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And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25, KJV

Georgia Votes 2022: Primary Election

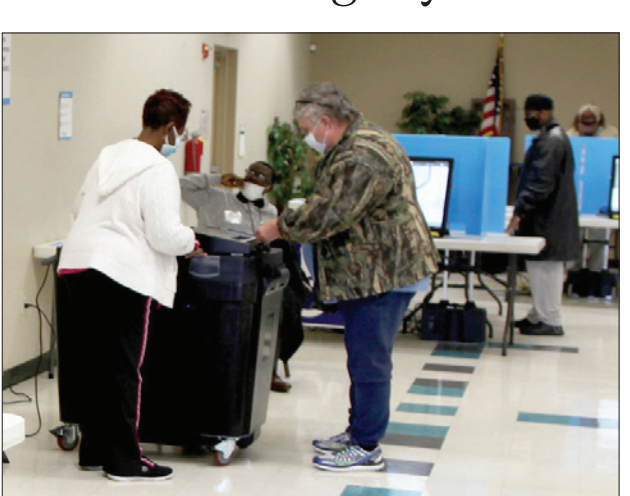
Advance voting begins Monday

Newton's early polling sites moved to area churches, weekend voting days added

By **TAYLOR BECK**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Registered voters of Newton County may cast their ballots early starting next week.

Advance in-person voting for the 2022 General Primary Election is scheduled to begin Monday, May 2, and wrap up May 16 — eight days before Election Day on May 24.



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In this photo from 2020, a voter casts a ballot in the general election. Early voting for the 2022 primary elections begins Monday in Newton County.

However, Newton County election officials announced several weeks ago that the early polling site has been moved from the Newton County Administration Building and Porter Memorial Library to two area churches. The reason for changing locations was due to the previous sites lacking “adequate parking and indoor voting space,” according to election

officials.

One site eligible voters may cast their ballots include Prospect United Methodist Church, located at 6752 Hwy. 212 in Covington. Voting will take place in the fellowship hall.

Advance voting at this location is scheduled for May 2-6 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; May 9-13 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; and May 16-20 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

The second polling site will be at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, located at 4140 Clark St. in Covington. Voting will take place at the fellowship hall.

Voting at this location is scheduled for May 2-6 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; May 9-13 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; and May 16-20 (Monday-Friday) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Republican gubernatorial candidate David Perdue meets with voters in Covington. Starting Monday, Newton County voters will help decide the race for governor, as well as other state and congressional offices.

County voters to decide state, congressional races

By **TAYLOR BECK**
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COVINGTON, Ga. — In addition to local races, Newton County voters also will decide Democrat and Republican nominees for various state and congressional offices.

Headlining the congressional races is the crowded ballot for U.S. House of Representatives District 10, a seat vacated by U.S. Rep. Jody Hice, R-Greens-

boro, as he is pursuing the Secretary of State's Office.

For U.S. House District 10, area voters must choose from Jessica Allison Fore, Tabitha Johnson-Green, Phyllis Hatcher, Femi Oduwole and Paul Watson for the Democrat nomination.

Republicans will have to choose from Timothy Barr, Paul Broun, Mike Collins, David Curry, Vernon Jones, Marc McMain, Alan Sims and Mitchell Swan.

Staying in the House, Democrats will see incumbent District 4 U.S. Rep. Henry C. “Hank” Johnson, Jr. without an in-party challenger, and Republicans will

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Continued Coverage: Rivian to Stanton Springs

JDA approves development agreement with EV manufacturer

Deal could produce \$900M over 25 years in tax revenues from Stanton Springs parks

By **TOM SPIGOLON**
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MONROE, Ga. — An agreement that outlines requirements for such issues as the timing of employing workers and tax payments is now in the hands of state and Rivian officials after a regional development authority's approval Tuesday.

Development authority members also said Rivian's addition to the JDA-controlled Stanton Springs and Stanton Springs North business parks will increase tax revenues to more than \$900 million shared by the

four JDA counties and Social Circle over the next 25 years.

The Joint Development Authority (JDA) of Jasper, Morgan, Newton and Walton counties on Tuesday, April 26, voted to approve a final economic development agreement between the JDA, the state of Georgia and electric vehicle maker Rivian Inc.

State and Rivian officials also must approve the agreement, which local officials expect early next week, before the full agreement is made public and shows what Georgia is offering the



Rutledge resident JoEllen Artz speaks as Joint Development Authority attorney Andrea Gray and member David Thompson listen during a meeting Tuesday in the Walton County Historic Courthouse in Monroe.

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company to locate on the site that runs along the north side of I-20.

The JDA also approved a resolution to exercise the options to buy 41 parcels of land on the site, pending approval by the state and Rivian.

In the meeting at Walton County's Historic Courthouse, JDA Chairman Jerry Silvio of Newton County said his agency's approval

of the documents means “we are taking a significant step toward realizing the original vision of the JDA from more than two decades ago” to de-

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Crime

Newton resident pleads guilty to supplying meth to Monroe dealer

By TOM SPIGOLON
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MACON, Ga. — A Covington resident admitted in federal court Monday, April 25, to supplying a large quantity of methamphetamine to a drug dealer in the Monroe County area, a U.S. Attorney’s office news release stated.

Frank Settambri-no, 63, of Covington, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine before U.S. District Judge Marc Treadwell Monday.

Settambri-no faces a maximum sentence of 20 years imprisonment and a \$1 million fine.

Sentencing is scheduled for July 6. There is no parole in the federal system.

U.S. Attorney Peter D. Leary of the Middle District of Georgia said, “The defendant was supplying a consistent and significant quantity of methamphetamine to Monroe County and the surrounding communi-

ties.

“Those individuals who profit by pushing large amounts of illegal and deadly drugs into the Middle District of Georgia face the possibility of federal prosecution for their criminal activities. I want to thank the DEA and both the Monroe and Newton County sher-

iff’s offices for shutting down this methamphetamine supply chain.”

“The by-products of ‘meth’ after its manufacture leave behind a dangerous and toxic trail of waste,” said Special Agent in Charge of the DEA Atlanta Field Division Robert J. Murphy.

“DEA and its law enforcement partners are committed to protecting citizens from these dangers by disrupting, dismantling and destroying those who traffic these toxic chemicals. Now that this defendant has been removed from the streets, the Middle Georgia community is a

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Covington man charged in Georgia-to-New York gun trafficking case

By TOM SPIGOLON
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YONKERS, N.Y. — A Newton County man is among two charged with traveling from Georgia to New York to sell firearms after an April 20 incident in which a third suspect shot and seriously injured a police detective in the city of Yonkers.

Xavier Simms, 22, of

Covington, and Bryce Martin, 23, of Hampton, are facing one count each of conspiring to traffic firearms which could carry up to five years in prison, a news release stated.

Another man they traveled with from Georgia to New York — identified by a New York newspaper as Bryant Jackson, 28,


was killed after he shot the detective at close range and another federal agent returned fire as law enforcement attempted to interdict in the crime.

