager, assistant city manager, public works director and police chief.

In short, he's about done it all.

Now it's time to bring that experience to bear for the citizens again.

We're eager to see the direction Horton has for Covington. When he qualified, he told the newspaper he wasn't ready to discuss his platform. It was much the same Tuesday night.

"First things first, I want to get a little better feel of what the public wants from this point on and how we start that road, but we have to work with these other council people to know what they want to do," he said. "For me, I want to know what direction the city wants to go into, and the local businesses and what they have to say."

That collaborative approach will serve the new mayor well. But, the time is coming where Horton will have to lay out his vision for Covington. We look forward to hearing it. After all, he did great things for the city as its CEO.

Obviously voters trusted him. He got 60% of the vote in a three-way race that included a two-term incumbent.

Voters also turned to another familiar face, retired fire Chief Don Floyd, for a City Council seat. It's clear Covington voters want people

they know and trust to lead them into the future. We're eager to see how these experiences help as the city faces the challenges a dawning new decade brings.

CITY MANAGER

Although there is certainly no legal requirement for the council to do so, we hope Horton gets a seat at the table on Nov. 20 when leaders sit down to decide the next city manager.

This is an important job. The city manager has oversight of more than 300 employees and a huge budget — one funded by our tax dollars.

The mayor and council have selected two finalists: the city's electric director, Freddy Morgan, and Smyrna Assistant City Manager Scott Andrews.

Mayor Ronnie Johnston had told us the six semifinalists were all highly qualified, but now that it's down to two — and Johnston is on his way out — it's time to expand the pool of people making the choice.

The current mayor and council obviously get the votes. The citizens chose them for terms that run through the end of this year, and they have all rights and responsibilities pertaining to that, but collaboration with the people chosen for the future should be a priority.

The tenure of the next city manager will get off to a better start if he knows his next slate of bosses at least had a chance to say grace over the hire.

Our View is the opinion of The Covington News' editorial board.



A Veterans Day message for kids

Election season is upon us.

During the next year, people will have signs in their yard. Some will be out campaigning. Others will post their political preferences on Facebook.

Before you know it, we will head to the polls, and mark our ballots. No one will be looking over our shoulder.

Why am I writing about this on Veterans Day? It's because I hope all of our young people know that none of this would be possible if not for veterans.

For more than 200 years, when other nations wanted to take these privileges away from us, they went to battle for us. They put their lives on the line so that you and I can celebrate our freedom.

We can work where we want to work, go to school where we want to go to school, worship at the church of our choice and choose the food and clothing we want to buy.

People in many countries don't have those choices. But thanks to our veterans, and those who have gone before them, we live in a free country: the greatest in the world. All these freedoms we enjoy could have been taken away from us, so many times.

They didn't come easily.

War is not neat, pretty or glamorous. Nobody wants to go there. It's not a movie, a TV show or a video game.

There are no days off, no weekends off, no bathroom breaks, no cable TV, no smartphones, no air conditioning and no vacations.

The men and women we honor this week have been to places we don't want to go, and they've seen things we don't want to see.

It's easy to say, "Thank you for your service," and I'm glad we do that. And I'm glad that every now and then we pick up their lunch, or give them a discount.

But there's really no way we can repay them.

Some of us feel like we were born



David Carroll
COLUMNIST

into this great fortune. But it didn't just happen, and it doesn't just stay in place. Someone has to defend it, when others want to take it away.

They can't do it from home, their back yard, or their front porch. They've had to leave their families, and their homes.

When you read about the number of lives that were lost defending our nation, you'll see some big numbers, into the thousands.

Thankfully, we are able to honor surviving veterans. They're our moms and dads, grandparents, great-grandparents, uncles and aunts, sisters and brothers, sons and daughters.

Think about this: Do you know how your family worries about you, when they don't know where you are for a few hours? Our veterans couldn't make a quick phone call, or send an email, or a text, saying "Mom, I'm fine." In many cases, they couldn't tell Mom where they were. It was classified information.

I hope when you think of Veterans Day, and other observances that honor our military men and women, past and present, that you will look at it as more than an hour out of class, or a holiday picnic at the lake.

Take some time to study why we're here, how we got here, and how we're

able to live freely. Take time to thank those who sacrificed so you could attend great schools, choose where you attend college, and choose the career that you want, and not what the government forces you to do.

When I was young, there were still some elderly folks alive who had served in World War I. My parents' generation served in World War II, and thankfully, we still have some of those veterans who we can thank in person.

We have many more who have defended us in Korea, Vietnam, Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan and other areas that posed a threat to our way of life, then and now.

The next time you read a book, or watch a movie that depicts our heroes, remember this. We have real people in our own communities, our own families, who have been there, and done that. They all did so, in the hope that their children, and grandchildren wouldn't have to go there. For that and so much more, we say thank you.

When you get a chance to honor a veteran with a handshake, a hug, or a salute, please do so. Brave men and women are still protecting us in frightening, faraway places. Their mommas and daddies, grandparents, wives, husbands and kids pray each day for their safety. I hope you'll do that too.

Learn everything you can in history class, in the library or online, about what our veterans have done, and are still doing, so you can enjoy the life you're living today.

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Letter TO THE EDITOR

Real-life heroes respond after the worst call

Monday evening, I got the phone call no child wants to receive. I picked up the call from my dad to hear sirens in the background.

"Your mom has been in a bad car accident" ... "She got slammed" ... "The truck flipped, and she's pinned in there."

My heart dropped.

I started asking questions about who was there, what agencies responded and what I could do to help. I was told Covington Police Department, Covington Fire Department and Piedmont EMS were on scene and I immediately felt a sigh of relief.

In my previous role with the newspaper, I got to know a lot of men and women who wear the badge in Newton County, and I knew my mom was in good hands with these heroes. Thanks to the hard work of these men and women who put their lives on the line every day, my mom is going to be OK.

My mom was transported to Piedmont Walton Hospital and it was like a well-oiled machine how these doctors and nurses worked together to make sure she was OK in a timely

manner. I am still amazed by the whole process.

At a loss for what to do to show my gratitude, I wanted to shine a light on these heroes in their community.

Thank you, CFD C Shift for working to extract my mom with care and precision.

Thank you, CPD Officer Michael Canty, Officer Keith Waddell, Officer Christian Jimenez, Officer Alan Yi and Sgt. Starr Smith for getting there first and calming my mom down in what was one of the scariest moments of her life.

Thank you, Piedmont Walton Emergency staff, including Dr. Steven Durocher, Nurse Sunshine Lane, Nurse Nicki Harris and ED Tech Kasey Clemente, for not only acting in a precise and timely manner but doing so with the most kindness and efficiency I've ever seen.

Our community is blessed to have men and women like these working to protect us every day.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you.

Sincerely,
Jackie Gutknecht

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Those interested in applying should email resume and at least three writing samples to news@covnews.com.



Albany Area Primary Health Care receives Advance Quality Improvement Award 2019

American College of Physicians highlights local program to increase vaccination rates in Southwest Georgia

Staff Report
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The American College of Physicians recently awarded Albany Area Primary Health Care the Advance Quality Improvement Award for 2019.

This award highlights the work of AAPHC physicians, providers and team members within the organization to increase overall vaccinations for our southwest Georgia patients.

“AAPHC is committed to ensuring that both our pediatric and adult patients receive the critical immunizations and vaccinations needed to protect their health now and well into the future,” said Brandy Church, AAPHC spokesperson.

Over the past year, the AAPHC team focused on vaccinations for two diseases - pneumonia and the human papillomavirus.


Patients who are 65 and older qualify for the pneumonia vaccine, which protects patients against 23 types of pneumococcal bacteria. When a patient develops pneumonia, the tiny air sacs in the lungs

become inflamed and can fill with fluid, which can severely sicken the patient and cause breathing issues. Pneumonia can range from a mild to serious or life-threatening infection and can sometimes lead to death.

AAPHC also focused on improving the human papillomavirus vaccination rates for patients between 11 and 26 years of age. The HPV vaccine prevents HPV types 16 and 18 — the 2 types that cause 80% of cervical cancer cases.

“AAPHC is consistently developing new programs that improve the quality of care for our patients,” said Church. “By ensuring patients receive these timely vaccinations, our providers ensure that our patients have a lower chance of getting certain diseases and suffering from their complications.”

“We are proud of this recognition from the American College of Physicians, which highlights the quality improvement work happening at Albany Area Primary Health Care,” said Church. “Everything we do is centered on improving the health of our patients and their families.”



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AAPHC's Dr. James Hotz and Dr. Frances Ferguson accept the ACP 2019 Advance Quality Improvement Award for increasing critical vaccination rates in Southwest Georgia.

Piedmont Newton nationally recognized with ‘A’ for Fall 2019 Leapfrog Hospital Safety

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Piedmont Newton Hospital was awarded an ‘A’ in fall 2019 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing Piedmont Newton’s achievements protecting patients from harm and providing safer health care.


The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization driven by employers and other purchasers of health care committed to improving health care quality and safety for consumers and purchasers.

Six of Piedmont Healthcare’s 11 hospitals received ‘A’ grades in The Leapfrog Group’s Fall 2019 Hospital Safety Grade, making it the safest healthcare system in Georgia with more ‘A’ grades than any other healthcare system in the state.

“It is exciting to be recognized nationally with an ‘A’ for the third time in a row,” said Eric Bour, MD, chief executive officer of Piedmont Newton Hospital. “It demonstrates our daily commitment to patient safety and our promise to make a positive difference in every life we touch.”

Developed under the guidance of a national Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 28 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year.

The Safety Grade assigns an ‘A,’ ‘B,’ ‘C,’ ‘D’ or ‘F’ grade to all general hospitals across the country based on their performance in preventing medical errors, injuries, accidents, infections and other harms to patients in their care. The Hospital Safety Grade’s methodology is peer-reviewed and



fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

“A’ hospitals show us their leadership is protecting patients from preventable medical harm and error,” said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. “It takes genuine commitment at every level — from clinicians to administrators to the board of directors — and we congratulate the teams who have worked so hard to earn this A.”

Piedmont Newton was awarded an ‘A’ grade today, when Leapfrog announced grades for the fall 2019 update.

To see Newton’s full grade details, learn how employers can help, and access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit hospitalsafetygrade.org and follow The Leapfrog Group on Twitter and Facebook.

To learn more about Piedmont Newton Hospital, visit www.piedmont.org/newton.

A ‘thoughtful’ workout goes beyond physical benefits

Certain types of activities can help stave off effects of aging on the brain

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Running and lifting weights might be a crucial step in helping your body delay the effects of aging, but those exercises may be only part of the story.

In a new article published in Psychological Bulletin, a University of Georgia researcher found that the type of activity you choose may also have an effect on your brain’s response to aging—and, according to the data reviewed, may even help improve your cognitive function.

Phillip Tomporowski, co-author and professor of kinesiology in the UGA College of Education, and Caterina Pesce of the University of Rome in Italy researched more than 70 reviews of previous studies comparing the benefits of exercise alone with the benefits of exercise plus some type of cognitive component. They found more improvement among participants when exercise was paired with some type of skill than with exercise alone.

“The people that were in training programs that were more complex performed better on tests of executive function and memory,” compared with tests that only involved exercise, he said. This means that an activity that requires some sort of extra thought or skill while you’re doing it—for example, choreographed dancing, running through an obstacle course, mountain biking or even low-impact activities, such as juggling—can be beneficial not only in that they get you moving, but they also help improve your brain function.

“People navigate a complex world in those activities, and it’s the navigation of your body as you move that we are hypothesizing, that’s influencing how people process information, problem solve and remember things,” he added. “The fundamental factor is the amount of mental engagement that’s in the task.”

This may be an important factor to consider as we age. There’s mounting evidence that our brain slows as we get older, along with declines in muscle and

bone health. But if there was a possibility that the activities we choose as we age could help stave off those effects, it may cause some to re-evaluate their exercise routine.

“Right now the recommendation is that you have to do an aerobic activity three days a week, and you want to improve your physical fitness because that changes your brain,” said Tomporowski. “But the data is suggesting that may not be sufficient. There are more and more studies out there that suggest that it takes more than mindlessly exercising on a bicycle or a treadmill.”

The research aligns with an after-school program Tomporowski has championed for several years called PAL, or Physical Activity and Learning, where elementary-age children learn games that require specific skills or problem solving, as well as physical activity. While Tomporowski and his colleagues haven’t evaluated the success of the program on children’s mental functioning, he said similar programs do have the studies to back them up.

Bottom line, it’s not just running or lifting weights—along with doing crossword puzzles—that may slow the aging process. Rather, he said, it’s the combination of the mental and physical activity that seems to hold the most benefit, no matter your age.

“Let’s put the two together and include the process of skill acquisition,” he said. “It sounds simple, but science isn’t always simple.”



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Memorial service set for Hice's father

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A memorial service will take place Nov. 17 for the late Tom Hice, father of Rep. Jody Hice.

Hice died Oct. 29 at Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center. He was 87.

He was born Thomas Searcey Hice in 1932 and grew up in Cherry Log, Georgia. Hice was a graduate of Gilmer County High School and Georgia State University.

He joined the U.S. Army Reserve in 1950 and retired in 1961 as a master sergeant.

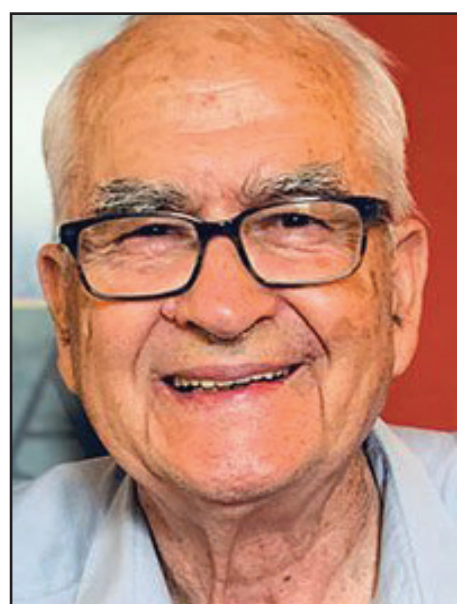
Survivors include two sons, two granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation will begin at 3 p.m. Nov. 17 at his home church, Victory Baptist in Loganville. The memorial service will begin at the church an hour later.

Jody Hice, a former pastor in Walton County, was elected to Congress in 2014. He and his wife, Dee Dee, now live in Greensboro.



Rep. Jody Hice and father, Tom Hice.



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Thomas S. Hice of Auburn, Ga., died Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2019, in Athens. He was 87.

George Gary Wallace III

Berry Funeral Home

On Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019, a remarkable man and loving husband and father, George Gary Wallace III, passed away at St. Mary's Hospital in Athens, Georgia, from difficulties developed after a massive stroke.

Born Sept. 16, 1943, in Florence, South Carolina, George was the eldest of five children. Surviving siblings are Diane Moss, Sandra Muller, Ronnie Wallace and Terry Wallace.

After high school graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and served in Vietnam. He spent most of his adult life working in the pulp and paper industry until retiring. He was an active

member of the American Legion Post 316, in Woodstock, Georgia, and served as a past commander.

In recent years, he and his surviving wife Karen Wallace resided in Covington. He leaves behind daughter Tara (Wallace) Haff and her husband, Bob; grandchildren, Robert and Casey; son, Anthony Restivo and his wife, Traci Restivo; grandchildren, Sophia, Alexander and Olivia; daughter, Amanda (Restivo) Reyes and her husband, Joel.

Services will be held at Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia, at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8. Family and friends will be received at the Covington home of George and Karen Wallace at 6

Microchip helps Mississippi family find dog in Newton County

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A time span of three years and a distance of 400 miles separated Nikko from his family when a Newton County resident discovered the Bullmastiff dog in their yard.

An Animal Control officer brought the dog to the Newton County Animal Shelter (requiring the use of a hill near the Hwy. 212 residence to lower the truck's bed so the 168-pound animal could just hop in) and staff immediately checked to see if Nikko had a Microchip ID. Phone numbers for his breeder and owner popped up thanks to the ID Microchip.

A few phone calls later, the Newton County Animal Control employees found Nikko's home. However, his home was not in Newton County – or in Georgia.

Nikko's owner is Tamra Pearce and her family, who lived in Moselle Miss. When Pearce discovered Nikko had been found she was ecstatic. The last time she saw her dog was in July 2016.

Nikko was out in the family's 40-acre property one day and didn't come home. Pearce

and her family looked and waited for him and a month later their home burnt down causing them to move 30 miles away to Richton, Miss. Their hopes of seeing Nikko again faded.

However, thanks to ID microchipping dog and family reunited in Newton County.

Pearce, along with her daughter Hannah and step-father-in-law Larry Homes, made the 8-hour drive (plus time change) to Newton County's Animal Shelter on Lower River Road on Tuesday, Oct. 29. When Tamra approached Nikko, the large dog recognized his long-lost owner and immediately began to bark and gesture happily.

The joyous reunion was made possible because Nikko had been given a Microchip ID, which enabled him to be identified no matter how far away he managed to get from his family.

Microchip IDs are included in the adoption fee for animals from the Newton County Animal Shelter and are \$20 for animals not impounded and are required for reclaim from the shelter.

"Nikko's happy ending is proof that microchips work," Newton County Animal Control Director Cindy Wiemann said.



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Tamra Pearce reunited with her dog, Nikko, who had been missing for three years.

NCSO Sheriff, Georgia Secretary of State discuss voting machines, community safety

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Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger met with Newton County Sheriff Ezell Brown on Thursday, Nov. 7 to discuss the new voting machines and their operations and how his office can provide assistance in ensuring that every vote is counted.

Additionally, Brown and Raffensperger addressed concerns relating to law enforcement matters in the community. Brown offered his assistance if ever needed in areas of the Secretary of State's Office.

Brown reassured Raffensperger that Newton County is a safe community and that deputies would secure all early voting and voting day precincts.



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NCSO Sheriff Ezell Brown (left) and Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger (right).

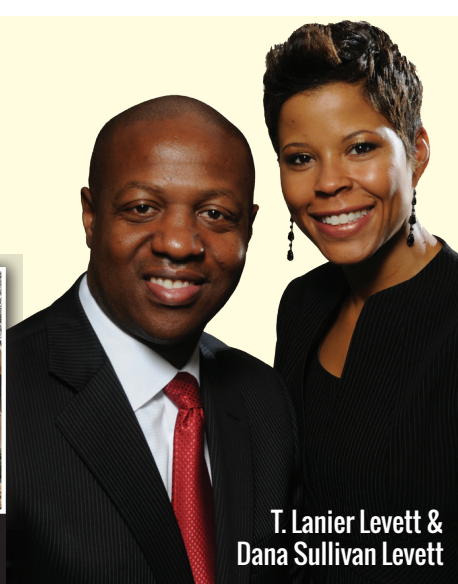
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Kemp announces Georgia Pathways Health Waiver

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Gov. Brian P. Kemp joined members of the General Assembly to unveil Georgia Pathways, a 1115 demonstration waiver to provide an opportunity for 408,000 Georgians to have access to health insurance.

“Right now in our state, there are thousands of people working, training, volunteering, or getting an education who cannot afford employer-sponsored insurance or a plan on the open market,” said Kemp. “These Georgians need coverage, but they have run out of realistic options. The Georgia Pathways Waiver addresses this challenge by providing 408,000 Georgians with access to obtain affordable health insurance.

“Georgia Pathways is innovative, cost-effective, and tailored to meet the healthcare needs of individuals and families in every part of the Peach State. Together, Georgia Pathways and Georgia Access encompass the entire healthcare delivery system, showcase our priorities, reflect our values and put patients first.”

