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Social Circle standout talks scoring milestone against Lamar County.

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His Word

Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name

Isaiah 7:14, KJV

Beyond the call

30 children gifted in CPD's annual 'Shop with a Cop'

> By TAYLOR BECK tbeck@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. - Dozens of city police officers took 30 of Newton County's youth shopping for Christmas gifts Wednesday night for its annual "Shop with a Cop" program.

Capt. Ken Malcom said Covington's Police Department had been organizing "some semblance" of its program for about 40 years. He said former officer Frank Hilton started the initiative in the 1970s.

"It's just always great to help out these kids," he said. "The thing I enjoy most, in my 35 years on the force, I love watching the faces of our officers light up."

Children are selected to

go shopping with officers after being referred by organizations such as Alcovy CASA, Newton County Juvenile Courts and Newton County DFACS. Each child gets a specific dollar amount to spend on gifts, including clothes, toys and other things they might need or

But it never fails, Malcom said, that officers open up their own wallets at the end of the night to make sure everything in the shopping cart can go home with that child.

"Sometimes the kids" eyes might get a little too big, but they don't want



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Dozens of Covington police officers accompanied 30 area children Wednesday, Dec. 8, to pick out Christmas gifts as part of the department's "Shop with a Cop" event.

to tell them no," Malcom said. "I think this event iust shows the caliber of people we have working with us."

Two days before its "Shop with a Cop," the police department executed "Operation Candy Cane," where officers delivered treats to more than 950 students at Newton County Theme School in Covington.

Thanks to the "tremendous" amount of money raised through the annual Fuzz Run, which is organized for the Police Who

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Georgia General Assembly

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Rep. Belton won't pursue reelection

By TAYLOR BECK

COVINGTON, Ga. — Dave Belton. R-Buckhead, announced Tuesday he would not pursue another term in the Georgia House of Representatives.

Belton represents District 112, which is set to become District 114 following the next election cycle after new district lines were drawn in a special session, includes portions of Newton and Morgan counties. Belton has served the area since 2015.



Belton

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Morgan man to seek **Republican nomination** for Belton's seat

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Small businessman and community leader Wendell McNeal announced Wednesday he would run for the District 114 seat in the Georgia House

of Representatives in the 2022 Republican Primary election.

The district was created during this year's legislative redistricting process in response to population shifts in the 2020 federal census. It includes northeast, east, southeast and south



McNeal

Newton County; all of Morgan County; and northern Jasper County.

McNeal is a Morgan County resident and has longstanding ties to Newton

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Newton County

Animal Control Board upholds two pitbulls' designation as 'dangerous'

Dogs attacked, killed dozens of animals over a 10-month period in west Newton County

By TOM SPIGOLON tspigolon@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. — Two pitbulls that have attacked and killed dozens of animals over a 10-month period in west Newton County will not be returned to their owner until she complies with a list of requirements for dogs designated as being legally "dangerous."

Newton County Animal Control Board on Monday upheld the Department of Animal Services' designation of two male pitbulls after they killed four types of animals, including some that were inside a fence.

The dogs have been held by Newton County Animal Services since it designated them as dangerous.

"They will not be returned until (the owner) has complied with the requirements of having a dangerous dog," said Cindy Wiemann, director of Animal Services.

State law classifies a "dangerous dog" as one that



"aggressively attacks in a manner that causes a person to reasonably believe that the dog posed an imminent threat of serious injury to such person or another person although no such injury occurs."

It also classifies a dog as

"dangerous" if it "kills a pet animal" while off the dog owner's property.

The law also says a "vicious dog" is a dog that "inflicts serious injury on a person or causes serious injury to a person resulting from reasonable attempts

River Road in Covington. File | The Covington News

County Animal

Services is

located at

210 Lower

attack. The county ordinance requires a qualified owner to obtain a registered dog certificate from Animal Services

for a dangerous or vicious

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Inside

Board OKs one-time payments to employees



Saturday, Dec. 11 High: 69° Low: 50° 100% of rain

Weekend Weather Forecast



Sunday, Dec. 12 High: 59° Low: 36° · Mostly sunny

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday, Dec. 11-Sunday, Dec. 12

• The Nutcracker with Covington Regional Ballet, 7 p.m. (Friday), 2 and 7 p.m. (Saturday), 3 p.m. (Sunday) at Porter Performing Arts Center, 140 Ram Drive, Covington. Tickets are limited due to COVID-19 policies and social distancing. For more, visit newtoncountyarts. vbotickets.com/events.

Saturday, Dec. 11

 The YMCA of Metro Atlanta will host a doubles pickleball tournament for various levels (ages 18 and up) at Covington Family YMCA. The top two teams of beginner, intermediate and advanced divisions will advance to the finals on Dec. 12 at the Carl E. Sanders Family YMCA in Buckhead. Registration is \$35 for members and \$50 for non-members and includes a team shirt. To sign up, visit spiritonline.ymcaatlanta.org

 Mansfield Christmas Celebration is set for 4 to 7 p.m. at the Mansfield Post Office off Georgia Hwy. 11 in Mansfield. The family-oriented event includes opportunities to take photos with Santa, live music, caroling, a hayride, cake walk, petting zoo, and refreshments. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/

Sunday, Dec. 12

events/613775646581996?ref=newsfeed.

 12th annual Tuba Christmas is set for 3 p.m. at Porter Memorial Gym in Porterdale. The event features dozens of tubas playing Christmas carols. Conductor is Alan Fowler, and coordinator is Lowell Chambers. Audience members should bring their own chairs. Rain location is the Julia Porter UMC. For more information, call 404-787-2319 or email lchambers@atlantaga.gov or chamberssheets@charter.net

Tuesday, Dec. 14

 Garland Favorito of VoterGa.com to speak to Newton County Republican Women's Club at Covington Airport, 14100 Georgia Hwy. 142, Covington. Begins at 5:30 p.m.





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Barbara "Babs"

Jo Beyer

Wheeler Funeral Home Barbara "Babs" Jo Beyer, 73, of Covington, passed away Friday, December 3, 2021 at home surrounded by her loving family. Babs was born in Porterdale, Georgia to Norma Jean Stubbs and the late Asa "Tom" Thomas Stubbs. Babs was very well known for helping her former husband Mike Beyer run Factory Shoals Park for more

Special Needs substitute teacher during that time and

inspired Jo Beyer

her daughter to get her teaching degree. Babs loved being outdoors enjoying nature. One of her favorite hobbies was collecting orchids and tending to all her flowers. Babs also enjoyed traveling,

Barbara "Babs"

OBITUARIES

usually to visit beauti-

ful oceans, because she loved swimming and snorkeling. She believed in living a happy and peaceful life. Babs was a devoted mother and grandmother with lots of family and friends that will miss her dearly. She is survived by her daughter, Summer Beyer, three grandchildren; Skye Harris, Ivy Harris, and River Harris of Covington, her mother Norma Jean Stubbs of Covington, sisters; Susan Stubbs of Hawaii and

Nancy Mills of Coving-

survived by his lov-

ing wife of 46 years,

Christy Krug (Rob);

(Cheryl); sister, Carla

three treasured grand-

kids, Zachary, Dylan,

and Chloe Krug; four

poodles who will miss

nephews, cousins, and

him terribly; nieces,

many friends. He is

predeceased by his

mother, Agnes Mabel

Woods; mother-in-law,

son, Kevin Taylor

Sarah LeJeune; his

Lynda Taylor; daughter,

ton, nieces; Janis Wood of California and Andrea Stubbs of Oregon, her nephew Marshall Stubbs, great-nieces; Jessica Stephens and Bella Wood of California, Makinzie Johnson and Aubrey Stubbs of Covington, great-nephews; Brent **Dunbar**, Thomas Wood and Benny Wood, all of California.

A private Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Condolences may be sent to www. wheelerfuneralhome. com.

Alton; father, Robert

Herschel Taylor; broth-

er, Larry Alton Taylor;

Chance; and father-in-

law, Lionel L. LeJeune.

A Celebration of Life

December 19 from 2-4

PM at Newton Baptist

Church in Covington,

some who bring a light

that even after they are

gone the light remains.'

Georgia. "There are

so great to the world

will be held Sunday,

sister, Nancy Gail

Robert C. Taylor Robert C. Taylor

than 30 years. She also

loved working as a

(Bobby to friends and family), 66, previously of the Covington/ Conyers, Georgia area, passed away on November 22, 2021, breaking the hearts of his loved ones. He was a beloved husband, father, granddad, and brother. He was born in Decatur on February 17, 1955. He and his wife moved to Brooksville. Florida in 2020 to their daughter. **Bobby** retired from the Atlanta **Public** School

be near

system after a 30-year career. Words cannot articulate how wonderful a human being Bobby was and how much he will be missed. He is

Robert C.

Taylor

grandchildren. John was a loving father, scout leader, and father figure to many. He graduated from Illinois Institute of Technology with a Bachelor degree in Electrical Engineering. He was an engineer for Southern Cross Corpo-

ration until he retired and be-

Vacation Rentals in Fairplay,

SC. John was a former mem-

came owner of Mountain Lakes

ber of St. Augustine Catholic Church in Covington, St. Mary's Catholic Church in Toccoa, and most recently St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Seneca, South Carolina.

Jack Taylor.

The family will host a drop-in day of remembrance and celebration of life on Saturday, December 11, 2021. It will be held at the home of Richard Carter, in Braselton.

passed to eternal life on Friday, November 26, 2021 at 7:10 pm at Oconee Memorial Hospital in Seneca, SC. He was born on Friday, November 13, 1942 in Roanoke, VA. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Joan Ellen Carter; his three children, Richard (57), Steve (55), and Elizabeth "Betsy" (49) along with 7

John Charles Carter

John Charles Carter, age 79,

Harold Cooper

Lester Lackey & Sons Funeral Home

Harold Cooper passed away December 3, 2021.

A Celebration of Life was held Thursday, December 9, 2021, at 2 p.m. at Lawnwood Memorial Park, located at 1111 Access Road, Covington, GA 30014. Pastor Emmanuel

Harold was born on April 23, 1951, to Mag-

Oduah, Eulogist.

gie Mae Clarke and Robert Lee Harris.

Harold was a trade laborer and life-long resident of Covington,

He is preceded in death by his mother, Maggie Mae Clarke; father, Robert Lee Harris; sisters, Louise White and JoAnne White; brothers. Walter James Cooper and Joe Cooper.

He is survived by his wife of thirty-five years, Sandra Cooper;

his children, Saniesha (Brandon) Malcom, Brittney Hurst, Destiny (Edward) Moore, Michael (Shea) White, Demitris (Amber) Bailey, Marie (Tracy) White, Sonya (Daniel) Willis, Viri\ ginia (James) Blocker, Patricia White; his siblings, Johnny (Nadine) Cooper, Bill (Anne) Cooper, Terrell Cooper, Jerry (Linnette) Cooper, Maxine (Sammie) Driskell and a host of

grandchildren and great grandchildren that he loved dearly.

Harold Impacted the lives of many, with his smile and infectious laugh.

The family of the late Mr. Harold Cooper would like to extend our most sincere appreciation and thanks for all acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement.

BRIEFLY

Board approves bid to repair damage from vehicle striking Hwv. 213 bridge

Newton County commissioners have approved spending \$48,000 for emergency repairs to the County Hwy. 213 bridge over

Prior

Year

the Alcovy River after it was struck by a vehicle in October.

Commissioners voted unanimously Tuesday, Dec. 7, to accept Peach State Construction Co.'s bid totaling \$48,097.

Public Works director

Total

Chester Clegg said the vehicle was traveling east on Hwy. 213 and did heavy damage to a concrete parapet wall on the bridge Oct. 10.

He said the vehicle driver's insurance will reimburse the county for about \$25,000 of

Remaining

Project

the cost and the remainder would need to be appropriated from the

budget. Peach State also will handle all traffic control, according to its bid documents.

– News Editor Tom Spigolon

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Completion



Special Purpose Sales Tax Report As of June 30, 2021

City of Oxford, Georgia

Current

Year

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2017 Special Purpose Sales Tax Projects:												

\$ 500,000	\$	500,000	\$	-	\$	500,000	\$	-	YES	Complete
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- * Estimated cost per the special purpose sales tax referendum
- ** For all years preceding July 1, 2020
- *** For the year ending June 30, 2021

Estimated

Project



Read about what's happening across the metro and beyond Newton County's border >>>

Perdue to challenge Gov. Kemp in Republican primary

Former U.S. Sen. David Perdue Monday announced he will challenge Gov. Brian Kemp in next May's Republican primary.

Perdue is an ally of former President Donald Trump, who has been urging him for months to take on

The governor angered Trump when he refused to help him overturn the results of last year's presidential election in Georgia. Democrat Joe Biden carried the Peach State by fewer than 12,000 votes, the first Democratic presidential candidate to carry the state since Bill Clinton in 1992.

The primary contest between Kemp and Perdue is sure to aggravate divisions already apparent inside Georgia's Republican Party between Trump loyalists and those who want the GOP to put last year's election behind and move forward.

Perdue's announcement came less than a week after Democrat Stacey Abrams, who lost to Kemp in 2018 by a narrow margin, formally entered the gubernatorial race again.