Michael J. Driscoll, assistant director-in-charge of the New York Office of the FBI, said on April 21, “As we allege today, Mr. Martin and Mr.




Simms conspired to illegally traffic firearms, and, when law enforcement attempted to intervene, one of their co-conspirators shot and critically wounded one of our task force officers.

“Subsequent investigation resulted in the recovery of several

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Obituaries

Jerry Prosser
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Mr. Jerry Prosser, age 81, a lifelong resident of Mansfield passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2022. He was born in Mansfield on February 1, 1941, to Nick and Sara Prosser who have preceded him in death. Mr. Prosser grew up in Mansfield and was a graduate of Newton County High School. He was in the chicken business with his father and later managed Wallace Hatchery in Newborn. He retired from Newton County where he served as the landfill supervisor from 1990 until 2007.

Mr. Prosser also served on the Newton County Board of Commissioners as the Dis-

trict One Commissioner from 1976 until 1980. He was an avid sports fan who loved the Atlanta Braves, and the Georgia Bulldogs. Mr. Jerry was so proud that he was able to see the Braves win the World Series, and the Bulldogs win the National Championship. As big a sports fan as he was, nothing topped his love for spending time with his family; he loved his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Along with his parents he was preceded in death by his wife Mrs. Hilda Prosser.

Mr. Prosser is survived by his children; Beth Nolan (Todd) of Oxford, Susie Prosser, Chip Prosser (Alexis), and Becky Smallwood (Darrell)

Claude Morgan
J.C. Harwell & Son Funeral Home

Mr. Claude Morgan, age 86, of Mansfield passed away Sunday, April 24, 2022. Fu-

neral services for Mr. Morgan will be held at 3 o'clock Thursday, April 28, 2022, at the Chapel of J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home. The family will receive

Richard Massey
J.C. Harwell & Son Funeral Home

Mr. Richard Massey, age 61, a lifelong resident of Newton County, passed away

Sunday, April 24, 2022. Graveside Services will be held at 11 a.m. at Lawnwood Memorial Park on Thursday, April 24, 2022, with Pastor Blane Allen officiating.

Marla J. Langford
J.C. Harwell & Son Funeral Home

Mrs. Marla J. Langford, age 73, of Knoxville, Tennessee, formerly of Covington, passed away Friday,

April 22, 2022. Funeral services for Mrs. Langford will be held 2 o'clock, Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at the Chapel of J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home with Mr. Travis Price officiating.

all of Mansfield; his 13 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren; his sister Carol Ann Biggers; his niece Ann Biggers (Marshall); his nephew Doug Biggers (Terri); his dog Skeeter; along with a host of other family and close friends.

A gathering of friends will be held from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, May 1, 2022, at J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home with graveside services to follow at Carmel Church Cemetery in Mansfield with Dr. Jeffrey Perkins officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family request that donations be made in memory of Jerry Prosser to the American Heart Association.

friends from 2-3 p.m. on Thursday prior to the service at the funeral home. Entombment will follow at New Covington Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m. on Thursday at J.C. Harwell & Son Funeral Home prior to the graveside service.

Interment will follow at New Covington Cemetery. The family will receive friends from noon until 2 p.m. on Tuesday prior to the service.

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Meet the Candidates: Race for Newton County Board of Commissioners District 2, District 4

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 2



Demond Mason
Age: 47
Professional Background: Project Management

Why did you decide to run for this office?: I chose to run for office, because I believe that it is important to have a County Commissioner that has a business degree, capable of making sound business decisions, acts with integrity, maintains a high level of professionalism, able to establish business partnerships on a local, state and national level, participate in actively re-investing into the community as a tax paying home owner that shows a strong level of stability within the community, maintains great customer service skills, able to create and execute new innovative ideas and truly has a passionate desire to help advance the community by showing a high level of care and concern for Newton County residents. These qualities, that I described, are qualities that I currently possess, along with my personal business abilities to enhance Newton County from a positive perspective. I have proven this during the past 3 years as the District 2 County Commissioner.

What do you believe is the biggest issue facing the county or your district and, if elected, how do you plan to address it?:

The biggest issue currently facing the County is finding creative ways to enhance the residents' quality of life, according to the Newton County Strategic Plan. The ways that I have currently addressed this concern is,

1.) I have established The Clean Up Newton Project, which offers monthly clean up events of the District 2 roadways.

2.) I have established the Unsheltered/Homelessness job and housing initiative, which allows our homeless population an opportunity to attend training at Georgia Piedmont Technical College and immediately receive job placement with a local Newton County business earning between \$16-\$28 an hour. Additionally, working with the Covington Housing Authority to help locate local affordable housing for our Unsheltered community.

3.) I have also enhanced Denny Dobbs Park by ensuring the completion of the first and only Splash Pad, established the first and only Skate Park, established the annual "Movies in the Park" at Denny Dobbs Park in partnership with District 2 small business vendors and Believers Fellowship Church, as well as established the plans for the future Multigenerational Recreation Aquatic Center at Denny Dobbs Park.

4.) I have established Facebook Live discussions to help inform Newton County residents: Community Conversations, The Legal Series and Economic Exchanges.

5.) I have established the District 2 Home Owners Association Alliance and the District 2 Young Leadership Alliance

Finally, what do voters need to know about you?:

I would like the District 2 voters to know that I have a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, I have an Honorary Doctorate in Humanitarianism for the work that I have accomplished as a county commissioner, currently

a vice chair of the Community, Economic and Workforce Development Steering Committee for the National Association of Counties, chairman of the Newton County Board of Commissioners Public Facilities Authority, I was the 2020 Vice Chair of the Newton County Board of Commissioners, Former Parliamentarian of the Newton County Democratic Party, Former Chairman of the Destined for Greatness, Inc. Board of Directors and the Former Vice President of Education for the Coca-Cola chapter of Toastmasters International.

These business and community degrees, along with serving in the past and current leadership roles makes me the best candidate to continue enhancing District 2 and the entire Newton County Community.

I want to personally thank the District 2 residents for your continued support and partnership in making District 2, along with the entire Newton County community a great place to live, work and play.

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 2



Steven Rhodes
Age: 47
Professional Background:

I am currently employed by the Newton County School System. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Information Technology and serve as a Technology Support Specialist in the district. I have over 20 years' experience in the field of technology and I have also served as a business owner offering technology products, services, and consulting to small and medium sized businesses.

Why did you decide to run for this office?:

I decided to run for the Board of Commissioner District 2 seat because I love this great community! We as a community have achieved so much over the years, and I would like to contribute and see us achieve even greater. I am running for County Commissioner to restore integrity and trust to the board room at our Historic Court House. I want to bring back the principle of working together to continue the work of bettering our beautiful community. It is my goal as your commissioner, to enhance the quality of life for every citizen through ensuring a safe place to live, improved infrastructure, a viable solution to enhance existing greenspaces, create walkable communities, and enhance workforce development opportunities.

