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SEASON FINALE

How did Newton
schools perform in their
last game of the regular
season Friday night?

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His Word

Let your conversation be
without covetousness; and
be content with such things
as ye have: for he hath said,
I will never leave thee, nor
forsake thee.

Hebrews 13:5, KJV

Covington man charged in wife's shooting murder

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COVINGTON, Ga. — A Covington man has been charged with murder after his wife was found dead from a gunshot wound in a bedroom of their Cook Street home.

Tony Lamar Holder, 48, faces various murder charges connected to the incident Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 10:40 p.m., said Capt. Ken Malcom of the Covington Police Department.

Officers responded to a report of a 63-year-old woman being shot by her husband on Cook Street.

When officers arrived, they apprehended Holder in the resident's front yard and found his wife, Carol Denise Holder, dead from a gunshot wound in a bedroom.

According to a witness, Mr. and Mrs. Holder got into an argument which escalated to Tony Holder firing a weapon, which struck and killed Carol Holder, a report stated.

The body was to be transported to the GBI crime lab for an autopsy, Malcom said.

Detectives interviewed the suspect and a witness. Holder refused to give a statement.

He was later transported to the Newton County Jail and charged with malice murder, felony murder, possession of firearm during the commission of a crime, possession of firearm by convicted felon, and aggravated assault.



Tony Lamar
Holder

Recount complete



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From left, a state Democratic Party monitor and county elections director Angela Mantle watch election workers count ballots Monday, Nov. 16, on the final day of the hand audit of Newton County's votes for president in the Nov. 3 General Election at the county administration building in Covington.

Hand tally confirms Biden leads Georgia, Newton County

By TOM SPIGOLON
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County's hand recount of the votes for president in the Nov. 3 General Election differed by 13 votes from the original count.

The recount produced 54,252 votes for the three top presidential candidates in the General Election in Newton County compared to the original count of 54,239 for a difference of 0.024%, according to totals released by the Georgia Secretary of State's office.

It gave 19 additional votes to President Donald Trump and lowered President-Elect Joe Biden's

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Covington widow may never vote again

National attention from false Trump campaign claims made her 'feel awful'

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COVINGTON, Ga. — A Newton County widow says she may never vote again after receiving national attention following President Donald Trump's election campaign's false claim she used her late husband's identification to vote illegally.

Newton County election officials and the county government reported recently that Agnes Blalock of Covington has been voting legally as Mrs. James Blalock Jr. since at least 1992 — with the latest instance being her absentee vote in the Nov. 3 election which included the race between Trump and former

Vice President Joe Biden.

"It's made me feel awful and I'm trying to forget it," Agnes Blalock said Monday, Nov. 16. "I'm trying to get over it."

She said a Newton elections office worker told her she would receive a card on which she could register again using her first name.

"I may never vote again

anyway," Mrs. Blalock said. "I wish I hadn't this time."

Mrs. Blalock, who is reportedly in her 90s, is a 24-year Newton County resident. She said she did not recall why her name was in the database with the "Mrs." attached.

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'It's Christmas time in the city'



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Santa stopped by Thursday night to help light the Covington Square and kick off the holiday season. See photos of the event on A12.

Shop and sip

Covington approves open container resolution for downtown on Small Business Saturday

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Small Business Saturday will look a little different around the Square this year.

The Covington City Council approved a resolution Monday night to allow shoppers to carry alcoholic beverages as they shop around the Covington Square on Nov. 28 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"There would be no road

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Ice skating rink opens TONIGHT

Covington on Ice opens Saturday, Nov. 21, at 6 p.m. The ice skating rink is located at Legion Field at 3173 Mill Street NE in Covington. The rink will be open through February.



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commissioner
celebrates retirement

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count by seven votes in Newton County. However, it still allowed Biden to win Newton County by a 5,899-vote margin and Georgia as a whole by 12,284 votes — making him the first Democrat to win Georgia since Bill Clinton in 1992. A Republican has not won a majority for president in Newton County since George W. Bush in 2004, according to Secretary of State records. Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger ordered the hand recount as part of a requirement for auditing the Dominion Voting Systems machines the state uses in all 159 counties.

“Georgia’s historic first statewide audit reaffirmed that the state’s new secure paper ballot voting system accurately counted and reported results,” Raffensperger said in a statement. Phil Johnson, chairman of the Newton County Board of Elections, said he believed the audit was done to prove the system’s reliability. “The machine is very, very reliable,” he said. He noted humans made the only errors after they failed to upload some votes cast in four counties, including nearby Walton. “I’m proud of our office for not having those kinds of prob-

lems,” Johnson said. Election workers did the recount of the Newton County General Election votes for president Nov. 13 through Nov. 16 using a method prescribed by the Secretary of State’s office for all 159 counties. The recount showed Biden with 29,787 votes, Trump with 23,888 and Libertarian candidate Jo Jorgensen with 577 in Newton County. Votes certified by the board of elections Nov. 9 were Biden with 29,794 votes, Trump with 23,869, Jorgensen with 576. The certified totals showed 38% of the votes were cast during

the three-week advance voting period in-person; 33% voted in-person on Election Day; and almost 29% were cast absentee by mail. About 240 who cast votes in the election either did not vote for president or voted for a write-in candidate. Johnson said he believed the totals produced by the Do-

minion machines were much more accurate than those produced by humans after workers hand-counted over three days almost 55,000 votes cast in Newton County. The statewide results were set for official certification on Friday, Nov. 20, and likely will lead to the state’s 16 electoral votes being

cast for Biden on Jan. 6, the Capitol Beat News Service reported. Trump has until early next week to request a recount in Georgia because of the close margin between him and Biden in the state. That would involve cycling ballots back through tallying machines, the news service reported.



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Election workers count ballots Nov. 13 as state and county Democratic Party monitors look on during the first day of the hand audit of Newton’s votes for president in the General Election at the county administration building in Covington.

SHOP:

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closures, no outside events, it is just that you can go into a participating restaurant, buy a beverage in a cup and get a wristband, and you can take that cup with you as you shop,” Community Development Director Trey Sanders said. He said alcoholic beverages would not be allowed in the park on the Square. There will also be no road closures. Sanders said the idea was sparked among merchants in an effort to drive consumers to spend their money locally and increase foot traffic downtown. “That Saturday is a big opportunity for folks in and around our Square to do business,”

Sanders said. “So we were talking about ways to possibly enhance that day for them, and one of the things that they mentioned was having an open container, special event day. “It’s something that the merchants think may help keep people sticking around a little bit more, and clearly the restaurants would appreciate the opportunity to sell something that could be carried in the district there,” he said. Small Business Saturday is a nationwide initiative that began in 2010 to push people toward shopping locally for the holidays. When questioned by Covington Mayor Steve

Horton, Sanders clarified that not all restaurants were required to participate. If a restaurant would like to participate, it would need to purchase specialized cups and wristbands from the city. Councilman Kenneth Morgan asked if there were plans for an increased police presence for the day. Covington Police Chief Stacey Cotton said there would be more officers on patrol and would be stopping through the area more than usual. After no further discussion, the council approved the resolution 5-1; Councilwoman Hawneithia Williams opposed.

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“That’s going to be changed or I’m never going to vote again — if I keep living,” she said, laughing. Secretary of State records identified Mrs. Blalock as James Blalock Jr. because it does not include titles — such as Mrs. or Dr. — with names in its database, county election officials said. However, the database does include the voter’s gender that was

used to delineate her from her dead husband, officials said. Trump’s campaign alleged on Nov. 11 that James Blalock Jr. was among four dead Georgians whose names were illegally used to cast ballots in the General Election. Mr. Blalock died in 2006 and the Trump campaign claimed he was an example of a dead individual whose name was used by “someone” to illegally vote in Georgia, The Hill reported. A news release identified Mr. Blalock as a Covington resident and included an obituary for the retired postal worker and World War II veteran who died at age 81 in January 2006. The release was part of the campaign’s effort to show that voter fraud was present in Georgia before the Nov. 3 election in which Trump lost to Joe Biden by 13,000 votes out of 5 million cast in Georgia, campaign officials said. However, Newton County election officials said the reg-

istration of James E. Blalock Jr., was canceled a few months after he died in 2006. Blalock’s widow was voting under the name Mrs. James Blalock Jr. — with the “Mrs.” left off the name in the Secretary of State’s database, officials said. Newton County elections director Angela Mantle said Blalock’s widow has regularly voted legally under the name Mrs. James E. Blalock Jr. since 1992 — most recently using an absentee ballot in the Nov. 3 election. The Hill and numerous other local and national news outlets reported that on a Nov. 12 segment of Fox News’ “Tucker Carlson Tonight,” the host claimed that someone had cast a ballot on behalf of Mr. Blalock. Carlson on Friday, Nov. 13, apologized to viewers after an Atlanta TV news outlet said Carlson made a false claim about Mrs. Blalock illegally voting. The Hill reported.

2020 Advent/Christmas Duet Recital

by Alice Walker and Becky Ramsey

Sunday, November 29, at 8:00 PM
Alice Walker and Becky Ramsey will present a Virtual Duet Recital of traditional Advent/Christmas Carols
The recital will be available at the **Covington First Presbyterian Church website: FPCCOV.org**
(beginning November 29 and continuing through the Christmas season)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A TEACHER?

On Thursday, December 3rd, at 6:00 p.m. the Griffin Regional Educational Service Agency will conduct the South Metro Atlanta GaTAPP (*Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy*) Information Session hosted by Griffin RESA virtually via Zoom. The GaTAPP program is designed to attract highly motivated professionals outside the teaching profession who hold a Bachelor’s degree or higher from a regionally accredited college/university and are interested in pursuing a teaching career. Human Resources Directors from Butts, Fayette, Henry, Lamar, Newton, Pike, Griffin-Spalding, and Thomaston-Upson School Systems will be in attendance at this event to virtually provide information on prospective employment opportunities for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year and for the 2021-2022 school year. Space will be limited and only those with reservations will be admitted.

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Retired, but not forgotten

Ewing leaves legacy in county business, political arenas

By TOM SPIGOLON
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Mort Ewing was most remembered recently for the pre-digital age item he used to take notes — yellow legal pads.

He left piles of them wherever he worked, such as the farm he managed at the Burge Plantation Club in Mansfield, or his second career at Jones, Ewing, Dobbs & Tamplin (JEDT) insurance agency in Covington where he has worked since 1999, current and former employers recalled.

A pack of the legal pads were among the not-so-serious gifts he received last week during a party at the Covington Lions Club building celebrating the 82-year-old Ewing's retirement from the JEDT agency.