In a video released Monday, Perdue laid the blame for Republican divisiveness squarely on Kemp.

"Think about how different it would be today if Kemp had fought Abrams first instead of fighting Trump," Perdue said. "Kemp caved before the election, and the country is paying the price today."

Perdue finished first in last year's general election but fell short of the 50%-plus-one margin needed to win reelection to a second term. He then lost a runoff to Democrat Jon Ossoff last January, which led to the Democrats capturing a 50-50 split in the Senate, effectively a majority since Democratic Vice

President Kamala Harris can break tie votes. Perdue said he likes Kemp but has become convinced the governor

cannot defeat Abrams. "I'm running for governor to make sure



John Bazemore | Associated Press

David Perdue is seen in this AP file photo at a Save The Majority rally in Augusta in December 2020.

Stacey Abrams is never governor of Georgia," Perdue said. "Make no mistake, Abrams will smile, lie and cheat to transform Georgia into her radical vision of a state that would look more like California and New York."

Capitol Beat News

Senate passes Ossoff bill targeting opioid epidemic

The U.S. Senate has passed bipartisan legislation sponsored by Sen. Jon Ossoff, D-Ga., aimed at America's opioid crisis.

The Rural Opioid Abuse Prevention Act cleared the Senate Wednesday night and now moves to the U.S. House of Representa-

More than 75,000 Americans died of opioid overdoses between April 2020 and April of last year, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The bill, cosponsored by Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, will steer federal funds toward rural communities with a high level of opioid overdoses.

The legislation would make federal funds available to local governments and organizations in rural areas to help fill gaps in prevention, treatment and recovery services for victims of opioid abuse.

- Capitol Beat News

State audit criticizes rural jobs, tax credits program

A rural jobs and tax credits program the state created in 2017

isn't coming close to paying for itself, a new audit has found.

The Georgia Agribusiness and Rural Jobs Act provides access to capital for small businesses located in rural areas as well as tax credits to companies that invest in rural communities.

From 2018 through last year, 33 businesses in 23 Georgia counties – most in South Georgia – received an average of \$3.1 million through the program, according to the Georgia Department of Audits & Accounts. More than half of that money went to small manufac-

The program's annual economic impact during those years ranged from \$42.6 million to \$60.4 million, according to the Fiscal Research Center at Georgia State University, which partnered with the audits agency on the report.

However, the program is expected to cost \$60 million in lost state tax revenue. Given the estimated \$580,000 to \$630,000 the program is expected to generate in state tax revenue each year, it would take at least 72 years for the state to see a positive payback on its

investment in terms of additional tax revenue, the audit concluded.

"This analysis confirms that the program has wholly failed to meet lofty promises," the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, an Atlanta-based think tank and frequent critic of the state's tax credit programs, wrote in response to the audit. "The findings released today should motivate Georgians to demand greater transparency and accountability for the billions in tax credits the state of Georgia awards each year."

The audit was the first conducted under legislation the General Assembly passed this year requiring the state to conduct periodic audits of tax credit initiatives.

The audit also reported that eight other states have launched similar programs known as certified capital company (CAPCO) investment programs only to abandon them later. Some states reported significant portions of the funds were not going to qualified businesses, while in other cases, companies received the funds only to go out of business.

The General Assembly considered a CAP-CO proposal during this year's legislative session as part of a broader tax-break package, but the CAPCO component was pulled from the final version of the bill Gov. Brian Kemp signed into law.

- Capitol Beat News

Report suggests increasing penalties

A state Senate study committee asked the General Assembly

stiffening penalties for violent attacks on Georgia health care workers.

But new legislation addressing the issue is unlikely because criminal justice experts believe existing law already covers violence in the health care workplace, said Sen. Kay Kirkpatrick, R-Marietta, the study committee's chairman and an orthopedic surgeon.

"There are already penalties in place for aggravated assault and aggravated battery," she said. "I can't promise legislation is going to happen or would pass if it's proposed."

The Senate formed the study committee amid a nationwide increase in violence against health care workers since the coronavirus pandemic struck the country early last year.

A study the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration released in April 2020 found that healthcare workers account for about 50% of all victims of workplace violence.

The study committee's final report that

our reviews!

Kirkpatrick presented Monday encouraged hospital officials to train health care workers and other hospital staff in how to deescalate potentially violent confrontations and how to defend themselves if

But Dr. Mohak Davé, an emergency room physician with Northeast Georgia Health Systems and a member of the study committee, said the report didn't go far enough.

it becomes necessary.

While current state law addresses attacks on health care workers in emergency settings, he said there is no protection on the books for workers in other areas of hospitals.

Davé proposed amending the committee's report to suggest the legislature consider increasing penalties for attacks on health care workers, and the panel approved the change unanimously.

The committee's final report will head to the full Senate in time for the 2022 General Assembly session that begins next month.



Monday to consider



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OPINIONS

The Covington News

Taylor Beck editor and publisher



John Bazemore | Associated Press

Georgia head coach Kirby Smart speaks to quarterback Stetson Bennett during the first half of the SEC Championship football game against Alabama on Saturday, Dec. 4, in Atlanta.

Blame (or thank?) me for Bulldogs' big loss

s the great Michael Scott once said, I'm not superstitious; I'm just a little 'stitious. It was

just seconds before the end of the first

and with the Bulldogs leading 10-0, the Alabama

down and out. "Here we go," I said. "Just what we thought. Kirby and the Bulldogs will finally take out the

fan in me was getting

Tide." All week long, we heard how the Crimson Tide — ranked No. 3 in the College Football Playoff and No. 4 in the AP Poll at the time — was no match for the top-ranked Bulldogs. Georgia was favored by all the oddsmakers and "experts"

out in the desert.

Despite being a fan and University of Alabama alumnus, I, too, was among the doubters. After a poor performance against Auburn in the Iron Bowl, it was tough to see a legitimate path to victory over Georgia.

Up 10-0, things were looking nice for Georgia. So in that moment, I pulled out my laptop and began drafting up a celebratory front page for the beloved Georgia Bulldogs — your 2021 SEC Champions.

Or so we thought. Just as I placed an emotional photo of George Pickens onto the page underneath a catchy headline, assumed Heisman Trophy winner quarterback Bryce Young connected with Alabama receiver Jameson Williams for a 67-yard touchdown — the beginning of the end for the Bulldogs'

perfect season.

Alabama cruised to score 17 straight points and took a 24-17 lead into halftime.

But at that point, I didn't put the laptop away. I figured either I had captured the lightning of Lady Luck in a bottle, or Georgia was primed to make adjustments and breakthrough on defense. Alabama's offensive line hadn't played an entire game at such a high level all year, so why would they now?

Well, if any adjustments were made by Georgia's defense, they weren't noticeable, and Alabama seemingly cruised to a 41-24 victory to capture their record 29th SEC

So what happened? I mean, who's to blame for yet another loss to Alabama by Georgia?

We could spend all day as armchair coaches breaking down film to figure it out, but in the meantime, my laptop and I are willing to take the fall.

But as you Dawg fans lodge the blame my way, you might

want to thank me, too. While Georgia's weaknesses were greatly exposed, I think this kind of loss was needed for the Bulldogs. It will renew their focus as they prepare to make a run at a national title in the College Football Playoff.

And if, or when, Georgia meets Alabama in a rematch for all the marbles, I'll try to keep the laptop away — maybe.

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Dick Yarbrough columnist



John Bazemore | Associated Press Georgia Republican gubernatorial candidate Brian

mentioned in the past, I keep hearing the epi-

taph RINO (Republican

at Republicans by other Republicans but I never

in Name Only) hurled

hear DINO uttered by

So, here we are with

a candidate who came

within a hair's breadth

pitted against an incum-

bent Republican governor under siege by the

"Fergit, Hell!" crowd.

of the national Dem-

ocratic Party, will get

boatloads of money

from deep-pocketed

out-of-state donors and

fawning coverage from

the national media and

Anybody with the

sense of a sand gnat

will see that keeping

the governor's office

in Republican hands is

going to be a challenge

if Republicans don't get

So far, the GOP has

four announced candi-

Jonathan Garcia, a

crew leader in a Car-

tersville carpet mill;

Dr. Kandiss Taylor, a

Baxley public school

educator and former

date; one-time DeKalb

County CEO Vernon

Jones and the incum-

And former U.S.

bent Gov. Brian Kemp.

Sen. David Perdue just

announced he will run.

(Cue the denim jacket.)

For the Democrats,

there's just one candi-

date: Stacey Abrams.

Donald Trump and

his supporters seemed

hellbent on bringing

at the risk of rending

Party in Georgia by

focusing on the past

rather than the future.

Speaking of the past,

it might be helpful to

remember that both of

Georgia's Republican

incumbents in the U.S.

Senate lost their reelec-

novice Democrats last

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Trump wants to put

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Kemp's reelection

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Abrams, the darling

of winning in 2018

Democrats.

Kemp, center, walks with President Donald Trump, right, and Sen. David Perdue (R-Ga) as Trump arrives for a rally Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018, in Macon, Ga.

Could Republican internal warfare help Stacey Abrams become governor?

onald Trump is on record as having stated that having Democrat Stacey

Abrams as governor of the Peach State would be better

than our current Gov.

Brian Kemp. At a rally in Perry, Trump said, "Stacey, would you like to take his place? It's OK with me." She almost did in 2018, losing to Kemp by 1.4% out of 3.9 million votes cast. She just might succeed this time.

Abrams has announced that she will be running for governor in 2022. (No surprise.) Now Trump is saying, "I beat her (Abrams) single-handedly without much of a candidate in 2018. I'll beat her again, but it will be hard to do with Brian Kemp, because the MAGA [Make America Great Again] base will just not vote for him what he did with respect to election integrity and two horribly run elections for President and then two Senate seats."

Trump goes on to say, "But some good Republican will run, and some good Republican will get my endorsement, and some good Republican will WIN!"

Before you get out your partisan poison pens to jab me, let me pause and state my bona fides. I am one of the few columnists you will read that doesn't drink the Kool-Aid of either party. I call 'em like I see 'em. And what I see right now is a highly organized Democratic Party in Georgia and a fractured and fractious Republican Party still obsessed over presidential election results that are not going to be overturned or changed. That train has left the station.

The late American pundit and philosopher Will Rogers once said, "I am not a member of any organized political party. I am a Democrat." Were he around today, ol' Will would be a Republican, for sure.

each other. As I have

chances even though our state's revenue has grown by 13.5% Republicans seem to this year, we have a have this innate inability to figure out who the enemy is. Hint: It is not

See WARFARE, A5

Your Letters to the Editor

Reader opposes new 'flawed' Congressional District map

Dear Editor:

This letter is written to emphatically object to the newly designated Congressional District map for Georgia. Instead of creating boundaries that result in an equitable and fair distribution of voters, the intent of the legislators was obviously to maintain power, and to choose their voters. Instead of utilizing advanced technologies for fair map-making, such as the Princeton Gerrymandering Project or Representable, Republican legislators drew maps that will not allow many of their constituents to vote for someone who represents their interests and concerns. It is not lost on Georgia women that there will be fewer women elected to office as a result of these new maps, contrary to the national trend of women's increasing political visibility and representation. The process of redistricting has been flawed in Georgia, and the flawed results are clearly visible to voters.

Vergena M. Clark Atlanta

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rainy day surplus of almost \$4.3 billion,

BOC approves one-time payments for county employees from COVID relief fund

By TOM SPIGOLON tspigolon@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. County public safety workers could receive 2,500 and other employees \$2,000 each by Christmas from Newton's share of federal COVID-19 relief funds after county commissioners voted for the

expenditure Tuesday. The Newton County Board of Commissioners also heard requests from a medical clinic for uninsured patients and most of the county's constitutional officers for part of a \$10.8 million first installment of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money the county received.

The Board is making the federal money available to compensate a range of agencies and individuals for economic losses from the COVID-19 pandemic and for infrastructure needed to support government and public agencies and those forced to work from home during the pan-

demic. Commissioners voted to give the first distribution of the funding to county workers and public safety workers who were at greater risk of infection because of their interaction with the public.

Sheriff Ezell Brown told commissioners that "many essential workers continued working day in and day out" and some sheriff's deputies contracted COVID.

"They couldn't say no, couldn't stay at home," he said.

The Board's ARPA subcommittee gave a report Tuesday on its progress in devising a final plan for distribution of the remaining funds.

Committee members said they had devised a rough draft of a spending plan divided into spending categories required in federal law.

The categories include money for those directly suffering economic impacts from COVID or for response to the public health emergency; pay for essential workers; water, sewer and broadband improvements; and extra money to cover

any staffing needed to manage the money or for any unforeseen overages.

The committee created by the Board Nov. 1 — includes two commissioners, the county manager and county attorney.

They told the other commissioners they had researched use of the Salvation Army to assist in the effort and the nonprofit agreed to help.

County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter said he needed to "work out details" with Salvation Army officials for an agreement on distribution. He told commissioners there were no federal guidelines on what areas the funding is given out but warned against specifying amounts of money for different areas of the county because such needs as mortgage assistance "don't care about geography."