What do you believe is the biggest issue facing the county or your district and, if elected, how do you plan to address it?:

District two has an issue with litter and illegal dumping. If elected, I would address this issue by working closely with the Sheriff's office to increase patrols in the area, and the Probate Judge to request that the maximum fine amount be given

to offenders who are caught littering and dumping illegally. I would also work closely with Keep Newton Beautiful to implement programs to educate on litter prevention and beautification.

Finally, what do voters need to know about you?:

The history of my family begins here in Newton. I am a product of Newton County Schools and a graduate of Newton County High School. I am a coach and a mentor. Over the course of my campaign to earn your vote to represent this great district and county, I have spoken with many residents, who have expressed their concerns about the issues in our beloved community. Today, I want you to know that I am listening, and I hear you! I believe that together we can overcome the issues we face here in district two and Newton County. My father always said that working hard, integrity and honesty are the keys to success. These are tools that I intend to govern my decisions and actions as your District 2 Commissioner. If elected, I vow to put politics aside and Newton first! I will always be transparent, be informative and strive to do what is right for all citizens of Newton County. Please vote Steven Rhodes District 2 Commissioner. We Can Do This! Together We Are Better!

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 2



Earnest L. Simmons
Age: 57
Professional Background:

I'm in the Route service and sales industry.

Why did you decide to run for this office?:

My reasons for running are many, but foremost, giving our citizens a choice of a proven leader who brought back over \$8 million dollars to district #2. The current Commissioner has been given three years to be productive and is lacking, and the other two candidates simply don't have the experience to "hit the ground running".

What do you believe is the biggest issue facing the county or your district and, if elected, how do you plan to address it?:

The biggest issues are traffic and roads, with the County responsible for 900 miles of repaving and maintenance of its roads and bridges. Second is keeping the mileage rate at an affordable rate.

Finally, what do voters need to know about you?:

I want the voters to know that only about 8-10% of them come out to vote. This leaves a small pool of voters that may decide the outcome of a very close race. Every vote counts and I am asking that you vote for Earnest Simmons. Thanks in advance, and God bless you.

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 2

Dwayne Stephens
Age: 48



Professional Background: I'm the pastor of James Pascals MBC. I have been here for 19 years. I'm also an entrepreneur.

Why did you decide to run for this office?:

I've decided to run because I see the urgency of public service, I truly believe the voters of District 2 need someone that's open and a Commissioner that would echo their concerns; I believe the voters of District 2 feel like their voices aren't being heard.

What do you believe is the biggest issue facing the county or your district and, if elected, how do you plan to address it?:

District 2 needs someone that's concerned about the infrastructure and open to better business opportunities besides fast food.

Finally, what do voters need to know about you?:

If elected I will serve as an elected official to show that I'm truly a public servant. When serving you must always be vigilant and transparent. I will host town hall meetings to allow the voters to share their concerns, and if elected I will work diligently to ensure the public trust and work to not only make District 2 a better district but Newton a better place to live for All!

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 4

J.C. Henderson



Age: 65
Professional Background:

I have been a life-long Covington resident for over 65 years; I graduated from Newton High School in 1976; after graduating high school, I began working for the City of Covington in the Meter Reader Department. While working for the City of Covington, I attended Dekalb Community College for two years. After college, I opened a small business on Washington St., Henderson's of Covington Convenient Store, and operated it for years. I've been certified as a County Commissioner by the ACCG (Association of County Commissioners of Georgia.) for over 20 years. I am still certified with 25 years of experience as a County Commissioner.

Why did you decide to run for this office?:

As an employee of the city of Covington, I saw at firsthand there was no decent Recreational Equipment in the City of Covington or the unincorporated parts of Newton County's underserved areas. Newton County didn't have a large enough emergency room to service the whole County. The District 4 Community didn't have Community Centers, and

I wanted to improve the Senior Services in Newton County. Once elected over the years, I began working on these issues by establishing five parks (Trailblazer Park, Dinah Pace Park, Victoria Station Community Park, City of Oxford Park, Nelson Heights Community Park) and two Community Centers (Nelson Heights and Washington Street Community Center). I worked with the Newton County Board of Commissioners to expand and build a new Emergency room with more beds for patients at the Piedmont Newton Hospital. I worked with the Newton County board of commissioners to expand the Senior Services Facility at the Turner Lake Complex.

What do you believe is the biggest issue facing the county or your district and, if elected, how do you plan to address it?:

I know many have concerns about traffic, trash, new developments, jobs, infrastructure, etc. We are working to rectify these concerns. I'm concerned about the Citizens' health. I'm worried about the Newton County and Covington Resident's exposure to the airborne toxin Ethylene Oxide that causes cancer. I was the only elected official in Newton County who stood on the Historic Courthouse steps to inform people who were unaware of the cancer risk from the airborne toxin. With all of the new developments, amenities and growth, many have forgotten how serious this matter is. I want to work with the city of Covington Mayor and Council, including the Newton County Board of Commissioners, to set up a test force with 1-2 people to monitor all of the Companies that release ETO and other hazardous chemicals in Newton County. Then mandate them to report to every local government branch. Our people need to know how this toxin is affecting us now and how it will affect us for years to come. We deserved to breathe in fresh air without fearing contracting

Cancer.

Finally, what do voters need to know about you?:

What my community has asked from me, I've done it. For 25 years, I have been fighting for the people of Newton County. When I've said I would do something, I've done it. I've been a man of my word and have continued to put the people first. I have no plans of stopping now; we have so much we are still fighting for. If we want to continue having a voice in this community and have someone who will stand up for what is right, then I'm your candidate Vote for and re-elect your 4th District County Commissioner, J.C. Henderson.

NEWTON COUNTY BOC DISTRICT 4

Willie B. Jackson



Age: 63
Professional Background:

- Owned and operated Jackson Automotive for 40+ years
- Master Tailor designing clothes in Newton County for 20 years
- Automotive Mechanic mentor to the youth in the community
- Youth Minister for 15 years.
- Youth Pastor
- Member of Early Hope Ministries for 49 years

Why did you decide to run for this office?:

I decided to run for Office because I have a vision. My vision is to unite the Board of Commissioners because I have witnessed the division. However, I do believe that once the Board of Commissioners unite the entire county will be able to move forward as one.

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OPINIONS

The Covington News

Taylor Beck editor and publisher

Whether early or on Election Day, cast your ballot in the primaries

There's really no excuse as to why anyone properly registered can't vote during this election cycle.

That's largely contributed to expanded advance voting opportunities, which, for the first time ever locally, includes Sunday voting days. And, of course, absentee ballots are still available.

In Newton County, early voting sites this year have even changed to better accommodate residents. Election officials say they moved the polling location from the county's administration building and a local library to two area churches due to long lines at the former locations.

Simply put, if you don't cast a ballot this year, it's because you chose not to.