Guests included owners and employees of the multi-office agency, including such prominent names as former longtime state legislator Denny Dobbs and District 1 County Commissioner Stan Edwards, who will succeed Ewing at JEDT. Doug Ewing, president of the agency and a second cousin to the honoree, led the event that included Mort Ewing receiving a variety of serious gifts.

One gift was a painting that alluded to his ownership of T.M. Ewing Farm, which continues his lineage as a sixth-generation farmer in Newton County.

Edwards recalled his longtime friendship with Mort Ewing, beginning with baling



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From left, JEDT Insurance Services Vice President Denny Dobbs, Secretary/Treasurer Georgeana Tamplin, Mort Ewing and President Doug Ewing celebrate Mort's upcoming retirement from the agency during a party at the Covington Lions Club building last week.

hay as a 16-year-old on Ewing's farm.

"He nurtured me ... took me into the agency," said Edwards, who has served as the agency's Covington office manager after a career with AT&T.

Outside the agency, though, Mort Ewing has been a major force in the state's agricultural industry and local and state political arena — using his influence to bring to life major public works projects throughout Newton County.

He is a longtime leader in the Newton County Farm Bureau; served as state president and chief executive officer of the Georgia Farm Bureau; and served as vice president of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

He was instrumental in planning and obtaining funding for the Newton County Agricultural Center at

the state FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington. It was dedicated in 2019 in his name.

Ewing won election to three terms on the Newton County Commission and worked behind the scenes in political campaigns for all levels of government.

He said he was among a group of five politically active residents who were looking for a candidate for the vacant District 1 commission seat in 2000. The other four decided Ewing should run, he said.

"My goal was to do the best I could for Newton County," he said.

He said his proudest achievement was convincing then-County Chairman Aaron Varner to include funding from a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for renovation of the Historic Courthouse.

Ewing recalled the

building being padlocked, the floors covered with garbage and calls for its destruction when he told Varner of the need for its renovation.

"He said, 'If you think you can make a silk purse out of this sow's ear, go ahead,'" Ewing said.

"I took it upon myself to generate support" he said.

The county included \$4.3 million from the 2000 SPLOST for the project.

He noted Varner reminded him of the "silk purse" comment during the 2004 dedication of the renovation.

Ewing plans to retire but stay active in working on his 250-acre farm, which has produced beef cattle, hay, timber and more.

He said he also wants to spend more time with his wife of 60 years, Faye, and his sons Ben and John.

Covington charity clinic receives \$10K for COVID-19 costs

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A Covington nonprofit is among 25 free and charitable clinics nationwide to receive \$10,000 grants to cover costs related to their response to the COVID-19 pandemic in the U.S.

Willing Helpers Medical Clinic in Covington was among two Georgia clinics to receive the grants.

It will be used to cover the cost of staff salaries related to extended clinic hours because of the pandemic, a news release stated.

Willing Helpers is an appointment-only charitable medical clinic in Covington that offers healthcare services to those who have no insurance and are unable to pay for medical services, its website stated.

It serves Newton County residents ages 18 and older who have chronic illnesses, no health insurance, and household income within 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.

The clinic was founded in 2006 through the efforts of Solid Rock Baptist Church and local community doctors and nurses, the website stated.

The grants are part of Ameri-

cares' global response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has reached 26 countries with critically needed protective gear, training and emotional support for frontline health workers, a release stated.

Americares is the largest nonprofit provider of medical aid to organizations serving low-income and uninsured patients in the U.S.

It provides medicine, supplies, education and training to a network of more than 1,000 partner clinics nationwide.

Americares' U.S. Program helps partner clinics increase capacity, provide comprehensive care, improve health outcomes and reduce costs for patients.

Americares awarded \$250,000 to nonprofit organizations responding to the COVID-19 pandemic in the U.S. Twenty-five free and charitable clinics were each awarded \$10,000 grants.

The funds will be used to purchase critically needed personal protective equipment, increase COVID-19 testing and screening capabilities, implement telehealth services, hire additional medical staff and offset the cost of other pandemic-related expenses. Health care providers in

16 states were awarded funding, including California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

Americares sought funding proposals from its network of 1,000 partner clinics and organizations in the U.S. expanding access to health services in communities hard hit by the pandemic.

Many of the projects will benefit patients disproportionately impacted by the virus, including Black and Hispanic patients, and patients experiencing homelessness.

With the rising numbers of families in poverty nationwide, the National Association of Free & Charitable Clinics reports 74% of clinics have seen an increase in new, unemployed patients inquiring about care since the start of the pandemic.

At the same time, nearly two-thirds of clinics canceled planned fundraisers that provide critical operating funds, according to a recent survey of the association's 1,400 member clinics nationwide.

Community Calendar

SATURDAY, NOV. 21

- Ice skating rink opens at 6 p.m. in Covington at Legion Field.
- Deadline to order your Holiday Poinsettia from the Newton County Schools Horticultural Programs. Log onto my.cheddarup.com/c/poinsettia-sale-42931 to order and refer any questions to Dr. Catrina Pollard at pollard.catrina@newton.k12.ga.us.

SUNDAY, NOV. 22

- Sheriff Ezell Brown and the Newton County Sheriff's Office will be partnering with Pleasant View Baptist Church for a free turkey giveaway from noon to 2 p.m. Turkeys will be available while supplies last on the church's top parking lot while free flu shots and COVID-19 testing will be offered on the bottom parking lot, according to an announcement on sheriff's office's Facebook page. The sheriff's office will be providing traffic control as well as handing out badges to children. The church is at 10201 Flat Shoals Road in Covington.

THROUGH NOV. 30

- Virtual Vampire Run from Oct. 1 through Nov. 30. All net proceeds from the race will go toward the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Prospective racers can register for the virtual run at runsignup.com/Race/GA/MysticFallsCovington/VirtualVampireRun and help "take a bite out of blood cancers."

THURSDAY, DEC. 3

- Late Night Christmas Shopping on the Covington Square begins.

BEST OF NEWTON PRIZE DRAWING WINNERS

Congratulations to **Jared Rutberg** and **Chris Martin**, both of Covington, for winning *The Covington News'* Best of Newton prize drawing.

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Best of Newton voting results will be announced at a later date and published in a special magazine January.

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OPINIONS

The Covington News

Taylor Beck editor and publisher

Child's wave does wonders

My son, Eli, recently mastered the art of waving, and as when most children develop a new skill, he likes to show it off. All. Of. The. Time.



One of my favorite things to watch him do during this waving phase is close our double doors separating the dining room to the living room.

Every time, Eli slowly closes the doors and stops every few seconds to stick his hand between the crack and wave at whoever is on the other side, as if to say, "I'll be going now ... I'm leaving ... Ok, bye ... I said 'bye!'"

I'm not sure where he learned that, because I sure didn't teach him.

A few days ago, our family of four made a rare appearance at one of the local grocery stores to purchase some essentials. Yes, I used the term "rare" — when you have a 7-month-old daughter and a 19-month-old son, you'll understand.

While strolling up and down the aisles, Eli has to wave at everything and everyone — he never meets a stranger. As my lovely wife, Kelly, loaded our cart with different items, I took a moment to watch him and the people's reaction.

Eli waved at a young woman, and I could tell she saw him because she slightly grinned. But despite him wav-



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While I try to teach my one-year-old son, Eli, various life lessons, it's not uncommon for him to teach me a thing or two.

ing at her for a solid 30 seconds, she never waved back.

He also waved at a big, tall gentleman, who some children may see as a little scary. He immediately smiled, waved back and said something to the effect of, "Hey, little man."

One of the last times, he waved at an elderly woman, and I thought she was going to cry.

When Eli began to wave, she didn't see at first. She was picking through the produce, determined to find the best apples. But when she finally noticed, the look in her eyes shifted from stress and anguish to overwhelming joy. Though she was wearing a mask, I could see a wide smile underneath. She

stopped what she was doing and waved back. Then she walked up and called him, "cute" and "precious," and commented on his blue eyes. She also commented on our sweet daughter, Opal.

If I didn't know any better, I'd say Eli's simple, innocent gesture made this woman's day. I know it made mine.

As a parent, it's commonplace to teach your children different things, yet there are so many lessons they can teach us and remind us of.

In a time when our society is so divided and distraught over COVID-19 and politics, a heartfelt wave, "good morning" or "have a good day" can go a long way.

I wish we could all see the world through the kind eyes of a child again — eyes that see people, not black or white, Democrat or Republican.

During election time, we always hear about the red and/or blue waves coming. I'd rather see a bipartisan wave of kindness.

Would that solve every problem of the world? No. But it is the answer to the majority of them.

So to paraphrase something I heard someone say recently, in a world where we can be anything, let's be kind.

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Chris Bridges columnist

Few are good losers

In the sports world, it's tough for fans to accept their team has lost.

Whether it's a single game, a post-season contest or even a national championship or Super Bowl, the fans of the losing team find the losing pill too big to swallow. Most University of Georgia fans I know are still smarting after the loss to Alabama in the national championship game a few seasons ago.



As fans we simply aren't good losers. The other team cheated. The refs were against us. The television announcers were for our opponent.

We've all heard these arguments used. If we are honest, we have likely said them ourselves.

It's really not that different in the world of politics, especially political campaigns. For as long as our country has had elections the losing side has not liked it.

In recent decades the level of being able to accept defeat graciously has seemingly gone away. The other candidate had dead people voting. The other party intimidated voters in line at the polls. The party I don't support is corrupt and doesn't believe in our country.

We heard this in 2016 when Donald Trump shocked the political experts (including those in his own party) and we are hearing now in 2020 as former vice president Joe Biden has been declared the winner. Yes, nothing is official until the Electoral College vote is complete, but folks, Biden has won.

There are likely some votes somewhere among the millions upon millions cast that should not have been. That happened in 2020. It happened in 2016. It happened back when our country first voted for a president.

But we are not talking about one vote being the difference. If that were the case then throwing out certain ballots or doing a recount of all 50 states would mean something. The final popular vote total may in fact change by a few votes, maybe even a few hundred. In the end, Biden will still be the winner.

For the record, this is not a defense of Biden as some are likely taking it. My presidential candidate choice (Libertarian Jo Jorgensen) finished third. So, no amount of recounting is going to put the candi-

date of my choice in the White House.

In the 2000 race, Al Gore eventually had to concede. He didn't want to but he had no choice and he knew it. There were certainly plenty of question marks about that race, especially in Florida. Some still believe Gore really won that contest and they may be right. However, Gore never was president.

Our current president is very competitive in everything he does. That comes from his business background which has been ultra-successful for him. He hates to lose, whether it is a real estate deal or the race for reelection to the White House.

It's often said, however, that the true character of a person or an athletic team comes when defeat must be accepted. It's not easy. It's not that anyone likes it. At some point, however, you have to move on.