OFFICIALS SEEK FUNDS

The action to approve the premium payments to county employees

followed appeals from District Attorney Randy McGinley, Superior Court Clerk Linda Hays, Sheriff Ezell Brown, Probate Judge Melanie Bell and Jennifer Phillips of Willing Helpers Medical Clinic.

 Willing Helpers, which treats uninsured patients who could otherwise not afford medical care, requested \$750,000 to provide two years of funding for costs of treating those who contracted COVID-19 and suffered more severely from it due to other underlying medical conditions like diabetes.

total of \$340,000 to expand a courtroom, lobby and space for firearms registrations. She said her staff al-

• Bell requested a

ready was working with Probate Court space designed with less space than needed.

The pandemic forced public agencies to require social distancing which cut in half the number of people who could safely be in the

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Celebrating 200 Years

Newton reveals bicentennial award winners

By TOM SPIGOLON

COVINGTON, Ga. — A local pastor, a longtime community

activist and a nonprofit that honors fallen police dogs were among winners of the county government's 2021 Bicentennial Awards.

Chairman Marcello Banes, the Newton County Board of Commissioners and its Bicentennial committees announced the winners Monday as part of the Bicentennial Celebration of the 200th anniversary of the county's founding.

Winners will receive their awards during the Bicentennial Birthday Bash scheduled for Dec. 18 between 5 and 8 p.m. The award presentation is slated to begin at 6 p.m., officials

said. The awards were designed "commemo-

rate and recog-

work and legacy of local residents and Newton County businesses who reflect a high level of integrity, character, ethics, longevity in service and community



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James Walden

nize the

commitment," a news release stated.

Award winners included:

• Bicentennial Award: Archie Shepherd

A description of the awards on the county's website stated the Bicentennial Award is a "citizenship award presented to an individual for acts of service to the community, kindness and good deeds. All Newton County citi-

nominated." Shepherd is president of the local chapter of National Action Network, which awards scholarships and school supply giveaways, among other events. It is a civil rights organi-

zation with almost 100

zens were eligible to be

chapters nationwide. • #OneNewton Award (tie): Dr. Laklieshia Izzard, Jackie Smith

The #OneNewton Award "acknowledges the significant positive impact of citizens who take positive steps to create a culture and climate of respect and inclusion, who value differences and find innovative ways to improve opportunities for the diverse communities we serve in six

different municipalities. "This person would exemplify promoting Newton County's mantra of a 'Work, Live and Play' community. They epitomize our #OneNewton "daisy"

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unemployment is at an all-time low and for the eighth year in a row, Georgia has been named the Top State for Doing Business by Area Development magazine. For conservatives, he engineered a new voting rights bill and a bill banning early abortions. That

deserves Republican

punishment? There is no question this is up-close-andpersonal and not a little vindictive for Donald Trump and his followers and it could very well get us a liberal Democrat governor and the prospects of an expansion of social

programs much as is happening these days in Washington under the Biden Administration. Not to mention an energized Woke crowd constantly taking us on a guilt trip for sins committed by past genera-

If that happens, Republicans will have reaped the whirlwind they have sown. And they will have deserved

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Two arrested after one brings BB gun air pistol on to NHS campus

By TOM SPIGOLON

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COVINGTON,
Ga. — Two men were
arrested Monday, Dec.
6, after they walked
onto the Newton High
School campus with
one carrying a BB gun
air pistol.

Damontay Marchico Hampton, 19, and

Jamel Rayshan Weaver, 19, both of Covington, were arrested on a series of charges after a school resource officer found Hampton with a Glock replica BB air pistol around 8 a.m. in the school's Student Service Center.

The incident prompted officials to place

Newton High School on preventative lockdown Monday morning "due to two individuals who were not students and who were not authorized to be on campus," said spokesperson Sherri Partee of the Newton County School System.

"The two individuals

were apprehended prior to entering the building. School resource officers and school administrators handled the situation quickly and criminal charges are pending," Partee said.

A report stated the pair told a school administrator they were students and "they are new here to the school." The administrator then called for a school resource officer after having trouble identifying them in school system records.

School system records.

Both were taken to the Newton County
Detention Center where they were being held
Tuesday.

Hampton was charged with Carrying a Weapon in a School Safety Zone. Both were charged with Criminal Trespass and Giving a False Name to a Law Enforcement Officer, according to jail records

Why the two were on campus was unknown.

BELTON:

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In a statement to *The Covington News*, Belton said he was proud to be "leaving on a good note" and grateful to the community for allowing him to

"Thank you for allowing me to serve you," Belton said in



part of his statement. "Over the last 36 year

"Over the last 36 years, I have served 23 years in the military, flying in combat zones during five different wars. I have also served as a PTO treasurer, and then Band Booster president for 10 years. I have also served as a School Board member for eight years, and State Legislator for another eight

"I can honestly say that being a legislator is the most rewarding and yet odious job I have ever had. The current level of political vitriol – from both the left and the right – makes me wonder why anyone of good conscience would ever seek public office."

During his time in office, Belton has seen 27 bills passed, including nine locally.

Belton is an international pilot and captain. He is a veteran and a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. He is married to Theresa Johnson Belton and father to three children.

Belton's full statement:

"It has been the honor of my life to serve you these passed eight years as your State Representative. However, as a person who believes in term-limits, and our Founding Father's vision of a citizen-legislator who serves for a short time and then returns to his former life, I will not be seeking another term of office.

"I feel that I am leaving on a good note. Georgia is currently on a record-setting pace of economic development, much of which has come to Newton and Morgan counties.

"During the last eight years, we've been blessed by the opening of Takeda, a \$2B project that brings in 1300 jobs. We have also welcomed Facebook, a \$84B investment that provides 700 jobs. SK Semiconductor Plant just announced they will invest another \$473M and 400 Jobs. Three Rings Studios (which is now Cinelease) is operating at full capacity. And of course, we expect another huge announcement in the coming

"I'm proud to have been a part of a fiscally-conservative state government that has the 2nd lowest per capita tax-payer burden, and the 2nd best Bond Rating in the nation. Because of these sound policies, Georgia is blessed with a record low

weeks.

unemployment rate of 3.1%. Last year alone, Georgia won \$11B in new investments and 200,000 new jobs, 74% of which are outside of ATL. And we're finally committing \$70M to Rural Development and Broadband.

"During COVID, Georgia experienced the 5th lowest jobs lost in the nation. After COVID, she boasts the 5th best jobs regained. We've deepened the port in Savannah, making it the 4th busiest in America. The ATL is still the busiest airport in the world, providing \$82B of revenue every year (double the state budget). Georgia's air is cleaner than it was before, her water is purer, she has more trees, her farmers are more productive, and she's now the 5th most solar-powered state in

"Most importantly, for a record 9 years in a Row, Georgia is the Best State in the Nation to do Business In.

the nation.

"We have passed many important bills during the last eight years. One of the most necessary was the repeal of the Citizens Arrest Law, necessitated by the horrible tragedy of Ahmad Aubrey. Other important bills include the Hate Crime Bill, Anti-Human Trafficking Bill, and Maternal Mortality measures. We've also increasing standards for Nursing Homes, and made it easier to vote and harder to cheat with the Election Reform Bill

last year.

"I'm especially
proud of laws that help
children. These include
the Vaping Bill, Marcy's Law for victim's
rights, an improved
Adoption Bill, and the
medical cannabis Bill.
I was also honored to
pass 'Kelsey's Law' that
helps protect young
girls from internet porn
abuse.

"As a School Board member who led the passage of Georgia's first texting-while-driving bill ('Caleb's Law'), I was very pleased that we updated that measure to a hands-free law. 300 Georgian lives are saved every year because of these efforts. I am also grateful that we passed the Pro-Life 'Heart Beat' bill.

"I'm very glad that Georgia invests 53% of our state budget into our 2.1 million students. I'm pleased that we've halved the number of standardized tests, an initiative I championed. I've personally passed many education bills, including a fiscal Transparency bill, a Teacher Tax Credit bill, and three military children laws. I also worked with State Superintendent Richard Woods to create the Military Flagship Award that celebrates military-friendly schools. Most important, I have fought to return control of the classroom back to teachers by ensuring that we don't add more mandates, and don't continually change their curriculum.

best ever Education scores that Georgia has ever had. Twenty years ago, we were dead last on the SAT. Now we are better than the national average on the SAT, and the ACT four years in a row. Our graduation rates are up by a third to a record 82%, and our K12 scores are now 13th best in the nation. We are also 13th best in college Advanced Placement scores, Dual Enrollment has been a smashing success, and we have protected the HOPE Scholarship... one of the strongest scholarship programs in the country. Letting teachers teach has created much better re*sults than the previous* decades of meddling by the State and the Feds.

"The result is the

"I am most proud, however, of the 13 military friendly bills that I have personally passed – as well as the 54 pro-military laws that the committee I chaired passed – to make Georgia the most military-friendly state in the nation. These include several laws that allow military spouses to practice physical therapy, psychiatry, counseling, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and nursing in Georgia. They also allow greater rural access to these fields, as well as telemedicine. I also sponsored the creation of the Georgia Defense Commission, which works with the Pentagon to improve the lives of our military

families.
"In total, I have
passed 27 bills in seven
years, 9 of which were
local measures; as
well as 57 Resolutions,
mostly to honor local
leaders.

"During my tenure, we've widened many roads in the district, including Highway 441 and 278. Significant state investment has also greatly improved the FFA Camp in Newton County, as well as the Middle and High schools in Morgan County. Overall, some \$80M of state and federal dollars have come to Newton and Morgan counties during the past

eight years. "Thank you for allowing me to serve you. Over the last 36 years, I have served 23 years in the military, flying in combat zones during five different wars. I have also served as a PTO treasurer, and then Band Booster president for 10 years. I have also served as a School Board member for 8 years, and State Legislator for another

8 years.
"I can honestly say that being a legislator is the most rewarding and yet odious job I have ever had. The current level of political vitriol – from both the left and the right – makes me wonder why anyone of good conscience would ever seek public office.

"I hope I'll be remembered as a happy
warrior, a Reagan
Republican who always
championed Unity,
Prosperity, and Liberty. And like Reagan, I
still firmly believe that
America is the last,
best hope for freedom
throughout the world."

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Probate courtroom, she said.

In addition, demand has increased this year compared to 2020 for such services as issuance of weapons permits, Bell said.

"This is a long term investment," she said.

 Hays requested \$294,000 for expansion of the clerk's office's Historical Deeds and Plats program that will preserve property transaction records back to 1971 by making images of them and making them available online.

The program provides 24-hour access to the Clerk's Office by having as many documents imaged as possible on the office's website and the Georgia Superior Court Clerk's Cooperative Authority website, Hays said.

It reduces potential exposure to COVID-19 by providing online access to records rather

than physical contact, she said.

She said it will generate revenue for the Newton County government's budget; reduce wear and tear on permanent records; and preserve the historical books to reduce damage that costs about \$800 each to repair, she said

It also will ensure the records remain secure in the event of natural or manmade disasters, she said.

 Brown appealed for the extra payments to public safety employees. He said one neighboring government was giving police officers up to \$5,000 from its ARPA funds despite being given less money than Newton County.

 McGinley asked for \$493,000 to fund new Investigator and Investigative Assistant positions for three years. The new

positions would focus solely on cases involving violence and gangs, he said.

"Shootings, especially drive-bys, murders and gang crimes have many challenges and having positions focused on that would go a long way in combating these types of crimes, which continue to increase," McGinley said after the meeting.

"Further, having staff that understands, studies, and deals with gangs would allow us to work with the school system in the county to help teach young kids about the dangers of these violent street gangs," he said.

"I believe these positions are needed and having the first three years funded by federal grant money makes fiscal sense for the county."

The district attorney said he was "beyond grateful for the commissioners' vote (Tuesday) night to give money to all county employees, especially those in law enforcement and fire safety."

"But, I am hopeful that my request, even if not approved for this first round of ARPA funds, will be granted during the second phase in early 2022," McGinley said.

Newton County is slated to receive a \$10.8 million final installment of ARPA funds around April 2022, officials said.

The county received the money in May but Kerr said he did not want to distribute the money until receiving final federal guidelines on its distribution.

Its delay prompted calls from some Newton residents and helped convince the Board's majority not to renew Kerr's contract.

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County.

The area's current representative, Rep. Dave Belton, R-Buckhead, has announced he will not run for the District 114 seat.

McNeal said "In Georgia, we are at a crossroads and need bold leadership at the State Capitol to protect our children, safeguard our liberties and values, secure our elections, and block Biden's big government overreach. We need brave conservatives who understand the battle and will do whatever it takes to win

"That's why I'm running for State House. It is time for a fresh perspective from a conservative businessman that is willing to win the future for our conservative values – against all odds.

"I'm no stranger to struggle. After a tragic car accident early in life in which I sustained a severe head injury leaving me unconscious for five days, requiring multiple surgeries and my wearing a helmet for protection to school, I overcame adversity and achieved success through a lot of tenacity and hard work. That tenacity and hard work made me rock-solid

- unwilling to bend under pressure — and it has served me well in business. I am ready to bring the same to the State House.