“The process of conservative leadership rolling out meaningful healthcare reform continues to gain momentum for hardworking Georgians and their families through the Georgia Pathways program,” said Lt. Gov. Geoff Duncan. “This program is laser-focused on solving the issues of affordability and access by further stabilizing the healthcare markets and connecting real career opportunities with Georgians to generate an accelerated rate of prosperity. It’s encouraging to go to work down at the Capitol every day knowing that Georgia is leading the national conversation on healthcare reform.”

“From the beginning, we have sought a Georgia-designed solution that serves our citizens and empowers them through access to quality, affordable healthcare,” said Speaker David Ralston. “Georgia Pathways is an innovative plan that speaks to that goal. I commend Governor Kemp and his team for their work, and I trust our federal partners will work expeditiously to review this proposal.”

GEORGIA PATHWAYS & GEORGIA ACCESS
Creating New Pathway to Af-



Brian Kemp
GOVERNOR

fordable Healthcare, Lower Insurance Premiums

The Georgia Pathways Waiver (1115) and Georgia Access Waiver (1332) will enhance access to quality healthcare and affordable insurance for Georgians.

GEORGIA PATHWAYS (1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER)

Georgia is experiencing historic job growth and unmatched economic opportunity in every corner of the state. Participation in the job market is at record highs, unemployment recently dropped to a twenty-year low, and Governor Kemp continues to announce economic development projects totaling thousands of new jobs and billions in investment. But while wages continue to rise, hardworking Georgians making less than 100% of the federal poverty line struggle to afford health insurance.

Through the Georgia Pathways Waiver that Kemp will submit to the federal government in December 2019, Georgia will create a new opportunity for individuals who are working, training, pursuing educational opportunities, or volunteering for at least 80 hours a month to earn access to an Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance Plan or Medicaid, whichever option is more cost-effective for the state. Just like commercial insurance, the new enrollee will be required to pay a nominal premium based on a sliding fee scale, and he or she will have the ability to use their premium – and points acquired through healthy behaviors – to purchase healthcare necessities like eyeglasses, prescription drugs and hygiene products.

Unlike Medicaid Expansion, which would undermine access to care and cost Georgia taxpayers over \$1.5 billion in the first five years, the Georgia Pathways Waiver enhances eligibility for thousands of Georgians by honoring hard work, protecting families, and championing individual responsibility.

FEATURES

- Enhances access to healthcare for Georgians making less than 100% FPL — of which there are 408,000 adult Georgians
- Requires “skin in the game” with a monthly premium payment
- Enrolls working, training, or volunteering Georgians in Employer-Sponsored Insurance or Medicaid - depending on cost
- Rewards healthy behavior through expense account for prescription drugs, eyeglasses
- Uses conservative reform that reflects our values, champions individual responsibility

BENEFITS

- Gives more Georgians access to healthcare
- Honors hard work, community engagement with enhanced Employer-Sponsored Insurance or Medicaid eligibility
- Strengthens the employer-employee relationship
- Creates a pathway to higher pay and prosperity

GEORGIA ACCESS (1332 STATE RELIEF AND EMPOWERMENT WAIVER)

Since the inception of the Affordable Care Act, the individual insurance market in Georgia has experienced a significant level of instability. Between 2017 and 2019, the average individual insurance plan in Georgia increased between 27% and 41%.

For many Georgia families, private-sector health insurance coverage is the largest – and most volatile – expense in their budget. Many are forced to compromise coverage for affordability while others seek new employment opportunities or take another job to foot the bill.

The Governor’s 1332 Waiver - Georgia Access - will launch a state reinsurance program to create more choice, foster competition, and lower insurance costs for Georgia families. Just like in other states with similar programs, Georgia families will see a noticeable reduction in their insurance premiums – some upwards of double digits in certain parts of the state.

To generate a customer-focused and intuitive purchasing experience for Georgia families who qualify for health insurance subsidies (100%-400% FPL), the state – if approved by the federal government – will no longer force Georgians to use Healthcare.Gov as the sole insurance enrollment portal. Instead, shoppers will use services from Direct Enrollment Brokers or purchase a plan directly from insurance providers. Through this waiver, Georgians will have access to more insurance options, like Association Health Plans, that cover those with pre-existing conditions. Georgia families will have more choices to ensure optimal coverage at the right price.

We know that small businesses are the backbone of the Peach State’s economy – employing millions of Georgians. Employers have tried to take care of their employees and their families, but with rapidly rising healthcare costs, many can no longer afford to offer full coverage. Under current law, employers cannot offset the cost of an employee’s

health insurance plan purchased through the federal exchange. Georgia Access waives that provision and allows employers to invest in the health and well-being of their employees.

FEATURES

- Establishes a reinsurance program where the state assumes part of the insurance claim to reduce risk, exposure
- Lowers private sector insurance rates – upwards of double digits
- Allows Georgians shopping for insurance to bypass Healthcare.gov and use industry leading websites to find the best coverage at a lower price
- Allows employers to offset healthcare costs for their employees

BENEFITS

- Makes health insurance affordable for Georgia families
- Fosters competition, grows choice, ultimately lowers premiums
- Creates a customer-focused experience for shopping, enrollment
- Empowers employers to provide more benefits to their employees

By crafting two unique waivers that work in tandem to create a pathway to affordable healthcare for Georgians and reduce private-sector insurance premiums for families, Governor Brian Kemp is shaking up the status quo and putting patients first with a Georgia-centric approach that meets the healthcare needs of those who proudly call the Peach State home. The submission of Georgia Pathways and Georgia Access is a huge step in the right direction and will lead to a safe, prosperous, and healthy future for Georgia.

Scenario	Eligibility (FPL)	FMAP	Estimated Enrollment (Year 5)	Estimated Expenditure PMPM (Year 5)	Estimated State Expenditures* (Year 5)
Pathways Baseline	100% + Qualifying Activity	67%	52,500	\$388	\$64,600,000
Full Expansion	138%	90%	667,000	\$526	\$303,000,000

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Roscoe's Treasure

By Frances Milburn



Chapter 3: The Search Begins

The story so far...
The following Saturday, Roscoe the family dog returns after being gone for four days. He is carrying a set of false teeth (a denture) in his mouth. When Belle gets the denture away, she shows Mom who cleans it off. The family tries to decide how to find the owner.

Dad broke the silence. "Well for starters, let's check with the neighbors. Maybe Roscoe charmed his way into the Swensons' or Mueller's house and found the teeth."

"Seems a little hard to believe," Mom said, "but I guess we have to start somewhere." She grabbed her car keys and put on her jacket. "I feel silly asking, and I doubt that we'll have any luck, but at the very least, we'll get the word out that we have the teeth."

"I'll run across the road and ask Mr. and Mrs. Swenson," I offered.

"Ok, Belle. Carl, how about I drive north up the road, and you and the boys go south." Zach and Jordan were excited about the search party.

I watched them head out in both cars turning in opposite directions, and then jogged across the field to the neighbors. The ground was wet, and I realized too late that I should've changed into my boots before cutting through the field.

The Swensons lived in a stately red brick farmhouse with a wide concrete porch. I climbed the stairs and stopped to

catch my breath. The wicker chairs on the porch were weather stained; the weaving had come loose on the armrest. They were old and stayed mostly indoors. I seldom saw them except at church. They were always friendly after the service when we stayed for cookies and punch, even asking me questions about school.

Dad told me they had six children, but they were now grown and long gone. I couldn't even imagine the house with kids running all over the place. Mr. Swenson was a dairy farmer and used to have a large herd of Holsteins. But he'd sold off the cattle. Their large barn stood empty, the roof caved in on one side.

I knocked on the door and waited a long time. Finally, Mr. Swenson opened it. He was wearing a blue flannel shirt with a brown vest and had slippers on his feet. He looked at me in surprise. "Hi Belle, haven't seen you in awhile."

I found myself staring at his mouth to see if he was missing teeth but couldn't really tell. My mind went blank. What could I say?

"Come on in! We hardly ever have visitors. Not like the old days when there was always someone at the door." He stood aside and I reluctantly walked in, kicking off my muddy shoes. I was still trying to figure out just what to say without sounding rude.

"Have a seat," he said with a big smile. "I bet Mum has some cookies in the kitchen." He started to turn and walk away.

"Wait! I just want to ask you a question?"

His wife short and round, came up behind him and gave a little smile, but without showing her teeth. I wished that I had planned a way to make them laugh so I could see inside their mouths.

"Go get the girl some cookies," Mr. Swenson told his wife and waved her toward the kitchen.

"Hey, wait. Are you guys missing anything important?" I kept staring back and forth at their mouths, hoping to get a glimpse inside.

Mr. Swenson pulled his eyebrows together, and seemed to be thinking. We all had a moment of silence. Then he slowly shook his head. "No... nothing I can think of." He looked back at his wife. "Hurry up and get those cookies! The girl is hungry."

Finally, I just blurted out, "Are either of you missing your teeth?"

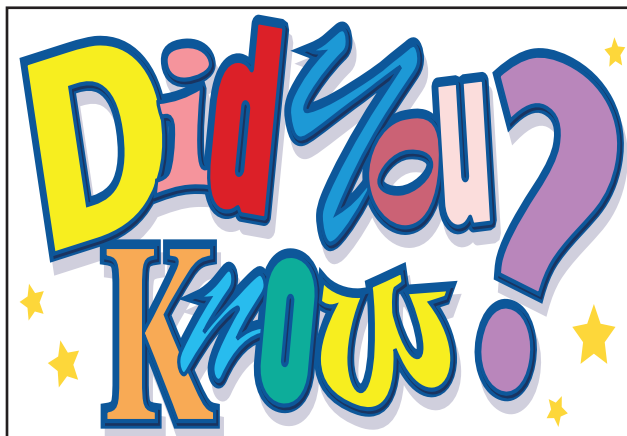
"What?" he asked, frowning at me.

I smiled nervously. "I mean do either of you wear false teeth?"

"Is this a joke?" Mrs. Swenson said sternly. "That's not a nice thing to ask. People our age are sensitive about their teeth. You shouldn't ask personal questions."

Mrs. Swenson added, "It's a private thing. Didn't your parents teach you manners?"

"I'm sorry, you don't understand. It's just that..." I didn't



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know how to put it.

Mr. Swenson straightened up. "Well, neither Ruth nor I wear dentures. I'll have you know that we both have all our own teeth." I could tell he was not happy with me.

"I'm sorry," I repeated, embarrassed. "I didn't mean to say anything wrong. It's just that Roscoe, our dog, came home today with false teeth, and we're trying to find the owner."

"Well, even if I did wear dentures, I wouldn't let your dog in my house." He was breathing heavily, clearly upset.

I quickly left and hurried back home, wondering if Mom and Dad had better luck at the other neighbors. There was no way I'd ask anyone else. Roscoe greeted me at the door with his usual delight, totally unaware of what he'd done. They were not back yet.

An hour later, Dad drove up with my brothers. I could tell by their faces that they hadn't found the owner. Mom arrived shortly afterwards. She struck out too. Mom took out ground beef and began shaping patties. The rest of us sat around the kitchen table. We each told about our visits to the neighbors. My story was the worst.

"Well, there's a lesson there," Dad said. "We'll have to be very careful about how we ask people." He got up and helped Mom get the food on the table. We all dug into the burgers.

"But what should we do?" I asked chewing my cheeseburger.

"Well, one thing we can do is put an ad in the newspaper. That way we can reach everyone in town," Mom said.

"We can't do that today, can we?" I asked, watching the sun drop inch by inch toward the horizon.

"No." Dad slurped up the last of the soup. "I'll stop over after work Monday. You want to come with?"

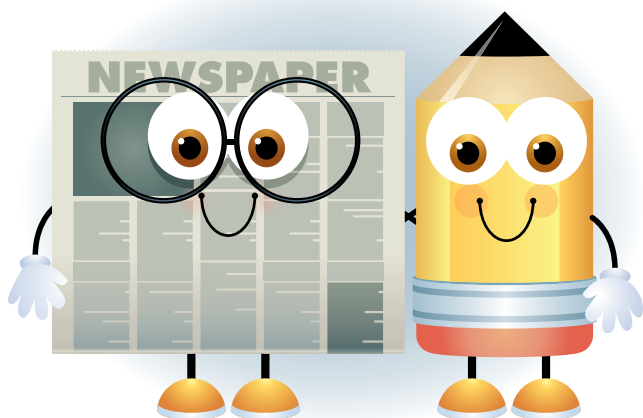
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Snapping Shoals EMC awards \$18,000 in grants to NCSS teachers

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Snapping Shoals EMC recently awarded \$18,000 in grants to Newton County School System teachers through the co-op's Bright Ideas program.

The grants, which are allocated from unclaimed capital credit funds, are designed to help teachers who wish to extend educational opportunities and activities for students by developing student interests and abilities.

According to Chris Wood, Snapping Shoals EMC vice-president of external affairs, the grants are provided through unclaimed capital credits.

"Snapping Shoals EMC is a non-profit and these funds are accumulated through the dollars we have leftover after our operating costs are paid for," he said. "We give these back to our members as capital credits every year. There are a lot of members who move off our system and although we try our best to reach out to everyone, sometimes we don't have forwarding addresses. When that happens, we have unclaimed dollars that accumulate. We are fortunate enough to be able to hold onto these dollars now because prior to 2005 we were required to turn those funds over to the state and they could use them however they wanted to."

According to Wood, Snapping Shoals EMC uses the funds to give back to the local community in various ways, such as the Bright Ideas grants for local teachers. Snapping Shoals also supports economic development, education, and other local non-profit agencies.

"We had many wonderful projects submitted this year," said Newton County School System Grants Coordinator, Tiffany Merriweather. "It made it very difficult for the judges to narrow down the selections."

This year's grant recipients include:

- Sonny raswell, Newton College & Career Academy: "Building for Bunnies." Students in construction classes will engage in active learning by building and maintaining a rabbitry for the animal science program.
- Kelly Byrd and Shelsey Reed, RISE Academy: "Using a Hydroponic Farm to Teach Horticulture." Students will use both a hydroponics system and a post and soil system to study plant growth and ways to increase productivity.
- Daphne Cofer and Rene' Seals, Palmer-Stone: "Communication Stations: Voices on the Playground." Through the purchase of communication stations and slap bracelets, nonverbal students will have a voice to be heard in indoor and outdoor settings.
- Jennifer Cole and Alva Huff, Fairview Elementary: "Around the World in 180 Days." Funds will be used to purchase culturally diverse versions of the same story, so students can read and learn what distinguishes one genre from another.
- Greta Crawford, Oak Hill Elementary: "Sensory Sight Words." Through the purchase of SnapWords® kits, students will have access to a variety of visual and kinesthetic activities designed to enhance sight word mastery.
- Datha Curtis, Newton College & Career Academy: "Zen Den in the Library Learning Commons." Funds will be used to equip stations in the library learning commons with multi-sensory interventions that promote academic and personal success.
- Kimley Daniel, West Newton Elementary: "The Power of Innovative Technology." Kindergarten students will use an iPad and Osmo kit for hands-on learning in reading and math using an online app and manipulatives.
- Angie Dean, Fairview Elementary: "The Lion's Share of Costumes." Through the purchase of performance materials for The Lion King Kids, third to fifth grade students will demonstrate what they have learned in fine arts education to live audiences.
- Jamez Dudley and Paige Hunter, Liberty Middle: "Wonka and the Oompas!" Students enjoy learning when combined with singing, choreography, and dramatic play. Funds will be used to purchase a Willy Wonka Jr. show kit for a show choir program.
- Krista Firkus, Cousins Middle: "Brundibar." Chorus students will culminate their study of the Holocaust with an opera performance and trip to the William Brehm Jewish Heritage Museum.
- Matt Garwood, Flint Hill Elementary: "Modern Music Production: iPads as Composition Tools." Music students will have access to an iPad to compose original music using Garageband software and online apps.
- Ali Geigerman, Newton County Theme School: "A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words!" Funds will be used for makerspace supplies in the library learning commons for students to design and create are that reflects the learning of their novel study.
- Cecily Gunter, Newton College & Career Academy: "Paws Partners." Students in the

- veterinary and animal science program will have access to supplies to develop skills needed for animal care and grooming services.
- Felicia Wright Hodges and Sevius Thomas, Liberty Middle: "Grow Knights." Through the purchase of gardening materials, students will engage in hands-on learning in gardening, food production, nutrition, and wellness.
- Kimberly Holliday, Rocky Plains Elementary: "Greenhouse Gardening." Funds will be used to restore greenhouse gardens, so students will have access to outdoor learning opportunities while studying plant growth.
- Stephanie Kennemore, Kimberly Braswell, and Marjorie Atkinson, Indian Creek Middle: "Engineering a Safer School." Eighth grade STEM students will use the engineering design process to design, build, and present a prototype of their school with added security measures.
- Amanda Kirkham, Newton County Theme School: "I'm a Published Author and Illustrator!" Fourth-grade students will use the Studenttreasures™ publishing kit to publish a class book and increase their understanding of the writing process.
- Nicole McGowan, Newton County Theme School: "Growing Second Grade Readers Through Guided Reading Text." Second-grade students will have access to "Who's Doing the Work leveled reading libraries to increase reading comprehension and fluency.
- Patrice Peek, Cousins Middle: "Makerspace Monday." Funds will be used to create a Makerspace in the library learning commons using STEM kits and supplies to increase STEM proficiency.
- Catrina Pollard, Eastside High: "Something is a Little Fishy Around Here" Students in Agriculture and Horticulture will use several fish tanks to build aquaponics systems and study plant growth and symbiotic relationships.
- Marcus Pollard, Newton College & Career Academy: "Walking Tree Arboretum." Students in agriculture will create a walking tree arboretum to study different trees around campus and increase their knowledge of natural resource management.
- Katie Sauls, Newton County Theme School: "kinderSTEM." Kindergarten students will be actively involved in STEM and English/Language Arts through a variety of hands-on and online resources.
- Linda Scovanner, Oak Hill Elementary: "Growing Food for Thought: Capturing Curiosity with Aquaponics." Through the purchase of an aquaponics kit and nonfictional and fictional text sets, students will increase their skills in STEM areas.
- Kimberly Williams, Lindsey Hays, and Eileen Hietter, Palmer Stone: "Technology for Transition." Students will use iPads to access digital resources that will help them with transition skills such as written expression.
- Marcus Williams and Anna Hebert, Newton High: "Low Risk, Large Return: The Stock Market Game for Seniors." Through the purchase of this registration, students will improve their understanding of economics using interactive and real-world applications.