The best thing for President Trump to do is to let his millions of supporters know they fought the good fight in 2020 but came up a little short. His base would certainly accept that and if he told them to "be ready for 2024" it would certainly help ease the sting of this campaign loss.

No one would think less of President Trump for doing so. In fact, many who didn't vote for him would gain some respect for him. The leader of our country and of the free world has to be above being a sore loser.

You didn't hear George H.W. Bush carry on this way in 1992. When Richard Nixon lost to John F. Kennedy in 1960, his closest advisors told him if he didn't let it go it would hurt him in the future and it would hurt the party as well. While not liking that he lost such a close race, Nixon eventually returned and won the presidency in 1968 and won re-election in 1972.

The great thing about our country is there will always be another election. There will always be a chance for your preferred party to win the next time.

As close as this year's election was it will certainly be competitive in 2024. At this point that's what President Trump and his supporters have to hang their hats on.

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Your Letters to the Editor

Big Tech isn't perfect but government solution isn't the fix

Dear Editor:
Big Tech companies have been under attack across the country over the past several months, culminating in a case brought against Google by the Department of Justice, which, unfortunately, the state of Georgia has joined.

Federal regulators also have their sights set on Facebook and Amazon.

Antitrust cases are supposed to be about preventing consumer harm caused by monopolies. While these companies are certainly successful and have tremendous

market power, they are not monopolies, and there's not a strong case to claim consumer harm. Many of the digital tools provided by Big Tech companies — from Google Search or Maps to Facebook and Twitter — are free to consumers.

The antitrust case against Google asserts that it has a monopoly in digital advertising, but Google's market share in digital ads is less than 30%. That's just slightly more than Facebook, and Amazon is making a strong move in the digital advertising space as well. This strong competition has lowered the cost of digital ads by 40% over the past decade. That's great for small businesses and consumers.

While the Big Tech companies of today might seem invincible, history suggests otherwise. Not long ago, Yahoo was the top search engine, AOL was

the dominant email provider, and Netscape reigned supreme among internet browsers.

During this year of COVID-19, we've seen how consumer choice can outweigh the power of Big Tech. Zoom's product has so outperformed the teleconferencing products offered by the Big Tech companies that "Zoom meetings" have become a generic phrase. More recently, conservatives concerned that Twitter was censoring their viewpoints have defected to another platform, Parler, that markets its commitment to free speech.

These examples demonstrate the dynamism of America's tech sector. Antitrust cases take years to prosecute, burn through tax dollars, and rarely deliver a win for consumers. Big Tech isn't perfect, but a government solution isn't the fix.

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117594
11/15,22

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 off-premises consumption only for:

CNA 2018 LLC
DBA ALCOVY Liquor
10117 ALCOVY Road

APPLICANT: ANKIT M. Patel

THE APPLICATION will be heard on December 7, 2020 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117598
11/22

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 off-premises consumption only for:

JAI AMBE Food Inc.
DBA EZ Trip
10125 ALCOVY Road

APPLICANT: MUKESH K. Patel

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117597
11/22

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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premises consumption only for:

JUPITER FOODMART Inc.
DBA DON Superette
3251 HWY 278 NW

APPLICANT: SOHEL M. Zakaria

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117642
11/22

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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LA TAMPIQUENA Inc
DBA LA Tampiquena
7134 HWY 278 NE

APPLICANT: REFUGIO Rangel

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117610
11/22

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 off-premises consumption only for:

MANORI INC
DBA FOOD To Go
6229 TURNER Lake Rd

APPLICANT: ALMAS Mavany

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117599
11/22

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 off-premises consumption only for:

MYSTIC GRILL LLC
DBA MYSTIC Grill
1116 CLARK Street

APPLICANT: ANGELA Beszborn

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117606
11/22

NOTICE – APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE

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OSAKE COVINGTON LLC
DBA OSAKE
2123 USHER Street, NW

APPLICANT'S NAME: Stephanie W. Johnson

THE APPLICATION will be heard on December 7, 2020 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117601
11/22

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:

THREE ONE Four Group, LLC
DBA YOUR Pie
1115 WASHINGTON St

APPLICANT'S NAME: Andrea T. Wells

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117600
11/22

Citations

CITATION

ADDIE JO WHITE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of CASSANDRA MITCHELL**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117568
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

ANGELA SIMS-DAVIS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JACQUELYN B. SIMS**, 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 7, 2020, next,

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BY: MARCIA Wynne
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NEWTON COUNTY, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #117569
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

BRANDON LAMONT EPPS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of CHARLIE EPPS, JR.**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117562
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

BRUCE WAYNE NEELY AND STEVEN BRUCE NEELY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of BETTY ELIZABETH NEELY**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117557
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

CARL ANTHONY CRANE, JR. has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JENNIFER LYNN CRANE**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117567
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

DIANE SALE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of MICHAEL HENRY AUTRY, JR.**, deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117559
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

HEATHER C. STEPHENSON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of ANTRON L. LEWIS**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117561
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

KERRY LAU WRIGHT has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of JOSEPH BRADFORD WRIGHT, III**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

LEGALS:

Continued from A5

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of DAVID SCOTT CHANCEY, Deceased

ELIZABETH KRITZMAN, Administrator has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117638
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of KAY E. WEIK, Deceased

EDWIN ALBERT WEIK, JR., Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before December 7, 2020, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117636
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of THOMAS JEFFERSON BENTON, Deceased

JENNIFER B. KELLY AND SIDNEY T. BENTON, Co-Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before December 7, 2020, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117636
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117635
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117637
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

ROBERT DAVID CASE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of TERRY CLYDE KING**, 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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117565
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117635
11/22

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117558
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117560
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117560
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of VALERIE ELIZABETH SENN, Deceased

ANDREW B. SENN, Executor has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117563
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

THE PETITION of JOHN LARRY DEAN, widow/widower of FRANCES JOAN DEAN, deceased, for Twelve Month's Support for having been duly filed, all interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before December 7, 2020, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117580
11/8,15,22,29

CITATION

WALTER LEE KINES, JR. has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the **Estate of WALTER LEE KINES, SR., deceased.** (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objections must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 7, 2020, next, at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117566
11/8,15,22,29

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this 10th day of November, 2020.

DERWIN BRYAN Davis
973 GREEN Street, SE
CONYERS, GA 30012

PUBLIC NOTICE #117603
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO CREDITOR/DEBTORS

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of Wayne Elbert Bolton late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment to:
NAME OF Executor or Administrator:

BARBARA JANE Bolton
EXECUTOR/ADMINISTRATOR'S ADDRESS:
C/O DANIEL S. Digby
ATTORNEY AT Law
LAW OFFICE of Daniel S. Digby, LLC
P.O. Box 263
CONYERS, GEORGIA 30012

PUBLIC NOTICE #117611
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of KARSTEN COTTON, Late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment.

THIS 5TH day of November, 2020.
DARNELL MICHAEL Livingston, Executor of the Estate of KARSTEN COTTON, Deceased. Shannon M. Pawley, Esq.
ATTORNEY FOR Executor, Darnell Michael Livingston
THE ESTATE and Asset Protection Law Firm
315 W Ponce De Leon Avenue, Suite 600
DECATUR, GA 30030

PUBLIC NOTICE #117593
11/15,22,29,12/6

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of BETTY HIGHT DEVOE**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 10th day of November, 2020.

MICHAEL A. HIGHT
45 WEST KEEL ST
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #117632
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of BETTY JEWEL POWELL**, 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** 4TH day of November, 2020.

DALE L. DAHMAN
6901 HIGHWAY 212
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117575
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of BONNIE RUTH BRUBAKER DAVIS**, 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 November, 2020.

TAMMY DENSON
2181 DAVIS ACADEMY ROAD
RUTLEDGE, GA 30063

PUBLIC NOTICE #117570
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of CHARLES RONALD AVRET**, 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 November, 2020.

KATHY A. WATTS-AVRET
50 MATTIE COURT
MANSFIELD, GA 30055

PUBLIC NOTICE #117627
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of ELIZABETH MCCLENDON OZBURN**, 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** 4th day of November, 2020.

KELVIN G. OZBURN, JR.
916 CHAMPIONS WAY
MCDONOUGH, GA 30252

PUBLIC NOTICE #117573
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of FELICIA YVONNE CHANCEY**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned

CLUES ACROSS
 1. Autonomic nervous system
 4. At or near the stern
 7. Adenosine triphosphate
 10. Polynesian garland of flowers
 11. Chinese revolutionary
 12. Green veggie
 13. Large group
 15. Swiss river
 16. Semiaquatic mammal
 19. Wrongdoers
 21. Home to Disney World
 23. Spanish doctors
 24. Newborn child
 25. Absence of difficulty
 26. Large, stocky lizard
 27. Earned top billing
 30. A long wandering and eventful journey
 34. Water (French)
 35. Brew
 36. Winged horse
 41. A usually malignant tumor
 45. Alfred __, American actor
 46. Austrian river
 47. A reminder of past events
 50. Connected with
 54. Status
 55. Dean residence
 56. Egyptian city
 57. Boxing's GOAT
 59. Straits along the Red Sea
 60. "The Partridge Family" actress Susan
 61. Get some color
 62. Facilitates hearing
 63. Commercials
 64. A team's best pitcher
 65. Patti Hearst's captors

CLUES DOWN
 1. Speak up
 2. More informative
 3. Where passengers sit
 4. Gathered
 5. Supervises flying
 6. Home of the Blue Jays
 7. Public statement of regret

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 21ST day of OCTOBER, 2020.

TED CHANCEY, JR.
349 JUDY DR.
MCDONOUGH, GA 30253

PUBLIC NOTICE #117571
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of HARVEY JAMES DINGLER**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 10th day of November, 2020.

DAVID A. DINGLER
1919 ELKS CLUB ROAD
COIVNGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #117630
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of HAZEL LEE BOWEN**, 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 November, 2020.

GARY SATTERFIELD
96 LOVERS LANE RD
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117579
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of HELEN SANDRA HICKS**, 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, 2020.

DERWIN DAVIS
P.O. BOX 82870
CONYERS, GA 30013

PUBLIC NOTICE #117577
11/8,15,22,29

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of HENRY SMILEY, JR.**, 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** 12th day of November, 2020.