Historically, voter turnout for midterm elections is putrid, but turnout for primary elections is even worse. It's said that less than half of reg-

istered voters typically turn out for primaries. I challenge my fellow Newton Countians to break this trend and turn out to vote like never before.

Why? Because primary elections might be the most important.

The outcome of primary elections set the stage for the general election. It determines which of the numerous candidates running for one office will become THE party nominee.

Remember that one time, just less than two years ago, when what was supposed to be a debate between two presidential candidates turned into a spectacle that could only best be described as a hot, chaotic mess?

And then, remember when everyone and their mother wondered how on Earth those two men acting like children — former President Donald Trump and current President Joe Biden — were supposedly the best candidates each party could put forward?

Well, that was decided in a primary election.

This year, there are several crowded races in which the primary results will be pivotal. This includes local offices such as Board of Commissioner seats, as well as state and congressional elections, including the hotly contested race for U.S. House District 10. With eight Republican candidates, five Democrat candidates and no real clear-cut favorites, it's truly anyone's race to win. In all likelihood, the primary election will go to a runoff, but the journey to discovering which two candidates make the cut will certainly be interesting to watch.

And a handful of votes could make all the difference.

Whether it's early and in-person, via absentee or on Election Day, I implore everyone to exercise their right to vote. After all, the ballot box is where change begins, but it's up to you to get there.

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Dick Yarbrough columnist

Two great minds assess impact of bad parenting on schools

Great minds run in pairs. I read an interesting opinion piece in the Atlanta newspapers recently about parenting.

The author, Beth Collums, has a master's degree in clinical psychology and experience as a child and family therapist. She is also a parent.

Collums states something we all know but tend to forget: Children are impressionable. They mimic their parent's behavior. If they see momma or daddy screaming at a school board meeting, how are the kids going to act when something doesn't go their way? Boorish behavior begets boorish behavior.

Which brings me to the second great mind on this particular subject — Carla, who runs the Yarbrough household and all within it. Carla, too, is a parent. Her youngest is turning 16 and is both academically and athletically gifted. At this young age, she has already decided to become a lawyer and later a judge. Big dreams at 16, but why not?

Carla is not quite as introspective on the subject of bad parenting as is Collums. Her bottom line is to hold the adults personally accountable for the bad behavior of the child. If some kid disrupts school for whatever reason, find the adult responsible and toss their derriere in jail. They are the cause of that behavior.

No question she feels strongly about this. Carla is a Mama Bear about her daughter's education and is the reason the young lady is excelling. She has witnessed apathetic and absentee adults who don't give a rip about their child's behavior impacting her own child's efforts to learn and then want to blame everybody but themselves.

My son-in-law, who was once named Georgia's Teacher of the Year, retired after 31 years in the public school system. He said it was easy to identify the students most likely to succeed in the classroom. Their parents were involved in their child's education and trusted the teacher to do his or her job.

My brother and I were raised by parents who grew up in rural Georgia when education was not valued. Neither made it past the seventh grade. That was not going to happen to their boys, both of whom they saw graduate from college.

Most important, they backed my teachers even when I tried eloquently to rationalize one of my dumb-as-a-rock decisions to them. To my parents, the

teacher was usually right, I was usually wrong and as much as I hate to admit it, that was usually the case.

Collums rightly points out that teachers are on the front line, trying to make a positive difference. She says they need our respect and support and that teachers don't go into the profession to get rich but "because they want to sow good into the world." As the father, grandfather and father-in-law of dedicated public schoolteachers, I say "amen."

Fast forward to today's cacophonous world. Many children reside in an atmosphere where parents loudly denigrate those who have a different point of view from their own. They show disrespect to educators, yell at school board meetings and blithely ignore the fact they are turning their impressionable offspring into clones of their own worse side.

Collums cites a survey by the America Psychological Association that says 42% of bullying, threats, online harassment and slurs directed at school administrators come from parents. And they expect their children to behave?

She says if civil discourse and calm assertion aren't exhibited at home, it is no surprise that those kinds of tensions will carry over into the schoolhouse. That manifests itself into an environment where teachers, who already have a boatload of problems not of their own making, have an even more difficult time teaching and trying to get students to learn.

In short, Collums, the child and family therapist, says parents need to behave themselves, become positive role models for their children and support the educators who are trying their best to educate the next generation. To which Carla, who runs the Yarbrough household and all within it, says if they refuse to do that, when their kids threaten, bully or harass at school, park their fannies in the pokey until they decide to take responsibility. One complex subject. Two great minds.

While we are on the subject of education, in my paean to the Vidalia onion last week I stated that Vidalia was the county seat of Toombs County. Actually, it is Lyons. Give me a "D" for attention to detail and an "A" for humbly admitting my mistake. Just don't tell Carla.

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Chris Bridges guest columnist

Remembering a Newton County baseball icon

Luke Allen always made it look so effortless.

Those were my thoughts when I watched him play for the Newton High School Rams during the 1996 season while I was sports editor of *The Covington News*.

Allen would step into the batter's box and never seemed to be overmatched against any opposing pitcher. He had all the fundamentals down and he always seemed to deliver when his team needed it the most.

His playing days lasted well beyond his high school career as he would compete for years in the big leagues. Allen's career took him to six Major League Baseball organizations. He made it all the way to the majors for both the Dodgers and Rockies.

Even as a much younger sports writer in those days who was still learning and figuring things out, I knew I was in the presence of someone special in Luke Allen.

The stunning news of his death at the age of 43 has sent shockwaves through the Newton County community. His love of the game was special even among those who played the sport as their professional.

The Newton Rams had a ton of talent in the mid-1990s. They played at a very high level classification-wise and their players had the skills to shine, even against the state's premier players.

Despite all the talent on the field in those days, Luke



Special to The News

Luke Allen, a Newton High School baseball legend, died recently at the age of 43. He played in the MLB for the Dodgers and Rockies.

seemed to stand tall even among his giant counterparts.

Professional broadcaster Kevin Holden, who like this young sports writer at the time, was working on his craft back then as the play-by-play announcer for the local Covington radio station. It was also clear to him how Luke was going to be playing the sport for many years.

"The Rams were blessed with so much talent... so many players who played in college and even professionally through the years," Holden said. "But Luke Allen was maybe the best of all... a special talent."

Holden, who now is a sports anchor in Wisconsin, said he spoke to Allen as recently as last Christmas.

"Luke even posted a few of our old radio broadcasts earlier this year, with some commentary attached," Holden said. "He had made a difference in so many young lives in recent years, teaching

young hitters and reveling in their accomplishments.

Across the years and across the miles, this one still hurts."

A few years ago while visiting Covington, I drove by the old ballfield that Allen and the Rams used to play on. It has since been abandoned as newer fields have been constructed.

I thought it a shame that the field would have not been maintained. Surely there was a youth team in a county with hundreds of such teams that could have used it.

Still, it wasn't difficult to see Luke stepping into the batter's box with his calm demeanor. The familiar sound of the ping of his bat would echo throughout the ballpark as Luke would deliver another double or even another homerun.