"Whether it's protecting human life, cutting taxes, banning CRT, backing law enforcement, cracking down on the left's election fraud schemes, or stopping cancel culture dead in its' tracks, I am ready to fight and win against all odds. As your representative, I will not owe anyone anything - except the people of this district. I will fully devote my passion, time, and energy into being a voice for you and win the future. I ask for your prayers and support and look forward to earning your votes," concluded McNeal.

McNeal is a successful small businessman and owner of the McNeal Group, a real estate investment company that manages over 45 properties across the region.

Prior to that, McNeal built a rent-to-own business with several locations, including a store in Covington, that he later sold.

No stranger to struggle, McNeal was in the car wreck and, two

years later, lost his dad in a tragic train traffic accident.

"Wendell was told by teachers and friends that he would not amount to much. Rather than being discouraged, this drove Wendell to work hard to achieve success," a press release stated.

McNeal graduated high school from Georgia Military College and attended Georgia Southwestern and South Georgia Technical School.

After completing his education, he went from repairing radios to purchasing his first piece of real estate that soon led him on a long road to a successful self-made business career.

An active community leader, Wendell has worked to give back to the communities across the district.

He serves as a reserve deputy for the Mor-

gan County Sheriff's Office and as a board member of the Boys & Girls Club of North Central Georgia and the Georgia Youth Challenge Academy Foundation which supports the Georgia National Guard Youth Challenge Program. He is active in the local community and supports dozens of charities and events.

A committed conservative, McNeal has worked hard to elect strong conservatives and served as the vice chair of the Morgan County Republican Party.

He was proud to nominate President Trump as a delegate at the National Republican Convention in 2020 and to serve as a greeter at President Trump's White House Christmas Party in 2020, the release stated.

McNeal is engaged to Karen McCoy.

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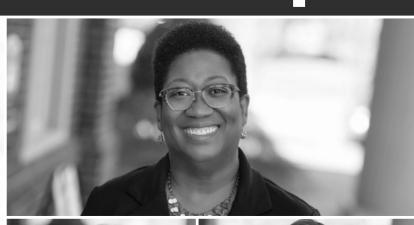


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Care, Inc. Fund, and the community's continued kindness to financially "back the blue," the holiday program, as well as other initiatives, has been able to grow, Malcom said.

"In tragic situations, our officers have the ability to fund the needs of families or individuals involved because of [the Police Who Care Fund]," he said. "And that means a lot to our officers to not just go out and do their job, but being able to go beyond the call.

"It's a unique and special thing we have here," Malcom added, "and it's something I'm proud of."





Dozens of Covington police officers accompany local children Wednesday, Dec. 8, to pick out Christmas gifts as part of the department's "Shop with a Cop" event. Capt. Ken Malcom said it means a lot to officers to be able to participate in such events to give back to the community. Special | City of Covington

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logo: growing together in unity where each petal and blade of grass matters," the website stated.

Izzard is a Newton County-based licensed professional counselor who is active in the National Alliance on Mental Illness, among other organizations. Smith has served as county clerk since 1997.

• Chairman's Award: the Rev. James T. Walden Sr.

The Chairman's Award honors Newton County citizens or Newton County government employees who have performed services in the furtherance of the county's goals and objectives, and for the recognition of exemplary actions and deeds by members of this county. It serves to honor those individuals with specific achievement.

"Awarded at the discretion of the chairman of the Board of Commissioners, the award is a non-monetary prize designed to recognize the individual whose

philanthropy, integrity, sacrifice and/or character is distinguished by a pattern of and/or a singular accomplishment and achievement. It is recognition of an exemplary actions and deeds by a citizen of Newton County," the county website stated.

Walden is pastor of Calvary Community Church and serves as a chaplain for the Newton County Sheriff's Office, among other duties. He also is set to

receive an "Unsung Hero" award from U.S. Rep. Hank Johnson, D-Lithonia. • Non-Profit Award:

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The Non-Profit

Award honors a 501C3 organization (excluding churches) that gives back/serves the community.

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dog after evidence is given of it being kept in a secured enclosure, signs being posted that warn of a dangerous or vicious dog, and the dog has been surgically sterilized and microchipped.

Wiemann said the only requirement the department allows time for compliance is the dog's sterilization because a veterinarian must do it.

The ordinance also states the owner could keep both "dangerous"

dogs but no more than one certificate "shall be issued per domicile" which means she could keep both animals but not at the same residence, Wiemann said.

No owner can keep a dangerous or vicious dog within 200 yards of any aquatic center, church, convenience store and a number of other businesses and locations "due in part to these being frequented by children and senior citizens, and in some cases, food present," the county ordinance

The pitbulls' owner, Cheyenne Bexley, had appealed the dangerous dog designations to the Animal Control Board.

Board members Monday heard that the pitbulls' killings of animals occurred between December 2020 and Oct. 7.

They killed at least one domestic cat and a wild raccoon at a home on Russell Braden Road and a total of nine goats and 40 chickens at a home on Salem Road. The goats and chick-

ens were killed while they were in a fenced

enclosure on two separate occasions. Three goats were killed in December 2020, and six goats and the chickens

were killed on Oct. 7. The Russell Braden Road resident said the dogs jumped a four-foot fence to attack his cat and he had to use a pipe to convince them to

retreat. The goats' owner told the board the dogs should be euthanized because Bexley had been an irresponsible owner and had put neighboring residents at

risk of harm. Animal Services officers had given Bexley six citations for allowing the dogs to run at large since December 2020 and four citations for not having the dogs vaccinated against rabies.

Bexley said she thought the dogs had been vaccinated for rabies in 2020 when they were picked up by Rockdale County Animal Care and Control but found they had not

The owner can appeal the dangerous dog designations to Probate Court.



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Anthony Banks | The Covington News Alcovy quarterback Ashton Evans was named 2021 Region 3-AAAAAA Offensive Player of the Year.

Top Tigers flood All-Region team

Dukes named Coach of the Year, Evans earns Offensive POTY

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD phubbard@covnews.com

COVINGTON. Ga.— To win a region championship, it takes contributions from players on both sides of the ball. Alcovy, who is the reigning Region 3-AAAAAA champions, is no exception.

All of the region coaches took notice of the Tigers' run this year when voting for All-Region team. After all votes were cast, 29 Tigers earned All-Region honors.

Three of the players earned special honors. Ashton Evans, Alcovy's quarterback, was voted as Offensive Player of the Year. Evans, completing 56% of his passes, threw 1,781 yards as well as 13 touchdowns and five interceptions. On the ground, Evans added four rushing touchdowns.

Region Athlete of the Year went to Jamel Johnson who seemed to be everywhere on the field.

As a wideout, Johnson averaged 32.9 yards per reception and collected three touchdowns. He also had 42 tackles, one sack, two interceptions and five

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Prep Basketball

K.J. BUCKETS

Social Circle standout eclipses 1,000 career points

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD phubbard@covnews.com

SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — It was 997... then 999... then finally, 1,001.

That's what was going through K.J. Reid's mind when playing against Lamar County on Dec. 3 at home.

Heading into the matchup, Reid knew exactly how close he was to scoring 1,000 points. So much so that, when asked about the basket to eclipse the mark, he was quick to correct exactly how many points he scored in the moment.

"I actually scored 1,001 points," Reid said. "I was in my head counting how many points I had. I was ready to hit the mark."

The significant event came when Reid got the ball and drove through the lane. He shot a floater right down the middle and converted the 2-pointer.

When the ball went through the net, Reid said it was a long time coming to accomplish this goal.

"Since my freshman year, I've been counting and counting," Reid said. 'It was a fun moment and everybody was happy for

The Redskins ended up defeating Lamar County that night 74-59. Reid contributed 18 points, but none more special than the historic two points to get him 1,001 career points.

Head coach Taylor Jackson stressed that Reid contributes more than just points to the program, though. Jackson said Reid gives 100% day in and day out for his team.



Brett Fowler | The Walton Tribune

Social Circle basketball star K.J. Reid netted the 1,000th point of his career Friday, Dec. 3, against Lamar County.

"He's a consummate leader and team guy," Jackson said. "He just does everything well. There are not enough attributes to appropriately describe how good he is. He's just super special."

Currently, the Redskins stand at 5-0 on the young 2021 campaign. In those five games, Reid is averaging nearly 15 points per game.

See BUCKETS, B6

Prep Football

Days as 'great leader' in high school led to Cawthon's rise to head coach

Eastside head coach Jay Cawthon earns a victory in the Eagles' last regular season game against Greenbrier. File | The Covington News



By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD phubbard@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. — When Eastside's football season ended on Nov. 19, it marked the end of Jay Cawthon's first season at the helm of the Eagles. Eastside finished third in Region 8-AAAAA. It also advanced to the second round of the Class 5A playoffs under Cawthon's tutelage.

Once the season was over, Cawthon highlighted the most challenging part of being a head coach for the

first time.

"The off the field stuff was the biggest adjustment," Cawthon said. "Being on the sidelines has always been fun and our kids make the job easy. They go out there and compete their butts off everyday for this team."

Long before Cawthon was roaming the sidelines for Eastside, though, he was leading the offense for one of its in-county rival schools.

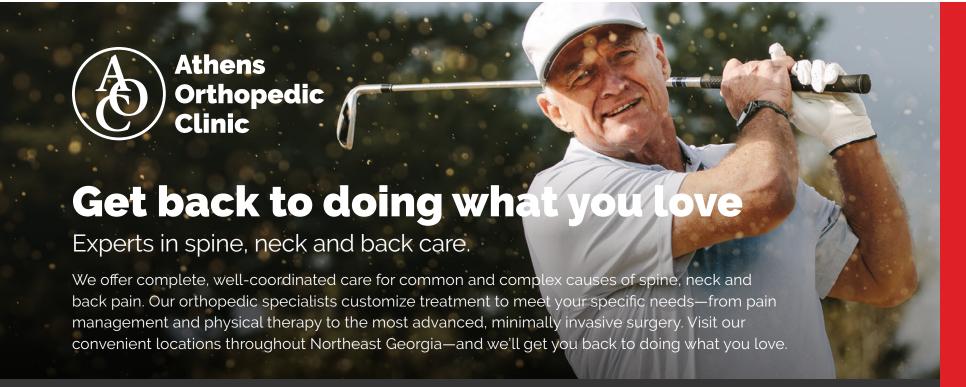
It all started back in 1987 when Cawthon was a student at then-Newton County High

School.

The Rams won the region championship that year when Cawthon was the starting quarterback of the junior varsity team. A year later, Cawthon was named the varsity starter by head coach Sam Marra.

Marra coached the Rams for five seasons from 1985-89 as well as two seasons prior at Villa Rica. When asked about the decision to name Cawthon starting

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the Magistrate Court Clerk's office located at: 12/15/2021 FORMS MAY also be obtained online

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

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Bids

SERVICE TRUCK (IFB C-072-03) THE NEWTON County School System is soliciting sealed bids for the purchase of a service truck for the facilities department. Instructions **ALL SOLICITATION** documents are located on the School System's e-procurement website at the following link: https://ncssebid. NOTE: YOU must be a registered

supplier to obtain solicitation documents and participate in the solicitation. New suppliers must first complete the online registration process by selecting "Supplier Registration" at the link above to register your company, and obtain a username and password. All responses must be submitted electronically utilizing the Newton County School System's e-procurement system. IF YOU have any questions, please contact the Newton County School System's procurement department at

770-385-6874. **PUBLIC NOTICE #300296**

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TO: UNKONWN FATHER AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

Temporary Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) BRYSON CHILDS minor(s). All objection must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 22nd, 2021 at ten o'clock, a.m.

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

NEWTON COUNTY Probate Court 1132 USHER St. Rm 148 **COVINGTON, GA 30014**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300266 12/5,12

CITATION

ALISA NELSON has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of MARY RUTH LAVERTY 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

CLERK MARCIA WYNNE, **PROBATE** COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE

COURT **1132 USHER** STREET-148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300221 12/12,19,26-1/2

ANDREA JONES has petitioned to be appointed Administrator the Estate of LOWREEN JONES 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE **MARCIA** WYNNE, CLERK **PROBATE** COURT COUNTY, GEORGIA

1132 USHER STREET-148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATION

BENJAMIN MAPLES has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of PEGGY ANN PILGRAM MAPLES 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

WYNNE, CLERK **PROBATE** COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE

COURT **1132 USHER STREET-148** COVINGTON, GA 30014

CITATION

CHRISTOPHER BAKER has appointed petitioned to be the Estate of KERRY ANN MADURO 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA **COUNTY** PROBATE

NEWTON COURT **1132 USHER STREET-148** COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300256 12/,19,26-1/2

CITATION

CYNTHIA CLAY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of GARY CHRISTIAN SHANNON 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA **CLERK** WYNNE, PROBATE **NEWTON** COURT COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE **1132 USHER STREET-148** COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300297

CITATION

JACQUELINE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **BROWN** LESTER 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

COUNTY, GEORGIA NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT **1132 USHER STREET-148**

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COVINGTON, GA 30014 PUBLIC NOTICE #300257 12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATION

KIMBERLY NICOLE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of EMMA WILBORN FREEMAN 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 JANUARY o'clock a.m.