KIMBERLY SMILEY-DENSLEY
P.O. BOX 722
GORDON, GA 31031

PUBLIC NOTICE #117629
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

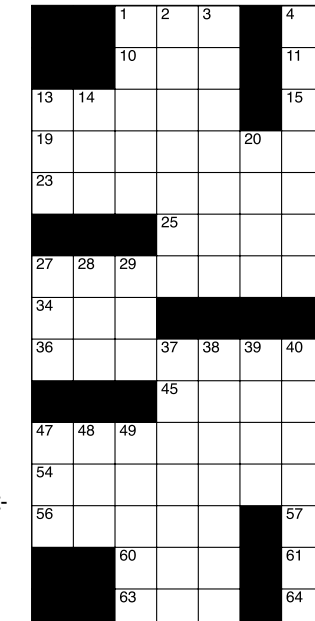
NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of JANET MASSEY DOBBS**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 16th day of November, 2020.

JEREMY MICHAEL DOBBS, SR.
115 ASHTON DRIVE
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #117634
11/22,29,12/6,13

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the **Estate of JIMMY MONROE DRAKOS**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned



8. Lockjaw
 9. Indian city
 13. Patriots' Newton
 14. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
 17. Sun up in New York
 18. Eggs in female fish
 20. Stood up
 22. NBA legend Willis
 27. Calendar month (abbr.)
 28. Exercise regimen __-bo
 29. The 8th month (abbr.)
 31. __ Paulo, city
 32. Tall deciduous tree
 33. Affirmative
 37. Notified of danger
 38. NFL game days
 39. Archaic term for "to"
 40. Plant pores
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LEGALS:

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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 BARBARA M SAMPLES, ROBERT E SAMPLES, ESTATE AND/OR HEIRS AT LAW OF BARBARA M SAMPLES , ESTATE AND/OR HEIRS AT LAW OF ROBERT E SAMPLES , or tenants(s).

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

PLEASE NOTE that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, you are not entitled by law to an amendment or modification of the terms of your loan. The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Kondaur Capital Corp., Loss Mitigation Dept., 333 South Anita Drive, Suite 400, Orange, GA 32068, Telephone Number: 888-566-3287.

KONDAUR CAPITAL CORPORATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF MATAWIN VENTURES TRUST SERIES 2020-1 **AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **BARBARA M SAMPLES, ROBERT E SAMPLES** **THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

ATTORNEY CONTACT: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (877) 813-0992 Case No. KCP-20-03005-2
AD RUN Dates 11/01/2020, 11/08/2020, 11/15/2020, 11/22/2020
RLSELAW.COM/PROPERTY-LISTING

PUBLIC NOTICE #117391
11/1,8,15,22

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 **Monique Thomas** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for American Mortgage Exchange, Inc., its successors and assigns , dated January 20, 2004, recorded in Deed Book 1603, Page 618, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to MEB Loan Trust II by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3365, Page 166, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$32,240.00), 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, 2020, the following described property:

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

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

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

MEB LOAN Trust II 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: Specialized Loan Servicing, 6200 S. Quebec St., Greenwood Village, CO 80111, 800-306-6059.

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Monique Thomas or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **245 Queensland Lane, 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.

MEB LOAN Trust II **AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **MONIQUE THOMAS MCCALLA RAYMER** Leibert Pierce, LLC
1544 OLD Alabama Road
ROSWEEL, GA 30076
WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE.NET

EXHIBIT "A"
ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 167 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia being Lot 109 of Avonlea Subdivision, Unit Two, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 39, Pages

113-115, records of Newton County, Georgia, which plat is by reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

SUBJECT TO that certain security deed from Monique Thomas to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for American Mortgage Exchange, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated January 20, 2004, and recorded in Deed Book 1603, Page 601, Newton County, Georgia Records.
MR/CA 12/1/20
OUR FILE no. 20-03447GA - FT 7

PUBLIC NOTICE #117464
11/1,8,15,22,29

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

PURSUANT TO the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by **ANTOINE C TUCKER** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, in the original principal amount of \$209,520.00 dated February 23, 2007 and recorded in Deed Book 2393, Page 210, Newton County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, 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 01, 2020, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 25 AND 40 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 26, PHASE TWO OF GLEN ECHO SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 44, PAGES 37-39, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.
PARCEL ID: 029B 051
SAID PROPERTY being known as: **335 GLEN ECHO DR., COVINGTON, GA 30016**

TO THE best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are **ANTOINE C TUCKER** 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.

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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:

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd. Coppell, TX 75019 1-888-480-2432

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.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER, as Attorney-in-Fact for ANTOINE C TUCKER

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, Schneid & Crane LLC 10700 Abbott's Bridge Road Suite 170 Duluth, GA 30097 Phone: 470.321.7112 Firm File No. 20-058849 - AmE **20-058849 - AmE**

PUBLIC NOTICE #117485
10/25,11/1,8,15,22,29

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF NEWTON
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

A DEFAULT having occurred under the terms of the Promissory Note from **NANCY W. WILSON** to NEWTON FEDERAL BANK (in the original principal sum of \$142,000.00) dated June 15, 2005 secured by a Deed to Secure Debt of even date therewith recorded in Deed Book 1935, pages 276-280, Newton County Records; and the entire indebtedness having been declared due and payable as therein provided, under the powers contained in said deed and in accordance with the terms thereof, there will be sold on the courthouse steps in said county at public outcry, during the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2020, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

TRACT ONE:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Almon District, Newton County, Georgia, on the road leading from Almon to Salem Camp Ground, containing three-quarters (3/4) of an acre, more or less, and measured on the easterly side along said road 170 feet to an iron stake, on the southerly side 160 feet to an iron stake, on the westerly side 243 feet to an iron stake, on the northerly side 220.5 feet to an iron stake and the POINT OF BEGINNING, bounded

and described as follows:

ON THE East by Salem Camp Groung Road, on the South by the lands of J.B. Flanigan, on the West by the land of S.P. Owens, on the North by Edgar Wallace, being the same property as conveyed in Deed Book 46, page 247, and Deed Book 38, page 259, Newton County, Georgia records.

TRACT TWO:
ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 220 of the Tenth Land District of Newton County, Georgia, and being shown on plat of survey for Nancy Elaine Wallace dated May 12, 1983, prepared by Richard E. Nutt, R.S., and recorded in Plat Book 18, page 88, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGIN AT an iron pin located on the northwestern right-of-way line of Neely-Hammond Road, which iron pin may be located by measuring in a southerly direction along said right-of-way line a distance of 125.05 feet from its intersection with the southerly line of the right-of-way of the Georgia Railroad; thence South 34 degrees 32 minutes West 112.47 feet to an iron pin; thence North 40 degrees 35 minutes West 139 feet to an iron pin; thence North 33 degrees 16 minutes East 73 feet to an iron pin; thence South 57 degrees 04 minutes East 136.0 feet to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

NOTICE OF the initiation of this proceeding has been given to **NANCY W. WILSON**, as required by Georgia Laws 1981, p. 834 (O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.1 et. seq.).

THIS PROPERTY is being sold as the property of **NANCY W. WILSON** subject to unpaid ad valorem taxes. The proceeds of said sale shall be distributed in accordance with the terms of said Deed to Secure Debt. **NEWTON FEDERAL BANK, AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR NANCY W. WILSON** **EDGAR LAW Firm** **1132 FLOYD Street** **COVINGTON, GA 30014**

PUBLIC NOTICE #117499
11/8,15,22,29

Juvenile Court
IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
J.S. SEX: Male
CHILD(REN) UNDER 18 Years of Age

DOB: 04/13/2018 CASE #107-20J-0415

SUMMONS

TO: JENNY STEWART, mother; **RICK CLARK,** putative-father; **HENRY DRISCOLL,** putative father; **JOHN DOE,** and any unknown, unnamed biological father or other persons claiming to have a parental interest in the minor child named above born to **JENNY STEWART** on the date above-listed.

A PETITION to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed in this Court on October 26, 2020, by the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services, concerning the above child(ren). In accordance with O.C.G.A.

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

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

NOTICE OF EFFECT OF TERMINATION JUDGMENT

GEORGIA LAW provides that you can permanently lose your rights as a parent. A Petition to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed requesting the Court to terminate your parental rights to your child(ren). A copy of said Petition to Terminate Parental Rights can be obtained from the Clerk of the Newton County Juvenile Court. A Court hearing of your case has been scheduled for the 21st day of January, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., at the Newton County Juvenile Court, Newton County Judicial Center, 1132 Usher Street, NW, Covington, Georgia 30014.

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

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

IF THE judgment terminates your parental rights, you will no longer

have any rights to your child(ren). This means that you will not have the right to visit, contact, or have custody of your child(ren) or make any decisions affecting your child(ren) or your child(ren)'s earnings or property. Your child(ren) will be legally freed to be adopted by someone else.

EVEN IF your parental rights are terminated:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 Jenny S. Carter, Jud e of said Court, this 29th day of October, 2020.

JANELL GAINES, Clerk
JUVENILE COURT of Newton County, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #117530
11/8,15,22,29

Name Changes
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **ALVIAN G. MANNING** **PETITIONER** **CIVIL ACTION** File Number: **2020-CV-2144-4**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

ALVIAN GARY MANNING filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on **October 21, 2020** to change the name from **ALVIAN GARY MANNING** to **ALBERT GARY MADDOX**. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED OCTOBER 21, 2020

ALVIAN GARY MANNING
3400 SALAM ROAD 151-A
COVINGTON, GA 30016

NOTICE #117498
11/1,8

Public Hearings
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS hereby given that the Newton County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider revision of Article II of Chapter 16 of the Newton County Code pertaining to the Superior Court. The public hearing will occur at the Board of Commissioner's meeting on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Newton County Historic Courthouse, located at 1124 Clark Street, Covington, Georgia 30014. The purpose of the public hearing shall be for public review and comment for a proposed revision of the existing ordinance concerning the retirement supplement paid to retired superior court judges of the Alcovy Judicial Circuit and to provide a supplement to the survivor benefit paid to deceased superior court judges of this Circuit. All Newton County residents and any other affected and/or interested persons are invited and encouraged to attend. A copy of the proposed revised ordinance will be on file with the Clerk in the Newton County Historic Courthouse at 1124 Clark Street, Covington, GA 30014 at least a week in advance of the public hearing for purposes of examination and inspection by the public.

NEWTON COUNTY Board of Commissioners

PUBLIC NOTICE #117612
11/22,29

Public Sales Auctions

AFFORDABLE SELF Storage, 5272 Ga Hwy 20 S, Covington, Ga. Pursuant to the Georgia Self Storage Facility Act, shall conduct a Public Auction for the following units for non- payment.