Luke is always a humble person and player. He had a habit of giving away items

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JDA:

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develop an industrial park east of Atlanta “with high-tech, good paying jobs for years to come.”

“Opportunity like this not only translates into new jobs for our families, but it also means more resources and growth for our counties, providing the opportunity to reduce the tax burden on local homeowners, improve schools and invest in parks, trails and public safety.”

The agreement outlines the legal obligations of the three to develop a \$5 billion manufacturing facility on a 2,000-acre site covering parts of the city of Social Circle and unincorporated Walton and Morgan counties.

The agreement states that Rivian will begin making payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs) of \$1.5 million annually to the JDA beginning in 2023.

If the company does not employ at least 6,000 of its planned 7,500 workers by the end of 2028 then it will be required to pay more, said JDA attorney Andrea Gray.

Gray said local governments receive \$80,000 in property tax revenues from owners

of Rivian’s 2,000-acre site.

After the agreement kicks in, local governments will receive \$1.5 million annually from 2023 to 2028 before rising to \$12 million in 2029.

Authority member Steve Jordan said the combined PILOT and property tax payments from all companies — including Rivian, Takeda Pharmaceuticals and Facebook/Meta — in the two business parks will total \$4.6 million annually through 2028 and rise to \$30 million in 2029.

If Rivian invests more than \$5 billion in the project then PILOT payments will increase as well, officials said. .

The majority of the tax revenues from the two business parks will go to public school districts in the four counties, which will receive 60% and governments the rest.

JDA officials said such a PILOT agreement with a private company was “unique for a development of this scale” because PILOT payments generally do not begin for at least three years.

Gray said the JDA issued \$15 billion in industrial development

revenue bonds which will be repaid through rent payments from Rivian for its use of the JDA-owned site.

Despite the agreement’s promises of significantly increased tax revenues, most area residents who spoke during a public comment section of the meeting still appeared vehemently opposed to the project.

Some also questioned the “ethics” of their actions not to make public its negotiations with Rivian for the site before its December 2021 announcement by Gov. Brian Kemp.

Fay Meador Long said she doubted JDA members cared about area residents’ feelings about the project — which they maintain could cause environmental damage and ruin the rural nature of the area around Rutledge.

“You probably laugh at us when you leave here,” she said.

She said she had been a “troubled teen” growing up in Morgan County and one authority member, Andy Ainslie, had been the principal of the school she attended.

Ainslie helped steer her toward “better choices” in her life

but he now is part of a board that was acting “not ethical” by negotiating in private with the company, she said.

Another speaker, Joanie Fitzgerald, said area residents “could care less about the money” and were more concerned about the future of the area’s natural resources. She said more information was needed about the effects of the plant’s construction and operation on groundwater supplies which they believe Rivian could harm.

“It’s not if it’s going to happen, it’s when it will happen,” she said.

But Donald R. Melvin of the Morgan County branch of the NAACP said the plant and its promise of salaries in the \$50,000 range meant opportunities for careers for area young people that he never had growing up in Morgan County.

Newton County resident Barbara Morgan said Rivian will help fulfill the vision her brother, the late Davis Morgan, had for Stanton Springs when he helped devise the plan for the business park as Newton County chairman in 1998.

“Highly skilled, high

tech jobs are the future,” she said. “The opportunity before us ensures a profitable, prosperous future for our children, grandchildren

and generations to come who will be able to get well-paying jobs right here where they live.”



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METH:

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safer place.”

An ongoing investigation into methamphetamine distribution activities by Monroe County Sheriff’s Office (MCSO) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

investigators revealed that Settambriano was supplying methamphetamine to a dealer in the region, according to court documents and other evidence.

Between September 2020 and January

2021, the DEA and the MCSO coordinated a series of five audio and video recorded controlled purchases of methamphetamine involving Settambriano. A federal search warrant was executed at

Settambriano’s residence on Jan. 14, 2021, where agents located more than one kilo of methamphetamine and other drug paraphernalia scattered throughout his home, the news release stated.

GUN:

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firearms, including a “ghost gun,” an untraceable type of weapon that continues to pose a significant threat in our communities.

“We are grateful for the survival of our partner, and our thoughts remain with him and his loved ones as he continues to recover

from his injuries,” Driscoll said.

Yonkers Police Department reported on its Facebook page April 20 that task force members attempted to stop the three as they entered a deli on Elm Street in Yonkers, which is near New York City.

“A Yonkers Police

detective assigned to the task force attempted to detain one of the suspects inside the store when that suspect fired a concealed handgun at the detective, striking him in the abdomen; a federal agent returned fired, striking the suspect.

“The detective

underwent emergency surgery for life-threatening internal injuries; he is currently listed in serious but stable condition. The 28-year-old suspect was declared deceased at the hospital.”

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ICON:

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such as a cap, a bat or even a custom-made wristband with the letter “L” on it. I still have that wristband today, more than 25 years later.

The Allen family has had to deal with too much tragedy in recent times. Things of this nature never make sense. It’s not something we can ever truly understand.

Family was extremely

important to Luke. He had numerous siblings and an extended family of friends, teammates and those who all admired his skills.

I always wished I could swing the bat the way he did. Effortless.

Sports memories are a funny thing. They don’t dim with time. In fact, they become more vivid. I guess you need to be a sports fan to understand.

Those were special times for me personally and professionally. Luke Allen was a big part of that. I’m glad I was able to talk with him one last time before this occurred. He helped me with a story I was writing for a local magazine. Just like during his playing days, he was more than willing to do so.

It made me think of those days back in the

1990s when I would interview him before practice, allowing me to be in the presence of greatness. It wasn’t just because of his ability on the field, but because of the kind of person, friend and teammate he was.

Chris Bridges is managing editor of The Walton Tribune, a sister publication of The Covington News.

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have to decide between candidates Jonathan Chavez and Surrea Ivy.

For U.S. Senate, Democrats will choose between incumbent Raphael Warnock and challenger Tamara Johnson-Shealey. Republican voters will choose from another crowded field of candidates including Gary Black, Josh Clark, Kelvin King, Jonathan “Jon” McCollum, Latham Saddler and Herschel Walker for the Republican nomination. Residents will also get the chance to cast their vote in races for many of Georgia’s top state government offices.

For governor, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates Catherine Davis, Brian Kemp (i), David Perdue, Kandiss Taylor and Tom Williams.

• Democrat candidate Stacey Abrams.

For lieutenant governor, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates Burt Jones, Mack McGregor, Butch Miller and Jeanne Seaver.
- Democrat candidates Erick E. Allen, Charlie Bailey, Tyrone Brooks Jr., Tony Brown, Kwanza Hall, Jason T. Hayes, Derrick L. Jackson, R. Malik and Renitta Shannon.

For secretary of state, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates David C. Belle Isle, Jody Hice, T.J. Hudson and Brad Raffensperger (i).
- Democrat candidates Dee Dawkins-Haigler, John Eaves, Floyd Griffin, Bee Nguyen and Michael Owens.

