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His Word

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31, KJV

General Election

Covington man accused of illegal voting

State Election Board alleges resident cast ballot as non-citizen

By **TOM SPIGOLON**
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ATLANTA — A Covington resident was listed among organizations and individuals that a state agency on Wednesday, Feb. 10, referred for criminal prosecution for alleged violations of state election laws.

The State Election Board bound over Sean Watson of Covington for prosecution for allegedly being a non-citizen and voting, according to a Georgia Secretary of State news release.

The Election Board listed Watson among 34 cases it recommended that local district attorneys or the state attorney general prosecute for violating state election laws.

Watson registered originally in November 2008 and said he was a U.S. citizen because he believed he automatically became one when his mother obtained her citizenship, the Newton County Board of Elections reported.

He voted in the November 2008 General Election, a November 2012 Special Election and the November 2018 General Election.

However, he did not meet the criteria to become a citizen under derivation,

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Newton County gets GNARLY



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See a larger scale rendering of the skatepark to be built at Denny Dobbs Park in Newton County on page A5.

Commissioners approve plan for skatepark at Denny Dobbs Park

By **TOM SPIGOLON**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton skateboarders may only have to travel to the county's west side for a skatepark by the end of the summer this year.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners recently approved the use of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) funds for construction of a skateboard park in Denny Dobbs Park on Georgia Hwy. 212.

The board approved a contract with low bidder Grindline Skateparks Inc. of Seattle, Washington, for \$189,875.

Funding is coming from the recreation part of the SPLOST voters approved in 2017, county records show.

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Newton County Coroner's Office

State coroner council to consider removing Bailey-Butts' certification

Hearings would precede judge's decision on job, council's decision on pay

By **TOM SPIGOLON**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County's coroner is facing both losing her salary or her elected position after the county manager recently began the process of removing her

from office.

The Georgia Coroners Training Council is scheduled to meet later this month and could consider removing Dorothea Bailey-Butts' certification that state law requires she have before she can receive

her salary, said Chairman Richard Stanley of Dublin.

Stanley, who is coroner of Laurens County, said the council could remove the certification

a coroner is required to hold to receive her \$35,000 annual salary from the county.

The Georgia Administrative Code that governs the Coroners Training Council states, "No coroner shall charge or collect any fee, charge, or cost of any kind for his services unless such coroner is properly

certified."

The five-member Training Council can remove a coroner's certification if the holder of the office, "Is unable to perform the duties of the office with 'reasonable skill and safety to citizens' because of illness, use of substances, or the result of a physical or mental condition."

Other instances in which the Council can remove certification are for conviction of a crime involving "moral turpitude," or crimes classified as felonies or involving marijuana or a controlled substance.

However, the law is not clear how long she must be in office to

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Alcovy Judicial Circuit

Newton legislator says proposed circuit split unlikely



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District 112 State Rep. Dave Belton, R-Buckhead, (right) speaks to Covington Mayor Steve Horton (left) during an event at Bridgestone Golf on Nov. 12, 2020.

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — One local legislator says chances of Newton County’s request to break away from the Alcovy Judicial Circuit and create its own was unlikely to happen.

District 112 State Rep. Dave Belton, R-Buckhead, who represents portions of Newton and Morgan counties, said he found the Newton County Board of Commissioners’ decision to request a circuit split “very surprising” and un-

necessary.

“I don’t see any reason for it,” Belton said. “It’s a surprise move that I can’t see a reason for making because, to my knowledge, the caseload is manageable.”

Belton said it was also surprising due to the fact that a proper study needed to be completed and the governor needed to make room in the state’s budget for such a move — of which neither had been done.

Newton commissioners voted 3-2 during its

meeting Tuesday, Feb. 2, to formally request legislators to consider breaking up the Alcovy Judicial Circuit that includes Walton and Newton counties and allow Newton to create its own single-county circuit.

Belton and other representatives had planned to meet Wednesday night or Thursday to further discuss the proposal, but due to the manner of the vote, he said the chances of state legislators moving the issue forward was “very

unlikely.”

Because the potential bill would involve multiple counties, Belton said it’s not just up to Newton County legislators to consider.

“Generally, on a local bill, we don’t like to have more than one opposing vote. We prefer it to be approved unanimously or only one opposing vote for us to push it further,” Belton said. “Since it’s not local, it’s very unlikely that the [state] leadership will take this any

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Newton County

Local woman named Covington YMCA’s top volunteer

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — A Newton County woman was recently named one of Metro Atlanta YMCA’s Volunteers of the Year.

During the organization’s 2021 Celebration of Community Champions, held virtually Thursday, Feb. 11, Claudia Engelbracht was awarded Covington Family YMCA’s Volunteer of the Year.

“This experience has been a very rewarding and a humbling one,” Engelbracht said. “Supporting our director and staff in our Y’s programs has given me the opportunity to impact

our community directly. From turning no child away due to their financial situation to first responder childcare and hunger relief programs, I am honored to be a part of the Covington YMCA.”

Engelbracht has been volunteering at the local YMCA since 2014. She currently serves as the Covington YMCA Advisory Board Chairperson.

Engelbracht said she first got involved with the YMCA when searching for a positive soccer environment for her son. After her son joined the Y’s soccer program, she said she joined the organization



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A YMCA staff member presents Claudia Engelbracht, left, flowers and an award for being named Covington Family YMCA’s Volunteer of the Year.

and started her journey of volunteerism as a team manager.

“Claudia started volunteering with the Y when her son,

Jacob, was a soccer player — she was the team mom and did so much more than that,” a YMCA representative said. “She later was asked to be on our board of management and has served so dutifully. She is currently our board chair, has served on the regional board committees, helped deliver meals through our hunger relief efforts, raised thousands of dollars and takes great care of the staff.”

During the celebration event, the YMCA of Metro Atlanta also honored the late Dr. Michael Lane, who was director of the Global

Smallpox Eradication program with the CDC, with the Bransby Christian Leadership Award; Gas South as the Y’s Corporate Partner of the Year; and Atlanta Community Food Bank as its Nonprofit Partner of the Year.

The Y also kicked off its “Why It Matters Annual Giving Campaign” by setting a goal of raising more than \$5 million before the end of June. The fundraising campaign supports scholarships for memberships and day camps. In addition, it supports the Y’s hunger relief programs and Y Campus Connection.

OBITUARY

Michael Ray Welborn
Hillside Memorial Chapel & Gardens

Michael Ray Welborn, 76, of Clarkesville, GA was the son of the late S.L. (Spud) and Sara Welborn. He was born in the historic “Charm House” when

it was a doctor’s clinic in Clarkesville. He passed away on Thursday, February 4. Graduating from



the University of GA in 1969, his 30-year career with the Cooperative Extension Service included the counties of Gwinnett, Oconee, Pike, Henry, and Newton. Mr. Welborn said the most rewarding part of being a “County

Agent” was working with kids in 4-H — seeing them develop starting in the fifth grade to seeing how successful they were in their future careers. He served as State President of the County Agents Association, State President

of the 4-H Agents Association, and was a member of the National Board of County Agents.