MANCUSO C-19 household items

TORONSA BENNETT L06 household items

MCGUINNESS L25 household

items

AUCTION WILL be held on December 18th at 10:30am

PUBLIC NOTICE #117613
11/22,29

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

A PUBLIC Auction for the non-Payment of storage fees at Speedy Storage will take place on Saturday, December 5, 2020 AT 10am located at 2222 HWY 212, Covington, GA. 30016. The personal effects and household Goods belonging to the following Tenants, having been properly notified, Will be sold for CASH to the highest Bidder to satisfy the owner's lien for Rent due, in accordance with the Georgia Self Storage Act-, Section 10-1-210 to 10-4-215 The personal effects and household goods belonging to the following tenants.

RICHARD BARMANN unit 10
LATOYA HESTER unit 28
EMORY JAMES unit 99
CRYSTAL CARTER unit 172
JASON THOMPSON unit 227

PUBLIC NOTICE #117640
11/22,29

NOTICE OF SALE

A DEFAULT HAVING OCCURRED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE RENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN G & J MINI STORAGE, INC. AND THE BELOW LISTED TENANTS, AND NOTICE HAVING BEEN SENT TO THE TENANTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW, THEY WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE BELOW LISTED TENANTS FOR CASH TO SATISFY OWNERS LIEN FOR RENT DUE.

IAW GEORGIA LAW ANN. 10-4-213

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020
ENDING AT 10:00 A.M.

PLACE: ON LINE AT: www.StorageAuctions.com

TENANTS NAME UNIT
CONTENTS

PATRICK LAHR 2810
HSEHOLD GOODS/TOOLS
JEFFREY BECKFORD 225
HSEHOLD GOODS/TOOLS
CHERRY PARKS 230
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
EDWIN O'NEAL 244
& CCB-89 & I-16 **HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN**
CRYSTAL HARDEMAN 268
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

MARCUS BROWN 323
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
STACY SIMMONS 365
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
CATHERINE BRINSON 374
& 413 **HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES**
JOEY MCMILLIAN 379
& 519 **HSEHOLD GOODS/BOXES/TOOLS**
CLEMSON A. 383
GLOVER HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

CELTRIC BENNETT 393
FURNITURE
ROBBIE ALT 407
FURNITURE
ALPHONZA FLETCHER, II 410
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
DELORIS POTTER 420
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
JONATHAN D. 426
JENKINS HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

PAULA POWELL 431
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN
JACKLYN WARREN 456
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
RODERICK SHY 470
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
MELANIE AYCOX 501
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
LEROYAL L. STEVENSON III 524
HSEHOLD GOODS

TIFFANY D. MITCHELL 525
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
DESHAUNA WALKER-LEE 527 & 818
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

NICHOLAS DAVIS 539
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
KIMBERLY LOTT 543
HSEHOLD GOODS/BOXES
REGINALD L. PRICE 560
BOXES/TOOLS
DUSTIN DECESARE 719
BOXES/SPORTING GOODS/TOOLS

JANIE MICHELE B-7
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
DONTAVIUS JOHNSON C-22
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
MONTERIO FLETCHER D-38
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
GREGORY HARDY D-40
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

JANELL MCLEOD D-44
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
WILLIAM R. REYNOLDS D-56 & D-57
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
APRIL LEWIS I-22
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

GARY GOODEN I-42
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
TIM EVERETT J-17
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
MICHELLE STEGALL J-26 & J-29
GOODS/FURN/BOXES
BRENT DEMARK J-44
& J-92 **HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES**
JACQUELINE MITCHELL J-56
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

EVA HAMBRIGHT J-60
FURNITURE
KAYLA ROBINSON K-7
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES
TYRONE MULDRAW K-52
HSEHOLD GOODS/FURN/BOXES

THE PROCEEDS OF SAID SALE SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF SAID AGREEMENT. OWNER HAS RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT BID OR WITHDRAW ANY UNIT FROM SALE. PAYMENT MUST BE IN CASH AND ITEMS REMOVED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THESE VEHICLES will be sold at Public Auctions on the following Saturdays,

DECEMBER 5, December 12, 2020 All auctions start promptly @ 1:00pm.
REGISTRATION BEGINS @ 12 noon.

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

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

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

THE VEHICLES are currently located at 539 McDaniel Mill Rd Conyers, Ga 30012 and have been foreclosed upon through Rockdale County State & Magistrate Court.

ANYONE WITH an ownership interest in any of these vehicles should contact the following businesses immediately:
BUSINESS NAME: CHANCEY'S WRECKER SERVICE
ADDRESS: 5 3 9 MCDANIEL MILL RD SW CONYERS, GA 30012
TELEPHONE #: 7 7 0 - 4 8 3 - 0698

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

VEHICLE MAKE: COVERED
WAGON Year: 2018 **Model:** WAGON
VEHICLE ID #: 53FBE162XJF035894
Vehicle License # NA

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Mask to lead Newton County Parks and Recreation

By TOM SPIGOLON
tspigolon@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. — Dwayne Mask says he never thought of working anywhere but his hometown during a four-decade career with the Newton County Parks and Recreation Department.

Now, he has worked his way up to the job leading the 17-employee department after 33 years.

County Manager Lloyd Kerr promoted Mask recently after he served twice in three years as interim director.

Mask said his promotion to the director's job "worked out for me" after all the years in the department.

"I'm very appreciative for the opportunity," he said.

Kerr said he selected Mask "because his experience, knowledge, job skills and professionalism stood out."

"He was twice the county's

interim recreation director and both times guided the department through difficult times," he said. "I know Dwayne will continue his terrific work for Newton County in leading our Parks and Recreation Department."

Kerr said he did not consider any of the other five or six applicants for the job. Mask's familiarity with the department's operations and staff separated him from other applicants — most of who were from outside Newton County, he said.

"I don't believe they would have fit in Newton County real well," Kerr said.

"There was no one else who knew the department top to bottom," he said. "(Mask) has done every-



Dwayne Mask

thing from cutting the grass to handling administrative details.

"The personnel have a lot of respect for him," Kerr said. "It was just a really good fit."

HOMEGROWN LEADER

Mask, 55, is a Newton County native who was fresh off playing baseball on scholarship for Brewton-Parker College when a maintenance position opened in the department in 1987.

He worked his way up to become maintenance supervisor before moving to a department administrative role in 2010 and assistant director in 2015.

Mask served as the interim director but decided not to apply for the permanent position following the Newton County Recreation Commission's termination of Anthony Avery in December 2017.

Avery later filed a wrong-

ful termination lawsuit after his firing and the county reportedly settled it with him for \$500,000.

The recreation commission formed in 1999 to take over the department's operations after the county and Covington had jointly operated it.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners asked the Georgia General Assembly to dissolve the commission earlier this year amid a dispute over employee bonuses, and the department became an arm of the county government under Kerr's direction in July.

In late July, former director Tarnard Turner announced the department was canceling all fall sports, including baseball and softball, because of the rapid spread of COVID-19 — a move which drew some heavy criticism on social media.

Turner then abruptly resigned on Aug. 7 and Mask

again served as interim director until his promotion.

Mask said the department is offering youth basketball this year but at a much smaller participation level than the usual 500 players and 60 teams because of safety concerns around COVID-19.

The department limited basketball to 17 teams in four age groups; limited the number of adults who can attend games for social distancing purposes; and plans to do a thorough cleaning of the gyms between games, Mask said.

Mask said the department is considering adding flag football to its organized sports offerings in 2021.

"I want to grow the girls programs," he said.

It also is considering adding volleyball — which it formerly offered — and soccer in 2022, he said.

COVID-19 vaccine looks effective after trials wrap up in Atlanta



Metro Creative Services

The vaccine produced by the pharmaceutical company Moderna and given to more than 700 volunteers in Atlanta since August is the second candidate vaccine to clear major testing hurdles over the past week, after the company Pfizer announced last Monday its vaccine has shown 90% effectiveness.

By BEAU EVANS
Capitol Beat News Service

Results of final-phase testing for a COVID-19 vaccine partly taking place in Atlanta show nearly 95% effectiveness at preventing the virus, marking a huge breakthrough in the push to end the global pandemic, Emory University researchers announced Monday.

The vaccine produced by the pharmaceutical company Moderna and given to more than 700 volunteers in Atlanta since August is the second candidate vaccine to

clear major testing hurdles over the past week, after the company Pfizer announced last Monday its vaccine has shown 90% effectiveness.

Both vaccines have progressed through trial phases enough to be on the cusp of receiving approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for emergency-use authorization by year's end.

"This is a great day for science and a great day for hope that we will see the end of the [COVID-19] pandemic," said Dr. Colleen

Kelley, an Emory infectious-diseases professor who helped lead the university's Moderna vaccine trials.

With FDA approval, Kelley and other health experts estimate COVID-19 vaccines could be distributed as early as next month for hospital workers, first responders, elderly persons and those with chronic health issues. The general public would receive vaccines later next year, possibly by summer.

See VACCINE, A9

LEGALS:

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117602 11/15,22	PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE	PUBLIC NOTICE #117614 11/22,29

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UNIT 1033 , Heather love, Household Goods	UNIT 1046 , Ivan Richard Smith, Household Goods, Furniture, Boxes, Toys	UNIT 5026 , Raheem White, Household Goods, Furniture
SALE IS subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between Owners and the obligated party. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. CALL 770-787-3039	SALE IS subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between Owners and the obligated party. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. CALL 770-787-3039	SALE IS subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between Owners and the obligated party. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. CALL 770-787-3039
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PUBLIC NOTICE #117596 11/15,22	PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE	PUBLIC NOTICE #117615 11/22,29
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Trade Names

NEWTON SUPERIOR COURT TRADE NAME REGISTRATION

PERSONALLY APPEARED the undersigned who on oath depose and says that: Christine Means, 7106 Jackson Street, Covington, GA 30014, is doing business in Newton County, Georgia under the name of **RRExtensions**, 7106 Jackson Street, Covington, GA 30014 and that the nature of the business is to be carried on at such address is Retail Store - Direct Sales..
CHRISTINE MEANS

PUBLIC NOTICE #117608
11/22,29

Trade Names

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PUBLIC NOTICE #117615
11/22,29

Covington fire chief eyes third station in five-year outlook

Requests hiring assistant chief, additional personnel within next year

By **TAYLOR BECK**
tbeck@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. — Within five years, Covington Fire Chief Jeremy Holmes hopes a third fire station can be built in the southern portion of the city. The Covington Fire Department is currently working to finalize its five-year strategic plan, and Holmes presented the plan Monday night to the mayor and city council during a work session. The plan was driven

by community feedback, Holmes said. “We had around 30 people from our community from all walks of life, from business owners to home owners,” he said. “And they filled out forms, gave answers, and we actually got excellent feedback from the community.” Through the community’s response, the fire department determined its strategic initiatives would be community outreach, training, hu-

man resources, internal communications, physical resources and accreditation, Holmes said.