For attorney general, ballots will include:

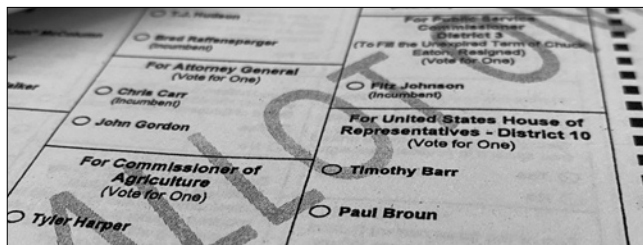
- Republican candidates Chris Carr (i) and John Gordon.
- Democrat candidates Jennifer “Jen” Jordan and Christian Wise Smith.

For commissioner of agriculture, ballots will include:

- Republican candidate Tyler Harper.
- Democrat candidates Winfred Dukes, Nakita Hemingway and Fred Swann.

For commissioner of insurance, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates Ben Coward, John King (i) and Pat-



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Pictured is a portion of a Republican sample ballot for Newton County. Sample ballots my be viewed at CovNews.com or on the state’s website: mvp.sos.ga.gov.

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- Democrat candidates Raphael Baker, Janice Laws Robinson and Matthew Wilson.

For state school superintendent, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates John D. Barge and Richard Woods (i).

- Democrat candidates Currey Hitchens, Jaha V. Howard, James Morrow Jr. and Alisha Thomas Searcy.

For commissioner of labor, ballots will include:

- Republican candidates Kartik Bhatt, Mike Coan and Bruce Thompson.

- Democrat candidates William “Will” Boddie Jr., Thomas Dean, Nicole Horn, Lester G. Jackson III and Nadia Surrency.

For Public Service Commissioner District 2, ballots will include:

- Republican candidate Tim Echols (i).
- Democrat candidates Patty Durand and Russell Edwards.

For Public Service Commissioner District 3, ballots will include:

- Republican candidate Fitz Johnson (i).
- Democrat candidates Sheila Edwards, Chandra Farley and Missy Moore.

Several offices representing portions of Newton County in the General Assembly are also up for grabs.

In state Senate District 17, incumbent Brian Strickland faces opposition from Brett Mauldin for the Repub-

lican nomination. Kacy D. Morgan is running unopposed for the Democrat nomination.

Democrat Tonya P. Anderson seeks reelection to state Senate District 43, but she faces opposition from Joe N. Lester for the nomination. Melanie Williams is running unopposed for the Republican nomination.

Over to the state House, incumbent Democrat Doreen Carter seeks reelection to District 93. However, Laklieshia Izzard is challenging for the Democrat nomination. No Republican candidates qualified for the race.

In state House District 113, incumbent Sharon Henderson faces Billie Boyd-Cox for the Democrat nomination. No Republican candidates qualified for the race.

Tim Fleming and Wendell McNeal are each vying for the Republican nomination for state House District

114, a seat formerly held by Dave Belton, who chose not to pursue reelection. Malcolm Adams is running unopposed for the Democrat nomination.

Newton voters will also decide a selection of nonpartisan races including state Supreme Court justices, Court of Appeals judgeships and Alcovy Judicial Circuit Superior Court judgeships.

Veronica Brinson has challenged incumbent Judge Verda M. Colvin for her position on the Supreme Court. Other incumbent Supreme Court justices Shawn Ellen LaGrua and Carla McMillian will also be featured on the ballot but face no challengers.

In the Court of Appeals, incumbent judges Anne Elizabeth Barnes, Chris McFadden and Trea Pipkin will be featured but also are unopposed.

In the Alcovy Judicial Circuit Superior Court, local to Newton and Walton counties, incumbent judges Cheveda D. McCamy and Layla H. Zon seek reelection unopposed.

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Housing Market

March home prices continued trend of increase compared to same month of 2021

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County home prices continued their year-to-year increase and supply of houses for sale continued to decrease compared to the same month of 2021.

And an Atlanta real estate spokesperson does not foresee the affordability or supply of homes increasing significantly for at least two years.

The median price of a home for sale in Newton County was \$295,000 in March 2022 — a 5% increase from the previous month and a 23% increase in one year, according to the Georgia Multiple Listing Service (MLS).

Each month's median price has exceeded the same month of the previous year for at least the past year, according to the MLS statistics.

The number of units sold in March in Newton County increased 11% from February but was down 23% when compared to March 2021.

New listings of homes for sale in March were up 32% from the previous month but down 18% from March 2021.

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March was the number of active listings was up 5% from March 2021.

Georgia MLS spokesman John Ryan said inventory is still “very, very low” both in Newton County and nationwide.

Less than one month's supply of houses priced at less than \$350,000 now exist in Newton County, he said.

Ryan said 51,000 real estate agents use the Georgia MLS to list homes for sale but there were only 10,224 current listings — an average of five agents for each listed residence.

“(That) really shows

the lack of availability that's out there in terms of supply and where the demand is,” he said. “We don't foresee that changing anytime in the next two or three years.”

Homebuilders are working to increase supply but the demand is outpacing it, Ryan said.

In Newton County, any home that sold in recent months between \$175,000 and \$450,000 sold for above the original listed price, he said.

A single home for sale typically will receive multiple offers and the seller often can receive thousands above the list price, he

said.

“Individuals have to come in with offers that, if they're not list price, they've got to be above,” Ryan said.

“That means that they need to make sure that they are ready and the lending status and the financial health is in good order and ready to move because it's such a demand that's going on with multiple offers,” he said.

In addition, in one of every four transactions, buyers are competing against people making cash offers, he said.

He said they have helped spawn the creation of new loan businesses that only

exist to lend money for homebuyers to make cash offers — which they must repay in addition to the mortgage payment.

Putting even more pressure on the homebuyer is the Federal Reserve's recent move to increase interest rates to fight inflation — moving the interest rate that homebuyers receive above 5% for the first time in 11 years, he said. That rate increase raises the cost of borrowing and decreases the number of buyers who qualify for mortgages because it increases the monthly payment, Ryan said.

“The demographic

that's really going to be affected by that are millennials and first-time buyers,” he said.

Ryan noted that large, national rental companies also have begun outbidding individual buyers of houses so the companies can rent the houses. Some companies, like Atlanta-based ResiBilt, now build whole subdivisions of single-family homes for rent, he noted.

“These corporations feel the return on investment is more profitable than building (homes for sale),” he said.

Dena Lynn Sosebee, president of the Covington-based East Metro Board of Realtors, recently said the future supply of housing on the eastern side of Metro Atlanta is dependent on such factors as building material prices and availability.

Sosebee also said city or county zoning boards' policies concerning housing densities and timing of growth also affect the supply.

If any governing body decided to make less land available for residential construction, the result could be higher costs because less supply of new housing would be available, she said.