WYNNE, CLERK MARCIA **PROBATE** COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE **1132 USHER** STREET-148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300195 12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATION

MICHAEL TERRELL has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of HELEN ANN TERRELL 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE

COUNTY, NEWTON **GEORGIA** COUNTY

MARCIA WYNNE, ČLERK PROBATE

COVINGTON, GA 30014 PUBLIC NOTICE #300253 12/12,19,26-1/2

1132 USHER STREET-148

CITATION

ROGER CLARK has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of JUDY C. VENABLE 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA WYNNE, ČLERK PROBATE NEWTON COUNTY, **GEORGIA** COUNTY PROBATE

1132 USHER STREET-148 COVINGTON, GA 30014 PUBLIC NOTICE #300258

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CITATION SHONTAYNE BIGGS WRIGHT AND

VINCENT L. BIGGS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of LEWISTINE A BIGGS 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY,

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PUBLIC NOTICE #300254 12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATION

TERESA Z. DENT **JEMISON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **TYRONE** 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 JANUARY 10, 2022, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY,

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT

PUBLIC NOTICE #300252 12/12,19,26-1/2

THOMAS HOLMES has petitioned appointed to be Administrator the TRENETTE HOLMES MARIE 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

CHERYL LYNN CHAMBERLAIN has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of BARRY SCOTT BIGGERS 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

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE NEWTON **GEORGIA**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300276 12/12,19,26-1/2

TOLLIVER MCDOUGAL widow of RAYMOND MCDOUGAL deceased, for Twelve Month's Support for having been duly filed, all interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

and creditors of the Estate of RALPH

LEWIS WINTHROW 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 8TH day of NOVEMBER,

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of

REGINALD E. ESSEX deceased, late

of Newton County, Georgia. You are

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or make payments to the undersigned

estate representative according to law.

THIS THE 8TH day of NOVEMBER,

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

and creditors of the Estate of RHONDA

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Continued from B2 OBJECTIONS MUST be in writing and filed with this Court on or before

January 10, 2022 at ten o'clock a.m. MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE

BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk Probate Court Newton County

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE 1132 USHER STREET-RM 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300275 12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATON

THE PETITION of HARRY JOE WOOD widow of LINDA L. WOOD, 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 January 10, 2022 at ten o'clock

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE

BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk Probate Court Newton County

NEWTON COUNTY **PROBATE** COURT 1132 USHER STREET-RM 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300277 12/12,19,26-1/2

CITATON

THE PETITION of MARGARET HEAD widow of THOMAS EUGENE HEAD, 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 January 10, 2022 at ten o'clock

MELANIE M. BELL. JUDGE

BY: MARCIA Wynne, Clerk Probate Court Newton County

COUNTY PROBATE

1132 USHER STREET-RM 148

COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300222 12,12,19,26-1/2

NEWTON

NOTICE

PETITION of DARYL LEE SILLS, to Petition for Letters of Administration, Estate of WINSTON DERRILL SILLS, UPON WHICH AN ORDER FOR SERVICE WAS GRANTED BY THIS COURT ON November 19, 2021

CHRISTOPHER SCOTT SILLS

THIS IS to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the Petition of DARYL LEE SILLS to Petition for Letters of Administration Estate of DARYL LEE SILLS

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All pleadings/ objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/ objections, unless qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. All objections must be filed by January 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

MELANIE Μ. PROBATE **JUDGE** MARCIA Wynne BY: CLERK COURT PROBATE USHER STREET 1132 COVINGTON, GA 30014 770 784 2045 770

PUBLIC NOTICE #300251 12/12,19,26-1/2

Corporations

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation that will incorporate VETERANS BY VETERANS. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 304 Landon Dr, Conyers, Georgia 30094, and its initial registered agent at such address is Larry Manning

PUBLIC NOTICE #300292 12/12,19

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation which will incorporate THE CHURCH AT HAYNES CREEK, INC. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code (O.C.G.A. Section 14-2-202.1). The initial registered office of the corporation will be located at 9108 Golfview Circle, Covington, Newton County, Georgia 30014, and its initial registered agent at such

address is Taylor Stewart. EDGAR LAW FIRM, LLC HILLARY W. EDGAR P.O. BOX 566

COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30015 **TELEPHONE (770)** 786-1353

PUBLIC NOTICE #300204

11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

NOTICE IS given that articles of

incorporation that will incorporate CJK Carriers Inc have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 210 Barbara Trail, Social Circle, GA 30025, and its initial registered agent at

such address is AJK Accounting & Tax

Services Inc.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300262

NOTICE TO Creditors or Debtors. Notifacation of Death, Jo Ann Smith Colston. Newton County, Georgia

Debtors Creditors

PUBLIC NOTICE #300286 12/12,19,26-1/2

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of **ELIZABETH ANN HUNTER**, 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: BEVERLY JANE **ROBINSON** EXECUTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

ADDRESS c/o DANIEL S. DIGBY ATTORNEY AT LAW LAW OFFICE OFDANIEL S DIGBY, LLC **PO BOX** 263 CONYERS, GA 30012

PUBLIC NOTICE #300200

11/21,28-12/5,12

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of WILLIAM DONALDSON BALLARD, Estate No. 2019-P-514 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 7TH day of December, 2021.

EXECUTORS: REBECCA BALLARD Mask, Melissa Tice and William Drayton Ballard, PO Box 29 Covington, Georgia 30015 (678)982-2657

PUBLIC NOTICE #300295 12/12,19,26-1/2

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ALBERT W SMITH 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 30TH day of NOVEMBER,

MARK SMITH 1261 SAXONY DR CONYERS, GA 30013

PUBLIC NOTICE #300270 12/5,12,19,26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ANN NEWMAN deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 18TH day of NOVEMBER,

CHRISTOPHER NEWMAN **354 GRANT STREET** ATLANTA, GA 30312

PUBLIC NOTICE #300239 11/28-12/5,12,19

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **BENJAMIN THOMAS HAWKINS** 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 23RD day of NOVEMBER,

BENJAMIN H. HAWKINS 300 MEADOWS RD **COVINGTON GA** 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300240 11/28-12/5,12,19

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of BETTY CHANDLER BAKER 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 5TH day of NOVEMBER,

SHARON B. BEAMON 170 STEWART HOLLOW LANE COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300192 11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of CHRISTINE ELLERBEE 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,

REPONZEL HARRIS 415 SYLVIA DR FOREST PARK, GA 30297

PUBLIC NOTICE #300217 11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **DONALD** P. KAHLE deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. THIS THE 17TH day of NOVEMBER, CHERYL KAHLE

232 BOOGERS HILL RD **OXFORD, GA** 30054 PUBLIC NOTICE #300242

11/28-12/5,12,19 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of DOUGLAS W. KLASSEN deceased,

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- 6. Very eager 10. Identifies a specific person
- or thing
- 14. Tennis great Naomi
- 15. One concerned by profes-
- sional advancement
- 17. PGA Championship reward 19. A fashionable hotel 20. Norse mythology afterlife
- location 21. Stood up
- 22. Car mechanics group 23. Weather forecasters use it
- (abbr.)
- 24. Broken branch 26. Astronomy unit
- 29. East Asian nursemaid 31. "Airplane!" actor
- C 32. Exclamation that denotes R
 - disgust 34. "Batman" villain
- 0 35. Downfalls S
- 37. Philippine province S 38. Once-vital TV part
- 39. Valley
- W 40. Tax 0
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- 45. Book part D 46. Taxi

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- 47. Pancakes made from buckwheat flour 49. Swiss river
- 50. Founder of Babism 53. Have surgery
- 57. Withdrawal from a larger entity
- 58. Lot's father 59. Greek war god
- 60. 2,000 lbs.
- 61. Lemur

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Quarrels 2. Right away
- 3. Comedian Carvey 4. Egyptian unit of weight
- 5. A Brit's mother 6. Tropical tree
- 7. One who speaks Gaelic
- 8. NHL legend Bobby
- 9. Vacation spots 10. Military personnel
- 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,

GINA RODGERS 135 KING RICHARD DR GRIFFIN, GA 30223

PUBLIC NOTICE #300209 11/28-12/5,12,19

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of EDWARD M, SIGMAN deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 4TH day of NOVEMBER,

FRANK SIGMAN 3 HAYS PLACE SE SILVER CREEK, GA 30173

PUBLIC NOTICE #300190

11/21,28-12/5,12 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ELMER USHER deceased. late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE** 17TH day of NOVEMBER,

CONNIE USHER 2604 A COUNTRY TRACE

CONYERS, GA 30013 PUBLIC NOTICE #300211

11/21,28-12/5,12 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of ESSIE MAE SAXTON deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/ or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. THIS THE 19TH day of NOVEMBER,

CREDITORS

KUINTA PARKER 10301 MAGNOLIA HEIGHTS CIRCLE **COVINGTON GA** 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300241 11/28-12/5,12,19 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

LOUISE SHEPHERD 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 30H day of NOVEMBER, **MORRIS SHEPHERD**

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NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

required to render your demands and/ or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. THIS THE 22ND day of NOVEMBER, LOGAN PRICE 195 BAREKSHIRE PASS

PUBLIC NOTICE #300238

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of FRANCES

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

PUBLIC NOTICE #300271

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and creditors of the Estate of GLENDA QUILLEN ABBOT deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are

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11. Shakira's don't lie

13. Teletypewriter 16. Mistakes 18. Whale ship captain

12. Wimbledon champ

23. From end to end 24. Kids love him 25. One and only

Fencing swords

22. Thus

28. Taxis 29. Basics 30. Refuse of grapes

31. Go quickly 33. French ballet dynasty 35. Most open

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

and creditors of the Estate of HORACE

EUGENE JOHNSON deceased, late

of Newton County, Georgia. You are

required to render your demands and/

or make payments to the undersigned

36. Popular soap ingredient 37. US time zone (abbr.)

estate representative according to law THIS THE 18TH day of NOVEMBER, NANCY E. JOHNSON 5550 HWY 121 N

PUBLIC NOTICE #300237 11/28-12/5,12,19 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

COVINGTON GA 30016

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of JANET BUCHANAN LANE deceased, late

CREDITORS

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,

ROBERT LANE 1060 RIVER COVE RD SOCIAL CIRCLE, GA 30025 PUBLIC NOTICE #300193

11/21,28-12/5,12 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of JOE LANIER NORWOOD 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 9TH day of NOVEMBER,

CREDITORS

JO LOUANNE NORWOOD STARGEL 2059 OLD BACCUS RD MONROE, GA 30656

PUBLIC NOTICE #300188

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of LEONA B CARTER 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,

116 E CLARK ST OXFORD, GA 30054 PUBLIC NOTICE #300216 11/21,28-12/5,12

CHARLES A CARTER

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

and creditors of the Estate of LESTER **DEMOND LACKEY** 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 29TH day of NOVEMBER, 2021. LESTER LACKEY, JR 546 LACKEY RD **COVINGTON, GA** 30014

CREDITORS NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

PUBLIC NOTICE #300269

12/5,12,19,26

FRANCIS MADDOX 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 15TH day of NOVEMBER, **BEVERLY JEAN** MADDOX-

and creditors of the Estate of MARY PUBLIC NOTICE #300213

CREDITORS

VICKIE LYNN BINNS deceased, late

of Newton County, Georgia. You are

required to render your demands and/ or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. THIS THE 17TH day of NOVEMBER, 2021

Last week's Solution:

PUBLIC NOTICE #300214 11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of WERNER

BENJAMIN MILLER

PUBLIC NOTICE #300272 12,5,12,19,26

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

KAREN ADAMS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **WILLIAM** HAYES 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.

TERESA HARLAN-THOMPSON 9119 FLAT SHOALS RD SW COVINGTON, GA 30014

CREDITORS

11/28-12/5,12,19 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

of ROSEMARY LOUISE SPRAUVE deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate

THIS THE 12TH day of NOVEMBER,

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate

REGINA CONEY **40 CHAPARRAL** COURT COVINGTON, GA 30016

representative according to law

11/21,28-12/5,12 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of

112 BAYSIDE DR PALM COAST, FL 32137

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

KURT GRUENHUT 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 24TH day of NOVEMBER,

200 SCHOOL HOUSE PEEKSKILL, NY 10566

> NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

estate representative according to law. THIS THE 24TH day of NOVEMBER,

2081 SEWELL RD MANSFIELD, GA 30055

PUBLIC NOTICE #300273 12/5,12,19,26

CREDITORS

THIS THE 30TH day of NOVEMBER,

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

debtors and creditors of the Estate of WILLIAM RICHARDSON BERRY, 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** 9TH day of NOVEMBER,

OXFORD, GA 30054

CREDITORS

WILLIAM RICHARDSON BERRY, 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 9TH day of NOVEMBER, JACQUELYN NEAL-BERRY 110 BROOKVIEW PLACE

See LEGALS, B4

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

PUBLIC NOTICE #300268 12/12,19,26-1/2

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

JACQUELYN NEAL-BERRY 110 BROOKVIEW PLACE

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of

OXFORD, GA 30054

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

you are hereby notified that on June 17,

2021, LATOYA KING filed suit against

you for COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

YOU ARE required to file an answer

in writing within 60 days of the date

of publication with the clerk of the

Superior Court of Newton County and

THE PLAINTIFFS attorney at Frost &

Carey, 2115 Usher St. NW, Covington,

THIS, THE 1st day of December, 2021.