“That is what the community felt they wanted out of their fire department,” he said. “And because that’s what they want out of the fire department, that drives all of our goals and plans for the next five years.”

Holmes said the



Jeremy Holmes

department’s goals included increasing the department’s visibility, interaction and outreach; establishing a training plan for all members at all levels; and establishing a program to address hiring, retention, staffing and health and wellness and personnel.

“One thing about health and wellness — that’s an important one,” Holmes said. “Last year, more firefighters died by suicide than in the line of duty, and that should concern all of us.”

Other goals included focusing on commu-

nication within the department and with the public and enhancing physical and technological resources to provide quality services.

In order to achieve the goals that have been set, Holmes said a new, third fire station was needed, as well as the ability to hire equipment and personnel to make it operational.

For the fiscal year 2021, Holmes said he’d like to hire three additional personnel for a new engine and one assistant fire chief. He’d also like to hire 12 more personnel for the new station over

time. There are 55 staff positions between the two current stations, according to the department’s website.

“The reasoning behind the addition of three new firefighters for the new engine now is because we are short on personnel currently,” Holmes said. “We’re short of meeting the NPFA requirements ... we need four personnel on that engine; right now we only have three that would be available... We need one person from each shift, so that makes three

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Murder suspects waive arraignments in Newton County Superior Court

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Conyers and Lithonia murder suspects will move to the next steps legally after they waived their arraignments in Newton County Superior Court this week.

Waiving an arraignment is essentially pleading “not guilty” to charges, officials said.

Dalanna Bailey, 22, of Conyers waived an arraignment Tuesday, Nov. 17, on murder and other charges related to the fatal shooting of the girlfriend of the father of her child at a Covington apartment complex in May.

Bailey is accused of fatally shooting La’Peachah Nash, 27, and shooting Deshawn Grayson, 20, both of Covington, at Fieldcrest Walk apartments May 13.

According to a Covington Police Department report, Bailey arrived at the apartment complex with her 11-month-old child

and proceeded to get into an argument with Grayson, the child’s father.

As they argued, Nash reportedly attempted to drive from the scene in her vehicle. Bailey then allegedly shot Nash in the head as she drove — after which she wrecked her vehicle in the parking lot.

She also allegedly shot Grayson in the shoulder and fled from the scene. Bailey later was arrested in Lithonia at a Knight’s Inn motel with her child, who was found unharmed.

The suspect is scheduled for a motion/status hearing in late January, according to the Newton County District Attorney’s office.

She is charged with one count each of malice murder, felony murder attempting to commit a felony; and two counts each of aggravated assault, possessing a firearm during a felony, and cruelty to children.

In a separate case, Melissa Arnetta Johnson, 32, of Lithonia waived her arraignment Wednesday, Nov. 18, in Newton County Superior Court on charges related to the February death of a passenger in

her vehicle when she wrecked as she fled from pursuing deputies.

Newton County sheriff’s deputies responded to a call Feb. 3 about a reported shoplifting at Walmart on Salem Road.

They later pursued a vehicle, reportedly driven by Johnson, which contained stolen merchandise from the shoplifting. The fleeing vehicle crashed and the only passenger in the vehicle died from

injuries received in the wreck, a report stated.

Johnson is accused of felony murder, vehicular homicide, fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, shoplifting and other charges related to the incident.

VACCINE:

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Around 30,000 people enrolled for trials of the Moderna vaccine candidate across the U.S., including more than 700 people at three sites in Atlanta led by Emory. Lasting from Aug. 11 to Oct. 23, the final trial phase was unusually fast due to the intense interest in developing multiple vaccines for COVID-19.

Trial volunteers only showed mild negative reactions to the vaccine, Kelley said. Many participants represented the most vulnerable persons to COVID-19 including people aged 65 and older, though the vaccine has not yet been tested on children.

A few steps are needed next before people can start receiving the Moderna vaccine, said Kelley. The vaccine’s data still needs to be peer-reviewed before FDA approval can be given, and state and federal officials still need to ensure the logistics are in place for millions of doses of the vaccines to ship out.

Both Moderna’s and Pfizer’s vaccines use genetic sequencing to create proteins that mimic COVID-19 and trigger a response from the patient’s immune system to erect safe-

guards, rather than other types of vaccines that introduce disease-causing organisms to create resistance.

Notably, Moderna’s vaccine can be stored at far less extreme refrigeration temperatures than the Pfizer vaccine, which requires storage as low as minus-80 degrees Celsius. The Moderna vaccine can be stored for up to 30 days at between 2 degrees and 8 degrees Celsius, Kelley said.

Amid encouraging results, health experts say it will be important for more vaccines besides just those from Moderna and Pfizer to be developed and approved so that as many people as possible around the world can have access to preventative COVID-19 medicine.

“It could be that this year we cannot gather with our family and friends, but hopefully that would happen soon with the dramatic effects that the vaccines are showing just in the past week,” said Dr. Nadine Roupheal, an Emory infectious-disease professor and another trial leader for the Moderna vaccine.

“This is a very hopeful message,” she added.

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Eastside HS replacement construction behind due to weather

Project manager says crews working to make up lost time

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Construction of the Eastside High School replacement project was about 40 days behind in August due to massive amounts of rain in early spring, but now Project Manager Jeff Prine said crews are working diligently to get back on schedule. During the Newton County Schools Board of Education meeting Tuesday, Prine delivered a progress update, as well as a financial update on the facility to be located at 140 Georgia Hwy. 142 in Covington. It is expected to accommodate approximately 1,650 students.

Since construction began in the summer of 2019, Prine said much work had been completed or was nearing completion.

“(The delays were) primarily tied back to the wet weather we had in early spring and all

summer,” Prine said. “But since August, we’ve been able to work with the contractor to make up about a week of that time, and they’ve been working on the weekends. They brought in extra crews, and in all, they’ve been working longer days. So they really are doing their job trying to make up days, and we’re confident that we’ll be able to continue making progress to get those days back so we can get back on schedule.”

He reported 99% of site grading and utilities, and under slab utilities were finished. Approximately 95% of drives and parking were wrapped up, including the clearing and grading of the school’s entrance off U.S. Hwy. 278. The construction of arched culverts for the entrance was just getting underway.

“They’ve done an extensive amount of work in putting road control measures in to make



Pictured is an aerial view of the Eastside High School replacement project. During a meeting Tuesday, Nov. 17, Project Manager Jeff Prine said structural steel had been erected for the upper building since the photo was taken. Though about 40 days behind in August due to weather, Prine said crews have since worked hard to get back a week of lost time.

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sure that you don’t have any kind of sediment down in the stream area,” Prine said of the entrance construction.

On-grade concrete was 95% completed, as well as structural steel

erection for the school’s lower building, Prine reported. Only 10% of the structural steel had been erected for the upper building.

Sports fields, including football, track, baseball, softball and practice fields, were 85% complete, he said. The fields are currently getting sod, irrigation and fencing installed. Prine said workers started paving the track Wednesday.

Prine expects the lower building roofing and drives and parking to be completed over the next month.

Total cost for the school’s construction stands at \$59.48 million. No changes have been made to the budget since the initial contract, Prine said.

The district, so far, has been billed for 21% of the cost (\$12.65 million).

The school system purchased the 107-acre property for approximately \$727,600. The facility is currently expected to be finished by January 2022.

In other business, board members:

- Approved unanimously the adoption of the FY 2022 tentative budget calendar.

- Approved unanimously the maintenance program for NextGen financial software be purchased from Harris School Solutions of Niagara Falls, New York. The program period covers the 2021 calendar year and costs \$40,395.36, which will be paid from

the General Fund.

- Approved 4-1 (Board Member Eddie Johnson opposed) the cabling services needed for the replacement Eastside High School be purchased from Venture NetComm, Inc. of Loganville, in the amount of \$155,474.40 to be paid from the Capital Fund.

- Approved unanimously the declaration of surplus property for various items to be properly disposed of.

- Approved unanimously the board’s FY 2021 legislative priorities.

- Approved unanimously the personnel matters recommended by the superintendent, as discussed in executive session.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Porterdale will conduct a Public Hearing on **December 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.** at Grace Baptist Church, 474 Crowell Rd, Porterdale GA 30016.

Comprehensive Plan Update for the City of Porterdale

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firefighter positions to be able to bring that to a full company. That’s for safety measures, that’s for NFPA requirements, that’s for ISO ... it is a necessity.”

Holmes said the need for an assistant fire chief was not only determined through the strategic plan, but also for “succession planning, spam control and for job function.”

“We have a lot of job functions that we put out to the firefighters,” he said. “And when those are on firefighter positions, one, we don’t pay them any extra for that, but two, we don’t know when they’ll be working again, so when are they going to be able to answer any questions we may need answers for immediately?”

Prospective job functions for an assistant chief included data analysis, human resources, accreditation, ISO, station maintenance and fleet maintenance, Holmes said.

Holmes said the position of assistant chief was removed a few years ago before he assumed the role of chief, but didn’t fully understand why.

“Part of it was, the fire chief at that time — I love him to death; he did an excellent job

— he did not fill the need for that position,” he said. “And he must have been a much better fire chief than me, because ... we need that position. I need that position.”

Holmes said the department had also done away with two other administrative positions (secretary and education positions).

“And yet our calls have increased,” he said. “Our responsibilities have increased.”

The need for an additional fire station on the south side of the city was also identified through the strategic plan. Holmes said there had been an 11% increase in response time within the area with an increased call volume.

Holmes said there were five locations being viewed as the potential future home to a new station.

Holmes said the Center for Public Safety Excellence assisted the department with developing the strategic plan. A final draft will be made available to the public next week.

The city council took no immediate actions during its meeting regarding the strategic plan or requests made by Holmes.

“If this council sees fit, we’ll circle back

on that in the next two meetings,” City Manager Scott Andrews said. “That’s a huge investment and something we have to be looking at and planning years out beforehand. We do want to keep the same response times and quality of life that our citizens deserve, so we’ll have to have that conversation soon.”

A new fire station, including the purchase of a new engine, other necessary equipment and the land to build it on, would likely cost millions of dollars. For comparison, when the Newton County Board of Commissioners in February OK’d a new fire station to be built for the Newton County Fire Service the on the east side of the county, County Manager Lloyd Kerr estimated it would cost upwards of \$4 million.

The Covington Fire Department currently holds an ISO rating of 2, serving a population of approximately 15,000 within 15.45 square miles, according to the department’s website. Covington Fire Department is currently one of only six accredited agencies in the state of Georgia by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International.

AGRICULTURE

The Covington News

How to support local farmers this fall

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

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The global pandemic that has upended daily life has exacted a toll on many industries. Businesses have been asked to close or temporarily scale back operations, while organizers of recreational gatherings have been tasked with reevaluating the practicality and safety of annual events.