Newton County Schools

Metro Atlanta McDonald's operators give NCSS program \$1,000

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COVINGTON, Ga. — The Greater Atlanta McDonald's Operators Association recently awarded a \$1,000 Golden Grant to Clements Middle School for its G.E.M.S. Club (Girls Empowered and Motivated for Success) after-school program.

Funded entirely by Greater Atlanta McDonald's Owners/Operators, the grant program is in its fourth year.

Programs that are eligible for a Golden Grant are organizations focusing on arts and crafts, education initiatives, mentorship programs, community outreach and sports.

The Clements G.E.M.S. Club is an after-school mentorship and empowerment program with educational initiatives to motivate at-risk females to strive



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to be well-rounded academically, socially, and personally, a news release stated.

The club meets once a week and is geared to equip middle school girls with the skills and knowledge necessary to grow into self-respecting and motivated individuals enthusiastic

about success.

The top winner, Woodstock Middle School, received \$20,000 and will use the funding for new technology, as the Computer Science classroom shares 28 computers, some without working sound.

“This award means

so much to our students, our school and our community,” said Eva Holston, computer science lab teacher at Woodstock Middle School.

“The lab that we will be able to create will change the future of our students for years to come, which will, in

turn, impact the economic stability of our community.

“My class is the first opportunity most of our students have to interact with computer science, so I want it to be a positive learning experience. With this grant, we will be able to grow our computer science program to match the needs and interests of our students.”

The Ferguson School in Duluth is a progressive school for students of the global majority to help them succeed academically and socially and uses small classroom settings to set foundational skills for students.

“The McDonald's Grant will provide us the tools to cultivate the genius in the youngest learners in our multi-age primary classroom,” said Tiffany Blassingame, Head of School at The

Ferguson School.

“Learners need to make sense of concepts and skills through active learning as they grow in wisdom. Through the use of concrete materials, hands-on science activities, and clear, explicit instruction with qualified instructors, we are able to give students the personalized instruction they need to develop literacy and math skills.”

Twelve programs received grants from the program this year, with the 10 additional programs receiving \$1,000 each.

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Lady Redskins defeat Atlanta Classical Academy 3-1 to advance to finals

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ATLANTA — In a rough, chippy contest, the Social Circle Lady Redskins pulled out a 3-1 win Thursday against Atlanta Classical Academy (ACA) in the Final Four of the Class A-Public playoffs.

Social Circle head coach Heather Richardson expressed her joy in her team's advancement to the state title game.

"I am so excited," Richardson said. "This is the best feeling ever, because

we have worked so hard. And that game was a battle from beginning to end, so I'm super excited."

Though Social Circle came out on top, it was a rough start for the Lady Redskins.

Both teams came out of the gate aggressive, fighting for every possession and shot they could put up.

The referees allowed a lot of contact among players, too, by not calling many fouls.

As a result, neither team could find the back of

the net almost halfway through the first 40-minute period. Then, with 21:51 remaining in the opening half, ACA broke through, giving itself a 1-0 lead.

And, while that may seem like a bad thing, the Lady Redskins have been in that position before.

During the regular season, Social Circle fell behind 1-0 early against Commerce on March 10 and Towns County on April 1. In both instances, the Lady Redskins bounced back to win.

Thursday was no different. As a matter of fact, striker Peyton Brooks said falling down 1-0 was what rejuvenated the team from that point forward.

"[Going down 1-0] made us want to work harder, be more aggressive and take the lead back," Brooks said.

Less than five minutes later, the Lady Redskins knotted the score up at one goal apiece.

Brooks pushed the ball up the field and put up a

See TITLE, B6

Prep Football

Fortson named next Alcovy head coach

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Alcovy High School athletic department officials announced Wednesday, April 27, that Newton assistant Spencer Fortson was named the Tigers' next head football coach.

This next step comes with high anticipation for Fortson.

"In talking to the administrative team, it feels like I belong here," Fortson said. "I'm just thrilled to be the next head football coach at Alcovy High School. I know with the support of the administrative team, the community and the players buying in, we can definitely continue to push this program forward in the right direction."

Fortson, who has served as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Newton High School (NHS), will now lead the Tigers beginning in the 2022-2023 year. He started coaching in 2005 and has been in the Newton County School System since 2009, all at NHS.

Becoming Alcovy's head coach will be Fortson's first head coaching job.

During his time as a Ram, Fortson served under four different head coaches: Nick Collins, Cortez Allen, Terrance Banks and current Newton head coach Camiel Grant Jr. Fortson highlighted how his time on staff there has helped prepare him to be a head coach.

"Being a part of Newton High School during that time, provided me with a lot of knowledge," Fortson said.

See COACH, B6



Spencer Fortson

Prep Tennis

Peachtree Academy captures GAPPS Region 2 championships

STAFF REPORTS
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MACON, Ga. — Both Peachtree Academy varsity boys and girls tennis teams recently captured the Georgia Association of Private and Parochial Schools (GAPPS) Region 2 championships. The championships came after dominant performances on April 21 at the Randy Stephens Tennen Center in Macon.

In the boys singles, David McClellan defeated Knox Casey of Konos Academy 6-2, 4-6, 7-5. Lydia Clack defeated Joy Howell of Covenant Macon 6-1, 6-1 in girls singles.

For the doubles matches, Peachtree's William and Pledger Coppock won the boys doubles in three sets. The Peachtree girls doubles team of Josie and Gwyn Morgan also won in three sets.

"I am super proud of our teams' performances," athletic director Ken Van Ness said. "Everything is coming together at the right time."

Next up for the Panthers' tennis teams is the GAPPS Individual and Team Tennis State Championships on May 2-3 at the Rome Tennis Center in Rome.



Peachtree Academy girls tennis teams dominated in the singles and doubles matches to claim the 2022 GAPPS Region 2 championship.

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

VEHICLE MAKE: Toyota Year: 2004 Model: Sienna

VEHICLE ID #: 15TDZA22C64S116216 Vehicle License #: RZR5413 State: GA Picked up from: 3106 U.S.278 NW, Covington, GA 30014, USA (Newton Plaza)

VEHICLE MAKE: CADILLAC Year: 2001 Model: DEVILLE

VEHICLE ID #: 1G6KD54Y91U234550 Picked up from: 5160 ALCOVY RD., COVINGTON, GA, 30014

VEHICLE MAKE: DODGE Year:2009 Model: JOURNEY

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VEHICLE MAKE: MITSUBISHI Year: 2009 Model: GALANT Vehicle ID #: 4A3AB36F99E035368 Vehicle License #: RXL9987 Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1613AV

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VEHICLE MAKE: FORD Year: 2004 Model: EXPEDITION Vehicle ID #: 1FMEU17W54LB29345 Vehicle License #: XSS624 Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1618AV

VEHICLE MAKE: PONTIAC Year: 2001 Model: GRAND AM Vehicle ID #: 1G2FN52T71M662844 Vehicle License #: NO TAG Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1619AV