Always active in his community, he served as president of the Kiwanis Club and worked with the Cattlemen’s Association. He was one of the two creators of the Newton Youth Leadership Institute and the local Master Gardeners’ program in Newton County. Retiring from Extension in 1998, he soon became the Board Chairman of the Gaither’s Living History Farm in Newton County. His hobbies were woodturning, wood carving, traveling and UGA tailgating in Athens. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Clarkesville, GA.

Survivors include his wife, Anita (Beall) Welborn; children

William (Shanon) Chappell of Lexington, Lisa (Michael) Love of Peachtree City, and Robert (Kristin) Chappell of Watkinsville; and grandchildren Jonathan and Abi Chappell; Morgan, Jackie and Seth Love; and Tyler, Lauren and Mark Chappell.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Bethlehem Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 488, Clarkesville, GA 30523.

An online guest book is available for the Welborn Family at www.HillsideMemorialChapel.com.

Funeral arrangements by Hillside Memorial Chapel & Gardens, Clarkesville. 706-754-6256



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Covington

‘Sweet Magnolias’ to begin season 2 filming in late March

By TAYLOR BECK
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Production of one of Netflix’s most popular series is expected to get back underway soon in Newton County.

Spokespersons for “Sweet Magnolias” recently notified residents and businesses of Covington that the production crew would return toward the end of March to begin filming its highly anticipated second season.

“Sweet Magnolias” is based on a book series by Sherryl Woods and centers on the lives of three women, including a restaurant owner, attorney and a recently-divorced woman, in the fictional town of Serenity, South Carolina.

Covington doubles as “Serenity” and such locations as the Craig law firm, the Lee-Porter House, Mystic Grill restaurant, Southview



Special Photo | Netflix

The second season of “Sweet Magnolias” is set to begin filming in Covington at the end of March, spokespersons announced. Pictured is a scene from season one of the Netflix series.

Cemetery and The Depot Sports Bar & Grill have been used in the show.

In a statement to *The Covington News*, Location Manager J. Brad Smith and Key Assistant Location Manager Matthew David Sparks said the production team was excited to be back in Newton County. Specific filming dates and locations were not disclosed but

are expected to be released soon, according to the statement.

The production crew is also taking a strong approach to filming during a global public health crisis, making

itself available for any feedback or concerns about the filming process.

“We understand that COVID-19 is of great concern to the community and it is one we are taking steps to address when filming on location,” part of the statement reads.

“Our top priorities are to ensure safety and alleviate concerns while we are guests in your neighborhood.”

Daniel Paulson, the show’s producer, told *The Covington News* in a July interview that his company opted to shoot in Covington after scouting locations in Savannah as well as Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Charleston, South Carolina, Paulson said.

Paulson said he chose the city as the primary outdoor location for the show — it also uses locations in McDonough and Decatur — for a variety of reasons.

Despite the ease of shooting in a smaller city, unlike Atlanta, Paulson said the biggest reason for choosing Covington was largely due to the warm welcome.

“I got a nice feeling about the town — the way we were welcomed,” Paulson said.

“The police force, the various store owners, they welcomed us,” he said. “Some places may not be as welcoming and friendly — that happens.”

The Netflix series initially announced it would return for a second season July 23 after its first season just a few months after it went live May 19. Based on ratings numbers reported by various industry publications, it quickly became one of the hottest shows on the streaming service.

Porterdale

Council orders church to close warming center for homeless

Porterdale does not allow them in zoning laws, officials say

By TOM SPIGOLON
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PORTERDALE, Ga. — Porterdale council members bowed to residents’ wishes Tuesday and voted to order a church to stop operating a temporary warming center for the area’s homeless in a city neighborhood.

Council members voted unanimously for the action Tuesday, Feb. 9 — which led Mayor Arline Chapman to tell Rainbow Covenant Ministries officials to stop using their Hemlock Street building to provide shelter and meals to area homeless residents after they closed

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 9 a.m.

Neither warming centers nor homeless shelters are permitted uses under the city’s zoning ordinance, said City Manager Frank Etheridge.

Rainbow officials, led by Senior Pastor Clara Lett, told city council members at a special called meeting Tuesday, Feb. 9, they opened the warming center in their church building at 9 Hemlock St. on Feb. 3.

Lett said they offered the center to homeless people who live outdoors in makeshift camps or wooded areas of Covington and Porterdale.

“That’s our main goal just to serve the community,” Rainbow board member Catherine Warner said.

Lett said she found suitable locations were cost prohibitive in other areas of the county and board members

then decided to open the warming center in Porterdale, she said. The church planned to operate the warming center seven days a week from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. through April 1, Lett said.

She said it was sanitizing the interior and taking daily temperature checks on the five or so individuals staying there to protect against the spread of COVID-19.

It also offered them shower facilities and beds, and a Covington restaurant pledged it would donate meals, Lett said.

In addition, church members were traveling to locations on Washington Street and the former Kmart shopping center on Turner Lake Road in Covington to offer homeless residents transportation to the Porterdale church, Lett said.

City officials said they had little knowledge of the facility

before the meeting.

Porterdale residents, meanwhile, essentially lined up to say they opposed the church using its building as a temporary warming center.

Complaints included its location in a residential neighborhood and the possibility that homeless people would remain at the building beyond the planned 9 a.m. ending time for its use.

Steven Daniel said his parents were forced to have 24-hour surveillance of their property near the church when a homeless shelter operated there in prior years.

Another resident, Ross Adams, said church officials should have received city permission to open the warming center just as homeowners must receive city approval for design changes in some parts of town.

Rainbow is not allowed to

operate a permanent homeless shelter in Porterdale under a prior legal agreement.

Porterdale filed a lawsuit against Lett on the grounds that a homeless shelter she formerly operated in the city was not in compliance with its zoning regulations.

The suit was postponed at the end of 2006 when a new location for the shelter was found on Turner Lake Circle in Covington, according to a past news report.

Other Porterdale residents warned about the possibility that homeless residents’ usage of the center would increase once word spread it was available.

After council members unanimously voted to order its closure, a defiant Lett said she planned to find a different way to offer the same service at the church.

“We’ll have a revival there every night,” she said.

Alcovy Judicial Circuit

DA warns of scammer trying to collect money for missing jury duty

By TOM SPIGOLON
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COVINGTON, Ga. — The district attorney is warning that anyone trying to collect a fine in-person for missing jury duty is a fraud because of requirements for notification spelled out in state law.

Covington Police were on the lookout this week for a man who reportedly scammed a restaurant worker after telling her she owed money for missing jury duty.

An officer reported responding to a call Tuesday, Feb. 9, from a worker at Your Pie on the Covington Square.

The worker said a man identified himself by name and said he was a judge and she had missed a call for jury duty.

He then said she owed \$189 and she told police she sent the money using the Cash App mobile digital platform to the account CCCGOV.

The victim said she later found she never got a notice in the mail for jury duty, a report stated.

District Attorney Randy McGinley said state law requires “notice and hearing” before an individual can be punished for failing to

appear for jury duty.