Foreclosures

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT

OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power

of Sale contained in a Security

Deed given by Charles Williams

to Mortgage Electronic Registration

successors and assigns, dated June

4, 2018, recorded in Deed Book

3710, Page 586, Newton County,

Georgia Records, as last transferred

to AmeriHome Mortgage Company,

LLC by assignment recorded in

Deed Book 3884, Page 576, Newton

County, Georgia Records, conveying

the after-described property to secure

a Note in the original principal amount

of TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED

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 January, 2022, the

HERETO AND MADE A PART

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

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

Company, LLC is the holder of the

Security Deed to the property in

accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

THE ENTITY that has full authority

to negotiate, amend, and modify all

terms of the mortgage with the debtor

is: Cenlar FSB, Attn: FC Department,

425 Phillips Boulevard, Ewing, NJ

TO THE best knowledge and belief

of the undersigned, the party in

possession of the property is Charles

Williams or a tenant or tenants and said

property is more commonly known

as 160 River Walk Farm Parkway,

THE SALE will be conducted subject

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

MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE.

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying

and being in Land Lot 228 of the 9th

District of Newton County, Georgia,

being Lot 273A, Unit I, Phase III

of River Walk Farm Subdivision as

shown on plat of River Walk Farm

Subdivision-Unit I-Phase III as same

is recorded in Plat Book 42, Pages

234-235, Newton County, Georgia Records. The description of said

property as contained on said plat is

hereby incorporated herein and made

an essential part hereof by reference.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BECAUSE OF a default under the

terms of the Security Deed executed

by Alice F. Cox to Mortgage Electronic

Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee,

as nominee for First Magnus Financial

Corporation, its successors and

assigns dated April 4, 2007, and

recorded in Deed Book 2417, Page

246, Newton County Records, said

Security Deed having been last sold,

assigned, transferred and conveyed to

Nationstar Mortgage LLC, securing a

Note in the original principal amount

of \$65,366.00, the holder thereof

pursuant to said Deed and Note

thereby secured has declared the

entire amount of said indebtedness

due and payable and, pursuant to the

power of sale contained in said Deed,

will on the first Tuesday, January 4,

2022, during the legal hours of sale

before the Courthouse door in said

County, sell at public outcry to the

highest bidder for cash, the property

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying

and being in the LeGuinn District of

Newton County, Georgia, containing

1 1/2 acres, more or less, and being

bounded now or formerly as follows

On the North by property of L. J. Borders, on the East and South by

property now or formerly of C.C.

Bartlett, and on the West by Highway

36. This being a portion of the property

deeded to Carl Bailey by S. A. Ginn

by Warranty Deed dated January 23,

1963, and recorded in Deed Book 66,

page 14, Public Records of Newton

described in said Deed, to-wit:

OUR FILE no. 20-03670GA - FT7

PUBLIC NOTICE #300243

MR/MEH 1/4/22

12/5,12,19,26

Covington, Georgia 30014.

holder of the security deed.

AS ATTORNEY in Fact for

1544 OLD Alabama Road

ROSWELL, GA 30076

CHARLES WILLIAMS

AMERIHOME

FXHIRIT "Δ"

08618, (877) 909-9416.

MORTGAGE

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first set out above.

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EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED

following described property:

(\$245,373.00),

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ANY INFORMATION

Inc., as grantee, as nominee for TJC Mortgage Inc., its

PUBLIC NOTICE #300283

12/12.19.26-1/2

THAT PURPOSE.

to serve a copy of the answer upon

Mortgage

CA 91361, 866 549 3583. 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

LEGALS:

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PUBLIC NOTICE #300194 11/21,28-12/5,12

NOTICE TO Debtors and Creditors ALL CREDITORS of the estate of Felice S. Bailey late of Newton to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are

THIS 22ND day of November, 2021

NAME: WILLIAM D. Carter, Jr. TITLE: ATTORNEY for Estate ADDRESS: 45 Technology Pkwy. S. Suite 240, Peachtree Corners, GA

PUBLIC NOTICE #300227 12/5,12,19,26

Divorces

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**

DIANA REID, PETITIONER,

WENDELL REID RESPONDENT.

CAFN: 2021CV-995-4

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO RESPONDENT Named Above:

YOU ARE hereby notified that Diana Reid filed a Petition for Divorce in said court on April 27, 2021 AND that by reason of an order for Service o"f Summons by Publication entered by the Court on November 16l, 2021, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of Said Court and serve upon Angie M. Walton Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is The Law Office of Angle M. Walton, 4751 Best Road, Suite 277, Atlanta, Georgia 30337, an rutswoi within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order for Service by Publication and shall bear teste in the name of the Judge and shall be signed BY THE Clerk of Court. THIS 17TH Day of November.

NEWTON COUNTY Superior Court PREPARED AND Presented By: ANGIE M. Walton, Attorney for THE LAW Office of Angie M. Walton

4751 BEST Rd. ste 277 ATLANTA, GEORGIA J0337 FAX:866-612-7806 EMAIL: ANGIE @ WALTONLAWFIRMGA.COM

PUBLIC NOTICE #300279

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**

AMBER HOLMES PLAINTIFF,

AARON HUSTON, SR

ACTION NO.2021-CV-1646-3

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO AARON HUSTION, SR 143 SALVATION RD **ORRUM, NC** 28369

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 23TH day of NOVEMER 2021you are hereby notified that on the AMBER HOLMES filed suit against you for Divorce. You are required to file an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Notice for Publication with the clerk of Superior Court of the Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented). Witness the Honorable LAYLA H. ZON Judge of

the Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 23RD day of NOVEMBER,

PUBLIC NOTICE #300261

12/5,12,19,26

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**

REDDICK

KAREN REDDICK PLAINTIFF, V.

ERIC LAWINSO Defendant

CIVIL ACTION NO.:SUCV2021000277

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: ERIC LAWINSO REDDICK

BY ORDER for Service by Publication

dated November 12, 2021. You are hereby notified that on February 9, 2021, the Plaintiff filed suit against you for **DIVORCE**. You are required to file with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, and to serve upon the Plaintiff, KAREN REDDICK, through her attorney of record, LADONYA M. HORTON, P.O. BOX 360104, DECATUR, GEORGIA 30036, an

WITNESS THE Honorable Layla H. Zon, Judge of this Court.

first publication notice.

answer to the Complaint for Divorce

within sixty (60) days of the date of the

THIS 12TH day of NOVEMBER 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300246 12/5,12,19,26

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY**

STATE OF GEORGIA

LATOYAKING, PETITIONER,

ANDREW SWEETLAND, RESPONDENT,

CAFN: 2021-CV-1424-3

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BY ORDER of the Court for service by

publication, dated November 30,2021,

TO: ANDREW Sweetland 130 OAK Hill Circle COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016 County, Georgia. There is located on said property a dwelling known as 11653 Highway 36 according to the present system of numbering houses in Newton County, Georgia with all the rights, members and appurtenances to the said described premises in anywise appertaining or belonging SAID PROPERTY is known as 11653 Highway 36, Covington, GA 30014,

together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes

(including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, ordinances, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above

THE PROCEEDS of said sale will be applied to the payment of said indebtedness and all expenses of said sale as provided in said Deed, and the balance, if any, will be distributed as provided by law 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 secured creditor THE PROPERTY is or may be in the

possession of Alice F. Cox, successor in interest or tenant(s). NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper as Attorney-in-Fact

for Alice F. Cox FILE NO. 17-063485 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP* ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at Law 211 PERIMETER Center Parkway,

N.E., Suite 300 ATLANTA, GA 30346 (770) 220-2535/GR HTTPS://WWW.LOGS.COM/ *THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY

INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE

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USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

BECAUSE OF a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by Stephanie Channell to New Century Mortgage Corporation dated January 19, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 2105, Page 415, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Quimby Ventures, LLC, securing a Note in the original principal amount \$43,000.00, the holder thereof pursuant to said Deed and Note thereby secured has declared the entire amount of said indebtedness due and payable and, pursuant to the power of sale contained in said Deed, will on the first Tuesday, January 4, 2022, during the legal hours of sale, before the Courthouse door in said County, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said Deed, to-wit:

SITUATED IN Covington, Newton County, State of GA and being described as follows:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 91 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 41 of Benedict Place Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 40, Pages 130-133 (more particularly described on Page 131), Newton County, Georgia records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

THE ABOVE legal description being boundary survey having been made at the time of this conveyance.

PARCEL #28D 41 BEING THE same property conveyed to Stephanie Channell, by deed from Ross Mundy Custom Homes, Inc., dated 08-13-04, recorded 08-18-04, in Book 1734, page 471, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of

Newton County, GA. 100 BRADLEY Street, Covington, GA

30016 SAID PROPERTY is known as 100 Bradley St, Covington, GA 30016, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any,

THIS CONVEYANCE is made subject to that certain Security Deed in favor of Security Deed in favor of New Century Mortgage Corporation recorded January 27, 2006 in Book 2105, Page 395 securing \$172,000.00 (prior), recorded in Deed Book 2105, page 395. Newton County Records. SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject

to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set

THE PROCEEDS of said sale will be applied to the payment of said indebtedness and all expenses of said sale as provided in said Deed, and the balance, if any, will be distributed as provided by law.

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 secured creditor. THE PROPERTY is or may be in the

possession of Stephanie Channell, successor in interest or tenant(s). QUIMBY VENTURES, LLC Attorney-in-Fact Channell FILE NO. 21-077787 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP*

ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at Law 211 PERIMETER Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 300 ATLANTA, GA 30346 (770) 220-2535/GR HTTPS://WWW.LOGS.COM/

*THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. **PUBLIC NOTICE #300159**

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by Carline Williams to

Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Pine State Mortgage Corporation, dated July 13, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 2238, Page 592, Newton County, Georgia records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2021-SL1 by Assignment recorded in Deed Book 4298, Page 474, Newton County Georgia records, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$36,680.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in January, 2022, to wit: January 4, 2022, the following described property: ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 22, 23, and 43

Electronic Registration

of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 1, of Browning Estates Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 43, Pages 83-86, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description. SUBJECT TO that certain Security Deed from Carline Williams in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration

Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee

for Pine State Mortgage Corporateion,

in the original principal amount of \$148,720.00, dated July 13, 2006 and recorded in Deed Book 22385, Page 577, Newton County, Georgia records as may be transferred and/or assigned from time to time. 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. 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 Deed to Secure Debt

and by law, including attorney's fees

(notice of intent to collect attorney's es having been given). SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 10 Browning Drive, Covington, GA 30016, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Carline Williams or tenant or

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,

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; (2) O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1; and (3) 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.

PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2, the entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: SELECT PORTFOLIO Servicing, Inc.

LOSS Mitigation 3217 S. Decker Lake Drive SALT LAKE City, Utah 84119 1-888-818-6032

THE FOREGOING notwithstanding, nothing in OC.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require the secured creditor to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the Deed to Secure Debt described herein.

THIS SALE is conducted on behalf of

the secured creditor under the power of sale granted in the aforementioned security instrument, specifically being U.S. BANK Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2021-SL1 AS ATTORNEY in fact for

CARLINE WILLIAMS RICHARD B. Maner, P.C. 180 INTERSTATE N Parkway, Suite 200 ATLANTA, GA 30339

404.252.6385 THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. FC21-148

PUBLIC NOTICE #300244 12/5,12,19,26 NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by ERIC T. MENCHION LAURA MENCHION to **ELECTRONIC** MORTGAGE REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FRANKLIN AMERICAN MORTGAGE COMPANY , dated 10/12/2007, and Recorded on 10/12/2007 as Instrument No. 017351, Book No. 2529 and Page No. 38 49, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to WILMINGTON SAVINGS same and all expenses of this sale, as FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE provided in the Deed to Secure Debt OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST (the Secured and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's Creditor), by assignment, conveying fees having been given). PENNYMAC the after described property to secure LOAN SERVICES, LLC holds the a Note of even date in the original duly endorsed Note and is the current principal amount of \$172,600.00, with assignee of the Security Deed to interest at the rate specified therein, the property. PENNYMAC LOAN there will be sold by the undersigned SERVICES, LLC, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the NEWTON County Courthouse within the legal hours of LLC (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to sale on the first Tuesday in January, negotiate, amend, and modify all 2022, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND § 44 14 162.2, PENNYMAC LOAN LOT 186 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, SERVICES, LLC may be contacted NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 246, CAMERONS at: PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES.