Throughout the U.S., autumn fairs, exhibitions and activities provide revenue for many people. But due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, many of these annual events have been postponed, adversely affecting local agricultural industries as a result. Governments in certain places have responded to the cancellations and offered assistance to local farmers and agricultural industries.



Metro Creative Services

The general public can pitch in to help offset some of the financial losses accrued by local farms during the pandemic.

In addition to supporting such efforts, the general public can pitch in to help offset some of the financial losses accrued by local farms.

- Check for virtual events. Some fall fairs or livestock events have been moved to the digital realm. That means competitors who were entering livestock or even home crafts into competitions can

still participate. Organizers may ask for videos or photos of entries and then a committee will vote on the winners. This is one way to keep entry fees and even cash prizes moving along.

- Support local farms or orchards. Fall is harvest season in many areas, making this a popular time of year to visit nearby farms and to

purchase fruits and vegetables directly from the source. Many farms have implemented safety protocols that align with COVID-19 health recommendations to safely welcome visitors. Things may look a little different at orchards and farms, but smaller crowds and wearing masks should not compromise the fun of picking your own foods.

- Explore farm-to-table. Private individuals as well as restaurant owners can develop relationships with area agriculture producers to increase the availability of farm-to-table offerings. Restaurants can revamp menus to include a greater share of items sourced from nearby farms. Individuals also can rely on produce stands and farmers' markets to stock their pantries. Some

farms may offer delivery and mail-order as well.

- Offer financial services. Financial advisors can help farmers who are struggling with finances work through their options. Institutions may be able to extend the terms of loan repayments, refinance loans, restructure debt, or get credit extensions. Lower interest rates have created some new opportunities farmers may not be aware of. Financial advisors can help farmers navigate an uncertain financial time.

Farmers and agricultural organizations are facing greater challenges as fall fairs and other events are being canceled. The public can support agriculture in different ways to offset the financial losses stemming from the pandemic.

Piedmont Academy Middle School FFA



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Mrs. McLendon's middle school FFA class at Piedmont Academy recently worked together on a project to beautify the planters around the blacktop area for the Pre-K students, teachers and visitors. For quite some time the planters sat empty, and this project provided the FFA class an opportunity to learn about gardening and helped beautify the area, McClendon said. Students worked together on the project using pansies from the FFA fundraiser.



Agriculture in Georgia *Firsts*

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Lighting of the Covington Square – Thursday, Nov. 19



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After a five-second countdown, the crowd at the Covington Square rejoices as Santa lights the city's Christmas tree and surrounding decorations Thursday night.



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Newton Commission Chairman Marcello Banes (top) and Covington Mayor Steve Horton (bottom) were dignitaries for the Lighting of the Square event Thursday night.



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Pictured with Santa are Blair and Judd Rebholz, just before the tree lighting.



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Joshua Cruthirds and April Fuller Sasser pose for a picture with Santa.



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Pictured are Covington News Editor and Publisher Taylor Beck and his one-year-old son, Eli.



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Santa visits with a child shortly after helping light the Covington Square on Thursday. He took pictures with families from 6 to 8 p.m.



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Spectators enjoyed performances by the Covington Regional Ballet Motion Dance Ensemble (pictured) and the Community Band Brass Ensemble.



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Pictured is Violet Metherell with Santa Claus. Santa will be at the Square periodically over the next month leading up to Christmas for family photo opportunities.

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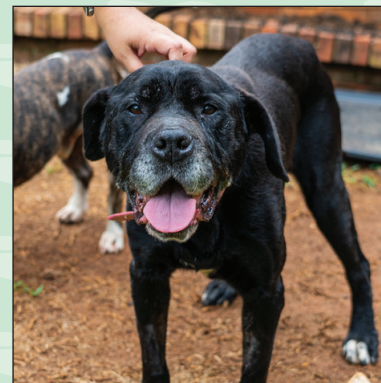
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2020 FOOTBALL
SCHEDULE

Alcovy Tigers
2-6 (2-1)

North Forsyth – 3-35, L
@ Newton – 0-27, L
@ Duluth – 27-42, L
Eastside – 31-34, L
South Forsyth – 7-39, L
Lowndes
Colquitt County
@ Grovetown – 44-14, W
Lakeside, Evans – 35-0, W
@ Fellowship Christian
@ Evans – 30-40, L

Eastside Eagles
8-2 (6-1)

@ Winder-Barrow – 27-14, W
Newton – 7-21, L
@ Alcovy – 34-31, W
@ Johnson – 47-7, W
Apalachee – 35-7, W
Clarke Central – 34-35, L
@ Loganville – 7-3, W
Jackson County – 27-0, W
Walnut Grove – 31-0, W
@ Greenbrier – 44-7, W

Newton Rams
4-5 (2-2)

Alcovy – 27-0, W
@ Eastside – 21-7, W
@ McEachern – 7-8, L
@ Houston County – 7-21, L
Parkview – 7-35, L
Brookwood – 28-16, W
@ Mill Creek – 0-31, L
@ Grayson – 0-37, L
South Gwinnett – 17-10, W

Social Circle Redskins
4-6 (2-3)

G.W. Academy – 7-35, L
@ Providence Ch. – 31-28, W
Walnut Grove – 16-42, L
Putnam County – 0-45, L
@ Oglethorpe Co. – 27-12, W
Washington-Wilkes – 0-56, L
@ Lincoln County – 20-36, L
Commerce – 22-48, L
@ Towns County – 34-27, W
Greene County – 44-7, W

Note: Schedules are
subject to change.



Evans Knights 40, Alcovy Tigers 30

TOUGH TITLE FIGHT

Evans outlasts Alcovy for Region 3-AAAAAAA championship

By MASON WITTNER
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EVANS, Ga. — Alcovy’s quest for its first region title in program history came to an end Friday night.

On the road facing Evans in a de facto Region 3-AAAAAAA championship, the Tigers gave the host club all it could handle for four quarters. However, it proved to not be enough as the Knights escaped with a 40-30 victory to claim the region crown.

Despite the final result, Alcovy head coach Jason Dukes couldn’t keep a smile off his face during his postgame message to the team.

He empathized with their pain. He reminded them that their ultimate goal of competing for a state title wasn’t finished. But above all else, he told his players he was proud of the way they fought until the game’s final whistle.

“I’ve coached state champions,” Dukes said, “but I’ve never been more proud of a group of players than I am tonight.”

He later echoed those sentiments when speaking to *The Covington News*.

“I’m very proud of my team,” Dukes said. “This is been a weird year with a lot of different things that we’ve had to deal with, but our kids have not made an excuse out of that stuff. Not one bit. They’ve come out and worked extremely hard, and I love them for the hard work they’ve put in.

“I guess the payoff is being able to have a home playoff game. We’re looking forward to that.”



Alcovy head coach Jason Dukes addresses his team following the Tigers’ 40-30 loss to Evans on Friday night. Despite the final result, Dukes expressed his pride in his program in the face of adversity. His Tigers earned the No. 2 seed and will host a state playoff game next week.

With the loss, Alcovy (2-6, 2-1) finished second in Region 3 and will enter the Class AAAAAA state playoffs next week as the No. 2 seed. Consequently, the Tigers will host a first-round playoff game for the first time since 2011.

After getting off to a hot start, Alcovy surrendered 27 unanswered points to put itself behind 27-16 early in the third quarter. But the Tigers didn’t hang their heads. Instead, they clawed right back.

Sophomore quarterback Ashton Evans launched a 22-yard passing touchdown to junior MJ Stroud at the 9:36 mark in the third quarter to give Alcovy

new life.

With 33 seconds remaining in the third period, Evans ounce against found Stroud, who broke a pair of tackles on his way to a 28-yard touchdown to give his team a 30-27 lead.

With just over four minutes left in regulation, Alcovy was denied on fourth down inside the red zone. As a result, the Knights took possession on their own 16-yard line, trailing by three points.

Evans went straight to work.

The Knights plowed their way down the field before exposing a bust in Alcovy coverage for a 33-yard passing touchdown from

junior quarterback Kaleb Jackson to junior Reid Akins. The score put the home team in front, 34-30, with 2:17 left.

Alcovy was given another opportunity, but it resulted in a picked off pass that was returned for a touchdown to seal the game.

“These games are fights. It’s going to be the teams that work hard and don’t let go of the rope that come out on top,” Dukes said. “We came up a little short tonight, but I think this is a huge step in the right direction for our football team. I’m looking forward to the future.”

The Tigers stormed out to a 16-0 lead in the

first quarter behind a 23-yard passing touchdown from Ashton Evans to Stroud, a safety and a 4-yard quarterback rush from Evans.

The Knights responded with a 20-point second quarter. They then opened the second half by taking the opening kickoff back for a 67-yard touchdown.

Alcovy and Eastside each secured first-round home playoff games, meaning one team will play next Friday, Nov. 27, while the other plays Saturday, Nov. 28.

The playoff schedule was not finalized before *The Covington News*’ deadline.

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Social Circle Redskins 44, Greene Co. Tigers 7

PLAYOFF BOUND



Brett Fowler | The Walton Tribune

Social Circle's first-year head coach Rob Patton gets doused with the water cooler after the buzzer sounds against Greene County on Friday. With a convincing 44-7 win, the Redskins are bound for the playoffs.

Social Circle ends 10-year postseason drought

By BRETT FOWLER
The Walton Tribune

SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — The excitement and anticipation was boiling over before the game even started, but once the clock struck all zeros it couldn't be contained any longer.

Social Circle clinched its first state playoff berth since 2009 with a 44-7 dismantling of Greene County in the regular season finale.

The Redskins started a little slow, putting away their first possession, but cracked the scoreboard with 3:32 left in the first when Amari Russell dove in from 1 yard out.

After Social Circle recovered a Greene County fumble, Russell broke free for a 43-yard touchdown to put the Redskins up two scores.

A 30-yard field goal by Social Circle made it 17-0 with 8:54 left in the first half.

Eric Taylor made his presence know late in the first half when he picked off Greene County's quarterback and returned it down to the Tiger 5-yard line before Russell punched in his third touchdown of the night. However, the point after try was no good, leaving Social Circle's lead at 23-0.

Taylor showed out again on Social Circle's next offensive possession with a 36-yard catch and run from Logan Cross with 3:06 left to play in the first half.

Social Circle added a fifth touchdown when Kam Durden scored from 3 yards out to put the Redskins up 37-0 at the half and invoke a running clock in the second half.

Coming out of the locker room, Social Circle received the kick and went no huddle on offense. The Redskins capped off drive with a 10-yard pass from Cross to Taylor for the final Social Circle score of the night.