The law says, “If any person is drawn as a juror and duly summoned to appear as such at court, or summoned as a tales juror, and neglects or refuses to appear, or if any juror absents himself or herself without leave of the court, said neglect, refusal, or absence may, after notice and hearing, be punished as contempt of court.”

“Therefore, anyone demanding money over the phone or in person, is a scammer,” McGinley said.

He said contempt powers do allow a judge to impose a fine

or a sentence to jail.

“However, a hearing would be held in court and allow the person who missed jury duty to provide an explanation to the court,” McGinley said. “The notice for such a hearing is done by personal service by the Sheriff’s Office.”

“A judge would not contact an individual directly. Any fine that would be imposed after notice and hearing would not be payable to a Cash App account. That is not how the Clerk’s Office receives payments.”

Anyone who believes they may have missed

jury duty should contact the Newton County Clerk of Courts office at 770-784-2035, he said.

The Clerk’s Office also has issued a

warning about these scams at <https://www.alcovycircuit.com/clerk-of-courts/55-clerk-of-courts/newton-clerk-of-courts/138-jury-services.html>.

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OPINIONS

The Covington News

David Carroll columnist

Even Me-maw could be plotting political revenge

It has been three months since the presidential election, and three weeks since the inauguration. The division continues.



Of course, this is nothing new. If you paid attention in history class, you know our politicians have had a lot to feud about, for more than 200 years.

I am more worried about our family feuds. Some people just won't give it up. Here in the south, whatever progress was made after the 1960s has pretty much disappeared since 2008. Both Barack Obama and Donald Trump were polarizing personalities. There seemed to be no middle ground. As we said in my neck of the woods, you were either for 'em, or again 'em.

Thanks (or no thanks) to the miracle of social media, we are no longer in the dark about who Cousin Beauregard voted for. Truth be told, we never really cared. We only followed him to make sure he was still above ground, but now we must see his rants, his memes and his misinformation. Lucky us!

Sometimes you can just laugh it off, but what about the loved ones with whom you interact on a daily basis? According to

some of the stories I am hearing, it might be wise to hire a personal food taster. The temperature has risen to such a degree, even Me-maw may be seeking political revenge.

I never envisioned this level of weirdness, did you? People who have roamed the earth longer than me never reported any lingering hatred when Truman beat Dewey, or when Ike beat Adlai. Plus, back then we didn't know that much about the candidates. The reporters knew which politicians, from presidents on down, were cheating on their wives, drinking too much, and engaging in dirty political deeds. They just wouldn't tell us, until years later. Maybe what we didn't know, really didn't hurt us.

That was long before Facebook began fueling our anger, and before the cable "news" channels discovered the formula to print money: raising their viewers' blood pressure. It has gotten to the point that if certain TV opinion hosts told their followers it was sunny and 95 outside on this February day, they would smear on some sunscreen, and go skinny-dipping.

One young friend confided to me, "I've lost my mother." That could mean any number of things, so I started asking questions. In this case it was tied to politics. "She's gone full

QAnon," he said, referring to the far-right group that has espoused various conspiracy theories.

He added, "She's bought into everything. She thinks 9/11 was fake, that the school shootings were staged, and lizard people rule the world." He said, "I used to try to reason with her, but last night she told me she didn't need me or my politics." He was not joking, and then shared more details. "I try to help her keep track of her money, and I noticed she sent half her monthly check to (a political figure), who claims to be very wealthy. If I try to stop her, it just makes her angrier. I am the only one who can stop her, but she won't listen."

Another friend told me, "My brother and I were always close and I thought he hung the moon. But I have lost some respect for him. It's painful to constantly be at odds over politics. It has affected our relationship. I sometimes stress over what we'll talk about when we visit. I've never had to worry about that until now. It makes me mad. These political differences are wearing me out."

She continued, "Luckily we have mutual respect that holds us together. I'm afraid that is not true for many families. I avoid making any political comments online because we don't want to cause any

further division. I know too many people who have lost friends, and become estranged from loved ones, all because of politics. I had never experienced or witnessed this until recently. I wish they could develop a vaccine for this!"

There is no cure, but I know one family that actually enjoyed their Christmas get-together. It was 100 percent politics-free. Their invitation stated, "*Upon entering our home, you will notice a large punch bowl in the living room. Anyone who makes any mention of any political candidate (federal, state or local; past, present or future), political party, impeachment, stimulus check, health care plan, or any president from George Washington to Joe Biden, will have to deposit \$10 in the bowl. Cash, credit card, PayPal, or direct deposit is accepted. Your contribution will be sent to whichever political party you despise the most. We hope to see you in your jolly holiday attire!*"

The bowl remained empty, and a good time was had by all. Clip and save. You may want to try this during Christmas 2021.

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Taylor Beck editor and publisher

'Real' reason Valentine's Day exists

[This column originally appeared in the Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018, edition of The Sand Mountain Reporter in Albertville, Alabama.]

Since I can remember, I've never truly understood why Valentine's Day exists.

Growing up, I've always ever known it to be my mother's birthday (Happy Birthday, Mom!) so frankly my question is, what is Valentine's Day?



"Oh, it's a day of love!"

Oh, and what about every other day? Are we not supposed to show love toward people on every other day?

"Well no, but this is a special day that you take time to make your special someone feel especially loved."

Really? I thought this was a goal set for every other day too.

The truth is, I believe Valentine's Day is just a holiday that a poor schmuck made up.

I picture it clearly:

A true gentleman sporting a tan three-piece suit that's a little too big for him walks into his home, hair slicked back making the touch of gray around his temple even more noticeable. As he's running a small speech through his head about how lovely his wife is for the 24th time, he hoists a dozen red roses and clutches a jewelry box with a diamond necklace inside.

"Happy Anniversary, dear," he says with the charm likened to Danny Devito.

"Um, excuse me?" the wife says. At this point, her blood has only begun the boiling process.

"You surprised or what?"

"Surprised? After I ring your neck you'll think surprised."

"What are you talkin' about, baby?"

"It's not our anniversary," she says, her blood now brought to a boil.

"Oh, yeah, I know. I was only kidding. It's actually Valentine's Day. I've decided to make this day the most special day for you every year. You know because your birthday runs so close to Christmas and our anniversary is, well, you know, not for a little while. What do you think?"

Valentine looks at the delicate flowers, then glares at her husband. She angrily looks down at the floor pondering whether or not to just go ahead and catch him in his awful lie, or just hold it against him for the rest of his life. When she comes to a decision, she looks back up at her schmuck and before she can tell him off, she sees the jewelry box in his hand and starts to simmer.

Putting on a good show, she says, "Oh my goodness, baby. That is so sweet for you to give me a day all to myself."

Well, the next year rolls around. This guy is out buying flowers again for his wife on her "special day." The shop owner asks who they're for.

"They're for my girl — it's Valentine's Day."

As the man pays the owner and walks off, the owner begins to sweat. He gives a call to his buddy that owns a restaurant to set up a dinner date for two.

"What's the occasion?"

"Haven't you heard? It's Valentine's Day!"

"What? What's Valentine's Day?"