LANDING SUBDIVISION, UNIT FIVE,

PROPERTY. 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). WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST (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 14 162.2, CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC may be contacted at: CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES. 1600 SOUTH DOUGLASS ROAD SUITE 200 A, ANAHEIM, CA 92806, 800 561 4567. 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 To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party parties in possession of the subject property known as 210 LANDING LANE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016 is/are: ERIC T. MENCHION AND LAURA MENCHION or tenant tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad (including taxes valorem 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

AS PER PLAT RECORDED AT PLAT

BOOK 33, PAGE 175, NEWTON

WHICH PLAT IS MADE A PART

HEREOF FOR A MORE COMPLETE

GEORGIA RECORDS

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. WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST as Attorney in Fact for ERIC T. MENCHION AND LAURA MENCHION THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. To obtain options and alternatives to foreclosure please contact Carrington Mortgage Services LLC directly, toll free by the following telephone number: (800 561 4567). 00000009333741 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

(1) confirmation that the sale is not

PUBLIC NOTICE #300248 12/5,12,19,26

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER **GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power

of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by LATRICE SHEREE YEARBY to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") AS FOR NOMINEE MICHIGAN MUTUAL, INC. DBA MIMUTUAL MORTGAGE , dated 11/02/2018, and Recorded on 11/13/2018 as Book No. 3770 and Page No. 3 19, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$141,391.00, 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 January, 2022, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 72 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, BEING LOT 6 OF ALLEN OAKS SUBDIVISION, UNIT FIVE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 29, PAGE 104, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the

LLC, 3043 TOWNSGATE ROAD,

SUITE 200, WESTLAKE VILLAGE

property known as 75 ALLEN OAKS WAY, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016 is/are: LATRICE SHEREE YEARBY 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, ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc. The sale will be conducted subject to 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.

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PENNYMAC LOAN

LLC as Attorney in Fact for LATRICE

SHEREE YEARBY, THIS LAW FIRM

IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR

OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR

THAT PURPOSE. 00000008779712

BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt

Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas

75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

TO ANY INFORMATION

SERVICES,

Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): MIRANDA ASHANTI MARKS AMANDA J. CALDEIRA

PETITIONER, LELAND GODFREY MARKS

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE

AMANDA J. CALDEIRA filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on NOVEMBER 12, 2021, to

NAME OF CHILD

change the name of the following minor child FROM: MIRANDA ASHANTI MARKS to MIRANDA ASHANTI, MARKS-ANY INTERESTED party has the

right to appear in this case and file objections within the time prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§ 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3). AMANDA J CALDEIRA

95 CENTIPEDE DRIVE, COVINGTON

PUBLIC NOTICE #300236

11/28-12/5,12,19

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

nange or: **ALAYNA JONES** PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2702-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE

ALAYNA MARIE JONES, filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on DECEMBER 2, 2021, to change the name from ALAYNA MARIE JONES to ASHTON BLAKE JONES Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.

DECEMBER 2. 2021

ALAYNA JONES 270 TRELAWNEY LANE COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300291

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY**

STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE the Name Change of: ANN MARIE LLEWELLYN HUGGINS

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE

PETITIONER.

NAME OF ADULT ANN MARIE LLEWELLYN HUGGINS.

filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on November 23, 2021, to change the name from ANN MARIE LLEWELLYN HUGGINS to ANN MARIE LLEWELLYN Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed. **NOVEMBER 23,** 2021

ANN MARIE Llewellyn Huggins

50 CASEY'S Way COVINGTON GÁ 30014 PUBLIC NOTICE #300260

12/5,12,19,26 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

JOVAN ALEXANDRIA MONFORT PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2522-4

IN RE the Name Change of:

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE

See LEGALS, B5

NAME OF ADULT

LEGALS: Continued from B4

ALEXANDRIA MONFORT

NAME OF ADULT

AN ACTION was filed in the Superior court of Newton county to change the PETITIONER'S NAME: JOVAN

DESIRED **JOVAN** ALEXANDRIA HARRIS ANY INTERESTED party has the right

to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.

NOVEMBER 2, 2021

JOVAN ALEXANDRIA MONFORT COURT 35 ROCK WOOD COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300199 11/21,28-12/5,12

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: MAURICE MAXEY

PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2275-3

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

AN ACTION was filed in the Superior court of Newton county on 10/6/21 to change the Petitioner's name as

PETITIONER'S NAME: MORRIS MAXEY

DESIRED NAME: MAURICE MAXEY ANY INTERESTED party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.

NOVEMBER 11, 2021

follows:

PUBLIC NOTICE #300230 11/28-12/5,12,19

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: MICHAEL SYKES PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2587-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

MICHAEL ANTHONY Sykes, filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on November 16, 2021, to change the name from MICHAEL ANTHONY SYKES to MICHAEL ANTHONY COOK Any interested party has the right to appear in this

case and file objection within 30 days

NOVEMBER 16, 2021

after the Petition was filed.

MICHAEL SYKES 65 PEBBLE Drive COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300229 11/28-12/5,12,19

Public Hearings

NORTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION'S AREA AGENCY ON AGING **PUBLIC HEARING**

THE NORTHEAST Georgia Regional Commission's (NEGRC) Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will hold a telephonic Public Hearing via the GoToMeeting™ platform on Friday, January 7, 2022 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Due to COVID, the public hearing will be virtual via The GoToMeeting™. The purpose of this meeting is to gain input into services needed for our aging population within the 12-county NEGRC planning and service area. Counties included are: Barrow, Clarke, Elbert, Greene, Jackson, Jasper, Madison, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, Oglethorpe and Walton Counties. Information received from the public hearing will assist in planning and

developing future AAA services. THE GOTOMEETING™ can be accessed via computer, tablet or smart phone at the link; https://global. GoToMeeting.com/join/213534477. You can also dial-in using your phone at 1(408) 650-3123. Access Code: 213-534-477. If you are new to GoToMeeting™, get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts at the link: https://global.gotomeeting. com/install/213534477.

ANYONE UNABLE to join the GoToMeeting™ Public Hearing can provide their input on Aging Services in Northeast Georgia by completing a survey. Please go online to www. negrc.org to access and complete the Needs Assessment survey.

WRITTEN COMMENTS may be submitted no later than one week prior to the meeting and mailed to: PEGGY JENKINS, AAA Director

NORTHEAST GEORGIA Regional Commission

305 RESEARCH Drive **ATHENS, GA** 30605

OR VIA email: pjenkins@negrc.org

FOR QUESTIONS or further information, contact Peggy Jenkins, NEGRC's AAA Director, at 706-583-2546 or 1(800) 474-7540 extension

PUBLIC NOTICE #300292 12/12

Public Notice

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA

MARCEL VALENTINE, PLAINTIFF,

KYONNA FANNIN. DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021CV-1582-5

TO: KYONNA Fannin 7161 HARMONY Place SW COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BY ORDER of the Court for service by publication dated December 2, 2021, you are hereby notified that on July 8, 2021, Marcel Valentine filed suit against you for Modification of Custody

and Child Support.

YOU ARE required to file an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication with the clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the Plaintiff's attorney. WITNESS, THE Honorable

W. KENDALL Wynne, Jr., Judge of the Superior Court of Newton COUNTY.

THIS 3RD day of December, 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300287

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**

STACEY BARNES, PLAINTIFF,

ADMAN RHONE,

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO 21-834CS

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IT APPEARING by Complaint, that the above-named Defendant on whom service is to be made in this case resides out of the State, or has departed from the State, or cannot after due diligence, be found with in the State, or conceals himself to avoid service of the Summons, and it further appear ing, by verified Complaint on file, that a claim exists against the Defendant in respect to whom service is to be made, and that he is a necessary or proper party to

IT IS HEREBY CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND DECREED THAT service be made by publication as provided by law. SO ORDERED this 2ND day of

NOVEMBER, 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300205

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA

DIETRICH DOUMA-MOFFETT,

the action.

ADMAN RHONE,

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO 21-835CS

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IT APPEARING by Complaint, that the above named Defendant on whom service is to be made in this case resides out of the State, or has departed from the State, or cannot after due diligence, be found within the State, or conceals himself to avoid service of the Summons, and it further appearing, by verified Complaint on file, that a claim exists against the Defendant in respect to whom service is to be made, and that he is a necessary or proper party to the action

HEREBY CONSIDERED ORDERED AND DECREED THAT, service be made by publication as provided by law.

SO ORDERED this 2nd day of November, 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE #300207

11/21.28-12/5.12

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

JAMILLA DOUMA, PLAINTIFF,

ADMAN RHONE, **DEFENDANT**

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

APPEARING Complaint, that the above named Defendant on whom service is to be made in this case resides out of the State, or has departed from the State, or cannot after due diligence, be found within the State, or conceals himself to avoid service of the Summons, and it further appearing, by verified Complaint on file, that a claim exists against the Defendant in respect to whom service is to be made, and that he is a necessary or proper party to the action. HEREBY CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND DECREED THAT, be made by publication as provided by law. **SO ORDERED** this 2nd of November, 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE #300206 11/21,28-12/5,12

NORTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION AREA AGENCY ON AGING NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY AND QUESTIONNAIRE

SFY 2023

PLEASE INSERT your county name here: Please review all services listed below and check the five (5) services that you, your family or your community needs. REMEMBER TO ONLY CHECK FIVE (5) SERVICES or your survey will be disqualified. It is not necessary to sign your name to the survey; only write in the county name. THESE SURVEYS WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL IN DETERMINING THE SERVICES YOU FEEL ARE NEEDED IN YOUR COUNTY. Please return the completed survey to Peggy Jenkins, 305 Research Drive, Athens,

participation • TRANSPORTATION (someone to

GA 30605-2795. Thanks for your

- CONGREGATE Meals (meals served at Senior Center)
- placement for senior jobs) to assist you with daily living such as
- SENIOR Employment (training and HOME Repair/Modifications (devices

• HOMEMAKER (someone to clean

Legals

- your home) PERSONAL Care (someone to help
- with bathing, etc.)
 GEORGIACARES (someone to help you understand Medicaid/Medicare and get help with medications)
- TELEPHONE Reassurance (someone to check on you by phone) · LEGAL Assistance (help with legal issues, wills, benefits, etc.)
- MONEY Follows the Person / Nursing Home Transition (Transitioning persons that reside in nursing homes back into the community)
- MENTAL Health Services (Help /
- information / access related to mental illness, developmental disabilities) LONG Term Care Ombudsman
- (someone to visit nursing homes/ personal care homes to be an advocate for the residents) • RESPITE Care (aide to sit with your
- family member while the caregiver • HOUSING Assistance (help locating
- housing resources) HOME Delivered Meals (meals
- delivered to your home) ENERGY Assistance (help paying for heating and cooling bills)

 • ELDER Abuse Counseling
- (education on preventing abuse of the
- CAREGIVER Programs (support groups, education and training for those who are caring for someone)
- (information on services that are

INFORMATION & Assistance

 ADULT Day Care (a day care center for adults) WELLNESS Program (education on

becoming healthier)

. KINSHIP Care (information on help in raising grandchildren) • ASSISTIVE Technology (devices that enable seniors and individuals with

and enhance quality of life) ARE THERE other services needed that we have not mentioned? WHAT ARE the most pressing

disabilities to accomplish daily living

tasks, achieve greater independence

problems for people in your community ho are older or disabled? WHERE OR who would you call if you needed help obtaining services?

HAVE YOU or a member of your household had a problem for which you were unable to find appropriate services? If so, please describe the issues briefly and tell us what type of service might have helped to solve the

FOR CURRENT CLIENTS ONLY WHAT DO you like about the services

HOW CAN the Area Agency on Aging improve the services you are receiving?

PUBLIC NOTICE #300294 12/12

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

GEORGIA HOUSING and Finance 60 EXECUTIVE Park South, NE

ATLANTA, GA 30329-2231

(404) 679-4840 ON OR after December 21, 2021, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of HOME Investment Program funds under the HOME

Investment Partnerships

amended, to undertake the following TIER 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Family and Community Housing

Title II of Cranston-Gonzalez National

Affordable Housing Act of 1990 as

Association, Inc. (FCHA) CHIP 2021-PURPOSE: TO provide single family, owner-occupied housing rehabilitation. LOCATION: SCATTERED sites in

Newton County, Georgia PROJECT/PROGRAM

DESCRIPTION: FCHA, Inc. will rehabilitate up to seven (7) single family, owner occupied homes in Newton County, Georgia. Tier 2 site for those laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review for each address under this program

LEVEL OF Environmental Review Citation: Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR Part 58.5(a)(3)(i), and subject to laws and authorities at 58.5(3) (i). Rehabilitations of buildings and improvements when the following conditions are met: In the case of a building for residential use (with one to four units), the density is not increased beyond four units, and the land use is

not changed.

when addresses become known.

TIER 2 Site Specific Review: The site specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C (Explosive and Flammable Hazards) and Subpart D (Airport Hazards); Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]; Clean Air Act, as amended, and 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93; 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2) (Contamination and Toxic Substances); Endangered Species Act of 1973 and 50 CFR Part 402; Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981and 7 CFR Part 658; Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988 and 24 CFR Part 55; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and 36 CFR Part 800; Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978 and 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B; Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968; and Environmental Justice Executive

MITIGATION MEASURES/ CONDITIONS/PERMITS (if any): Compliance with various laws, authorities and written strategies will be documented and listed in the Tier 2 Site Specific Review project file and if required mitigation measures/ conditions must be incorporated into project contracts and/or permits, development agreements, and other relevant documents will be obtained from the issuing governmental agency. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measure should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

ESTIMATED PROJECT Total HUD funding: \$400,000. Total anticipated project cost: \$480,000.