Greene County found the end zone late in the third, but it was too late for the Tigers.

When the buzzer finally sounded, Redskins' first-year head coach Rob Patton got a little colder when seniors Jackson Austin and Austin Atha doused the head coach with the water cooler.

Social Circle is now the No. 4 seed out of Region 8-A Public and will travel to Montezuma to face Macon County in the first round of the Class A Public state playoffs.

NEWTON HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING



Taylor Beck | The Covington News

Nia Simons (left) and Nyland Green were crowned Newton High School's 2020 Homecoming Queen and King during halftime.

Eastside Eagles 44, Greenbrier Wolfpack 7

Eagles whip Wolfpack on road

By GARRETT PITTS
Correspondent

EVANS, Ga. — The Eagles tamed the Wolfpack Friday night as big games from both sides of the ball propelled Eastside to the win over Greenbrier in the final game of the regular season.

The Eagles won by a score of 44-7, as they capped off a dominant regular season with a big region win.

After receiving the opening kickoff, a solid drive led by good passing from senior quarterback Jaylen Woods led to a 38-yard field goal from Jayden Fain to give the Eagles the early 3-0 lead.

The Wolfpack did not have it as easy in the first quarter on offense, as the Eagles applied constant pressure on Greenbrier quarterback Brooks Pangle and allowed barely any production early.

With the first quarter coming to a close, junior Dallas Johnson ripped off a big 32-yard run to put the Eagles in the red zone to open the second quarter. It only took one play into the new quarter for Eastside to score as Woods connected with senior wideout Dayton Green in the corner of the end zone for the 18-yard touchdown pass to extend the lead to 10-0.

"[Jaylen] is getting more comfortable in the offense," head coach Troy Hoff said. "We did not have him [playing] for so long and he has done really well."

After forcing another Greenbrier punt, Woods connected with junior tight end Cole Shannon on back to back plays for 39-yards which set



Garrett Pitts | The Covington News

Eastside's defense wreaked havoc on Greenbrier's offense in a 44-7 victory to close out the regular season. With the win, the Eagles finish 8-2 (6-1) and No. 2 in the region.

up an 18-yard touch-down run from senior halfback Sincere Johnson to bring the lead to 17-0.

Just as it has been all season, the backfield duo of Dallas Johnson and Sincere Johnson made for a rough day for the Wolfpack, and it only got worse.

The Eagles defense continued to dominate the line of scrimmage as the Wolfpack was forced to punt for a fourth straight time to start the game.

"Being manageable on third downs and only allowing short yardage allowed us to have the whole play calling open," Hoff said. "We put them in long situations, and we turned the pass rush loose and we got after the quarterback tonight."

On Eastside's next drive, a big pass from Woods to sophomore wideout Saabir Berrian would put the offense

on the one-yard line, which allowed Sincere Johnson to take a direct snap on the next play for the one-yard score to put the Eagles up 24-0.

Before halftime, the Eastside defense went out on top as senior linebacker Devin Brown picked off Pangle to force the first turnover of the game.

The second half started off right where the first half ended as Eastside would force a three and out immediately.

After crossing into Wolfpack territory, Sincere Johnson took the direct snap 30 yards for the score as his third touchdown of the day put the Eagles up 30-0 to start the third quarter.

Greenbrier got their first points of the game on the next drive as Pangle found Brayden Collett for a 39-yard touchdown pass to cut the Eagles lead to 30-7.

Eastside answered on the very next play

as Dallas Johnson took the ball 52 yards to the house to extend the Eagles lead to 37-7 halfway through the third quarter.

The Eagles added one more touchdown on a two-yard run by sophomore running back Kenai Grier to put the Eagles up 44-7.

A big game from Sincere Johnson finished with 87 yards rushing and three touchdowns. Dallas Johnson finished with 124 yards and one touchdown.

Woods finished 19-of-23 passing for 242 yards and one touchdown.

The Eagles capped off their 2020 regular season with a 8-2 record while going 5-1 in Region 8-A AAAA.

After a dominant game on both sides of the ball for the Eagles, Hoff will use the time off to prepare the team as they look ahead to the playoffs in the coming weeks.

Newton Rams 17, South Gwinnett Comets 10

Rams prevail over Comets on homecoming

By MICHAEL PITTS
Correspondent

COVINGTON, Ga. — The Rams came out victorious in their regular season finale against South Gwinnett, 17-10, and clinched a spot in the Class AAAAAA State Playoffs.

Defense was the theme of this match-up, with only one offensive score for each side on the night.

Rams star defensive back Nyland Green started the show by returning an interception for a touchdown on the Comets' opening possession.

"It is amazing to get to spend this time with my guys and get a win at home and a trip to the playoffs," Green said.

Green was also awarded Newton High School's 2020 Homecoming King honors at halftime.

Justin Benton also made his presence felt in the first half, getting two huge tackles-for-loss that set up two different three-and-outs for the Comets offense.

The Rams defense also stalled an impressive drive by South Gwinnett that took over six minutes off the clock and included



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The Newton Rams rumbled past the South Gwinnett Comets on Friday night to cap off a 4-5 (2-2) record on the season and clinch a spot in the playoffs.

five first downs, which ended with zero points for the Comets.

The interception return by Green was the lone touchdown of the first half for both sides. The Rams took a 10-0 lead into the break.

South Gwinnett came out swinging in the second half, scoring on their opening possession that was set up by a kickoff return taken into Ram territory.

The Rams offense finally broke through halfway through the fourth quarter with Jevarra Martin Jr. connecting with a wide-

open Ajay Green. The go-ahead score would end up being the last, with the Rams prevailing, 17-10.

Newton did not have to win Friday night to make the playoffs, but Rams head coach Camiel Grant Jr. was proud of his team for clinching on their own terms.

"Backing into the playoffs isn't what you want to do," Grant said after the game.

And while he is grateful for his team to be in this position, he recognized the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic

and its impact.

"It's a blessing, and I thank God that we were able to make it through the season," Grant said. "I'm thankful that our guys and their families are healthy, and even though we are playing football, that is still the most important thing."

The win caps off a 4-5 (2-2) regular season.

The Rams travel to Region 1's top-ranked Colquitt County in the first round of the playoffs Friday, Nov. 27 or Saturday, Nov. 28.

FALCONS *Extra*

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Atlanta set to renew rivalry with Saints

By **BRETT MARTEL**
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS— Alvin Kamara expresses confidence in the Saints’ ability to quickly coalesce around a fill-in quarterback while record-setting, 15-year starter Drew Brees is injured.

There is precedent for that. New Orleans went 5-0 in games Teddy Bridgewater started in 2019 while Brees was out with a hand injury.

The Saints (7-2), who’ve won six straight, host the Atlanta Falcons (3-6) on Sunday. New Orleans will begin another stint without Brees, whose ribs were injured on a big hit that forced him to sit out the second half of last week’s win over San Francisco.

Stepping in will be former Tampa Bay starter Jameis Winston and change-of-pace option QB Taysom Hill.

“Last year, when Drew went down and Teddy came in, everybody really rallied around Teddy and did what they had to do to try to be perfect in their job,” Kamara said. “It’s a little more heightened sense of awareness because, obviously, it changes” when Brees isn’t running the offense.



Courtesy of Atlanta Falcons

Atlanta Falcons defensive end Steven Means (55) celebrates with defensive tackle Grady Jarrett (97) during the second half against the Denver Broncos on Nov. 8.

For Winston, whose raw talent has never been in question, it’s an opportunity to start shedding a reputation for mercurial play that led the Buccaneers to let go of their 2015 first overall draft choice when they had a chance to replace him with six-time Super Bowl winner Tom Brady.

Last season, Winston joined an elite group of QBs in NFL history to pass for more than 5,000 yards and 30 TDs in a season. But he also threw 30 interceptions.

He arguably should have been intercepted again while playing in relief of Brees last week, but Niners safety Jimmie Ward dropped

a risky pass over the middle that hit him in both hands.

Still, Falcons interim coach Raheem Morris sees reason to believe Winston’s game would begin evolving while he’s with New Orleans.

“He’s had a significant amount of time to be with those guys, talking like 10 weeks to be with those guys and sitting behind Drew, who is arguably one of the best quarterbacks to play our game ... so he has to be better,” Morris said. “You can’t help but be better when you’re around those type of people and the right type of thing.”

THIN AT THE EDGE

The Falcons are thin at defensive end after releasing Takk McKinley last week and placing Dante Fowler Jr. on the reserve/COVID-19 list. McKinley was claimed by Cincinnati but then was waived again after the Bengals said he failed a physical. McKinley battled a groin injury this season and has a history of shoulder problems.

Rookie Marlon Davidson, a second-round draft pick from Auburn who has four tackles in only three games, has been held out of the last two games following a knee injury and his stay on the reserve/COVID-19 list. Davidson, who also plays defensive tackle, has been handled with cau-

tion in his return and it is not known if he will play this week.

Fowler, who signed a three-year deal worth up to \$48 million before the season, has two sacks and one forced fumble in eight games. He was recovering from a hamstring injury when placed on the COVID-19 list.

Morris said he’s asking for “an all-hands-on-deck mentality” at defensive end. “The challenge is for these guys to rush as a unit, to rush together.”

DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT

The Saints look increasingly well-equipped to keep winning without their star QB because of how their defense has played lately.

Last week, the Saints won despite having just 237 yards of total offense, the lowest figure in a New Orleans win since Brees and coach Sean Payton joined forces in 2006.

New Orleans ranks second in the NFL against the run and their secondary has started playing better. They’ve made five interceptions in their past two games, with veteran safety Malcolm Jenkins making one in each game.

2020 FALCONS SCHEDULE

9/13
Seattle — 25-38, L

9/20
@ Dallas — 39-40, L

9/27
Chicago — 26-30, L

10/5
@ Green Bay — 16-30, L

10/11
Carolina — 16-23, L

10/18
@ Minnesota — 40-23, W

10/25
Detroit — 22-23, L

10/29
@ Carolina — 25-17, W

11/8
Denver — 34-27, W

11/22
@ New Orleans, 1 p.m.

11/29
Las Vegas, 1 p.m.

12/6
New Orleans, 1 p.m.

12/13
@ LA Chargers, 4:25 p.m.

12/20
Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.

12/27
@ Kansas City, 1 p.m.

1/3/21
@ Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.

Note: Schedule is subject to change.

WHEN: Sunday, Nov. 22; 1 p.m. • WHERE: Mercedes-Benz Superdome, New Orleans • WATCH: FOX 5 Atlanta, WAGA-TV • LISTEN: 92.9 FM, The Game



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