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Brian Strickland guest columnist

Senator gives GRACE Commission full support

During the third week of the legislative session (Jan. 26-29), the Senate took an important first step in fulfilling our constitutional obligation of passing a balanced budget.



The House, after holding a series of Appropriations Committee meetings, passed out their version of the Amended Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Now, the

budget has been sent over to the Senate for review.

The budget process is lengthy and provides lawmakers with numerous opportunities to examine the budgetary needs of our state departments and programs and evaluate which areas need more funding and where some funds can be reallocated. Thankfully, Georgia's economy has remained resilient through the COVID-19 pandemic and we are now in a position where we can begin restoring funds to areas that experienced

cuts during our last budget cycle. Our Appropriations Subcommittees convened for a long day on Friday to begin fine-tuning the bill that passed the House on Thursday. These hearings will continue on next week and, when the Appropriations Committee is satisfied with the final product, the budget will be heard in the Senate for a vote.

While discussions around the budget continued, I also had the opportunity to chair my first meeting of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Some of the most important bills of the session will likely come before our committee to be vetted and receive feedback from our members. This is an important task, but our committee contains combined decades of legal expertise, along with other subject matter experts in their fields. I am thoroughly looking forward to working with my committee members to ensure every bill that passes out of our committee.

Last Wednesday, Gov. Brian Kemp held a press conference to provide an update on the work of the GRACE Commission. The work of the commission is critically important, as they are tasked with combating the vile practice of human trafficking in our state. While the GRACE Commission is tasked with bringing to justice those

who exploit others for servitude, it is also compelled to bring much needed aid and assistance to the victims who have suffered under this heinous crime. For this year's priorities, the Commission laid out three priorities: legislation allowing victims of human trafficking to legally change their names, creating a mechanism which would allow victims to sue anyone who knowingly benefitted from their trafficking, as well as requiring renewal applicants for Commercial Driver's Licenses to participate in an anti-human trafficking course in order to receive their license. As a legislator honored to have carried legislation emanating from the GRACE commission last year, I fully support their goals for the session and look forward to using my position on the Judiciary Committee to advance these bills.

Next week we will continue to hold Appropriations Subcommittee meetings in order to ensure this budget strikes the correct balance of fiscal responsibility, while still ensuring vital state services and agencies receive the funding they need to operate efficiently.

Brian Strickland is a Republican from District 17, serving in the Georgia Senate.

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Newton County Schools

Six local students named semifinalists for Governor's Honors Program

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Six Newton County School System high school students have been named semifinalists for the 2021 Governor's Honors Program.

NCSS students who have successfully passed the school and district-level interviews and had their applications approved by the Governor's Office of Student Achievement to be named semifinalists include:

- Dhakiya Knights, Newton High & NCCA STEM Institute, 10th grade, Communicative Arts;
- Noah Geiger, Newton High & NCCA STEM Institute, 10th grade, Engineering-Mechanical Design;
- Brie Worton, Eastside High & NCCA, 11th grade, Visual Arts;
- Elizabeth Johnson, Eastside High, 11th grade, World Languages-Latin;
- Matthew Walker, Eastside High, 11th grade, Communicative Arts;
- Rivash Deepnarain, Eastside High & NCCA STEM Institute, 11th grade, Engineering-Mechanical Design.

The Governor's Honors Program, open to all sophomores and juniors, is a free residential summer program for gifted or highly talented students who are passionate about their chosen subject, a



From left, Brie Worton, Elizabeth Johnson, Matthew Walker, Noah Geiger, Rivash Deepnarain and Dhakiya Knights are Newton County School System's 2021 Governor's Honors Program semifinalists.

news release stated.

Students interested in attending must participate in a series of interviews and should be able to speak eloquently and in great detail about their field of study.

They are students who desire to work with their subject outside of school and go above and beyond, the release stated.

Students may be nominated in Communicative Arts (ELA), all Foreign Languages, Math, Science, Social Studies, Dance, Music, Theater, Visual Arts, Engineering, and Agriscience.

Nikkita Warfield, director

of secondary schools for NCSS, said, "Congratulations to our students who have been named semifinalists in the 2021 Governor's Honors Program."

"These students persevered and worked tirelessly to complete many rounds of revisions to get their applications and essays prepared for the semifinalist round," Warfield said. "They did not allow the restrictions of COVID to stop them from reaching their goals."

"It is nice to see so many students so passionate about a subject area, that they wish to participate in a program to

learn more in-depth information about the topic," she said. "I commend them and wish each of them well in the next phase of the Governor's Honors Program."

Warfield said each school has an Honors Program coordinator.

"The coordinator informs teachers about the program and asks teachers to nominate students who are highly talented and qualified to meet the criteria of the program," Warfield said.

"After the teachers provide the coordinators with student names, the coordinator meets with students to provide

them with an overview of (Governor's Honors) and how the nomination process works.

"Additionally, the school-level (Governor's Honors) coordinator checks to ensure students meet the criteria. If the student meets the criteria, the coordinator informs the teacher and has the teacher complete the (Governor's Honors) nomination form.

"The teacher completes his or her portion as well as assists the student with filling in his/her nomination information (essays)."

Warfield added that "due to COVID-19 restrictions, this year's interview process was virtual and centered around the students' application and essay."

"If selected as district winners, the students' names are submitted to the Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA). The students are next contacted by GOSA to complete a state application in efforts to be selected for state interviews.

"If selected, students become semifinalists and then compete in state interviews. Students selected as finalists from state interviews will have the opportunity to participate in the (Governor's Honors) summer program."

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Special Photo | Newton County Parks & Recreation

A rendering shows how the planned Denny Dobbs Skatepark will appear when construction is eventually completed.

A total of \$160,000 will be used for construction of the project's approximately 4,000-square-foot first phase, with the remainder used for pre-construction work and an overall master plan for the facility, said county capital projects manager Jeff Prine.

Construction of the concrete park — which includes a series of smooth slopes and valleys for skateboard riders — is planned to

begin in the spring and be completed by the end of summer.

Officials said they selected Grindline's bid over others. The company is considered one of the leading skateboard park builders in the world, Prine told county commissioners Feb. 2.

County Recreation Director Dwayne Mask said he and others, including County Commissioner Demond Mason and former director

Ternard Turner, devised the original idea for a Newton County skateboard park in 2020.

He said recreation officials met with Grindline to begin work on the project Feb. 8.

Mask, a 30-year veteran of the department, said he had never worked on a similar recreation project.

"I'm kind of excited to see it done," he said. "I've gotten quite a few calls about it."

He said he expected

county residents will have "good usage" of the facility.

"We've got quite a few skateboarders here," he said.

Nearest skateboard parks are in Gwinnett County and in Clayton County, according to an online search.

Prine said the overall plan Grindline will complete will include a facility covering an estimated 1.5 acres in the southwest Newton County park at a total

cost of about \$750,000, Prine said.

County officials have not identified funding for its construction but sources could include future SPLOST referendums, Prine said.

Grindline has built skateboard parks worldwide, including one in Denmark and in

22 U.S. states including Hawaii and Alaska, according to its website.

In Georgia, it recently completed a park in Hapeville and built the 6,000-square-foot Arthur Langford Jr. Park Skatepark in Atlanta in 2015.