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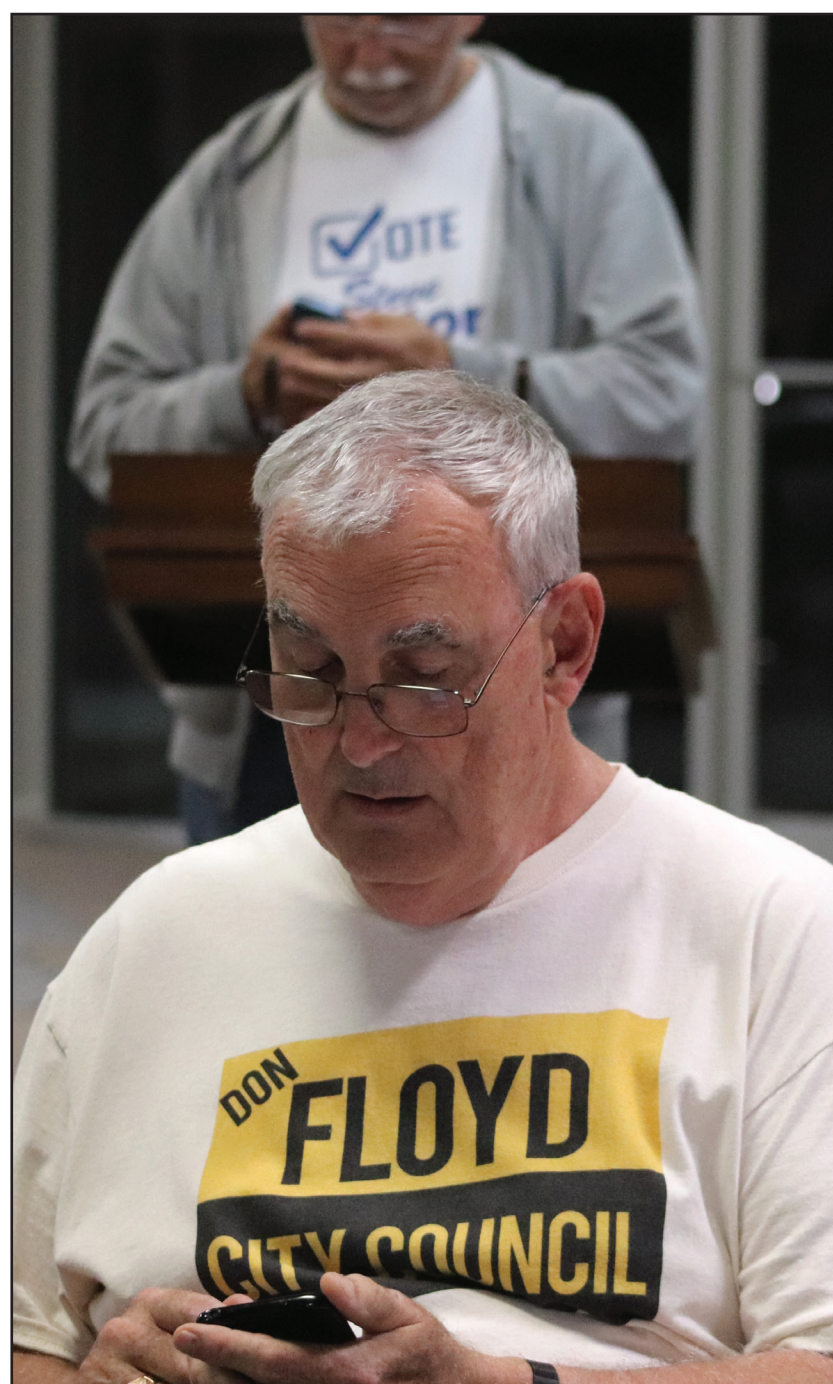
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To reserve your space, please RSVP to TAPP at TAPP@griffinresa.net.

For directions to the facility and a map, please go to www.griffinresa.net.



Saturday, Nov. 9

Mount Zion First Baptist Church, located at 100 W. Richardson St. in Oxford, will host the 2019 Community Day on Saturday, Nov. 9 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. There will be activities and information for all ages, including carnival-style games, bouncy house, free food, hay rides, giveaways and more.

Sunday, Nov. 10

The Covington Conyers Community Orchestra will present a fall concert on Sunday, Nov. 10, at Peachtree Academy's Covington Campus. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited, and admission is free. The orchestra is directed by Dr. Arlene Woods. The concert will feature all American music and will honor our veterans.

Thursday, Nov. 14

Join us for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 6185 Turner Lake Road NW in Covington for the new dog park. There will be a Dress to Impress Contest! Come and show off your dog's cutest outfit. First place prize is a \$100 gift card, second place prize is a \$75 gift card, and the third place prize is a \$25 gift card. We hope to see everyone at this event.

Thursday, Nov. 14

The John Clarke Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will meet on Thursday, Nov. 14th at 11:00 a.m. in Social Circle. Any woman 18 years or older - regardless of race, religion, ethnic background and can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution - is eligible for membership. When you join the DAR, you enter a network of more than 185,000 women who form lifelong bonds honoring their revolutionary ancestors. DAR members are women who have dedicated themselves to historical preservation, promotion of education, service to their communities and encouragement of patriotic endeavors. These goals are as relevant in today's society as they were

when the organization was founded in 1890. For more information about the John Clarke Chapter and how you can honor your heritage through membership, visit the chapter website at johnclarkedar.org. For directions to the meeting call 770-722-3862 or 404-558-1512 and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

Thursday, Nov. 21

The holiday season will begin with the lighting of Downtown Covington! We will light the city's official Christmas tree as well as light up downtown Covington with thousands of Christmas lights. There will be performances by children's choirs and local musicians. Downtown Covington businesses will be open with great specials so this will be a great time to begin your Christmas shopping. This event will definitely get you in the holiday spirit!

Sunday, Dec. 1

The Covington Community Bike Ride occurs year-round on the first Sunday of every month, leaving from the historic Covington square at 3 p.m. The outing is geared to riders of all abilities looking for a relaxing, conversational ride along the area's low-traffic streets and trails. Please refer to the Newton Trails Facebook page for the latest Community Bike Ride news.

Saturday, Dec. 7

The Christmas Parade After Party will be held in the square of downtown Covington from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. This event will feature various activities for adults and children.

Friday, Dec. 13

Step right up and enjoy free carnival games, a petting zoo and fun foods with this new event. This street carnival will surely become a new tradition in Downtown Covington.

Friday, Dec. 20

Allen Memorial United Methodist Church is hosting a free Supper with Santa on Friday, Dec. 20, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The event includes a visit with Santa, crafts and a pancake supper. Allen Memorial is located at 803 Whatcoat St. in Oxford, on the Emory campus just off of Emory Street. For more information, call 770-786-7414.

Thursday, Jan. 9, 2020

Newton Mentoring Inc. will begin placing mentors in the Newton County Schools. To become a mentor, you must attend a two-hour training session and pass a criminal background check. You must commit to spend at least one hour per week with a child during the school year at the child's school. Please contact newtonmentor@yahoo.com or 678-381-7948 if you are able to attend the training session at the United Bank Conference Room, at 7200 Highway 278 in Covington, from noon to 2 p.m. A fee of \$17 is required to complete the background check.

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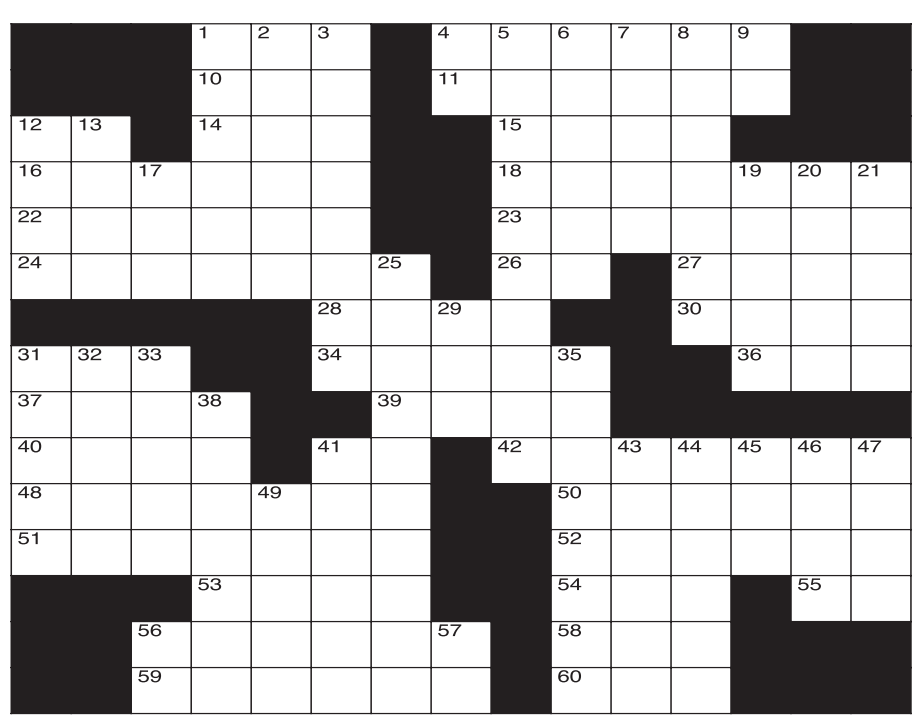
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1. Hair care product

4. Looped

10. It's present in all living cells

11. Choose

12. South Dakota

14. Cash machine

15. Of the pia mater

16. Ancient Egyptian documents

18. Layers at the back of the eyeballs

22. Not perceived

23. Look over

24. Improve a tire

26. Time zone

27. Main branch of Islam

28. Bark of the mulberry tree

30. Sea eagles

31. Records heart muscle activity (abbr.)
34. Famed Hollywood producer

36. Yuck!

37. Reject outright and bluntly

39. __ 500, car race

40. Small heap or pile

41. Type of degree (abbr.)

42. Contagious skin disease

48. Erases from a surface

50. In an enthusiastic way

51. Begin again

52. Intricately produced pattern

53. It flows NW to the Seine

54. Be obliged to repay

55. Southeast

56. Slip in

58. Leisure time activity

59. Breastbones

60. Sun up in New York

CLUES DOWN

1. More cloudy

2. Main course

3. Protect with plastic

4. Equally

5. Rebukes

6. Friend to a salesman

7. Warms up

8. Overshadow

9. Interior lineman in football

12. San Antonio hoopster

13. Comedian Cook

17. Time zone

19. First PM of India

20. Performing perfectly

21. A way to hide

25. Former NBA commissioner

29. Peter's last name
31. Outlying suburb of London

32. Used to cut steak

33. Deep inlets

35. Type of tree

38. Done openly and unashamedly

41. Indigenous person of N. Africa

43. Confessed openly

44. A way to separate with an instrument

45. Influential journalist Tarbell

46. Manning and Roth are two

47. One who cares for horses in India

49. Something to believe in

56. Form of "to be"

57. Atomic #73

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COMMUNITY:

Charity Event _____

Church _____

Civic Club _____

Community Event _____

Networking Group _____

Nonprofit Organization _____

Park _____

Place to Volunteer _____

Summer Camp _____

AUTO & TRANSPORTATION:

Auto Audio & Electronics _____

Auto Body Shop _____

Auto Repair & Service _____

Auto Window Tinting _____

Car Wash _____

Dealership Service _____

Heavy Equipment & Tractor _____

New Car Dealership _____

Oil Change & Quick Lube _____

Tire Store _____

Towing Service _____

Used Car Dealership _____

EDUCATION:

College/University _____

Elementary School _____

High School _____

Middle School _____

Pre-school _____

Private School _____

School Administrator _____

School Teacher _____

MEDICAL:

Audiologist _____

Cardiologist _____

Children's Dentist _____

Chiropractor _____

Dentistry/Cosmetic Dentistry _____

Dermatologist _____

Ear, Nose and Throat _____

Family Practice _____

Hearing Aid Center _____

Imaging Services _____

Internal Medicine _____

Lasik Surgery _____

Obstetrics & Gynecology _____

Occupational Therapist _____

Optometrist _____

Oral Surgeon _____

Orthodontics _____

Orthopedist _____

Outpatient Surgery _____

Pediatrics _____

Physical Therapist _____

Podiatrist _____

Vein Specialist _____

PROFESSIONALS:

Bankruptcy Attorney _____

Civil Attorney _____

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Estate Planning Attorney _____

Family Law Attorney _____

Insurance Agent _____

Personal Injury Attorney _____

Personal Trainer _____

Pet Groomer _____

Photographer _____

Plumber _____

Real Estate Agent _____

Real Estate Closing Attorney _____

Veterinarian _____

BUSINESS:

Accounting/Tax Prep _____

Air & Heating Service _____

Appliance Store _____

Art Gallery _____

Assisted Living Community _____

Audio Video Solutions _____

Bail Bond Company _____

Bank _____

Banquet Facilities _____

Barber Shop _____

Beauty Salon _____

Boutique _____

Bridal Shop _____

Carpet/Flooring Store _____

Carpet Cleaning _____

Catering _____

Child Care Center _____

Cleaning Company (Residential) _____

Commercial Real Estate Company _____

Computer Repair _____

Dance Studio _____

Day Spa _____

Dog Trainer _____

Dry Cleaners _____

Electric/Gas Providers _____

Event Entertainment _____

Event Venue _____

Financial Advisement _____

Fitness Center/Gym _____

Floral Arrangements _____

Funeral Home _____

Furniture Store _____

Golf Course _____

Grading and Hauling _____

Grocery Store _____

Gun Store _____

Hardware Store _____

Health Food Store _____

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Investment Company _____

Jewelry Store _____

Landscaping _____

Massage _____

Mattress Store _____

Mortgage Lender _____

Music Store _____

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Package Store _____

Party Rentals _____

Pawn Shop _____

Pest Control _____

Pet Daycare Center _____

Pet Hospital _____

Pet Store _____

Pharmacy _____

Pool Services _____

Pressure Washing _____

Printing and Graphics _____

Real Estate Company _____

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Retail Services _____

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Security Company _____

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Senior Care _____

Septic Services _____

Shoe Store _____

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Sporting Goods Retail _____

Tanning Salon _____

Temp Agency _____

Thrift Store _____

Tool/Equipment Rental _____

FOOD & BEVERAGE:

Bar _____

Barbeque _____

Breakfast _____

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Cakes _____

Coffee Shop _____

Deli _____

Desserts _____

Family Restaurant _____

Fast Food _____

Ice Cream _____

Pizza _____

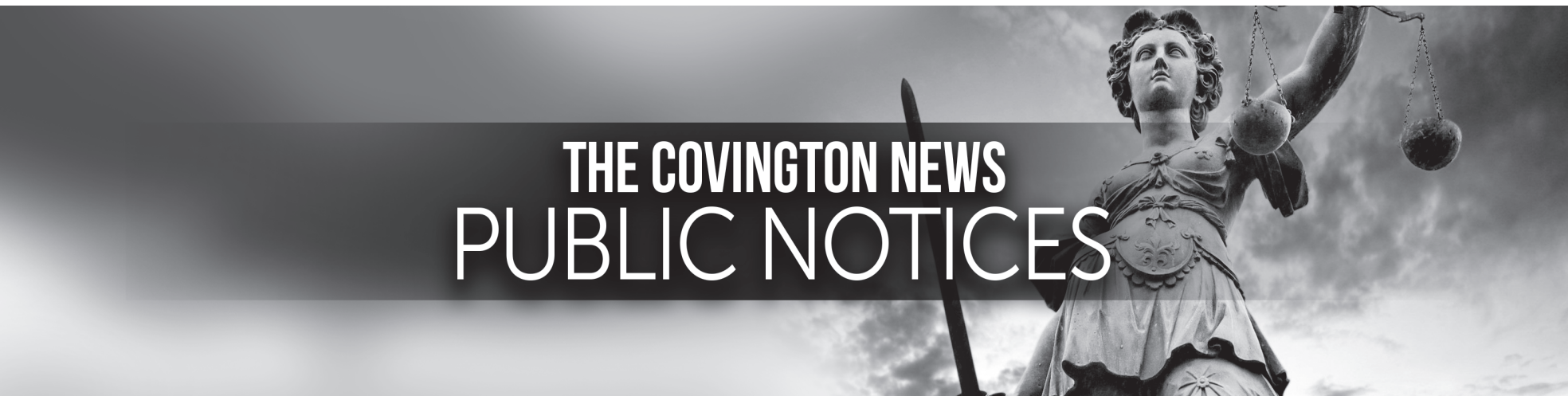
Sandwiches _____

Seafood _____

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Sushi _____

Wings _____



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4T1BG22K4VU175202
DRY POND RD

PUBLIC NOTICE #116025
11/10,17

Alcoholic Beverage

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

BRINKER GEORGIA, Inc.

DBA CHILI'S Grill & Bar

14480 PARAS Drive

APPLICANT'S NAME: Undraye D. Blake

THE APPLICATION will come December 9, 2019 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 #116036
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

AMICI COVINGTON LLC

DBA AMICI Italian Café

1116 COLLEGE Ave SE

APPLICANT'S NAME: Chris Torino

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PUBLIC NOTICE #116031
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

DOUGHBALLS 1, LLC

DBA YOUR

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WASHINGTON St, SW

APPLICANT'S NAME: Andrew Williams

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ATTEST:
JENNIFER HISE, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST
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PUBLIC NOTICE #116032
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

BREAD & Butter Bakery

1122 MONTICELLO Street

APPLICANT'S NAME: Ronnie Johnston

THE APPLICATION will come December 9, 2019 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

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PUBLIC NOTICE #116034
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

G P S

HOSPITALITY Hut, LLC

Hut # 36042

278, NE

APPLICANT'S NAME: Thomas Allen Garrett

THE APPLICATION will come December 9, 2019 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 #116033
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

CITY CONCEPT Group

LTD CO

DBA CITY Pharmacy

1105 CHURCH Street

APPLICANT'S NAME: Edward Stone

THE APPLICATION will come December 9, 2019 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 #116016
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

A & K Bangkok LLC
DBA BANGKOK Grill Thai Cuisine
5135 HWY 278 NW

APPLICANT'S NAME: Kanteera Athakorn

THE APPLICATION will come December 9, 2019 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 #116030
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

NOTICE IS hereby given that an application has been submitted to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license for a Personal Service beer and/or wine license:

ANTHOLOGY HAIR and

Body

1123 CHURCH Street,

Ste 102

APPLICANT'S NAME: Ashley C. Fisher

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council for consideration on December 9, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room located at 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 #116035
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

CNA 2018 LLC

DBA ALCOVY Liquor

10117 ALCOVY Road

APPLICANT: ANKIT M. Patel

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116027
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

JAY AMBE Food Inc

DBA EZ Trip

10125 ALCOVY Road

APPLICANT: MUKESH Patel

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116028
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

LA TAMPIQUENA Inc

DBA LA Tampiquena

7134 HWY 278 NE

APPLICANT: J. Refugio Rangel

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116029
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

MANORI 1 & B

DBA FOOD To Go

6229 TURNER Lake Road

APPLICANT: ALMAS Mavany

THE APPLICATION

will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116026
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

WASHINGTON PRIME LLC

8109 WASHINGTON St

APPLICANT: NOORDDIN Ratnani

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #116024
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

ALDI (GEORGIA)

DBA ALDI # 48

11152 HWY 142 N

APPLICANT: TODD D. Gonzales

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116023
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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

I N G L E S

MARKETS Inc

INGLES Markets # 452

TURNER Lake Rd

APPLICANT: ANDRE Tuoyo

THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council, City of Covington, Georgia, for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street. 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 #116018
11/10

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

NOTICE IS hereby given that an application has been submitted to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license for an Art Shop to allow patrons to bring and consume Beer and/or Wine in limited quantities:

WILDART LLC

1105 WASHINGTON

Street

APPLICANT'S NAME: Ann Wildmon
THE APPLICATION will come before the Mayor and Council for consideration December 9th, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the 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 #116019
11/10

Bids

THE CITY of Covington is accepting proposals from qualified firms for the purpose of investment consultation for the defined benefit plan for the City of Covington. Sealed proposals are due by 2:00 pm on Monday, November 25, 2019.