ACTIVITY/ACTIVITIES proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR Part 58.5(a)(3)(i). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at DCA located at 60 Executive Park South, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329 and is available for public review and maybe examined and or copied by appointment only weekdays 8:30A.M to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ANY INDIVIDUAL, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Ryan Fleming. All comments received by December 20, 2021, will be considered by DCA prior to authorizing submission of a request

for release of funds. **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION** DCA CERTIFIES to HUD that Ryan Fleming, in his capacity as Director of the Office of Housing Finance consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The approval HUD certification responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Georgia Department

of Community Affairs to use HUD program funds OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF

THE U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will accept objections to its release of fund and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs' (DCA) certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the name of Grantee; (b) the Grantee has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA); or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Atlanta CPD Field Office at CPD COVID-190EE-ATL@ HUD.gov. Potential objectors should contact the Atlanta CPD Field Office via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period

RYAN FLEMING, Director, Office of Housing Finance, Certifying Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE #300288

SNAPPING SHOALS Electric Membership Corporation is attempting to notify its past members whose capital credit checks for electric service received in 2002 and 2020, issued in June 2021, but were returned by the post office as undeliverable. A list of those members and their last known address is posted at SSEMC's main office. located at 14750 Brown Bridge Road, Covington, GA 30016, and on our website at www.ssemc.com. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays

PUBLIC NOTICE #300289

Public Sales Auctions

NOTICE OF Public Sale of Personal Property: Notice is hereby given that Covington Stor-it, located at 8165 Washington St SW, Covington, GA 30014; intends to sell the personal property according to the Georgia Self Storage Act, 10-4-210 through 10-4will be accepted online through www. storageauctions.com. The auction will end on or after 28 December 2021, 3PM. Covington Stor-it reserves the right to withdraw units from such a sale and reject any bid. Terms of sale are cash or money order only.

BRENDA BLACKWELL, Unit 133 appears to contain; Refrigerator television, toys, vacuum, pictures,

LESLIE HOLLOMAN, Unit 146 appears to contain; Totes. shoe boxes lawn mower, mattress, clothing, weed eater, blower, bedroom set, gas can,

NAKITA DAVENPORT. Unit 296. appears to contain; Refrigerator, couch, television, clothing, toys, mattress, stove, bed frame WINSTON BYNOE, Unit 350, appears to contain; Storage bins, refrigerator, washer, dryer, appliance parts. ROSEMARY HEMBAH, Unit 384, appears to contain; Bike, totes,

CLARENCE MANLEY, Unit 434 appears to contain; Chairs, bag, totes, dining room table. ROBERT ADAMS, Unit 482, appears to contain; mini-fridge, microwave,

tires, storage bins, car parts, box

trophies, crutches, washing machine,

BRYANT REESE, Unit 443, appears to contain; boxes, luggage, storage bins, gas can, fishing pole and net, 5-gal water bottle. **PURCHASE MUST** be paid for on the day of the auction with cash and valid ID at the location of the unit.

All items are sold as is and must be removed from the property within 72 hours, unless otherwise approved by the Manager, after the time of the sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of a settlement between the owner and the obligated party.

PROPERTY MANAGER COVINGTON STOR-IT 8165 WASHINGTON St. S.W. COVINGTON, GA 30014

PATRICIA DANIELS

PUBLIC NOTICE #300227 12/12,19

Trade Names

REGISTRATION **AFFIDAVIT GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

TO WHOM It may Concern: PLEASE BE advised that HILTON HARVEST, LLC HOMETOWN whose address is628 COOPER RD SOCIAL CIRCLE, GA 30025 is/are the owner(s) of the certain business now being carried on at 628 COOPER RD SOCIAL CIRCLE, GA 30025 In the following trade name, to-wit: SOCIAL CIRCLE CANDLE COMPANY and that the nature of said business is: HANDMADE CANDLES, BATH, BODY PRODUCTS This statement is made in conformity with O.C.G.A. \$10-1-490 et seq. requiring the filing of such statement with the Clerk of Superior Court of this county. THIS 24TH day of NOVEMBER 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE #300284 12/12,19

TO WHOM It may Concern:

TRADE NAME REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT **GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

PLEASE BE advised that LEE

MEADORS whose address is 2161 EMORY ST COVINGTON GA 30014 is/are the owner(s) of the certain business now being carried on at 2161 EMORY ST COVINGTON GA 30014 In the following trade name, towit: MEADORS COIN LAUNDRIES and that the nature of said business is: SELF SERVICE LAUNDRY This statement is made in conformity with O.C.G.A. §10-1-490 et seq. requiring the filing of such statement with the Clerk of Superior Court of this county THIS 1ST day of DECEMBER 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE #300281 12/12,19

> TRADE NAME REGISTRATION **AFFIDAVIT GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

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THIS 2ND day of DECEMBER 2021 PUBLIC NOTICE #300285

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pass deflections on defense. On punt returns, Johnson averaged 22.3 yards per return and 20.6 yards per kickoff return.

Johnson wasn't the only player recognized for his impact on special teams.

Braxton Crawford was recognized as the region's Kicker of the Year.

Crawford went 4-for-4 on field goal attempts in 2021 with a long of 32 yards. He converted 23-of-27 extra point attempts, too. Serving as the team's punter, Crawford pinned opponents inside their own 20, 10 times and had two touchbacks on kickoffs.

Thirteen other players were also recognized from both sides of the ball.

Defensively, Raymir Brown, AJ Woods, Justin Buchanan, Armani Russ, Damani Duss and Christian Lewis earned First Team honors.

Brown, as a defensive back, recorded 48 tackles and one tackle for loss. Linebackers Woods and Buchanan tallied 25 and 47 tackles, respectively. Woods added to his resume with two tackles for loss while Buchanan had four such tackles and one

interception. Russ led the way from the linebacking core with 53 tackles, four tackles for loss and three sacks.

From the defensive line, Dumas and Lewis put together quite the season.

Dumas had 27 tackles, seven of which were tackles for loss, and added two sacks. Lewis contributed with 29 total tackles as well as an interception.

Alcovy's offense wasn't outdone, though.

Mathias Height, Bobby Smith, Tristan Mayweather, MJ Stroud, Levi Adcox, Desmond Page and Isaiah Kairy earned First Team honors as

Height compiled 816 receiving yards and six touchdowns. Smith, a fellow receiver, had 329 yards receiving

and two touchdowns. Alcovy's leading rusher, Mayweather, rushed for 761 yards

on the ground and scored nine touchdowns in 2021. He also had three games where he rushed for over 100 yards.

Tight end Stroud had 138 receiving yards and a touchdown.

Adcox was voted on as an H-Back while Page and Kairy were voted as offensive lineman.

Five more players made appearances on the Second Team.

Malik Kirkland,

Reggie Boyd, BJ Johnson, Alex Mitchell and Duvall Hill Jr., were each recognized. Kirkland, as a defen-

sive back, had eight tackles and one sack while Boyd had 12 tackles. Duvall earned Sec-

ond Team recognition as an offensive lineman.

As two of the Tigers' receivers, Mitchell tallied 74 yards receiving and a touchdown while Johnson had 119 receiving yards.

But that didn't end the Tigers' recognition. Eight more players received Honorable Mention from Region 3-AAAAAA.

Brian Cox, Parker Gassman and Yahir Coronado made it for their play as offensive lineman.

Bryson Virgil, who backed up Mayweather as a running back, compiled 206 yards and scored a touchdown.

The remaining players honored came from defense.

As a defensive lineman, Cameron Newton had 16 tackles. Jalen Pierce had seven tackles from his linebacker position while fellow linebacker Brandon Farmer recorded two tackles.

Ricky Stone was the last player listed as a defensive back. He had six tackles in 2021.

All of these honorees were led by head coach Jason Dukes who received Region Coach of the Year for 2021, too.

Dukes took over three years ago as head coach. A year before his arrival, the Tigers went 0-5 in region play. This year, they went 5-0 and won the program's first ever region championship to top it all off.

Prep Basketball

Undefeated Rams survive Eastside comeback

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD

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COVINGTON, Ga. — On Tuesday night, two county rivals battled it out on the hardwood. It was the Newton Rams, though, who came out triumphant over the Eastside Eagles 60-50.

But it was an intense final eight minutes to finish the game. Leading as many as 20 points

at one point, the Eagles' scrappy play kept them in the game for the majority of the contest.

Eastside outscored the Rams 22-14 in the fourth quarter to shrink Newton's lead. After the game, Newton head

coach Charlemagne Gibbons

was disappointed in his team's performance down the stretch. "We just didn't play well," Gibbons said. "It's a mental thing for us. When you've got

talent, your body grows and you get bigger, the next part that has to come is the mental approach



Anthony Banks | The Covington News Eastside's Brentarious Reed (1) dribbles past Newton's Daniel Pounds

to the game. We didn't have that tonight."

Even so, the Rams improved to 7-0 with the win with an array of players scoring points on Tuesday.

Daniel Pounds, the team's leading scorer, had 15 points. Marquavious Brown was the only other Ram to score double digits with 10.

Stephon Castle and Marcus Whitlock accounted for nine points each while Jakai Newton

scored eight. Newton's next matchup was on Friday night against Greenforest High School.

On the other side of the court for Eastside, they kept battling until the very end.

Whether it was a 3-pointer by Jacquez Williams, or a steal from Brentarious Reed to start a fast break, the Eagles made things interesting down the

Williams led the Eagles with nine points while Reed recorded eight. Timothy Prather tallied eight as well and Saabir Berrian had three points.

But it was a case of too little too late to overcome the huge deficit.

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quarterback, Marra said it was a no-brainer.

"He was a great leader," Marra said. "He had good control of the offense and made good decisions. [Cawthon] was the best quarterback we had.'

Cawthon was 8-12 as a starting quarterback and led an offense that averaged 14 points per game across his two varsity seasons. Marra still considers Cawthon as one of the best he's ever coached.

"I would say he's right up there," Marra said. "He didn't say a whole lot, but did exactly what you asked him to do. He was one of those 'yes sir, no sir' kids. He was just a great person."

Even though Cawthon's roots are firm in Newton County, Cawthon had some accomplishments outside of the area.

For instance, after his graduation from Newton County High School in 1989, Cawthon went on to attend the University of West Georgia. There, he earned his Bachelor's of Science degree in Health and Physical

Education in 1996.

Cawthon had stints as an assistant coach before returning to Covington.

First, he served on Central Gwinnett's coaching staff in Lawrenceville followed by his time at Wheeler High School in Mari-

Then, Cawthon returned home.

In 2005, Cawthon was named the offensive coordinator for the Eagles as part of former Eastside coach Rick Hurst's staff.

Ten years later, when Hurst stepped down in 2015, Troy Hoff, a fellow assistant of Cawthon's, was named the head coach.

Hoff retained Cawthon as his offensive coordinator when becoming the head man.

Now the head guy at Woodstock, Hoff said he and Cawthon stay in touch often discussing the joys of being head coach.

"It's more than just coaching," Hoff said. "We've had a lot of conversations about football and running programs between us. We've probably talkcoaching situations now that we're both head coaches." As the offensive

ed more about head

coordinator, Cawthon helped lead Eastside to nine playoff appearances. In those nine seasons, the Eagles captured three region championships, made it to the semi-final once, made two quarter final appearances and advanced to the second round two times.

Four of the seasons, Eastside didn't make it past the first round.

Throughout all 15 years of Cawthon leading the offense, the Eagles scored an average of 28.3 points per game. They also won 64% of their games.

Following the 2020 season, Hoff announced his departure and Eastside named Cawthon as interim head coach on Feb. 12. Less than a month later, the Eagles tabbed Cawthon as the fourth head coach in program history.

Even though Hoff is no longer at Eastside, he admitted that he's stayed up to date on Eagles football.

"I think [Cawthon]

has stepped up in that role and done a helluva job," Hoff said. Now, after complet-

helm, things have pretty much stayed the same for the Eagles. They won 67% of their games in 2021

ing his first year at the

(8-4 overall) and averaged 27.9 points per game. Being a leader from

1987 to the present day has seemed to prepare Cawthon to succeed in his current position. It's been a long, winding road for the Newton County native, but he's enjoyed the ride along the way.

And seeing the success from 2020 carry over to 2021 was his primary goal when first accepting the promotion earlier this year.

"My interest in the position was just because of the culture of the school here at Eastside and the culture of our program," Cawthon stated in a press release announcing his promotion. "We have an awesome administration as well as great kids that work hard and do it the Eastside Way!"

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But ultimately, Reid isn't focused on the individual accolades during his senior season. He just wants to help anyway he can to help the Redskins win it

all this year.

Which, according to him, is his No. 1 priority.

"I feel like we can go undefeated throughout the whole

season," Reid said. "And I just want to win the state title. I want us to do that, as a team, and win the state."





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