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which refers to a law that allows children of non-citizens to meet certain criteria to automatically become citizens if their parents become citizens before the child reaches 18 years of age, said Phil Johnson, chairman of the Newton County Board of Elections.

The Newton County Board of Elections discovered the discrepancy in 2019 when checking driver license renewal applications against existing registrations, Johnson said.

He said the Newton elections office notified Watson that he had to

prove citizenship by letter on April 12, 2019; July 12, 2019, and July 17, 2019.

When Watson did not respond, the elections office referred the matter to the Secretary of State's office, Johnson said.

District Attorney Randy McGinley said he was unsure Thursday, Feb. 11, if his office or the State Attorney General will receive the case for prosecution.

McGinley said the state law defining the duties of the State Election Board says the board will report

violations "either to the Attorney General or the appropriate district attorney who shall be responsible for further investigation and prosecution."

"The law does not provide any distinction as to which agency the report should be made to, so it appears that decision is solely up to the Board," he said.

"If my office does receive any report from the Board, we will completely review the facts and circumstances of the incident reported before making a decision as to what action my office will take,"

McGinley said.

An effort to reach Watson for comment proved unsuccessful.

The Secretary of State's Office investigation division has 23 sworn officers with arrest power and experience as detectives in law enforcement, a news release stated.

They investigate allegations of voting irregularities and present their findings to the State Election Board, which can levy fines, issue a letter of instruction or refer the case for prosecution, the release stated.

Secretary of State

Brad Raffensperger, chairman of the five-member Election Board, said, "Election fraud is not tolerated in Georgia. When there is evidence of it, the people responsible face prosecution."

"Georgia has multiple safeguards in place that allow our team of investigators to discover fraudulent voting," he said. "They worked to catch the wrongdoing in these cases, and they maintain the security of Georgia elections."

Among other cases the Election Board bound over for prosecution Wednesday were

four incidents of felons voting or registering to vote, four cases of non-citizens voting or registering to vote and one case of misplaced ballots during the 2020 general election, which didn't change the outcome but did affect the total, the release stated.

The Board also sent for prosecution charges against canvassers for two organizations trying to register people to vote, including one who allegedly submitted registration applications they knew were false, the release stated.

CORONER:

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satisfy the basic training requirements for certification.

Bailey-Butts took office Jan. 1 and only recently attended her first training course after an initial training session was postponed because of COVID-19.

If the Council votes to remove her certification, the coroner can request a hearing to contest the action.

Meanwhile, the process of removing a coroner from office begins with someone informing the governor about the need for an investigation into the coroner's actions.

The governor then determines if the investigation is

needed because of pending criminal charges, alleged misconduct in office, or alleged incapacity of the coroner to perform the functions of the job, according to state law.

If the governor agrees, he then forms a committee made up of members or either the Georgia Coroners Association or the Training Council — the law does not specify which group — to launch an investigation and report its findings within 30 days.

Depending on the committee's recommendation, the governor may suspend

the coroner for up to 60 days and recommend the District Attorney file a removal petition.

A Superior Court judge then would make the ultimate decision to remove the coroner from office for reasons "including incapacity or misbehavior in office" following a hearing before a jury.

The law states the process for removing a coroner mirrors the process for removing a Superior Court clerk.

A spokesperson for the Georgia Attorney General's office declined comment about the parts of state law

surrounding a removal from office.

County Manager Lloyd Kerr filed a petition Jan. 29 with the Coroners Training Council to seek an emergency injunction to prevent her from continuing in the elected position "effective immediately."

The allegations against her include refusing to transport a body from a fatal wreck on Georgia Hwy. 212 last month despite its requirement in state law.

She also possibly destroyed evidence and mishandled the body of a suicide victim; and left a deceased

hotel patron in plain view of other guests and employees, according to the petition.

Kerr's petition also includes other allegations against Bailey-Butts for actions she took between taking office Jan. 1 and Jan. 29 that he said show that "she is wholly unable to competently serve as the county's coroner."

The additional allegations range from possibly being mentally unstable; to saying she had damaging information in an effort to force the county commission to approve more money for her office.

SPLIT:

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further, or the governor for that matter."

If the county's request were to be approved, Belton said there was "a long road ahead." Specifically, he said splitting the judicial circuit could take up to five years, if legislation were passed.

And if the circuit were to be split, Belton said doing so could get expensive.

"To my understanding, the governor would have to budget this in," Belton said, "and now is not a great time to add to the budget. There are a lot of other issues including [several education and health care issues]."

In a recent statement to The Covington News, District Attorney Randy McGinley said the commissioners' move to break away and create its own circuit was a political ploy.

"This resolution was added to the agenda during the afternoon of the meeting date, mere hours before the scheduled meeting," he stated. "It appears that such last minute additions to the agenda are allowed when the

matter is urgent or time sensitive. However, not a single reason why this matter was urgent was discussed. Instead, a copy of the proposed bill was already attached to the proposal which clearly indicates that this proposal was already in the works well before the day of the meeting. The late addition to the agenda precluded anyone with knowledge of the court system, the DA's office, and the potential financial impact to appear at the meeting ready to discuss the matter.

"I personally found out about the resolution just hours before the meeting time. I was unable, with such extremely short notice to have someone pick up and care for my 4- and 1-year-old daughters.

"The county commission has the power and right to vote on whatever resolutions they choose. But it is disappointing that a vote on a complicated, important subject would be held with so little information on the subject. The last minute addition of this resolution and

the vote were based on one thing, and one thing only: partisan politics."

McGinley echoed Belton's thoughts on the potential cost of breaking up the circuit.

"Splitting the circuit would not be without a cost to the people of the counties," McGinley said. "The DA's budget from each county split numerous costs. For example, the cost of expensive and necessary software is shared by both counties. The state creating a new DA costs taxpayers everywhere. Judges' caseloads would grow. This means that it would take longer for cases to be resolved. This means that individuals awaiting trial while in jail would have to wait longer for their day in court. If the speed of cases coming to court was truly a reason, then propose the addition of a state court.

"Additionally, it is impossible to calculate the cost of losing the knowledge of the cases in the office. If the circuit was split, it would be naïve to think that there would not be people losing

their jobs, people that work day in and day out to help our communities. With them would go priceless knowledge of open cases. A new DA would have no knowledge about these open cases that would include murders, rapes, child molestations, armed robberies, etc. I do not know how to put a number on the cost to victims of serious crimes."

Newton County Chairman Marcello Banes has centered his reasoning for requesting a split on the increased caseload and, simply, at the request of others within the county. He told The Covington News there was no ulterior motive. However, during the meeting, District 4 Commissioner J.C. Henderson said he knew of Newton residents who had wanted to run for offices within the Alcovy Circuit but likely could not have won because they also had to campaign in Walton.

Candidates for Superior Court judge and DA must win a majority of the total votes cast in both counties to

earn election.

A copy of the commissioners' formal request can be viewed in its entirety online at CovNews.com. Within the request, commissioners called for legislation to be amended so the governor could appoint a district attorney for the proposed Newton Judicial Circuit for a term beginning July 1, 2021, through Dec. 31, 2022. A successor would be decided by voters.