REQUEST For Proposals 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 proposals.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115978
11/3,10

Citations

CITATION

AUDREY PIPER has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of TYLER KEITH PIPER**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #116006
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

COREY LEE PARKER has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of PENELOPE PARKER**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115805
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

DEANNA LYNN STILL has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of RICKY DANIEL STILL**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115806
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

ELIZABETH L. KRITMAN has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of DAVID SCOTT 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115962
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

JANIE H. ROBERTS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of DOROTHY HIGGINBOTHAM**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115807
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

JEANNE B. HOLDER has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of SARA P. BAKER**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115963
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

JULIE ANN LUKE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of ELEANOR JANE EARLEY**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115804
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

JUSTIN GREGORY SMITH has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of STUART VALE**, 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 December 2, 2019, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #115966
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

THE PETITION of DEBORAH M. AUTRY widow/widower of PAUL K. AUTRY, deceased, for Twelve Month's Support for applicant (and deceased's minor children) 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 DECEMBER 2, 2019, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #116008
11/3,10,17,24

CITATION

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

JOSEPH WESLEY CISSNER & KAYLA BREAUNNA CISSNER have filed for Temporary Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) NEVAEH COLLINS minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before NOVEMBER 25, 2019 by ten o'clock, a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MIA Johnson
CLERK, PROBATE Court
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #116054
11/10,17

NOTICE

KAREN AZAR has petitioned for waiver of bond and/or for the grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261 in regard to the estate of DORIS SCHIFFERLI THOMPSON. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said Petition should not be granted. All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before December 2, 2019.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk
PROBATE COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #115954
11/3,10,17,24

Convictions

SUPERIOR COURT OF WALTON COUNTY



NATALIE CAIN Reed of Covington, GA 30014 Newton County was convicted on October 8, 2019 IN WALTON County Superior Court FOR HER second or subsequent DUI conviction within five years following her arrest on May 10,2018 SENTENCED TO 12 months probation; 48 hours confinement; DUI risk reduction class; SUBSTANCE ABUSE evaluation and treatment; 40 hours community service

CLERK, SUPERIOR Court
KAREN P.DAVID, Clerk
303 S. Hammond Dr., Suite 335
MONROE, GA 30655

PUBLIC NOTICE #116020
11/10

Debtors Creditors

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of Jane Kent Hooper, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

THIS 15TH day of October, 2019.

LESLIE JANE HOOPER, EXECUTOR
OF THE ESTATE OF JANE KENT HOOPER
C/O ROBERT H. Stansfield, Esq.
GREER, STANSFIELD & TURNER, LLP
P.O. BOX 1617
COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30015-1617
(770) 786-4390

PUBLIC NOTICE #115913
10/27,11/3,10,17

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of George W. Hart, Jr., late of Newton County, are notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and ALL PERSONS indebted to this estate are required to make immediate payment.

MARY JON Barnes Hart, Executor
c/o Steven M. Wyatt, Esq.
CHAMBERLAIN, HRDLICKA, White, Williams & Aughtry
191 PEACHTREE St., N.E.
FORTY-SIXTH FLOOR
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

PUBLIC NOTICE #115914
10/27,11/3,10,17

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ANTONEY CURTIS SAMUELS, 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 October, 2019.

ALTHEA SAMUELS
65 TRELAWNEY KEEP
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #115956
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of AVANELL TUCKER MORRIS, 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 3RD day of NOVEMBER, 2019.

RANDY W. MORRIS
200 GLENGARRY CHASE
COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #115951
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of BEVERLY JUNE HOFFMAN, 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 2nd day of October, 2019.

MERYL L HOFFMAN
52 SANDY POND RD
AYER, MA 01432

PUBLIC NOTICE #115948
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of CAROL LYNE CATO, 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 October, 2019.

STEPHANIE L. WOODRUFF
85 CREEKSTONE COURT
COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #115953
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of CARROYN JEAN MILLER, 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 17TH day of NOVEMBER, 2019.

GERALD GENE MILLER, II
130 EASTWOOD CIRCLE
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #116002
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of DOROTHY B. ALVEAR, 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 1st day of November, 2019.

JONATHAN L. ALVEAR
1825 COOK ROAD
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #116047
11/10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of EDITH EUDORA SIGMAN, 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 October, 2019.

WILLIAM EUGENE SIGMAN
50 SPRINGFIELD DRIVE
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #116004
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of EDNA LUCILLE ARMISTEAD BAILEY, 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 1st day of November, 2019.

RICHARD LEON BAILEY, JR.
656 DIAL MILL ROAD
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #116055
11/10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of EMILY ANN BELK, 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 October, 2019.

SYLVIA ANN HALL
647 STEELS BRIDGE ROAD
CANTON, GEORGIA 30114

PUBLIC NOTICE #115948
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of JIMMY CARROLL KING, 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 17TH day of October, 2019.

KAYLA NICOLE KING
691 MICHELLE DRIVE
BILOXI, MS 39532

PUBLIC NOTICE #115949
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of JOSEPHINE SHIRLEY MANCE, 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 October, 2019.

IVAN MAURICE MANCE
140 PROVIDENCE DRIVE
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #115955
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of LILLIE MAE HARRIS, 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 2nd day of October, 2019.

MARILYNN HARRIS-LONG
2301 NORMANDY COURT
CONYERS, GEORGIA 30013

PUBLIC NOTICE #115958
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of MARY JONES HAYS, 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 October, 2019.

VICTORIA LYNN HAYS
959 WOODLAWN ROAD
MANSFIELD, GEORGIA 30055

PUBLIC NOTICE #115952
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of RAYMOND HUNTER WHITE, 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 13TH day of October, 2019.

JOHN C. WHITE
215 MALCOM LANE
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #115957
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ROBERT ROSCOE GUNTER, 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 13TH day of October, 2019.

DONNA ELIZABETH GUNTER
6150 RELEIGH OAKS COURT
LITHONIA, GEORGIA 30058

PUBLIC NOTICE #115960
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ROGER LINVILLE HALL, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.
THIS THE 3RD day of NOVEMBER, 2019.

STEPHANIE PIERRETTE HALL
732 MARKS ROAD
MANSFIELD, GA 30055

PUBLIC NOTICE #116003
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of THOMAS PHILLIP PENDLEY, 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 October, 2019.

SHIRLEY RUTH PENDLEY
914 LITTLE RIVER ROAD
SOCIAL CIRCLE, GA 30025

PUBLIC NOTICE #115959
11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of WENDELL LEE PARKER, 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 October, 2019.

JANE REAGAN PARKER
135 BOSTWICK ROAD
OXFORD, GEORGIA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #115950
11/3,10,17,24

Divorces

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF

GEORGIA

IMUETINYAN EGBON
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
KIAIRAH CHRISTINA HEWITT
RESPONDENT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-2089-4

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: KIAIRAH Christina Hewitt
6 8 5 0
MAPLETON Pkwy
APT 1401
MAPLETON,
GA 30126

BY ORDER for Service by Publication dated 10111 day of October, 2019. You are hereby notified that on the 3rd day of October, 2019, the Petitioner 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 Superior Court of Newton County and to serve a copy of THE ANSWER upon the Petitioner's attorney at this address: 303 Peachtree St., NE, Ste. 4100, ATLANTA, GA 30308.

WITNESS THE Honorable HORACE J. JOHNSON, JR., Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 15th day of October, 2019. LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court of Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #116050
11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

J. HAZEN BROWN
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
ADDIE LOUISE BROWN
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-1649-1

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: ADDIE LOUISE BROWN
13 PINE
STREET
PORTERDALE, GA 30014

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated October 7, 2019 you are hereby notified that on August 12, 2019 (date of filing) J. Hazen 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 EUGENE M. BENTON, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 9th day of October, 2019. LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #115896
10/20,27,11/3,10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

KENNETH CRAIG,
PLAINTIFF,
V.
GABRIELA B. CRAIG, Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION File No.
SUCV2019001802

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: GABRIELA B. Craig

BY ORDER of the Court for service by publication dated October 22, 2019, you are hereby notified that on the 28th day of August, 2019, Kenneth Craig, filed suit against you for annulment of marriage. You are required to file with the clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiffs attorney, Janet Fashinasl, Cordell & Cordell, P.C., 1 Glenlake Pkwy, NE, Suite 975, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of November 1, 2019.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116048
11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

PATSY NEAL
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
NORRIS FLOYD LESTER
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-2030-4

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: NORRIS FLOYD
LESTER
229 PONCE
DRIVE
LEON PL SE
ATLANTA,
GA 30306

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated October 3, 2019 you are hereby notified that on September 19, 2019 (date of filing) PATSY NEAL (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 HORACE J. JOHNSON, JR, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 3rd day of October, 2019. LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #115822
10/20,27,11/3,10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF

GEORGIA

RANDY JEROME LESLIE
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
CEBRINA MURCHISON-LESLIE
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-2031-5

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: CEBRINA MURCHISON-
LESLIE
11 FLORA
STREET
PROVIDENCE, RI 02909

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated October 7, 2019 you are hereby notified that on September 25, 2019 (date of filing) RANDY JEROME LESTER (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).

WITNESSTHE Honorable W. Kendall Wynne, Jr., Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 15th day of October, 2019. LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #115919
10/27,11/3,10,17

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

TERRI LEA BULL
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
PAUL ANDREW BULL
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-2025-2

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: PAUL ANDREW BULL
6 7
CROWELL ROAD
LOT 20
COVINGTON, GA 30016

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated October 25, 2019 you are hereby notified that on September 17, 2019 (date of filing) TERRI LEA BULL (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 JOHN M. OTT, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 30th day of October, 2019. LINDA D. Hays
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #116041
11/10,17,24,12/1

Foreclosures

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 Shatarra Petty to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for CrossCountry Mortgage, Inc., dated May 9, 2018, and recorded in Deed Book 3705, Page 119, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation by assignment recorded on September 19, 2019 in Book 3895 Page 574 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 Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-One and 0/100 dollars (\$130,591.00), 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 December 3, 2019, the following described property:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 136 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 70, Pebble Brooke Subdivision, Phase Three, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 35, Pages 295-299, Newton County, Georgia Records, which 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 all purposes 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: RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation they can be contacted at 877-426-8805 for Loss Mitigation Dept, or by writing to 5032 Parkway Plaza Blvd., Charlotte, North Carolina 28217, 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 Shatarra Petty or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as 785 Pebble Boulevard, Covington, GA 30016.

any right of redemption or other lien not extinguished by foreclosure.
ROUNDPOINT MORTGAGE Servicing Corporation as Attorney in Fact for Shatarra Petty.
BROCK & Scott, PLLC
4360 CHAMBLEE Dunwoody Road
SUITE 310
ATLANTA, GA 30341
404-789-2661
B&S FILE no.: 19-14403

PUBLIC NOTICE #115716
9/29,11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER CONTAINED IN SECURITY DEED
STATE OF GEORGIA,
COUNTY OF Newton

PURSUANT TO a power of sale contained in a certain security deed executed by Marcus R. Fuller, hereinafter referred to as Grantor, to Excel Mortgage Servicing, Inc., a Corporation recorded in Deed Book 3082, beginning at page 566, and re-recorded at Deed Book 3206, page 172, of the deed records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the aforesaid state and county, and by virtue of a default under the terms of said security deed, and the related note, the undersigned attorney-in-fact for the aforesaid Grantor (which attorney-in-fact is the present holder of said security deed and note secured thereby) will sell at the usual place of conducting Sheriff's sales in said county within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder on the first Tuesday in December 2019, 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 57 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 105, Phase one, of Belmont Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 28, pages 153-155, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description. SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however, the Property is more commonly known as: 45 Belmont Cove, Covington, GA 30016

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 be subject to the following items which may affect the title: 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, and all other matters of record superior to the said Security Deed. The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the

first set out above. Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation 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: Guild Mortgage Company, PO BOX 85304, San Diego, CA 92186, 800-365-4441. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Andrea Catrice Goodman or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **145 West Forest Drive, 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. Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation as Attorney in Fact for Andrea Catrice Goodman McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 50 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 17, WEST FOREST ESTATES, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE 146, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE DETAILED DESCRIPTION. PARCEL ID: 00010 00000 171 000 MR/lwa 12/3/19 Our file no. 5280718 - FT17

PUBLIC NOTICE #115972
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Barbara Walls Pierce** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Brand Mortgage Group, its successors and assigns, dated March 30, 2012, recorded in Deed Book 2993, Page 48, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3307, Page 68, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$233,100.00), 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 December, 2019, 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 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: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage a div. of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., PO Box 10335, Des Moines, IA 50306, 1-800-416-1472. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Barbara Walls Pierce or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **10 Arden Cove, Oxford, Georgia 30054**. 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Attorney in Fact for Barbara Walls Pierce McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 389 of the 16th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 1 of Arden Gate Subdivision, as per plat of record in Plat Book 39, Pages 222 and 223, Newton County, Georgia Records, which plat is specifically incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference for a more complete and accurate description. PARCEL ID NUMBER: 0023A 00000 001 000 MR/hq1 12/3/19 Our file no. 5712819 - FT5

PUBLIC NOTICE #115969
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Gary M Smith** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated September 30, 2015, recorded in Deed Book 3370, Page 116, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3912, Page 322, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$75,113.00), 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 December, 2019, 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 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: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage a div. of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., PO Box 10335, Des Moines, IA 50306, 1-800-416-1472. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Barbara Walls Pierce or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **10 Arden Cove, Oxford, Georgia 30054**. 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Attorney in Fact for Barbara Walls Pierce McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 389 of the 16th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 1 of Arden Gate Subdivision, as per plat of record in Plat Book 39, Pages 222 and 223, Newton County, Georgia Records, which plat is specifically incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference for a more complete and accurate description. PARCEL ID NUMBER: 0023A 00000 001 000 MR/hq1 12/3/19 Our file no. 5712819 - FT5

PUBLIC NOTICE #115969
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Donald Brooks, Jr** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Loan Simple, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated October 3, 2016, recorded in Deed Book 3494, Page 378, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to MidFirst Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Association by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3857, Page 536, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$175,757.00), 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 December, 2019, 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. MidFirst Bank 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: Midland Mortgage, a division of MidFirst Bank, 999 N.W. Grand Boulevard Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73118-6116, 800-654-4566. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Donald Brooks, Jr or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **2721 Fairview Road, 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. MidFirst Bank as Attorney in Fact for Donald Brooks, Jr McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 185 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 5, Bentley Orchard Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 43, Page 147, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by this reference and made a part of this description. Said property being known as 2721 Fairview Road, according to the present systems of numbering property in Newton County, Georgia. Tax ID: 00120 006A Property is also known as : 2721 Fairview Road, Covington, GA 30016 MR/ca 12/3/19 Our file no. 5717519 - FT17

PUBLIC NOTICE #115983
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Gary M Smith** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated September 30, 2015, recorded in Deed Book 3370, Page 116, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3912, Page 322, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$75,113.00), 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 December, 2019, 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. MIDFIRST BANK 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: Midland Mortgage, a division of MidFirst Bank, 999 N.W. Grand Boulevard Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73118-6116, 800-654-4566. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Gary M Smith or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **110 Springdale Ct, Newborn, Georgia 30056**. 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. MIDFIRST BANK as Attorney in Fact for Gary M Smith McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, lying and being in Land Lot 176 of the 19th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 2 of Springdale Subdivision, as shown on Plat recorded in Plat Book 23, Page 15, Newton County, Georgia records, which plat is incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference. Said property being known as 110 Springdale Court according to the present system of numbering in Newton County, Georgia. MR/ved 12/3/19 Our file no. 5658519 - FT17

PUBLIC NOTICE #115984
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 December, 2019, 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. The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: BSI Financial Services, 11350 McCormick Road, EP II, Ste 903, Hunt Valley, MD 21031, 866-581-4495. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Martin R. Boyd and Kristen A. Boyd or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **50 McCart Circle, Covington, Georgia 30014**. 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. McCormick 106, LLC as Attorney in Fact for Martin R. Boyd and Kristen A. Boyd McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 154 of the 9th District, Newton county, Georgia, and being shown as Tract I, containing 2.10 acres, on Survey for Randy Aiken prepared by Louie D. Patrick, Georgia R.L.S. #1757, dated July 2, 2004, and recorded in Plat Book 41, Page 221, Clerk's Office, Newton Superior Court, which plat is incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference thereto for a more complete description. MR/mtj 12/3/19 Our file no. 5657319 - FT17

PUBLIC NOTICE #115925
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Melvin B. Peters** to New America Financial, Inc., dated August 30, 1999, recorded in Deed Book 865, Page 548, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., FKA Norwest Mortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 1060, Page 223, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$13,957.00), 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 December, 2019, 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. 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: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage a div. of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., PO Box 10335, Des Moines, IA 50306, 1-800-416-1472. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Melvin B. Peters or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **20 Flowers Drive, 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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. as Attorney in Fact for Melvin B. Peters McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net "Auction services provided by Auction.com (www.auction.com) EXHIBIT "A" ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 199 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 2, BLOCK C OF MAGNOLIA MANOR SUBDIVISION, UNIT ONE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 160, NEWTON COUNTY RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. MR/kdh 12/3/19 Our file no. 5688519 - FT5

PUBLIC NOTICE #115900
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

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 **Sharon Williams** to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., dated August 17, 2007, recorded in Deed Book 2502, Page 49, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3794, Page 45, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$300,000.00), 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 December, 2019, 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, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust 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: Selene Finance, 9990 Richmond Avenue, Suite 100 N, Houston, TX 77042, 7136252034. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Sharon Williams or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **2833 Fieldstone Dr, Conyers, Georgia 30013**. 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, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust as Attorney in Fact for Sharon Williams McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 1544 Old Alabama Road Roswell, GA 30076 www.foreclosurehotline.net EXHIBIT "A" All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 201, 10th District, Newton County, Georgia and being shown as Lot 9, Block A, Fieldstone Estates, Section II (Two), on a Plat of survey of same recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 164, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia, which Plat is by reference thereto incorporated herein and made part hereof for a more complete and complete description. MR/lwa 12/3/19 Our file no. 51287808 - FT18

PUBLIC NOTICE #115899
11/3,10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed from **SULLIVAN C. BAILEY** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Solutions of Colorado, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated February 5, 2019, and recorded on February 12, 2019, in Book 3803, Page 275, of the Newton County, Georgia Records; as last assigned to PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC (Secured Creditor); conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$167,346.00 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 the first TUESDAY in December, 2019, the following described property: **ALL THAT** certain parcel of land situate in the City of Covington, County of Newton and State of Georgia bounded and described as follows: **ALL THAT** TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 125 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING LOT 246 OF TRELAWNEY SUBDIVISION, UNIT FIVE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 38, PAGES 64-66 (BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON PAGE 65). NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE COMPLETE AND PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. **BEING** The same property as transferred by deed dated 03/31/2004,

recorded 04/23/2004, from **ELMO FORTENBERRY** Builder, Inc., to Sullivan C. Bailey, recorded in book 1657, page 446.

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THE INDEBTEDNESS secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due and payable because of, among other possible events of default, non-payment of the monthly installments as required by said 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) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed and Note.

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.

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. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

THE ENTITY that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: **PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC**, 321 Research Parkway, Suite 303, Meriden, CT 06450, 1-866-882-8187. Please understand that the secured creditor is not required to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

TO the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, said property is also known as **70 Trelawney Ct, Covington, GA 30016**, and the party in possession of the property is/are **SULLIVAN C. BAILEY** or a tenant or tenants of said property.

PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT for **SULLIVAN C. BAILEY SOLOMON | BAGGETT, LLC 3763 ROGERS BRIDGE ROAD DULUTH, GA 30097 (678) 243-2512**

THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PUBLISH: 11/10/19, 11/17/19, 11/24/19, 12/1/19

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11/10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **JUAN ABRAHAM** to **FIRST COAST INVESTMENT PROPERTIES, LLC**, dated January 24, 2014, recorded in Deed Book 3205, Page 364-368, NEWTON COUNTY, GA Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of FIFTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS (U.S. \$50,500.00) 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 Fulton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2019, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 138 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 11, SPRINGFIELD SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE 281, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS HEREBY INCORPORATED HEREIN FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

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THE INDEBTEDNESS

secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed and Note, including but not limited to the nonpayment of the indebtedness as and when due. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorney's fees and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed and Note.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; any outstanding taxes, including but not limited to ad valorem taxes, which constitute liens upon said property; special assessments; all outstanding bills for public utilities which constitute liens upon said property; all restrictive covenants, easements, rights-of-way and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

FIRST COAST Investment Properties, LLC, as the secured creditor is the entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor. **PLEASE UNDERSTAND** that the secured creditor is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument. Notice has been given of intention to collect attorneys fees in accordance with the terms of the note secured by said Deed.