The request also calls for three Superior Court judges to be plucked from the Alcovy Judicial Circuit, including Cheveda McCamy, Ken Wynne Jr. and Layla Zon — all Newton County residents — to serve on the proposed Newton Judicial Circuit. The circuit's chief judge would be determined based on who had served as Superior Court judge the longest. Expenses for the Newton Judicial Circuit not funded by the state would be funded by Newton County. Walton County would then be responsible for all expenses incurred by the Alcovy Judicial Circuit.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118867 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

DEBRA ANN PETTY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **JAMES MICHAEL PETTY, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE #118862 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

DEMARCUS D. SALAUGHTER has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **HORACE SLAUGHTER, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk
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CITATION

DENISE BOSTIC has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Patrick Wayne Bostic**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge
BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk
PROBATE COURT
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PUBLIC NOTICE #117769 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

DONALD COGAR, JR. has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **VICKY FOUCHÉ COGAR**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118868 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

ELMER HOKE Blankenship and Gregory Trent Blankenship has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Timothy Lee Blankenship**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118814 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

JOHN KEVIN HANEY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **JOHN WILLIAM HANEY 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118836 01/31-02/7,14,21

CITATION

KIMBERLY BENTON Corbett has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Shirley Benton Lee**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this

Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #117782 01/31,02/7,14,21

CITATION

MARCIA ELAINE Gayle has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Ian Anthony Gayle**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118809 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

PENNY THRASHER Franklin has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Willie Gene Thrasher**, 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 objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before March 1, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118816 01/31-2/7,14,21

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of Dorothy Ann Williams, Deceased

TRAVONNE LYNN Walker 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 March 1, 2021, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #119917 2/14,21,28-3/7

CITATION

RE: ESTATE ofEDDIE VESTER MAUGHON, Deceased

CHRISTIE OZBURN 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 March 1, 2021, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #119918 2/14,21,28-3/7

CITATION

THE PETITION of **JERRY EUGENE DENNEY** widow of **CONNIE CHARLENE DENNEY**, 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 MARCH 1, 2021, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118866 1/31,2/7,14,21

CITATION

THE PETITION of **REBECCA J. TAYLOR** widow of **ROBERT FRED TAYLOR**, 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 MARCH 1, 2021, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118866 1/31,2/7,14,21

CITATION

THE PETITION of **VALDIE G. LURCH** widow of **JAQUELINE GLORIA LURCH a/k/a JACKIE LURCH**, 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 MARCH 1, 2021, next at ten o'clock a.m.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #118866 1/31,2/7,14,21

See LEGALS, A8

LEGALS:

Continued from A8

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PUBLIC NOTICE #118853
01/31-27/14,21

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by John K. Kinder to Beneficial Mortgage Co. of Georgia dated 10/21/2005 and recorded in Deed Book 2044 Page 482 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the CIM Trust 2016-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-2, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$113,397.05, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on March 2, 2021 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 170 OF THE 10TH LAND DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA , AND BEING LOT 14, BLOCK B, SALEM VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, SECTION 1 , ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 62, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA WHICH PLAT IS BY REFERENCE THERETO INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: MAP 00012A PARCEL 055

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

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as **2185 Chester Circle, Conyers, GA 30013** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): John K. Kinder or tenant or tenants.

SELECT PORTFOLIO Servicing, Inc. is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

SELECT PORTFOLIO Servicing, Inc. **LOAN RESOLUTION** Department **3217 SOUTH** Decker Lake Drive **SALT LAKE** City, UT 84119 **(888) 818-6032**

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

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

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

U.S. BANK National Association, as indenture trustee, for the CIM Trust 2016-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-2 as agent and Attorney in Fact for John K. KinderAldridge Pite, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1012-13779A
THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1012-13779A

PUBLIC NOTICE #118860
01/31-27/14,21

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by NIKI MCKENZIE to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC ("MERS") AS NOMINEE FOR CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS , dated 07/19/2016, and Recorded on 08/04/2016 as Book No. 3464 and Page No. 284 301, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$134,518.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash

at the NEWTON County Courthouse within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in March, 2021, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 119 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING LOT 663, THE SILOS OF ELLINGTON, PHASE II, AS PER PLAT OF SAME FILED FOR RECORD AT PLAT BOOK 39, PAGES 125 129, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS. THE DESCRIPTION OF SAID LOT AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAT IS BY THIS REFERENCE, SPECIALLY INCORPORATED HEREIN. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC. may be contacted at: CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., 13801 WIRELESS WAY, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73134, 800 401 6587. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/ parties in possession of the subject property known as **110 KEYTON DRIVE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016** is/are: NIKI MCKENZIE or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9 13 172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC as Attorney in Fact for NIKI MCKENZIE. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 00000007578412 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

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01/31-27/14,21

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **DEREK WOLFE**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: **2020-CV-97-5**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

DEREK WOLFE filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on **JANUARY 15, 2021**to change the name from **DEREK WOLFE** to **ELRAD JUSTUS ISRAEL**. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED JANUARY 15, 2021

DEREK WOLFE
225 THE falls Blvd
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #118846
01/31-27/14,21

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **JENNIFER NACOLE MATHIS**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: **2021-CV-35-4**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

JENNIFER NACOLE MATHIS filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on **JANUARY 8, 2021** to change the name from **JENNIFER NACOLE MATHIS** to **JENNIFER NACOLE MOTON**. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED JANUARY 8, 2021

JENNIFER NACOLE Mathis
205 1ST Ave
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #118823
01/24,31-27/14

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **SHAVA WOLFE**
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION File Number: **2020-CV-98-5**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

SHAVA OLIVIA WOLFE filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on **JANUARY 15, 2021**to change the name from **SHAVA OLIVIA WOLFE** to **SHOSHANA JUDITH ISRAEL**. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after Petition was filed.

DATED JANUARY 15, 2021

SHAVA WOLFE
225 THE falls Blvd
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #118849
01/31,27/14,21

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE:
JASMINE ALEXIS NORRIS,
A minor child.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS hereby given that MELISSA KITCHO, has filed her petition in the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia on the 2nd day of February, 2021, praying for a change in the name of the petitioner's minor child from JASMINE ALEXIS NORRIS to JASMINE ALEXIS KITCHO. Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition.

CLERK, SUPERIOR Court
NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #118891
02/7,14,21,28

Public Hearings

CITY OF Covington
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
Committee

MARCH 3, 2021 | 6:00 p.m.
Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/94163637921>
DIAL IN 1-646-558-8656 – Meeting ID: 941-6363-7921

1. **OPENING** Remarks/ Roll Call
2. **APPROVAL** of the Agenda
3. **APPROVAL** of the February 3, 2021 Minutes
4. **OLD Business:**
5. **DISCUSSION** Item:
6. **NEW Business**

A. ITEM 1: COA# - PCA21-0002
REQUEST: RENOVATIONS to include roof, siding and stair replacement, 12x16 rear deck addition and an exterior stone wall application.
LOCATION: 2231 EMORY ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C027 0006 5000
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Julio Perez & Mario Garcia
B. ITEM 2: COA# - PCA21-0003
REQUEST: ADDITION of a 4' black aluminum fence for all street facing areas; black chain link for remaining.