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **JUAN ABRAHAM**, or a tenant or tenants, and said property is more commonly known as:

25 SPRINGFIELD WAY, 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.

FIRST COAST INVESTMENT

PROPERTIES, LLC AS ATTORNEY in Fact for **JUAN ABRAHAM** **PERRIE & Associates, LLC 100 GALLERIA Pkwy., N.W. SUITE 1170 ATLANTA, GA 30339 770-579-2700** **FILE NO.: 2019-0031** **THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT OR TO ENFORCE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SECURITY DEED. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

PUBLIC NOTICE #116037
11/10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **Tony J. Lowe, Jr.** to **MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS AS NOMINEE FOR TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CO**, dated August 17, 2007, recorded August 27, 2007, in Deed Book 2495, Page 183 , Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Five and 00/100 dollars (\$116,975.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Owner Trustee of the Residential Credit Opportunities Trust V-B, 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 December, 2019, 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 35 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 80 OF SPRING VALLEY SUBDIVISION, UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 186 THROUGH 188, NEWTON COUNTY GEORGIA RECORDS WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE THERETO FOR A MORE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **125 Spring Valley Trace, Covington, GA 30016**.

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 Tony J. Lowe, Jr., Clarkson Lowe, Tracy Lowe, 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.

first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 135, 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 8, BLOCK D, SPRING MILL FARMS SUBDIVISION, UNIT ONE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 24, PAGE 4, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE.

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: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

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possession of the subject property is (are): Leopold E. Irving and Kashaka Lynch or tenant or tenants.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation ONE MORTGAGE Way MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (800) 750-2518

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

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and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company as agent and Attorney in Fact for Lorell Day Kimber

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1341-376A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1341-376A

PUBLIC NOTICE #115932 11/3,10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Pamela M. Banks** to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. dated 8/8/2007 and recorded in Deed Book 2492 Page 139 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$135,900.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on December 3, 2019 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 156 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 10, GREENFIELD COMMONS SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31, PAGES 73-74, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE.

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 is commonly known as **170 North Greenfield Circle, Covington, GA 30016** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Pamela M. Banks or tenant or tenants.

BANK OF America is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

BANK OF America HOME LOAN Assistance Dept. 7105 CORPORATE Drive PLANO, TX 75024 (800) 669-6650

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

BANK OF AMERICA is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1016-4695A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1016-4695A

PUBLIC NOTICE #115905 11/3,10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Robert B. Mathew** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Element Funding, its successors and assigns dated 6/5/2009 and recorded in Deed Book 2726 Page 19 and modified at Deed Book 3383 Page 321, Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PHH Mortgage Corporation s/b/m Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$79,772.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on December 3, 2019 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 21, 8TH DISTRICT,

NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 12, PHASE ONE AUTUMN WOODS, SUBDIVISION, ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 37, PAGE 109-114, 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. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 30 Autumn Court, Covington, GA 30016

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 is commonly known as **30 Autumn Ct. Covington, GA 30016** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Robert B. Mathew or tenant or tenants.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation ONE MORTGAGE Way MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (800) 750-2518

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation s/b/m Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC as agent and Attorney in Fact for Robert B. Mathew

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1017-3554A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-3554A

PUBLIC NOTICE #115903 11/3,10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Shawn Clarke** to New Century Mortgage Corporation dated 11/18/2005 and recorded in Deed Book 2061 Page 357 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-NC1, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$170,400.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on December 3, 2019 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 107,10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 1, UNIT ONE, GLYNNSHIRE, ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 32, PAGES 62-64, 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.

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 is commonly known as **150 Glynnshire Ct, Covington, GA 30016** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Jamina Kalie Lawrence and Shawn Clarke or tenant or tenants.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation ONE MORTGAGE Way MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (800) 750-2518

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

U.S. BANK National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-NC1 as agent and Attorney in Fact for Shawn Clarke

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1017-3660A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-3660A

PUBLIC NOTICE #115970 11/3,10,17,24,12/2

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Shicola Thomas and Annie Bell Thomas** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns dated 7/30/2010 and recorded in Deed Book 2841 Page 254 and modified at Deed Book 3575 Page 608 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PHH Mortgage Corporation, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$66,602.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on December 3, 2019 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 217 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING LOT 14 OF EASTON PLACE SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 43, PAGES 196-201, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA DEED RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION, BEING PROPERTY KNOWN AS 75 RAILSIDE DRIVE ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING PROPERTY IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA.

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 is commonly known as **75 RAILSIDE Dr, Covington, GA 30014** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Shicola Thomas and Annie Bell Thomas or tenant or tenants.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation ONE MORTGAGE Way MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (800) 750-2518

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation

and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation as agent and Attorney in Fact for Shicola Thomas and Annie Bell Thomas

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1017-3645A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-3645A

PUBLIC NOTICE #115907 11/3,10,17,24,12/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Travia D. Nolley and Erica Nolley** to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank of Indiana dated 1/31/2006 and recorded in Deed Book 2112 Page 345 and modified at Deed Book 3765 Page 76 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, successor by merger to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank of Indiana, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$136,360.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on December 3, 2019 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 289 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 26, OF CREEKSIDE AT LONGSTREET CIRCLE SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 41, PAGE 120-126, 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 the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as **150 Longstreet Circle, Oxford, GA 30054** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Travia D. Nolley and Erica Nolley or tenant or tenants.

PNC BANK, N.A. is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PNC BANK, N.A. LOSS MITIGATION MAIL LOCATOR: B6-YM10-01-1 3232 NEWMARK Drive MIAMISBURG, OH 45342 1-888-224-4702

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet 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, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PNC BANK, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, successor by merger to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank of Indiana as agent and Attorney in Fact for Travia D. N

conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$94,425.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned 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 December, 2019, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 96 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING IN LOT 86 HUNTER'S RIDGE SUBDIVISION, UNIT TWO, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 39, PAGES 19 23 (MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON PAGE 20), NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt 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 Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION may be contacted at: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, 3415 VISION DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OH 43219, 866 550 5705. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **135 HUNTER'S TRACE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014** is/are: MICHAEL E NICHOLSON SR or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9 13 172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC as Attorney in Fact for MICHAEL E NICHOLSON SR. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 00000007380603 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115947 11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE OF Sale Under Power. State of Georgia, County of NEWTON.

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by **MICHAEL RAMSEY** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") AS NOMINEE FOR PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS , dated 12/07/2018, and Recorded on 12/14/2018 as Book No. 3781 and Page No. 277 289, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$152,192.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned 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 December, 2019, the following described property: ALLTHAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 267 OF THE 9TH LAND DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 5 AND LOT 6 CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 14,535 SQUARE FEET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT PLAT OF SURVEY FOR JOY ANNE HAYMORE PATY AND PERRY BRITTEN HAYMORE, PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY JOHN ELWIN KNIGHT, GEORGIA R.L.S. NO. 1945, SAID PLAT BEING DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2005 AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 43, PAGE 238, PUBLIC RECORDS OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA; SAID PLAT BEING BY REFERENCE THERETO INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE CAPTIONED PROPERTY.

SAID PROPERTY BEING KNOWN AS 5135 ODUM STREET, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING HOUSES IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt

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 Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC., acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. may be contacted at: PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC., 1725 S. CENTRAL STREET, CENTENNIAL PARK, AZ 86021, 800 748 4424. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **5135 ODUM STREET, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014** is/are: MICHAEL RAMSEY or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

PUBLIC NOTICE #113945 11/3,10,17,24

NOTICE OF Sale Under Power. State of Georgia, County of NEWTON.

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by **STEPHANIE L PALMER** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC ("MERS") AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS , dated 04/16/2007, and Recorded on 04/25/2007 as Book No. 2425 and Page No. 37 45, AS AFFECTED BY BOOK 3519, PAGE 129, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to U.S BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR ABS REO TRUST VII (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$27,800.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned 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 December, 2019, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 170 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 34, BLOCK A, SECTION II, SALEM VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 16, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED BY WARRANT DEED DATED 10/8/03 AND RECORDED 10/14/03 FROM CRAG R DINN AND ELIZABETH A. DINN TO STEPHANIE L PALMER RECORDED AT DEED BOOK 1546, PAGE 1, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt 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 Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). U.S BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR ABS REO TRUST VII (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC. may be contacted at: SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., 3217 S. DECKER LAKE DR., SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84119, 215 347 2074. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **2310 VILLAGE**

DR, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016 is/are: STEPHANIE L PALMER or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9 13 172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. U.S BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR ABS REO TRUST VII as Attorney in Fact for STEPHANIE L PALMER. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 00000008241671 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115946 11/3,10,17,24

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF Newton NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

PURSUANT TO the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by **DANIELLE L FULLER** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR PRIMARY CAPITAL MORTGAGE, LLC ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS in the original principal amount of \$93,600.00 dated November 4, 2016 and recorded in Deed Book 3501, Page 474, Newton County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to PINGORA LOAN SERVICING, LLC, in Deed Book 3908, Page 1, Newton County records, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, before the Courthouse door in said County, or at such other place as lawfully designated, within the legal hours of sale, on December 03, 2019, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 87 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 14 OF FALCON RIDGE SUBDIVISION, UNIT THREE, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 28, PAGE 134, REVISED AT PLAT BOOK 31, PAGE 121, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

SAID PROPERTY being known as: **200 SABLE CIRCLE, COVINGTON, GA 30016**

TO THE best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are **DANIELLE L FULLER** or tenant(s). **THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due and payable because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as provided for in the Note and said 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, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to the following: (1) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not yet due and payable); (2) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; (3) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property; and (4) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above. **SAID SALE** will be conducted subject to the following: (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

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 is as follows: **LOANCARE SERVICING** Center, Inc. 3637 Sentara Way , Virginia Beach, VA, 23452 **1-800-274-6600**

NOTE THAT pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the above individual or entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

RAS CRANE LLC 10700 Abbott's Bridge Road Suite 170 Duluth, GA 30097 Phone: 470.321.7112

FIRM FILE NO. 19-375100 - OIV **PINGORA LOAN SERVICING, LLC**, as Attorney-in-Fact for **DANIELLE L FULLER**

PUBLIC NOTICE #115897 10/20,11/3,10,17,24,12/1

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF Newton NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

PURSUANT TO the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by **LINDA SUE RAMEY A/K/A LINDA S. RAMEY** to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. in the original principal amount of \$140,692.00 dated June 20, 2003 and recorded in Deed Book 1461, Page 212, Newton County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC in Deed Book 3358, Page 348, Newton County records, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, before the Courthouse door in said County, or at such other place as lawfully designated, within the legal hours of sale, on December 03, 2019, the property in said Security Deed

and described as follows: **ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 70 AND 91 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 47 OF WYNFIELD SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO PLAT RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 38, PAGES 80 THROUGH 84, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE THERETO FOR A MORE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.** **SAID PROPERTY** being known as: **115 WYNFIELD TRACE, COVINGTON, GA 30016** **TO THE** best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are **LINDA SUE RAMEY A/K/A LINDA S. RAMEY** or tenant(s). **THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due and payable because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as provided for in the Note and said Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of sale, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). **SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to the following: (1) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not yet due and payable); (2) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; (3) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property; and (4) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above. **SAID SALE** will be conducted subject to the following: (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

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 is as follows:

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC 2100 East Elliot Rd Bldg 94 Attn: Mail Stop T325, Tempe, AZ, 85284 **1-800-643-0202**

NOTE THAT pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the above individual or entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

RAS CRANE LLC 10700 Abbott's Bridge Road Suite 170 Duluth, GA 30097 Phone: 470.321.7112 **FIRM FILE NO.** 19-361530 - OIV

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC, as Attorney-in-Fact for **LINDA SUE RAMEY A/K/A LINDA S. RAMEY**

PUBLIC NOTICE #115678 9/22,11/3,10,17,24,12/1

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

BY VIRTUE of the power of sale contained in that certain Deed to Secure Debt from **GERALDINE R. RAPHEL** to OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION dated December 29, 2006, filed for record January 10, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 2360, Page 287, NEWTON County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-3 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 2861, Page 324, NEWTON County, Georgia Records. Said Deed to Secure Debt having been given to secure a Note dated December 29, 2006 in the original principal sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$115,200.00), with interest from date at the rate stated in said Note on the unpaid balance until paid, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door at NEWTON County, Georgia, or at such place as has or may be lawfully designated as an alternative location, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2019, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 223 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING DESIGNATED LOT 16, STONE RIDGE SUBDIVISION, PHASE 1, AS PER PLAT PREPARED BY STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., MORRIS L. SMITH, R.L.S. NO. 11, 945, DATED MAY 12, 2003 AND RECORDED MARCH 18, 2004 IN PLAT BOOK 40, PAGES 265-270, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS; WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **GERALDINE R. RAPHEL** and **LLOYD A. RAPHEL** or a tenant or tenants. Said property may more commonly be known as: 160 RIDGE POINTE DRIVE, COVINGTON, GA 30016-4715.

THE DEBT secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, non-payment of the monthly installments on said loan. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

THE INDIVIDUAL or entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan is **PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION, 1 MORTGAGE WAY, MT LAUREL, NJ 08054; (800) 746-2936.**

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject

to 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, 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.

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. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph.

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-3

AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT for

GERALDINE R. RAPHEL

PHELAN HALLINAN Diamond & Jones, PLLC **11675 GREAT Oaks Way, Suite 320 ALPHARETTA, GA 30022** **TELEPHONE: 770-393-4300** **FAX: 770-393-4310** **PH # 44587**

THIS LAW firm is acting as a debt collector. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115890 11/3,10,17,24,12/1

Juvenile Court			
IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA			
IN THE interest of:			
NAME	SEX	Age	
DOB	Case No.		
A. E.	F	7 years	
12/09/2011			
J. H.	M	6 years	
01/18/2013			
CHILDREN UNDER 18 years of age			
NOTICE OF SUMMONS			

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: AMANDA ELDER, MOTHER, DARRYL MCKIBBEN, TIMOTHY HOOVER, AND/OR JOHN DOE, PUTATIVE/BIOLOGICAL/LEGAL FATHERS OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED MINOR CHILDREN, **PURSUANT TO ORDER OF THIS COURT DATED ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER 10, 2019**, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS HEARING WILL BE HELD ON January 23, 2020 AT 11:00 A.M.. FOR THE ABOVE-NAMED MINOR CHILDREN; THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PUTATIVE/BIOLOGICAL/LEGAL FATHERS ARE UNKNOWN, AND THAT BY REASON OF AN ORDER FOR PUBLICATION ENTERED BY THE COURT ON OR ABOUT October 10, 2019

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, 1132 USHER STREET, COVINGTON, GEORGIA, 30014 ON January 23, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. AND RESPOND WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. THE EFFECT OF THE ORDER REQUESTED SHALL BE TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS. FAILURE TO APPEAR AND RESPOND TO THIS ACTION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF PUBLICATION MAY RESULT IN ADVERSE ACTION, INCLUDING TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, BEING TAKEN AGAINST YOU.

SAID PETITION AND SUMMONS NOTIFYING YOU OF YOUR RIGHTS IS ON FILE AT THE NEWTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA AND A COPY OF SAME MAY BE OBTAINED DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS BY THE CHILDREN'S PARENTS, GUARDIAN, LAWFUL CUSTODIAN, AND THE PERSON PRESENTLY HAVING PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF SAID CHILDREN. WITNESS THE HONORABLE SHERI ROBERTS, JUDGE OF SAID COURT. THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2019.

CLERK, JUVENILE COURT CLERK OF COURT

PUBLIC NOTICE #115920 10/27,11/3,10,17

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
D.A.T. SEX: FEMALE
DOB: 08/19/2011
CASE# 107-19J-0724

J.D.L.T SEX: MALE
DOB: 05/09/2013
CASE# 107-19J-0725

A MINOR Child Under 18 Years of Age

TO: BRITTANY Michelle

YOU ARE hereby notified that Jennifer Geannette Kumar has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed temporary guardian(s) of the above-named Minor. In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 29-2-6(T), this Petition has been transferred from the Probate Court to the Juvenile Court for a determination of whether the guardianship is in the best interest of said Minor. A hearing on the matter shall be held in the Juvenile Court of Newton County, located at 1132 Usher Street, Covington, Georgia on December

10, 2019 at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

THIS THE 31st day of October, 2019.

JANELL GAINES, Clerk
NEWTON COUNTY Juvenile Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #116021 11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
L.S.B. SEX: FEMALE
DOB: 11/28/2011 Case# 107-19J-0385
MINOR CHILD Under 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS

TO: HALID Kavazovic and John Does, parent of said minor child born to Kayla Leighann **BATES ON** the above-listed date.

YOU ARE hereby notified that on May 2, 2019, a Petition for Dependency was filed in this Court requesting that the minor child be placed in the care, custody and control of [the Department of Family and Children's Services or Maternal Grandparents. The petition alleges dependency based on as defined in O.C.G.A. 15-11-2(22). You are hereby commanded and required to appear before the court on the 10th day of December, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., 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 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.

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, Associate Judge of said Court. This the 31st day of October, 2019.

JANELL GAINES
CLERK
NEWTON COUNTY Juvenile Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #116022 11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
B.G.N. SEX: Female
DOB: 12/03/2018 CASE #107-19J-0700
A CHILD Under 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS

TO: RAY SHORT, putative father, JOHN DOE, and any other unknown, unnamed biological father or other persons claiming to have a parental interest in the minor child named above born to S. Nolley on the date above-listed.

A PETITION to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed in this Court on October 17, 2019, by the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services, concerning the above child. 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 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

Terminate Parental Rights are true and that termination of your rights will serve the best interests of your child, the Court can enter a judgment ending your rights to your child.

IF THE judgment terminates your parental rights, you will no longer have any rights to your child. This means that you will not have the right to visit, contact, or have custody of your child or make any decisions affecting your child or your child's earnings or property. Your child 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's care unless and until your child is adopted; and

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

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

(1) **A** petition to legitimate such child; 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.

IF YOU 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 Sheri C. Roberts, Judge of said Court, this 17th day of October, 2019.

/S/ JANELL Gaines(Deputy) Clerk **JUVENILE COURT** of Newton County, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #115908
10/27,11/3,10,17

NOTICE TO Appear
STATE OF Georgia
COUNTY OF Cherokee

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CHEROKEE COUNTY. In the interest of Minor Child Liam Davis George, son of Valerie Ann George. File number 19AD0016EM. TO: T. J. Wasserman, whereabouts unknown. GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that a Petition for Adoption and a Motion for Termination of Rights of the Biological Father was filed in this court by the adoptive couple by and through their attorney, Randy Sabatini, alleging that the whereabouts of the father are unknown, and asking that the Court terminate the rights and obligations of the father with respect to the child, and of the child arising to him from the parental relationship, including the right to inheritance, and that the child be committed to the custody of the adoptive parent, with the right to proceed for adoption by the Petitioners. A copy of the petition may be obtained by filing a Petition to Legitimate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cherokee County, Cherokee County Courthouse, Canton, Georgia on any day, Monday through Friday, during normal business hours.

PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. § 19-8-12 (c) et. seq., you will lose all rights to the child and will neither receive notice nor be entitled to object to the adoption of the child, unless, within 30 days of receipt of such notice, you file a Petition to Legitimate with the Court and copy the attorney of record.

PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. § 19-8-12 (e) you must file a Petition for Legitimation and give notice as required. The Petitioners has alleged that you have: that you have failed to exercise proper parental care or control due to misconduct or inability, as set out in paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-310.

BE GOVERNED Accordingly.

THIS THE _____ day of _____, 20_____.

RANDY SABATINI
ATTORNEY FOR the Petitioners
291 SE Alexander Street
MARIETTA, GA 30060
(770) 426-1148

PUBLIC NOTICE #115929
11/3,10,17

Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **AMORAH KENNEDY HUGHES-RUTH**

MONESHA HUGHES
PETITIONER,
VS.
MURRAY RUTH, IV
RESPONDENT.
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2019-CV-2258-1

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

MONESHA HUGHES filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on OCTOBER 28, 2019, to change the name(s) of the following minor child(ren)
FROM: AMORAH KENNEDY HUGHES-RUTH to AMORAH KENNEDY HUGHES
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 #116039
11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **NOVA GRAY WORTHY**

TARA JONES-LAWRENCE
PETITIONER,
VS.
ROGDERICK DEWAYNE WORTHY
RESPONDENT.
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2019-CV-1513-2

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

TARA JONES-LAWRENCE filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on July 25, 2019, to change the name(s) of the following minor child(ren)
FROM: NOVA GRAY WORTHY to NOVA JONES-LAWRENCE WORTHY.
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 #115924
10/27,11/3,10,17

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **OSCAR EDUARDO LICONA YESENIA SOTO**
PETITIONER,
VS.
OSCAR LICONA CANO
RESPONDENT.
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2019-CV-2102-4

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

YESENIA SOTO filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on October 3, 2019, to change the name(s) of the following minor child(ren)
FROM: OSCAR EDUARDO SOTO to OSCAR EDUARDO LICONA.
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 #115889
10/20,27,11/3,10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **APRIL TARPLEY BELL**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: 2019-CV-2106-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

APRIL TARPLEY BELL filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on October 4, 2019 to change the name from April Tarpley Bell to April Sabrina Tarpley. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED 9/11/19

APRIL TARPLEY Bell
P.O. BOX 369
OXFORD, GA 30054

NOTICE #115883
10/20,27,11/3,10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **DEMETRIA NICOLE SMITH**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: 2019-CV-2066-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

DEMETRIA NICOLE SMITH filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on September 30th, 2019 to change the name from Demetria Nicole Smith to Demetria Nicole McElheney. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED 9/30/19

DEMETRIA SMITH
40 CAMERONS Way
COVINGTON, GA 30016

NOTICE #115792
10/13,20,27,11/3,10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **TREYVON FRANCIS**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: 2019-CV-2126-1

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

TREYVON FRANCIS filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on October 8, 2019 to change the name from TREYVON FRANCIS to TREYVON MAIR. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED 10/8/19

TREYVON FRANCIS
85 CEDAR CREEK DR
COVINGTON, GA

NOTICE #115885
10/20,27,11/3,10

Notice of Proceedings

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

CIVIL ACTION # SUCV2017002543-1
THE HIGHGATE T O W N H O M E O W N E R S ASSOCIATION, INC.
V.
CLARENCE A. BEST, EMERALD BEST, AND CARSON BEST, TO: CLARENCE A. BEST, 205 LAKESIDE CIRCLE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016; and P.O. BOX 81572 CONYERS, GEORGIA 30013

(LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BY ORDER for service by publication dated the 7th day of October, 2019. You are hereby notified that on the 27th day of December, 2017, The Highgate Townhomeowners Association, Inc., filed suit against you for damages related to unpaid property owners association fees for the property located at 205 Lakeside Circle, Covington, Georgia 30016. You 'are required to file with the Clerk of Superior Court, and to serve upon the plaintiffs Attorney, Jesse M. Cox, Lueder Larkin & Hunter LLC, 5900 Windward Parkway, Suite 390, Alpharetta, GA 30005, an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order of publication.

WITNESS THE Honorable Eugene M. Benton, Judge of the Superior Court. **THIS 9TH** day of October, 2019.

LINDA HAYS, CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115918
10/27,11/3,10,17

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

RICHARD SCOTT SMITH, SR.
PLAINTIFF,
-VS-
ANDREA NICOLE KERNS
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION No.: 2019-CV-2105-2

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: ANDREA KERNS
1 4 9 3
PROSPECT ROAD
MADISON,
GA 30650

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated **October 28, 2019** you are hereby notified that on **October 4, 2019** (date of filing) **RICHARD SMITH** (plaintiff) filed suit against you for Legitimation. **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 **JOHN M. OTT**, Judge Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 30th day of **October**, 2019. **LINDA D. Hays**
CLERK OF Superior Court

PUBLIC NOTICE #116040
11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

THE PARTNERSHIP FEDERAL CREDITUNION
PLAINTIFF
VS.
JARED BLACKMON
DEFENDANT

CIVIL ACTION FILE
NO. 2017-CV-876-3

TO: JARED BLACKMON

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

YOU ARE hereby notified that:

(A) ON the 27th day of April, 2017, **THE PARTNERSHIP FEDERAL CREDITUNION**, filed an action against you in this Court for a complaint to recover indebtedness. **(B) BY** reason of an order for service by publication filed October 21, 2019, you are hereby **REQUIRED TO** file with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, and serve upon plaintiffs attorney, whose address is

RICHARD M. Howe
HOWE LAW Firm, P.C.
4385 KIMBALL Bridge Road, Suite 100, Alpharetta, GA 30022

AN ANSWER in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication.

THIS 4TH day of November, 2019
LINDA D. Hays
CLERK, SUPERIOR Court of Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #116049
11/10,17,24,12/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

NANCY MOCK
PETITIONER,

V.
PHOENIX XXX, LLC a/k/a PHOENIX CAPITAL XXX, LLC; STONECREST INCOME AND OPPORTUNITY FUND I, LLC OR its Unknown Successors, Assigns, or **SHAREHOLDERS; TENANT / OWNER/OCCUPANT OF 520 MCGIBONEY LANE, NEWTON COUNTY TAX PARCEL NUMBER 0013K00000026000**
RESPONDENTS.

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. **SUCV2019001708**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: T E N A N T / O W N E R / OCCUPANT OF 520 MCGIBONEY LANE;
B. PHOENIX XXX LLC a/k/a PHOENIX CAPITAL XXX, LLC;
C. STONECREST INCOME AND OPPORTUNITY FUND I, LLC or its Unknown Successors, Assigns, or Shareholders;

YOU ARE hereby notified that the above styled action, seeking to remove clouds on the Petitioner's title to certain real property caused by the equities of redemption following a tax sale, as specifically provided by O.C.G.A. § 23-3-44, related to property located at 520 MCGIBONEY LANE, NEWTON COUNTY TAX PARCEL NUMBER 0013K00000026000 was filed against you in the Superior Court of Newton County on the 19th day of August, 2019, and that by reason of an Order for Service of Summons by Publication entered by the Court on the 4th day of November, 2019, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of said Court and

serve upon John Coleman, Attorney at Law, whose address is 675 Seminole Ave., Suite 302, Atlanta, GA 30307 an Answer to the Complaint within sixty (60) days of the Order for Publication. **WITNESS, THE** Honorable Eugene M. Benton, Judge of said Court. **THIS THE** 4th day of November, 2019.

CLERK OF Superior Court, Newton County

PUBLIC NOTICE #116056
11/10,17,24,12/1

Public Hearings

NORTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION AREA AGENCY ON AGING SCHEDULES PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AREA PLAN

TWO PUBLIC Hearings on the State Fiscal Year 2021 Area Plan for the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission - Area Agency on Aging Planning and Service Area (Barrow, Clarke, Elbert, Greene, Jackson, Jasper, Madison, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, Oglethorpe, and Walton Counties) will take place on the following dates, times, and locations:

1. **TUESDAY,** December 3, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Oglethorpe County Senior Center, 19 Oglethorpe Drive, Crawford, GA 30630; and

2. **WEDNESDAY** December 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Morgan County Senior Center, 991 South Main Street, Madison, GA 30650.

THESE HEARINGS are held to inform Northeast Georgia's residents of Aging Services' plan(s) for State Fiscal Year 2021 and to provide citizens with an opportunity to discuss issues relevant to the Northeast Georgia Planning and Service Area. All interested parties are encouraged to attend these hearings. The Department of Human Services – Division of Aging Services is the sponsoring agent for programs or services offered in the planning and service area. If additional information is needed, please contact Peggy Jenkins at (706) 583-2546 extension 101 or via e-mail at pjenkins@negrc.org.

PUBLIC NOTICE #116052
11/10

SPECIAL EXCEPTION
GEORGIA, NEWTON County

A PETITION OSPEC19-000002 HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE NEWTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO:

D R HORTON WPH LLC & ATLAS
GA XX REO LLC

WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS "RESERVES AT LAKEWOOD ESTATES" UNDEVELOPED LOTS. Map & Parcels For Unit I - 12E-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 162, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 210, 211, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, and 266; and for Unit II – 12E-18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, and 54

APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A SPECIAL EXEMPTION TO THE SALEM ROAD OVERLAY DISTRICT:

SEC. 460-120 NON-CONFORMING USES, F. Residential Buildings, 1. Construction of a new primary residential structure on vacant or undeveloped residential lots within an existing subdivision: Residential construction must comply with the full Overlay design and building standards for residential structures.

MORE SPECIFICALLY recessed front entry garages.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE:

26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 2ND FLOOR BOARDROOM. THOSE HAVING CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PETITION SHOULD ATTEND THE MEETING.

PUBLIC NOTICE# 116057
11/10,17

Public Notice

DECLARATION OF RECOGNITION & OWNERSHIP OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE

BE IT KNOWN that I, Marjay Creek AI, a living American Indian born in the territory of Alabama, of full age and legally competent with no political status or affairs, having origins in the original indigenous people of North America that are forever protected under Treaties, the Constitution of the United States of America, and the "Emancipation Proclamation" U.S. Navy General Order No. 4 of January 14th 1863; and whose presently of the United States of America, declare and publish the following:

WHEREAS, I, Marjay Creek AI, do solemnly swear and affirm that I am the sole owner of the registered Certificate of Live Birth or Birth Certificate and Records (the "Security"), Serial Registration No. 101-77-20239, filed and recorded on May 9li 1977, with the Registrar of the State of Alabama (the custodian of public records), under the title or registrant legal name JAURIS LADEIUS HAYES® (an obligation that is guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the State of Alabama).

NOW THEREFORE, to all parties in interest, whether federal, state and local government, or other municipal corporation, including all departments, agencies or agent's in their official or individual capacity, shall forever recognize me "Marjay Creek AI," as tie sole owner and beneficiary to the Security and all property, whether real, personal, or mixed, to include but not limited to, all proceeds from Labor and Capital therefrom, nunc pro tunc to May 9th 1977, date fust registered.

For more information with regards to this legal notice, please send your written communication to:

THE CREEK AL TRUST
C/O: MCA Trust Administration
6373 BIMINI Drive
FOREST PARK, Georgia 30297 USA

PUBLIC NOTICE #116051
11/10

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there will be heard before the presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, on the 18th day of November at 9:30 o'clock, A.M. at the Newton County Courthouse in the City of Covington, Georgia, the case of the State of Georgia vs. Newton County Industrial Development Authority and GM Cereals Properties, Inc., Civil Action File Number 2019-CV-2276-1, in the Superior Court for that County, the same being a proceeding to confirm and validate an issue of up to \$75,000,000 in maximum aggregate principal amount Newton County Industrial Development Authority Taxable Revenue Bonds (GM Cereals Properties, Inc. Project), Series 2019 (the "Bonds") and the security therefor. The proceeds of the Bonds are to be used to finance the acquisition, construction, development and equipping of an expansion to its existing Newton County plant (the "Project") for use by GM Cereals Properties, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and paying certain expenses relating thereto. Upon its completion, the Project will be rented to the Company by the Newton County Industrial Development Authority (the "Authority") under a Rental Agreement dated as of December 1, 2019 (the "Rental Agreement"). The Court in such proceeding will also pass upon the validity and legality of a Rental Agreement, Trust Indenture, Bond Purchase Agreement, Guaranty Agreement, Deed to Secure Debt and Security Agreement, and Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement among the Authority, the Company, and the Newton County Board of Assessors under which the Bonds will be issued and certain other related issues, including issues related to the taxability of the Project and the interest on the Bonds.

THE BONDS shall not be deemed to constitute a debt of the Newton County or the State of Georgia or any other political subdivision thereof, or a pledge of the faith and credit of the Newton County or the State of Georgia or any other political subdivision thereof, but such Bonds shall be limited obligations of the Authority payable solely from the revenues and receipts received by or on behalf of the Authority in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, amounts received under the Rental Agreement. Any citizen of the State of Georgia residing in Newton County, or any other person wherever residing, who has a right to object, may intervene and become a party to these proceedings. **THE AUTHORITY HAS WAIVED THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED IN O.C.G.A. § 36-82-100 AND WILL CONDUCT NO PERFORMANCE AUDIT OR PERFORMANCE REVIEW WITH RESPECT TO THE BONDS.**

THIS THE 30th day of October, 2019.

LINDA D. Hays
CLERK
SUPERIOR COURT
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #116014
11/3,10

Public Sales Auctions

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

IN ACCORDANCE with the GA Self Service Storage Facilities Act notice is hereby given that the undersigned will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder in order to satisfy lien of the owner. The auction will be held at www.lockerfox.com with bids finalizing on November 19, 2019 at 10am for the Space Shop Self Storage facility located at 6177 Jackson Hwy, Covington, GA 30014

B47 MYLES Simmons- Big toolbox, small toolbox, speakers, Yard tools, boxes, deep freezer
B64 CORRINNA Schmierer-wood pallet, Dresser, Drawers, Kids toys
G04 JERMAINE Small-Tv, Mattresses, Air tank, Gas tanks, Video games, totes, boxes
G28 MADISON Kirk-wooden entertainment center
H22 DONELA Powell-wooden furniture, oxygen tanks, luggage, totes, plastic containers, boxes
J01 NASHONICA Sims-couches, black trash bags
J06 FELICE Floyd-Luggage, Washer and Dryer, mattresses, Couch, Clothes, Bicycle, Fan, Movies
M19 KIMBERLY Safo- Tvsd, microwave, tables, nightstand, couches, kids pool, furniture, boxes, bags

SPACE SHOP Self Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

PUBLIC NOTICE #115928
11/3,10

PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS hereby given that Dixie Self Storage located at 1447 Access Road, Covington, Ga. 30014. The Undersigned intend to sell household goods and personal Property, to enforce imposed lien on said property pursuant to the Georgia Self Storage Facility Act, Georgia Code Section 10-1-210 to 10-4-215. The undersigned will sell at Public Sale to the highest **BIDDER OIL:**

NOVEMBER 18,2019 at 10:30 A.M.

CASH ONLY, will be accepted at the time of purchase.

UNIT 4017, David Thompson, Household Goods
UNIT 4032, Earl Davis, Household Goods, Furniture, Boxes
UNIT 5025, David Thompson, Household Goods
UNIT 5027 Crystal Moon, Household Goods, Furniture, Boxes

THE COVINGTON NEWS

Alcovy falls in heartbreaker; dashing playoff hopes

Michael Pope
MPOPE@COVNEWS.COM

With his team huddled around him for one final time, head coach Jason Dukes wanted to let each senior know how special they were to not only him but the program and implored the rest of the team.

“I thank each and every one of you for everything you have done for the black and gold. I thank you from the bottom of my heart,” said Dukes. “If a senior meant anything to you, I want you to go up to them and let them know.”

When the huddle broke, multiple players and coaches shared hugs and upbuilding remarks with members of the senior class. This continued on for the next several minutes as many players, with tears streaming down their faces, could not stop hugging as they knew this would be the final time for their senior class.

The Alcovy Tigers (2-8,1-4) fell in a heartbreaking 21-14 loss to the Greenbrier Wolf Pack (2-8,2-3) in a game that only a few big plays separated the two teams.

The Wolfpack got on the board first as quarterback Jackson Fulmer ran it in on a quarterback sneak to give his team the early lead. Fulmer showed the ability and tendency to run all night long, but often had his gains brought back by penalties.

Despite some of his success, the Tigers did a good job, for the most part, of containing Fulmer and not allowing him to kill them with his legs.

After Fulmer’s opening score, the Tigers immediately answered with a score of their own as senior running back Andrae Robinson broke loose for a 52-yard touchdown to knot the game up at seven points.

The Tigers defense returned to the field and all night played solid defense. They did an outstanding job of shutting down the Wolf pack’s passing attack and held Fulmer to just over 100 passing yards. However, Fulmer did burn the Tigers once through the air on a 44-yard touchdown pass to take a 14-7 lead before halftime, and every score ended up being crucial.

The Wolf Pack missed a field goal in the third quarter, and both teams seemed to be stalemated offensively throughout that period. The Tigers and Wolf Pack would head into the final quarter with the Tigers still trailing by just a lone touchdown.

After a plethora of penalties that seemed to stagnate both offenses, the Wolf Pack finally put a drive together that ended in a score late in the fourth quarter. With 6:30 left to play in the game, Wolf Pack running back Kahlil Harris ran it in 14 yards for the touchdown.

The Tigers would quickly respond, and it was Robinson running the ball in again to score from four yards

out and trim the Wolf Pack lead to seven again with 3:50 left to play. The Tigers would then hold the Wolf Pack on the ensuing drive and force a punt.

With the ball in their hands and about three minutes left to play, the Tigers would drive down the field and would get just on the edge of the red zone with less than a minute in the ball game. After an incomplete shot to the end zone, the Tigers tried a

screen pass to Andrae Robinson, but it was intercepted by Wolf Pack defensive end Fa’Zon Abrams.

With 33.7 seconds left and no timeouts, the Tigers knew that not only the game was over, but their season as well. This led to an outpouring of emotions, and Dukes could only speak about how proud he was of the senior group and the foundation they have put down for this program.

“Any time you’re a head coach coming into taking over the program, you have a group of guys that have been in the program and have gone through some tough times. We have some kids that have worked their tails off and played their hearts out all year,” said Dukes. “I can’t express my gratitude more for my seniors in how they have worked and played for us this year.”

Seeing Dukes take the time to go around and offer kind words and hugs to each senior that was scattered across the field was outstanding and showed how much he cared for this group. Dukes knows that this may be the end for many of these athletes’ football careers at Alcovy, but he still wants to see and hear from them in the future.

“I told them all that each one of them was going to do great things, and it’s not going to just be in football,” said Dukes. “They’re all going to be great men of stature, and I told them not to be strangers and to come back because I want to see that.”

While the Tigers are losing a ton of outstanding athletes, Dukes does remain optimistic for the future and believes the future is bright for his program.

“The future is very, very bright for us, and our kids are going to learn from this,” said Dukes. “I’m very excited for the future of Alcovy football.”



Levi Adcox (10) and senior NaTorien Holloway share a final hug after the Tigers loss to the Wolf pack.

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Newton’s Diondre Glover breaks away from a Rockdale defender.

Rams lock down three seed behind big nights from Green and Glover

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Big plays through the air and a stout defensive performance propelled the Newton Rams to a 28-14 victory over the Rockdale County Bulldogs in the final game of the regular season.

Going into the cold-weathered showdown, the Rams knew they had to pull out the win with a third-place spot hanging in the balance in Region 8 play.

“The game plan going into tonight was to stop the run and limit big plays,” head coach Camiel Grant Jr. said. “We knew Rockdale would bring a lot of energy; their record does not tell the true story of how good of a football team they are.

After two empty drives by both offenses, the Rams offense would get going halfway through the first quarter. Senior quarterback Neal Howard would find fellow senior Diondre Glover down the sideline for the 54-yard touchdown to put Newton on the board first 7-0 with 6:41 left in the first quarter.

On the next Rockdale drive, quarterback Chandler Peters would find an answer for the Rams defense, first connecting with Jaionte McMillan for 20-yards to get into Newton territory. Peters would then connect with Darren Stephens for the 30-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at 7-7 with just over three minutes left in the opening quarter.

The Bulldogs’ defense continued to contain Howard on the next drive, forcing the punt and giving the ball back to the Rockdale offense.