LOCATION: 3163 FLOYD ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C009 0015 011
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: David Zarneke
C. ITEM 3: COA# - PCA21-0004
REQUEST: ADDITION of a 3-car

garage
LOCATION: 2193 CONYERS ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C019 0002 9000
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Michael & Adriana Zimmerman
D. ITEM 4: COA# - PCA21-0005
REQUEST: REPLACE front porch overhang roofing shingles with metal, move privacy fence forward 15'
LOCATION: 3119 CONYERS ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C019 0002 0014
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Hunter Hall
7. ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE #119933
2/14

CITY OF COVINGTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
- HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MARCH 3, 2021 @ 6PM

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.52.270, applications were submitted for Certificate of Appropriateness' to be considered by Covington's Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) on the following properties:

A. ITEM 1: COA# - PCA21-0002
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TAX PARCEL Number: C027 0006 5000
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Julio Perez & Mario Garcia
B. ITEM 2: COA# - PCA21-0003
REQUEST: ADDITION of a 4' black aluminum fence for all street facing areas; black chain link for remaining.

LOCATION: 3163 FLOYD ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C009 0015 011
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: David Zarneke
C. ITEM 2: COA# - PCA21-0004
REQUEST: ADDITION of a 3-car garage
LOCATION: 2193 CONYERS ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C019 0002 9000

PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Michael & Adriana Zimmerman
D. ITEM 2: COA# - PCA21-0005
REQUEST: REPLACE front porch overhang roofing shingles with metal, move privacy fence forward 15'
LOCATION: 3119 CONYERS ST.
TAX PARCEL Number: C019 0002 0014
PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Hunter Hall

DUE TO circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety and preservation of public services, public access to this meeting is limited to teleconference and video access. THE PUBLIC MAY ACCESS THIS MEETING USING THE FOLLOWING ZOOM LINK: <HTTPS://ZOOM.US/J/94163637921> Dial in 1-646-558-8656 / Meeting ID: **941-6363-7921**

THE APPLICANT and ALL INTERESTED shall be given an opportunity to be heard before the HPC. For more information, contact Renee Criswell, at rcriswell@cityofcovington.org, or 770-385-2178.

PUBLIC NOTICE #119935
2/14

CITY OF COVINGTON
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
– COVINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION

MARCH 9, 2021 @ 6PM

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.12 that the below applications were submitted for consideration by the Covington Planning Commission for the below properties:

1. SPECIAL USE PERMIT: PSU21-0001-
REQUESTED USE, DANCE SCHOOL/STUDIO: **LOCATION: 6239** Turner Lake Road (sub parcel of 7121 Turner Lake Rd.)
TAX MAP Parcel Number: #C062-046A
OWNER: KNA Family LLC/Bhushan Khanna
AUTHORIZED AGENT/APPLICANT: Shalay Terrell

2. SPECIAL USE PERMIT: PSU21-0002-
REQUESTED USE, INDUSTRIAL - AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITY: **LOCATION: 8425** Hazelbrand Road
TAX MAP Parcel Number: C081-090A

OWNER: STP Holdings, LLC
APPLICANT: SHANE Steele
3. SPECIAL USE PERMIT: PSU21-0003-
REQUESTED USE, PREPARATORY SCHOOL, K-8th: **LOCATION: 7188** Turner Lake Circle
TAX MAP Parcel Number: C040 0002 150

OWNER: MOCK Properties I, LLLP
AUTHORIZED AGENT/APPLICANT: Georgia Preparatory School/Denise White

DUE TO circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety and preservation of public services, public access to this meeting is limited to teleconference and video access. THE PUBLIC MAY ACCESS THIS MEETING BY CALLING 1-646-558-8656, TO VIEW ONLINE USE THE FOLLOWING LINK: <https://zoom.us/j/91279764305>; Dial in Number: 1-646-558-8656 | Meeting ID: 912-7976-4305
ALL INTERESTED parties are invited to participate. For more information, contact Renee Criswell, at rcriswell@cityofcovington.org, or 770-385-2178.

PUBLIC NOTICE #119936
2/14

CITY OF COVINGTON
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
– COVINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION

MARCH 9, 2021 @ 6PM

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.12 that the below applications were submitted for consideration by the Covington

Planning Commission for the below properties:

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REQUESTED USE, INDUSTRIAL - AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITY: **LOCATION: 8425** Hazelbrand Road
TAX MAP Parcel Number: C081-090A

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C. ITEM 3: SPECIAL USE PERMIT# - PSU21-0003-
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PUBLIC NOTICE #119934
2/14

Public Notice

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE PETITION ADVERTISEMENT

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Trade Names

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THIS THE 29thh day of January 2021

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Prep Football

Hoff departs for Woodstock

Eastside head coach spent six seasons at helm

By MASON WITTNER
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Woodstock High School announced Thursday night that it has hired Eastside's Troy Hoff to become its next head football coach.

Hoff, the 2020 All-Covington News Coach of the Year, spent six seasons as head coach of the Eagles. He compiled a 51-17-1 record, making five consecutive trips to the postseason including state quarterfinal appearances in two of the past three years.



File | Anthony Banks | Special to The Covington News

Troy Hoff is leaving for Woodstock High School after six seasons as head football coach at Eastside. He compiled a 51-17-1 record and made five straight playoff appearances.

Eastside Athletic Director Phil David-

son told The Covington News Friday that

offensive coordinator Jay Cawthon will serve

as interim head coach for the Eagles while the school conducts a coaching search.

Prior to being tabbed head coach in 2015, Hoff served as an assistant coach in various roles for the Eagles for 10 seasons. During that span, he filled in as a special teams coordinator, running backs coach, JV head coach and offensive coordinator, varsity offensive line coach and assistant head coach.

Shortly after Woodstock shared the news on its social media, Hoff took to his personal Twitter account to express his gratitude for Eagle Nation.

"There are no words

to describe what Eastside High School means to me & my family," Hoff stated in a note posted to a Tweet. "When you put your heart & soul into something for 16 years, it's more than just a job. For me & my family #WeBleedGREEN is and always will represent something special in our life."

Woodstock went 3-7 in 2020 as members of Region 5-AAAAAAA. Former Wolverines head coach Brent Budde stepped down in December after 11 seasons. They've missed the state playoffs each of the last three years.

Prep Baseball

Eagles ready to take flight in new region

By MASON WITTNER
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Eastside is venturing into uncharted territory in 2021.

After residing in Region 4-AAAA for the past six seasons, the Eagles will now call Region 8-AAAAA home. Their last region was top-heavy, often leading to a two-man race for a title while the rest of the teams were left fighting for scraps. This year, however, the league will be overflowing with talent.

Eastside will be joined by perennial state powers Loganville and Greenbrier, as well as burgeoning talent pools at Walnut Grove, Apalachee and Clarke Central. It will be perhaps one of the most complete regions from top to bottom in the entire state.

And the Eagles are eager to face the challenge head-on.

"When you get a chance to play in a region like this, you can't sleep. You've gotta go to work every day and come to the ball field ready to play," Eastside head coach Brandon Crumbley said. "It's going to be exciting to strap it up against Walnut Grove and Loganville. [We] get to go up against coach [Jeff] Segars — a legend who's built a program from the ground up. "We're excited to



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After clashing with Woodward Academy at the top of the league for the past few years, Eastside has moved into one of the most daunting regions in the state. The Eagles will brush shoulders with state powers Loganville and Greenbrier.

play some really good baseball every day that we get in region play. It's going to be a test, but it's going to be really fun at the same time."

As the program has done in recent years, Eastside will delve into a lethal non-region gauntlet with the hopes of emerging as a stronger club.

The Eagles will open the year with road games against Ola, Northside Columbus and Tift County during their first week. They'll

then head to former league rival Woodward Academy — the three-time defending Region 4-AAAA champion — on Tuesday, Feb. 23.

"The first week of the season is going to be a test, but I didn't schedule any harder or softer than I would've if it had been a weird year, normal year, whatever," Crumbley said. "We're playing some tough teams early to get us ready for region play. And then region play is going to get us ready, hopefully, for the state

playoffs."

When the pandemic prematurely ended Eastside's 2020 season, the club was forced to bid farewell to one of its most talented senior classes in recent memory. The departure of five players — including a pair of four-year starters — left holes in the pitching staff and lineup.

"It's tough to replace a class like that, but those guys set a standard of excellence that we want to have here," Crumbley said. "The

guys that are taking over and filled those roles, they know what's expected. They know what they have to do to be successful."

Senior left-hander Cade Mitchell will return as the workhorse of Crumbley's staff. The Eagles will also use seniors Ethan Booth, Sambo Button and Dayton Green and junior Cole Shannon on the mound.

As for newcomers to keep an eye on, sophomore Hunter Denney has emerged as

a promising outfielder Crumbley's crew will lean on.

"We're a good mix of experienced and inexperienced," Crumbley said, "which can be good because experienced guys can teach and tell the inexperienced guys what to expect."

The Eagles are currently scheduled to open the season Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Ola. First pitch is slated for 5:55 p.m.



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Prep Soccer

Eastside soccer clubs sweep Luella, remain unbeaten

By MIKE HARRISON
Correspondent

LOCUST GROVE, Ga. — The Eastside Lady Eagles improved to 3-0-0 by dominating the Luella Lady Lions, 10-2, on Tuesday evening at Luella High.

If not for eight defensive saves by Lady Lions keeper Sinclair Miller and two by the Luella goal crossbar, plus numerous deflections of Lady Eagle shots in the first half alone, the match could easily have been time-shortened due to the mercy rule.

In the 11th minute of play, freshman Sophia Leal sent in a corner kick that bounced off the pitch before freshman Mia Mostek headed it toward the Lady Lions' goal. A defender directly in front of the Luella goal used her hand to block the shot, resulting in a handball in the box being called. Mostek calmly converted the penalty kick to put Eastside up 1-0.

Within minutes, senior Lily Oftedal fired a long shot from the far right that hit off the Luella crossbar. Against the run of play, Luella's Kennedy Moore tied the match 1-1 on a breakaway with 25:13 on the clock. The goal was the first goal surrendered by the Lady Eagles stout defense this season.

Lady Eagle senior defender Lauren Gates broke up another



The Eastside Lady Eagles rolled to a 10-2 road victory over Luella on Tuesday to improve to 3-0-0 on the season. Both Eastside's girls' and boys' soccer clubs remain unbeaten.

Moore breakaway opportunity, sending the ball to Eastside senior keeper Anna Shelton, who launched it back to midfield with 18:25 left to play in the first half.

Sophia Leal bent another corner kick past three Luella defenders at the near post and into the Lady Lions' goal to make it 2-1 with 15:29 left.

Junior Katie Oakley sent a long through ball upfield to senior Aralyn Everett, who played it around Miller and put it in the back of the Luella net to stretch the Lady Eagles lead to 3-1 with 7:34 left to play. Everett returned the favor with 4:52 on the clock when she assisted Oakley on a goal to make it 4-1 at halftime.

The second half saw more of the same as Everett scored with

35:23 13ft in the match off a short pass from Sophia Leal that made it 5-1. Junior Hannah Scharf stole a Luella throw-in and sent the ball forward to sophomore Lauren Davis, whose eventual shot bounced off the Lady Lion keeper before being rebounded and shot into the net by Everett off of Davis' leg making it 6-1.

With 25:31 remaining, Mostek received a short pass from sophomore Karissa Aldridge and scored her second goal on a 30-yard bomb to put the Lady Eagles up 7-1.

Eastside keeper Shelton came off her line to stop a Lady Lion attack inside the scoring area with 22:24 to play. Just over a minute later, Everett completed her hat-trick when she

scored off a short feed from Oakley to make it 8-1.

Luella's Kennedy Moore netted her second goal of the match at the 15:34 mark off a long air ball to make it 8-2.

Oakley recorded her second goal when Luella's keeper cleared a loose ball right into her path and she fired it into the goal to increase the Lady Eagles lead to 9-2 with 10:18 left on the clock.

On a night of stand-out plays, Gates ran down a Lady Lion ball at the Eastside 18 and dribbled it down the left sideline the length of the field and fired a shot that was stopped on an excellent save by keeper Miller with 8:16 left to play. Completing a true team victory for the Lady Eagles,

Sophia Leal sent a corner kick in that Everett headed down to the foot of senior Gina Leal, Sophia's sister, who scored to make the final 10-2.

After the match, Lady Eagles Head Coach Joel Singleton said: "Another solid offensive performance. We started out very slow tonight on offense so it was good to see us snap out of it and begin to put points on the board. Our defense played another solid game. Luella has two quick strikers and they made the most of their one on one opportunities. We'll work on our communication with that and continue to do the little things to help us gel better as a team."

Individually, Singleton said: "Mia Mostek had a solid game along

with Sophia Leal in the midfield. They're both freshmen but very capable of helping us in many ways this season. Aralyn and Katie continue to be a handful for opposing teams. I'm excited to see who else can step up and help us become more well rounded."

In the nightcap, the Eastside boys' soccer team came from behind twice to tie the match at the half. Trailing 1-0, Caden Coggins scored off a great assist from Hunter Kersh to make it 1-1. After Luella retook the lead on a free kick, Demba Fofana scored on a breakaway off a chip pass from Coggins to knot the game at 2-2.

Early in the second half the Eagles' Ethan Manley scored his first varsity goal off of an assist from Tanner Beam. Manley's goal would be the game-winner. Liam McGiboney made it 4-2 when he scored from 15 yards out with 13 minutes left in the game.

The Eagles improved to 3-0-0 with the win.

Both Eastside teams were originally scheduled to open Region 8-A play Thursday night against Greenbrier at Sharp Stadium. The games cancelled and will be rescheduled to a later date.

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