Rockdale would stick to the ground game for the next drive, pushing far into Rams’ territory. Two penalties by Newton put the Bulldogs inside the five-yard line. Peters would take the quarterback sneak in for the touchdown, giving Rockdale the lead 14-7 with 8:00 left in the second quarter.

After opening the drive with two rushes, Howard would find Glover once again, this time with Glover getting the ball over the middle and taking it 54-yards for a touchdown, the senior wideouts second of the game.

“[I had to make reads] when I was outside, they would try to box me in or try to get the linebacker to cover me out,” Glover said.

The Newton momentum would carry over onto the defensive side of the ball, as the junior defensive back Nyland Green would intercept Peters in the back of the end-zone to prevent the late first-half score.

Following the interception by Green, the Rams and Bulldogs would go into halftime tied at 14-14.

Going into halftime, all the offensive fire that the Rams needed came from Howard’s three completions, all of which were to Glover.

After a quick three and out from the Rockdale offense to open the second half, Howard would put together the team’s strongest drive of the game.

Five consecutive completions from Howard inside Rockdale territory were capped off by a 10-yard touchdown pass to Glover. The third touchdown reception of the game from Howard to Glover would give the Rams the 21-14 lead early in the third quarter.

“We had to be able to hand man coverage,” Grant said. “We are blessed to have guys that are able to make space despite the [strong man coverage].”

The Rams defense continued to hold the Rockdale offense, keeping them scoreless during the third quarter.

During the first drive of the fourth quarter for Rockdale, Peters would miss the open man, being intercepted by Green, giving the junior defensive back his second interception of the

game with 10:59 left in the game.

The Rams’ defense would strike again on the next Rockdale drive. With the Rockdale offense in the red-zone, senior Tylon Bigby would intercept Peters across the middle and take it far into Bulldog territory.

Howard would take advantage of the good field position, moving the Rams inside of the five-yard line after two plays. Newton would go to Quincy Cullins from one-yard out, rushing in for the score and giving cushion to the Rams’ lead, 28-14.

“We proved a lot on both sides [of the offense,” Glover said. “We had less penalties on the offense, and that was a big improvement.”

Just over a minute left in the game, senior Greg Lewis Jr. would intercept Peters to give Newton their fourth interception of the game and secure the Rams a spot in the postseason.

The strong showing from Glover ended with him bringing in five receptions for 149 yards, earning him the MVP of the game.

“[During my season], I have learned to not be a me-player and be a we-player,” Glover said. “Put all of us before one player.”

Despite the strong showing from the defense, the defensive unit gave up more yards than usual through penalties, something Grant wants the team to focus on when getting ready for postseason play.

“We have to have discipline [to limit the penalties], Grant said. “We had hit a good stride the past couple weeks [with penalties], but tonight it was a complete lack of focus.”

After the game, Coach Grant and the rest of the Rams were awarded the third-place trophy for the Region 8 Division, as they look to continue the momentum into the postseason.

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Four Newton Lady Rams earn all-region honors

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The Newton softball team capped off its impressive 2019 season with four members earning all-region honors for Region 8-AAAAAAA. Hayden Pearson, Ty'Liyah Hardeman, Kaitlyn Neely and Kyla Stroud were named to the All-Region team, and head coach Virginia Tucker-Smith could not be more proud of each of these girls. "They each definitely play a major part for us all season long," Tucker-Smith said. "Even when they were not doing so well offensively, they picked it up on the other side or vice-versa."

The Lady Rams had a strong showing in a season that was filled with historic firsts, and these four players played a pivotal role in getting this team to new heights. Tucker-Smith went into detail how valuable each of these players were to her squad and how each athlete's outstanding play often came with excelling in more than one area. She started by talking about the remarkable play of her junior shortstop. "Ty is so solid for us at shortstop even though she may have a down year hitting. I think she finished a little

over .300," said Tucker-Smith. "You can't find a better short-stop across the region than Ty, and she'll give you 110 percent every game."

There is no telling what the Rams lineup will be next season, but it would not be a surprise to see Hardeman return next year as a senior and take over the leadoff role in the Rams lineup.

She will have to try to mimic the remarkable job that outfielder Mariah Williams did in that spot in the lineup for the Rams this past season. Tucker-Smith transitioned from Hardeman to her shutdown starting pitcher Pearson, who she believes accounted for 16 of the Rams' 19 wins.

"She had phenomenal games against Archer, in the first time we ever beat them, and she pitched a great game against Grayson as well in that 2-0 game," said Tucker-Smith. "Hayden even hit well, and she stays at the top of our lineup for a reason. She doesn't mind sacrificing or bunting if we need that so she can do a little bit of everything."

Pearson has slowly grown into one of the best pitchers in Newton County, and with Eastside's Kailey Rusk graduating in the spring, Pearson may very well be the best.

A team is only as good as their pitching, and Pearson's continued improvement should lead to an even more successful season for the Rams next season. Just as important to a pitcher is her catcher, and the Rams Kaitlyn Neely proved to be one of the best in more ways than one.

"Always solid behind the plate. I want to say she wound up with 11 or 12 putouts this year throwing runners out," said Tucker-Smith. "Her bat as well. She had that home run against Mountain View and had several doubles as well."

Last but not most certainly not least is the Rams' young freshman Kyla Stroud. Stroud really came on as a dominant hitting force in the late stages of the season and showed just how much promise she has.

Earlier this year, Tucker-Smith had said that she had been waiting for Stroud's bat to get hot all season, and it was scorching hot after Stroud hit for the cycle in late September and stayed that way until the end.

"Kyla got off to a really slow start offensively but wound up finishing closer to .500," said Tucker-Smith. "She caught fire at the end, which is what I think she expected all season long to do, but she finally got it going there at the



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Ty'Liyah Hardeman and Hayden Pearson share a hug during a game earlier this season.

end."

The reoccurring theme among each of these exceptional athletes is that each of their Rams careers will continue next season. Tucker-Smith wanted to give a nod to her astounding senior group and knows replacing the talent that is leaving will be tough.

However, with such a for-

midable core group returning, she is excited to see what the future holds and hopes to reach another historic first with this core group of talent next season.

"Now, don't get me wrong; we're going to miss our seniors. We're going to miss Mariah (Williams) in the outfield. It's hard to find somebody as quick and reads fly

balls as well as she does," said Tucker-Smith. "I've got two years left with Hayden, three left with Kyla, and we've got next year with Ty and Kaitlyn Neely, so I'm looking to do even more than we did this year. I'm hoping to surpass 20 wins and do something the program has never done."

Newton, Alcovy, Social Circle staying put; Eastside moving up

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The GHSA announced on Tuesday the new region alignments, and while many local schools are staying put in their respective classifications, one Newton county school is moving up in the ranks.

Eastside high school will make the jump from AAAA to AAAAA in the sports season, which should lead to stiffer competition for the Eagles.

The move to AAAAA is

no surprise as the Eastside's student body numbers place them firmly in that classification. Eastside Eagles athletic director Phil Davidson is patiently waiting to see what region the Eagles are placed in for the next few seasons.

The Eagles could try to move up even farther up the ranks, but Davidson believes that in the end, the Eagles will find a home in AAAAA.

"It's kind of hard to say yet because we don't know who they'll match us up with the region alignments," said Davidson. "Because of our numbers, we are solidly in

AAAAA, so we have looked at moving up (to AAAAAA), but I think we'll probably stay where we are and see who they put us with."

The region that seems to be the perfect fit for the Eagles would be region 8-AAAAA. This region currently contains Buford, Cedar Shoals, Clarke Central, Johnson, Loganville and Walnut Grove. Buford and Cedar Shoals are the only two schools leaving the classification with Buford moving to AAAAAA and Cedar Shoals moving to AAAAA.

If Eastside were to join in

with Clarke Central, Johnson, Loganville, and Walnut Grove, then teams like Woodward Academy and Druid Hills, who are also joining AAAAA, could naturally move with Eastside to this region.

Regardless of what may happen, the GHSA has plenty of pivotal decisions to make concerning region alignment. The classification alignments were the first step, and the rest should unfold over the coming weeks.

As for Newton, Alcovy and Social Circle, each of these schools will continue to oper-

ate in the same classifications that they have in the past few seasons.

Newton will stay put in Georgia's largest classification, AAAAAAA, but must see if they will be moved from their actual region. Inside of their region, the Rockdale County Bulldogs made the move down from AAAAAAA to AAAAAA.

As for the Alcovy Tigers, they will stay in the state's second-largest classification, AAAAAA, but are waiting to see if there is any shake-up within their region. Many hold the belief that Rockdale

County could move to the Tiggers region once region alignments are announced.

Social Circle, the smallest of the four Newton county schools, is always staying put and will continue to play within AA. Every school is due for shakeups, so it remains to be seen if the Redskins will remain in the same region.

Each of these schools seem to have an idea of where they will be playing next season, and that idea will only get more clear as regions are announced.

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2019-2020 Basketball Preview



Returning seniors Maka'ya Cushion(left) and Shawn Smith (right) should both be key pieces for their respective teams in their quests for the state title.



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Lady Rams boast strength in numbers; Rams led by strong guard play

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Coming off a state championship game appearance in 2018, the Newton Lady Rams took a step back in the 2018-2019 season as they fell in the first round of the state playoffs and finished their season with a 10-18 overall record and 4-8 record in region play.

The Lady Rams have a ton of returning talent and a promising young group that can provide quality depth throughout. When asked who the go-to player was for her Rams squad, head coach Tiffani Johnson was happy to say that there was not just one.

“That’s the thing that I actually love about this team. There’s no two main anything. I have two players that are more point guard-oriented, but as far as the stats go, I have no clue who is going to lead what, which is great because it makes us harder to be scouted,” said Johnson. “Any given night, anybody can drop 20-25, so I’m anxious to see who steps up, and hopefully, it is somebody new every game.”

One key player that Johnson is happy to get back is senior Je’nya Smith, who was sidelined last season with multiple ACL injuries. Johnson believes that although Smith was not able to up her game on the court, her ability to watch from the sidelines was beneficial.

“I think watching a season has helped her get smarter basketball IQ wise. Being on the bench and being around the coaches when we’re talking and game planning, I think she has gained insight on when things need to happen and how they should,” said Johnson. “I think she can be a returning asset for us once she gets her mobility back. She comes with a range of offensive threats. She can pass and shoot; she can handle the ball, so it’ll just be the mobility, once she gets that back, we’ll be ready to go.”

Smith is joined by some other talented seniors that should all provide quality minutes and depth for the

Lady Rams. Along with Smith, seniors Brianna Thompson, Tijunna Freeman, Ashanti Wright, Maka’ya Cushion, and Alise Akridge all have an opportunity to crack the starting lineup.

With Rachel Hilliard graduating from last season’s team, the Lady Rams frontcourt could be viewed as an area that may be a weakness. However, coach Johnson actually believes this could be a strength for this team with the length she has at the position, which is something she has not had in the past.

“This is the first time in a while that I’ve had a little bit of size. It’s young size besides Brianna Thompson,” said Johnson. “Brianna Thompson is coming back as a senior and more confident. This time we have a little height, it’s just a matter of getting that game experience and confidence to be the banger and rebounder that Rachel was for us.”

Cushion emerged as the Lady Rams primary ball-handler and facilitator, and her growth should be on the minds of all in attendance. Cushion played every minute in some games last year, but coach Johnson is hopeful that the depth will allow Cushion to stay fresh in games.

“She’s a great leader and has a high motor. The good thing this year is she won’t have to spend as much time on the floor and exhaust herself. Some games she played the whole game, and that’s just hard to do with as energetic as she is,” said Johnson. “With the bench that we have, I’m looking for her to be more of a leader, more vocal with her experience. She’s been great so far, so we’re definitely looking for big things from Maka’ya.”

This Lady Rams squad seems to be solid top to bottom, and Johnson has big-time expectations for her team and remains hopeful to get back to where her team was two years ago.

“The goal, of course, is to go as far in the postseason as possible, but our short-term goal is chemistry. Finding matchups and groups of girls that play well in this scheme together so early on we’re trying to find our

rhythm,” said Johnson. “Of course, winning the region championship and moving on to state playoffs is the ultimate goal.”

Johnson knows that there is always room for improvement with any team, and it seems that chemistry played a part in where she is looking for the most growth to achieve those goals.

“Our offensive decision-making, defensively we are fine, and athletically we are good. It will just be that chemistry on offense and making the decision at the right time,” said Johnson.

The depth of this Lady Rams squad should make them a tough team to deal with against any competition they face and should make them one of the more formidable teams in AAAAAAA.

The Lady Rams will get their season started on the road on November 9th against the Morgan County Bulldogs.

Newton Rams Boys Basketball

The Newton Rams will begin the 2019-2020 season with a new head coach for the first time in 14 seasons, with Charlemagne Gibbons taking over the helm.

Gibbons looks to build on the success the program had under Rick Rasmussen’s tutelage while implementing some of his own beliefs in ideas to get to the Rams to the next level.

“We’re doing study hall on a regular basis every day. We’re much bigger into the weights, making sure these guys are lifting like they’re supposed to be lifting; that’s going to be a big change,” said Gibbons. “Also, just the style of we’re going to try a little faster and have a little more open offense.”

Gibbons made it known that he wants his guys to play fast, and that will be the game plan moving forward this season. Part of the reason for that style of attack is the makeup of the team, which is filled with talent that fits the mold of a successful, fast-paced offense.

“We’ve got a lot of dribble, pass, shoot guys that can put points on the board, so we’re going to try to do that to the best of our ability,” said Gibbons. “So, we’re going to try to push the ball down the court and keep the offense open.”

This type of offense bodes well for offensive juggernauts like Shawn Smith and Caleb Byrd and should lead to plenty of points between this pair of star senior guards.

Gibbons has big expectations for this pair and knows how lethal they can be for the Rams this season, but he hopes to get multiple people involved in the Rams scoring attack.

“With Shawn and Caleb, you have senior leadership and guys who have experience, which is great,” said Gibbons. “My thing is let’s share the basketball, let’s move the basketball, and let’s get everybody involved.”

Smith and Byrd both have big expectations for their senior seasons and know they have work to do to accomplish all of their team and individual goals.

“I think we can do really great, go really deep in the state playoffs and just make a lot of noise. We’re going to be a fast-paced team that’s going to be running up and down the floor,” said Byrd. “We just need to lock in and be more efficient and focus.”

“We’re going to be pretty small, so we’re definitely going to have to pick up the pace and get out and run against bigger teams,” said Smith. “We just need to completely stay focused.”

Byrd said that after playing two months with Smith, they have an understanding of each other’s game by now, so they are at a point where they can feed off of each other’s play. Smith knows when he and Caleb are on the court, teams will have tough decisions to make.

“I feel like if teams want to double team or trap, you kind of have to pick your poison. It’s either one or the other, we both get buckets,” said Smith.

Replacing talents like Tyrease Brown and Tre Clark is a tall task,

but Smith and Byrd seem to be the answer at those spots. However, replacing the loss of 6-foot-7 Armani Harris to graduation is still a work in progress, and the Rams are looking to see who steps up at that position.

“We’re still looking. We work on that every day. If we can find one or two guys, then I think we’ll be okay,” said Gibbons. “Shyear Mozoune is a guy that we’re trying out there, Doug Moore is a guy that we’re trying out there so we’ll combine the best we can as we go through these guys. The one thing I know is we have to find someone that can hold their own, so whoever that guy is, we’ll find him and roll with him.”

Who steps up in this role will be worth watching as the season progresses. When Gibbons was asked who might be a guy that could surprise the viewing public this year, he immediately went with junior Jordan Marshall for a number of reasons.

“I think Jordan is going to do some things that people haven’t seen yet,” said Gibbons. “He’s a really good player that can do a lot of different things. He can defend, he can rebound, handles the ball well, so we’re trying to bring that out of him on a consistent basis, and I think he can be another one of those guys that steps up.”

With such a plethora of talent, Gibbons has high hopes for his team in his first year but knows that certain areas of the team will have to pick up the slack to get where they need to be.

“The goal is always the same goal. We want to be the last team standing at the end of the year. If you don’t start with that mentality, then you cannot finish with that mentality,” said Gibbons. “We have to communicate better, and we have to be a great rebounding team from our perimeter because we’re not big.”

Gibbons will finally get to put his team in live competitive action on Saturday, November 9th, as they go on the road to face the Morgan County Bulldogs, who defeated the Rams by five last season.

Seniors leading Lady Tigers; Gerard driving force for Alcovy boy’s team

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Alcovy Lady Tigers had a tough 2018-2019 season as they finished with an overall record of 6-20 and a region record of 1-9, but head coach Justin Hunter is hopeful that this team will show improvement this season.

The Tigers lost a few critical starters like Liana Poole, but Hunter is expecting big things from seniors Ajoyous Tuggle and Unique Reed, but believes success will be an all-around team effort.

“Well, we know about Ajoyous Tuggle and Unique Reed’s ability to score, but we also have a person that makes their jobs easier with her presence in the paint collecting rebounds that presents them with opportunities, and that’s Dalehia Bolden,” said Hunter.

Hunter went on to say that the formidable duo of Tuggle and Reed will be helped by the return of a key player that was lost last season due to a leg injury.

“Serai Johnson, she’s returning back after being sidelined due to a leg injury, but she’s been a solid player in the past on varsity,” said Hunter.

“I think she will be able to help us in many different aspects of the game.”

Hunter believes that since these main contributors are coming with a lot of varsity experience, their leadership could be a huge key in helping them excel as a team.

Hunter said that with such a senior-laden group, it always remains in the back of a coach’s mind that the time with such a special group is limited. He knows that they have to do as much as they can with such an experienced group under his watch. With this particular group comes a ton of goals and expectations, and Hunter has already set some of those out in his mind.

“First and foremost, one of our goals this year is no hidden secret, and that’s trying to qualify for a state playoff spot. I definitely think the girls that we have here have the experience to do that,” said Hunter. “As for expectations, we hope to execute more than we have in the past as well as continuing to play with effort.”

Hunter knows that there is plenty of work to be done for his team to achieve every goal that they set, and that will be the challenge for them this season.

“To achieve those goals, we have to play smart, sound basketball,” said Hunter. “I believe the basic principles always rule. Taking advantage of scoring opportunities that may present themselves, whether it be open layups or free throws, while also playing hard, smart defense.”

With these basic principles in mind, Hunter knows that his team can always improve, but there’s one area that he believes his team needs to grow in the early stages of the season.

“Cutting down on turnovers. We have to improve the most in that,” said Hunter. “The amount of turnovers in all sports tells a lot, and those are usually not executing well.”

Led by Tuggle, Reed and Johnson, This Tigers team is looking to excel this season and turn the ship around from last season’s struggles.

They will look to do that in their first game of the season on Tuesday, November 12th, as they take on the Union Grove Wolverines on the road at 5:30 p.m.

Alcovy Tigers boys basketball

The Alcovy Tigers boys

basketball team fell in the first round of the region tournament, leaving them on the outside looking in of the state playoffs and finishing with an overall record of 9-17 and a region record of 3-8.

The Tigers proved last season that they knew how to score points as they led all teams in points scored in region play, but needed some defensive help as they also led in points allowed. With a few key seniors graduating, the Tigers offense should run through outstanding guard Oliver Gerard.

Gerard has already earned the respect of many people in the county and is viewed by many as one of the best players in the area. The Tigers seem to go as Gerard goes, and that should be the case this year as well.

Head coach Mack Hardwick has big-time expectations for the remarkable senior guard but is also looking to help him improve his game in other areas making him a tough combo guard.

“He brings a lot of energy and athleticism, definitely an ‘I’m going to get a bucket by any means necessary’ type of player. Lord forbid a ball comes off the rim, he’s going to dunk it back in, which

has an intimidation factor,” said Hardwick. “He has a really nice shot, and hopefully he’ll shoot it more this year. He’s got great ball-handling, so really he’s a combo guard. So we’re definitely looking to him step it up this year as a senior and be an integral part of this program.”

Gerard echoed the sentiments of his head coach and is hoping to show everyone the type of player that he can be.

“I’m trying to develop my style more for college, but I need to be a leader and try to facilitate the ball more and get some more assists,” said Gerard. “I’m trying to model my game after LeBron and improve my court vision and how I handle the ball.”

Hardwick believes that one player that could surprise some people is a young freshman that should see plenty of varsity experience in his first high-school season.

“Freshman Ben Hodges has definitely stepped it up to the extent that he is playing varsity full-time,” said Hardwick. “He hustles, and he’s got the handles that we require him to do the things we are looking to do this season. A lot of big things coming from Ben Hodges this year, so I

want the entire county to focus in on him.”

Gerard mentioned Trey Howze and Justin Evans as two guys that could have a big impact for the Tigers this season.

Hardwick is looking for his group to improve and build their confidence in their shooting ability as the season opener inches ever closer. If they can do that, they can achieve some of the goals that Hardwick has set in his mind. He’s keeping some of the personal goals private, but has one main goal for his team.

“Growth. Growth is very necessary for a program that has to make a name for itself,” said Hardwick. “Seeing the overall maturation and solidifying the defensive concepts that we have put in place. So we’re actually stressing basketball IQ and having it flow with our athleticism.”

The Tigers should achieve these goals as the season progresses, but it will be interesting to see if Hardwick and his crew can accomplish the goals that he is keeping to himself.

Hardwick and the Tigers squad will get their season underway against the Union Grove Wolverines on Tuesday, November 12th, at 7 p.m.

Lady Eagles hopeful to end playoff drought; Eagles looking to bounceback

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Last season the Eastside Lady Eagles, who finished with an 11-13 overall record and a 6-8 record, fell in the first round of the region tournament matchup in the final seconds against Woodward Academy that was deemed “controversial” by members of the viewing public.

The Lady Eagles are not focusing on this loss, but are ready to get back in action with their strong core of seniors leading the way for their squad. King is happy with her senior group, and it gives her the options to try personnel groupings.

“With this, you can bring new players on the floor and bring in two new players that would not normally be out there, but have two to three seniors out there and see how things go,” said King. “That leadership helps, and certain seniors are so versatile that we can do that.”

One of the Lady Eagles’ most outstanding seniors is Alysee Dobbs. She is a scoring machine for the Eagles, and King knows how much of a threat she is for the opposition.

“Her ability to score inside and outside helps us out a lot,” said King. “On days were not practicing, she’s in the gym working to improve and help the team, and I’m very excited about her senior season.”

Dobbs is on the brink of breaking into the thousand point club, and getting in there is one of her main goals. However, her main goal is to accomplish something that has not been done during her time on this team.

“I’ve been working for the thousand point club ever since freshman year. I didn’t really think about it much until I realized I could score,” said Dobbs. “I really want to win the region and go to state.”

For the Lady Eagles to achieve some of these goals set out by Dobbs, she’s going to need help. Two seniors that are listed as captains and should definitely help are T’Niah Douglas and Dasia Burgess.

“Dasia was my MVP last year and was our third-leading scorer. She works on the

board. She does things that don’t show up in the stat book, where she’s going to hustle to the ball. She’s that silent leader on the team,” said King. “T’Niah can shoot, drive and attack the basket. She can score inside and out, and she’s a tough and very aggressive player.”

Douglas and Burgess understand that this year is their final chance to break through and do even more than just make the state playoffs, but they know that they have to work together as a team to make that happen.

“We want to get past the first round in the playoffs,” said Douglas. “We have to play as a team, play smart, and have fewer turnovers.”

“I want us to grow as a team bonding-wise and make it higher than just making it to state. I want to achieve bigger goals than just making it to state,” said Burgess. “We need to hustle at all times.”

Rounding out the senior group are Jamiyra Smith, Jakiyra Lemmon and Sydney Duren. King said each one of these players has come along in their play and have become leaders in their own way. Their leadership will be vital on and off the court throughout the season.

As for one player that should have an impact that is not a senior, sophomore Lizzie Teasley is most definitely that player. She made her presence known last season and should play a vital role for the Eagles this season.

“She’s my ball handler. It’s hard to run a program without a ball-handling point guard, and I know that was a lot of pressure for a freshman, but she handled it very well,” said King. “The girls are very comfortable with her, and she knows the offense and where she needs to be at, and that’s what we want.”

With all these excellent offensive pieces, the Eagles are poised to make noise this season. Despite these great offensive players, King made it known that the most important thing for her team is defense, and she’s hoping that this team will lock down their opponents.

“As I always tell them, and I’ve been saying this ever since I arrived at Eastside, the goal is we can score, but

we don’t want our opponents scoring,” said King. “We want to put pressure on the ball. We don’t want people to set up their offense freely; we make sure we get back and stop their offense.”

King’s expectations and goals seemed to match many of the seniors’ goals, but she knows they have areas to improve, and there’s one key area that she’s looking for the most improvement.

“Just turnovers, silly turnovers. Turnovers that we can control,” said King. “There’s going to be consequences for the silly turnovers and when they do things that I’ve told them not to do. So let’s just cut down on those silly turnovers.”

If the Lady Eagles can band together and play strong defense, while allowing their main senior scorers put points on the board, then they should achieve all of their goals.

The Lady Eagles will look to put it all together next Tuesday night, November 12th, as they open up their season against the Heritage Patriots at the NewRock showcase at Alcovy high school.

Eastside Eagles boys basketball team

The Eastside Eagles boys’ basketball team, which finished with a 15-10 overall record and 9-5 region record, is looking to avenge their first-round loss to Druid Hills Red Devils in the region tournament, which led to them falling just short of making the state playoffs.

Last season was an emotional time for this Eastside Eagles squad as they played much of last season with heavy hearts as head coach Brent Wren continued his fight with stomach cancer.

Sadly, Wren lost his battle with cancer on Friday, May 10th, 2019, and the public’s reaction throughout his battle made it known that Wren was much more than a basketball coach; he was a pivotal figure in many people’s lives beyond the court and beyond the walls of Eastside high school.

Eagles new head coach, Michael Gerald, stepped up in as the interim head coach last season and knew during that time that his team was playing with Wren on their minds.

Gerald said he could feel that his players “wanted to do well for coach Wren,” but that it had to be an “emotionally draining” time for the team with such an impactful man on their minds.

With the thoughts of Wren on players and the coaching staff’s mind throughout the season, it is a testament to this team to continue to fight on the court while their thoughts may have been elsewhere.

The Eagles season ended in a very disappointing fashion for the group, and Gerald wants to make sure that his team is not in that position



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Eastside’s Jake Casola is one player that could surprise some people, according to head coach Michael Gerald.

again.

“When you lose to a team the way we did, I think we had some opportunities,” said Gerald. “You learn from those hiccups and bumps in the road.”

This Eagles squad has five seniors on the team in Jake Casola, Joseph Prioleau, Kevon Lewis, Jacob Motley and Kenney Garrick. Gerald believes that all five seniors will play pivotal roles, but believes one senior could surprise people this season and that this player’s work in the offseason will pay off for him this year.

“We have Jake Casola. He’s going to be a pleasant surprise this year. He’s worked so hard in the offseason and has a great attitude, so we’re going to rely on his leadership,” said Gerald. “He plays with some toughness and great footwork around the basket, and he’s expanding his game and range on the court. I feel like he’s just right on the cusp on making people go, ‘Man, I didn’t know this guy.’”

Casola brings some senior leadership in a frontcourt that has some youthful players that have high potential. One such player is the Eagles 6-foot-8 sophomore Chauncey Wiggins, who is already garnering national attention as the nation’s 58th best prospect in the 2022 class per 247sports.

Gerald believes Wiggins will have a significant impact

on the Eagles this season, but still has areas that he can improve his game.

“He just brings versatility. Offensively, he can play inside and outside, he’s long,” said Gerald. “We’re going to need him to get a little bit more physical, but he has everything, has all the tools, and he’s put in a lot of work.”

Wiggins and Casola seem to be big-time factors in the Eagles gameplan, but Gerald also listed junior Miokaye Grant as a guy that could give the Eagles some quality minutes.

With a strong frontcourt, the Eagles will rely heavily on junior Myles Rice, who seems to be the go-to guy on this team. Rice burst onto the scene last season and proved himself to be one of the county’s best. Gerald had high praise for Rice and knows how crucial Rice will be to the overall team’s success.

“I just need Myles to continue to grow as a player and with leadership. He’s the guy who has the most experience and is coming back as an all-region player, and we’re going to try to use that experience and ride him in games where decisions have to be made,” said Gerald. “He’s just a competitor, and he does a little bit of everything, he rebounds the ball for us, he’s our primary ball-handler and decision-maker, so we rely on him to do just about anything.”

Rice understands that he must step up as a leader and has been hard at work to improve in that area. He also has set some big-time team and individual goals for his junior season.

“I’ve been working on being a more vocal leader for the team and making sure that everyone knows their roles and how to play together,” said Rice. “For the team, I obviously want us to win state, but individually I want to get closer to that thousand-point club and win region player of the year.”

If Rice can do that, then this Eagles team should be flying high and make a definite run in the state playoffs. However, coach Gerald knows this team still has plenty of room to improve and listed the area that he knows his team could use the most improvement.

“I think our transition game has to be better,” said Gerald. “Defending and not giving up easy baskets and then, obviously, we want to be able to get the ball out and get great shots in transition.”

This Eagles squad seems to be solid top to bottom and should make noise in not only region play but also in the state tournament.

They will start on their path to state on Saturday, November 9th, when they face Redan high school in the Southwest Dekalb Showcase.



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Lady Eagles T’Niah Douglas is one of the several senior leaders that could help finally push the team into the state playoffs.

Newton County’s preseason “starting five” boys team

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Alcovy, Eastside and Newton have a wide arrangement of talent on each of their teams, so picking just five guys to represent the county as the best players in the area was no easy task.

However tough this task may seem to be, the list has been narrowed down to these five remarkable athletes with many others that are just as deserving.

Myles Rice

Rice exploded onto the scene last year as an effective scorer and leader for the Eastside Eagles. He seems to be Mr. Clutch for this Eagles squad and should be the game manager for the team in easy and tough situations alike.

Rice prides himself on his scoring ability, something that he said he has been proud of since the days of his youth. Rice has a blend of talent that allows him to not only drive the lane but also

hang outside and shoot the three-ball effectively.

Opposing defenses will have to hone in on Rice if they hope to have any chances of defeating the Eagles this season as he is the key cog in making Eastside’s offense go.

Caleb Byrd

Byrd, the talented transfer from Rome and Georgia Southern commit, is one of the most-talented guards that I have seen to date at the high school level. Byrd very well may be the county’s most deadly scorer and can get the job done from all over the court.

In the Rams scrimmage, one thing that stood out about Byrd was his hustle and handles. With the ball in his hand, Byrd can glide past defenders and make them look just plain silly in some situations. Without the ball, he hustles for plays and goes up and grabs rebounds.

Byrd brings senior leadership to the Rams and should create a deadly one-two punch with another Ram

who has made our starting five.

Shawn Smith

If there was any question if Shawn Smith should be on this list, then there should not be. Smith is the other half of the one-two punch that is mentioned above, and the Smith-Byrd combo should give opposing teams nightmares to defend.

Smith is another outstanding scorer and has drawn comparisons from others to Russell Westbrook. This should be high praise for the Newton senior guard, who should play a key role in the Rams gameplans for the remainder of the season.

With the Rams lacking some size, Smith will be relied on heavily, and his ability to get to the basket and grab rebounds will be counted on throughout the season.

Oliver Gerard

Oliver Gerard is a high-flying prospect that can most impressively pull down boards and get to the basket.

Gerard should be the main focal point in the Tigers offense and will most likely spend a lot of time with the ball in his hands.

Gerard has great size at 6-foot-3 and is hoping to expand his game more like LeBron’s and be a facilitator in the Tigers offense this season. Gerard has a knack for scoring, but if he can become an elite playmaker, then opposing teams could be in for a long night.

Chauncey Wiggins

Arguably the most sought-after prospect in the Covington area for quite some time, Wiggins can spend this year proving to everyone that he is worth the hype. Eagles’ head coach Michael Gerald complimented his hard-work and versatility in the offseason and knows his brightest days are ahead of him.

The 6-foot-8 sophomore is already piling up offers from across the nation, but if he proves to be an elite rebounder that can score from all over,



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Smart's Bulldogs must keep their eyes on the prize

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Breathe Bulldog nation. Just breathe. The most pivotal week of the season is behind the Bulldogs, and they came out of that week, maintaining control over their own destiny.

In an absolutely crucial 24-17 win over their most-hated rivals, the Bulldogs walked out of TIAA Bank Field in absolute jubilation as their defeat of the Florida Gators not only insured the Bulldogs bragging rights but just about locked them into a spot in the Southeastern Conference championship game.

The SEC championship game has been a de facto play-in game for the college football playoff since it's establishment, and that should be the case this year with so many quality SEC teams within the top ranks in the country.

I prefaced the word "locked" with just about two paragraphs above because the Bulldogs still have plenty of work to do if they hope to get to the SEC title game.

The Bulldogs will have to get right back to work this weekend with a crucial SEC game on their schedule at home against the Missouri Tigers. A win here will continue to trend them in the right direction and inch them closer to an SEC championship game appearance.

The Tigers were viewed by many in the preseason as a team that could surprise teams in the SEC east. While the Bulldogs were the odds on favorite to win the East, the Tigers did earn some second-place nods from various pundits.

The Tigers currently sit in third place in the East and are coming off back-to-back backluster losses to Vanderbilt and Kentucky. With the Ti-

gers struggling, the Bulldogs need to take advantage of their deficiencies and not let them have a rebound performance.

The Bulldogs will return to Sanford Stadium for this game against the Tigers, and being back home should be a welcome sight for a team coming off a hard-fought victory.

The Tigers boast a balanced offense with the nation's 49th ranked rush offense and 54th ranked pass offense, but the offense seems to begin and end with transfer quarterback Kelly Bryant.

Bryant is a dynamic playmaker that can quickly move the ball with his legs and his arm. He put the country on notice of his playmaking ability during his time as the Clemson Tigers starting quarterback, and his outstanding athletic ability always makes him a viable threat.

Stopping Bryant has to be the Bulldogs' number one focal point, and if they can render him ineffective for the majority of the day, then the Bulldogs' path to victory should become even more clear.

Bryant's had a strong rushing attack to help him this season, and no one has been more proficient in moving the ball in the run game than running back Larry Rountree III.

In games where Rountree was the Tigers leading rusher, the Tigers are 5-1, so the Bulldogs need to do an excellent job of keeping him at bay. Rountree has the seventh-most rushing yards among SEC backs and is quietly proving himself to be one of the premier backs in the SEC.

The Bulldogs did an excellent job last week of shutting down Lamical Perine and the Gators rushing attack, when they held that group to a re-



John Raoux | Associated Press
Florida quarterback Kyle Trask, left, scrambles from the pocket from the Georgia defense during the second half of an NCAA college football game, Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019, in Jacksonville, Fla.

markable 21 yards of rushing.

The Bulldogs defense has yet to give up a single rushing touchdown this season, and if they keep that unbelievable streak running through the game against Missouri, they should be able to notch another tally in their win column.

The Tigers seem to work best as an offense when they have a balanced attack and can keep the opposition guessing. If the Bulldogs can shut down the Tigers' rushing attack and force Bryant to make plays with his arm, then it should lead to another standout day for the Bulldogs defense.

The Tigers always seem to have a few playmakers in the passing attack, and the Bulldogs must key in on tight end Albert Okwuegbunam.

Okwuegbunam is a 6-foot-5 tight end that has elite athleticism for the position.

Okwuegbunam is not the Tigers leading pass catcher statistically, but he does seem to be an integral part of their offense and could give the Bulldogs trouble early and often.

The Bulldogs have shown some signs of struggles against big-bodied tight ends. The Gators Kyle Pitts and Notre Dame's Cole Kmet both had huge days against the Bulldogs secondary.

Pitts was more of a factor in the early stages, and the Bulldogs seemed to find a way to slowly escort him out of the Gators offensive gameplan. They did that by placing tighter coverage on him and forcing the Gators quarterback to look elsewhere for

plays.

The tight end seems to be a position that can give the Bulldogs trouble, so the earlier they limit Okwuegbunam as a threat, the better.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Bulldogs need to try and do what they do every week and establish their rushing attack. The Tigers have the 41st best rush defense in the country, so if the Bulldogs find success with their rushing attack early, then this game could be over by half time.

The Tigers also have the 4th best passing defense in the country, so this could be a game where the better defense wins the day. The Bulldogs will need to let their offense attack early and let their defense keep the Tigers off the scoreboard.

One reason the Bulldogs were able to beat the Gators last week is that their offensive line kept quarterback Jake Fromm clean, meaning they did not give up a single sack.

This battle in the trenches is always a storyline worth watching, but if they can get the same push as they did last week, then the Bulldogs should walk away with another victory.

One area that the Bulldogs need to pick it up in is turnovers. They need to find a way to force more turnovers, especially in their pass defense.

If the Bulldogs can earn an early lead and force a few turnovers, then they should not only win the game, but they might just do so handily.

Five Mizzou Tigers that could cause trouble on Saturday

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The Missouri Tigers are coming to town, and the Georgia Bulldogs should be ready to build on their massive win against Florida, but they must shutdown these five guys.

Kelly Bryant

Bryant is an extremely athletic quarterback that has the arm strength and football IQ to burn the Bulldogs through the air, but the speed and quickness to hurt the Bulldogs on the ground. Bryant is a very special talent, and the Bulldogs will have to respect both aspects of his game.

Bryant may slightly be a better athlete than a quarterback, so the Bulldogs will need to respect that aspect of this game. They need to force him to throw it and hope to push him into making some key mistakes with turnovers.

Larry Rountree III

Have you ever even heard of Rountree III? It would not be shocking if you have not, but he is quietly having a very impressive season as the Tigers lead back. He's the



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Missouri quarterback Kelly Bryant looks to pass during the second quarter of an NCAA college football game against South Carolina Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019, in Columbia, Mo.

perfect complement to Bryant and can be used to open up the Tigers passing game, while also being a decoy to open up rushing lanes for Bryant.

As the seventh leading rusher in the SEC, the Bulldogs will need to shut him down early and mimic their

defensive performance and efforts against the Gators last week as they only allowed 21 rushing yards. The Bulldogs have proved themselves to be one of the best rush defenses in the country and will need to put that on display on Saturday.

Albert Okwuegbunam

Saying his full name three times fast may be easier than locking him down, which means he could give a Bulldogs team that has had some struggles against tight ends trouble.

Okwuegbunam

stands at 6-foot-5 and has excellent receiving ability, which makes him arguably the best tight end in the SEC.

The Bulldogs will need to turn to their second-half defensive gameplan against the Gators in which they shut down Kyle Pitts and rendered him ineffective for the re-

mainder of the game.

Kobie Whiteside

At 310 lbs. Whiteside leads the Tigers in sacks, and it is not really close. It is rare for a man of his size to be a team's leading sacker, but he has found a way in the past to get after the quarterback and put him on the ground.

Whiteside has five sacks on the season and will look to build on that total against the Bulldogs outstanding offensive line. The Bulldogs ability to beat the Gators relied much on the fact that they did not give up a single sack. If they can do that again, then they should walk away with a victory over the Tigers.

Nick Bolton

Bolton leads the Tigers in tackles and should have an important impact on whether the Bulldogs will be able to rush the ball with ease or struggles. The Bulldogs will need to find ways to get their offensive lineman to the next level to get Bolton blocked and make him ineffective.

If they can take the Tigers leading tackler out of the defensive game plan, then they should add yet another win to their season and march even closer to the SEC title.

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