VEHICLE MAKE: BUICK Year: 2004 Model: RENDEZVOUS Vehicle ID #: 3G5DA03E44S059827 Vehicle License #: RVQ9544 Magistrate Court

Case No.: 22-1620AV

VEHICLE MAKE: HONDA Year: 2003 Model: CIVIC Vehicle ID #: 1HGES16563L004325 Vehicle License #: CQH4223 Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1621AV

VEHICLE MAKE: MITSUBISHI Year: 1999 Model: MIRAGE Vehicle ID #: JA3AY26A3XU045511 Vehicle License #: NO TAG Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1622AV

VEHICLE MAKE: NISSAN Year: 2017 Model: SENTRA Vehicle ID #: 3N1AB7APXHY218888 Vehicle License #: CMT7212 Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1623

VEHICLE MAKE: DODGE Year: 2005 Model: MAGNUM Vehicle ID #: 2D4FV48T45H567755 Vehicle License #: NO TAG Magistrate Court Case No.: 22-1624AV

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CHEVROLET 2021 Silverado 1GCUYGED4MZ122473 22-1306AV

DODGE 2016 Dart 1C3CDFAA3GD539781 22-1307AV

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KIA 2021 R i o 3KPAZ4AD6ME395158 22-1310AV

CHEVROLET 2019 Malibu 1G1ZD5ST2KF114283 22-1311AV

HONDA 2010 Accord 1HGCP2F37AA047755 22-1312AV

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PUBLIC NOTICE #300909 5/1,8

Bids

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

CONSULTING SERVICES for Oversight and Compliance in Connection with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 RFP #22-13(B) Newton County Board of Commissioners will be receiving separate sealed proposals for Consulting Services for Oversight and Compliance in Connection with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 until 9:00 AM, local time, Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 9:00 AM. ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE

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NOTE: PRIME firms and any sub consultants must have a business license and be fully insurance as described herein.

EACH PROPOSAL will be considered by the Newton County Board of Commissioners, taking into consideration specific evaluation factors, as set forth in the Request for Proposal. The County reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, including without limitation, the right to reject any Proposal that the County believes would not be in the best interest of the Project.

DIGITAL COPIES of the PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the Purchasing office at no charge by visiting www.co.newton.ga.us or contacting Randi Fincher at 678-625-1237 or rfincher@co.newton.ga.us. Hard copies of the PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS may be obtained upon a non-refundable payment of \$25.00 for each set. The County is not obligated to consider the contractor's proposal if they are not on record with the issuing office as having received complete Proposal Documents.

APRIL 25, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE #300888 5/1

FIRE SAFETY Provider (IFB C-936-01) The Newton County School System is soliciting sealed bids for fire sprinker, suppression, hydrant, and extinguisher inspection service for the school district. Instructions All solicitation documents are located on the School System's e-procurement website at the following **LINK: HTTPS://NCSSEBID.IONWAVE.NET**

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 #300886 5/1

INVITATION TO BID

PART 1. GENERAL

1.1 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED BIDS

SEALED BIDS for construction of Eastside Sewerage System Improvements will be received until June 15, 2022 at 2:00 PM local time.

CITY OF COVINGTON JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of Covington is currently accepting applications for an **Assistant Finance Director** in the **Administrative Department** with a starting annual salary of **\$73,361.60** to a maximum salary rate of **\$107,723.20** depending upon qualifications. Qualified applicants **MUST** apply on our website by downloading an application packet at cityofcovington.org, or may apply in person at Covington City Hall, 2194 Emory Street, Covington, Georgia 30014. This position will remain open until **4:00pm on Tuesday May 10, 2022**. The City of Covington is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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1.2 PREBID CONFERENCE

A NON-MANDATORY Pre-bid conference will be held on May 12th at 10:00 AM local time at 10365 Covington Bypass Road, Covington, GA 30014 at the Eastside Lift Station. The purpose is to allow bidders access to the jobsite and discuss any other questions the bidder may have. Engineer will transmit to all prospective Bidders of Record such addenda as Engineer considers necessary in response to questions arising at the conference. Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective.

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK

THE WORK to be completed shall consist of furnishing all labor, and equipment, necessary to rehabilitate the existing Eastside Lift Station, install approx. 27,000 linear feet of 42", 30" and 24" gravity sewer main, and abandon the existing

Bridgestone Lift Station, including, but not limited to, temporary bypass pumping, removing existing pumping equipment and appurtenances, abrasive blasting the existing wet well, new inline pumps, manual bar screen, ductile iron piping and valves, generator, electrical, mechanical, SCADA system, manholes, jacking and boring, roadway replacement, earthwork, grassing, soil erosion and sedimentation control measures, and appurtenances necessary to provide a complete installation. Some materials will be provided by the owner and the list of materials will be provided.

TIME ALLOTTED for completion of work is 300 calendar days. All Work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Work will be awarded in one (1) Contract.

1.4 SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

COMPLETE DIGITAL specifications and contract documents are available at www.QuestCDN.com. Bidders may view the digital plan documents for free by entering this website https://gap.questcdn.com/qap/projects/prj_browser/ipp_browser_grid.html?projType=all&provider=7206216&group=7206216

OR THE Quest project number 8195882 on the website's project search page. Bidders may download the digital documents for a fee of \$200.00 payable through the website. Bids must be submitted electronically at QuestCDN.com. There will be an additional \$30.00 submittal fee. Please contact QuestCDN customer support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading and working with digital project information. All other questions may be directed to Amy Chinouth, achinouth@cartersloope.com or 706-769-4119.

1.5 C O N T R A C T O R

QUALIFICATIONS

BIDDERS MUST

LEGALS:

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(GEFA).
1.12 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS
OWNER RESERVES the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.
CITY OF COVINGTON OWNER

PUBLIC NOTICE #300916
5/1-5/15

THE CITY of Covington is accepting sealed proposals for electrical staking software to streamline internal design processes, and create ease of access to data as specified in exhibit "A" of the bid packet.
SEALED BIDS must be delivered to City Hall, 2194 Emory Street NW, Covington, GA 30014, Attn: Scott Cromer no later than 10:00am on Thursday, May 17, 2022.
REQUEST FOR Proposals and additional information may be obtained by accessing the request for proposals on the City's website at <https://www.cityofcovington.org/index.php?section=business-opportunities>
THE CITY of Covington reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300892
5/1,8

THE CITY of Covington is seeking bids for the purchase of one (1) Dump Truck as specified in exhibit "A" of the bid packet.
SEALED BIDS must be delivered to City Hall, 2194 Emory Street NW, Covington, GA 30014, Attn: Scott Cromer no later than 10:00am on Thursday, May 12, 2022.
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Citations

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of BRENTARIOUS REED, FORMER WARD

LUANNE BONNIE, ESQ., CONSERVATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
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PUBLIC NOTICE #300781
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CITATION

RE: ESTATE of CHARLES JACK DYES, DECEASED

CHARLES HENRY DYES, ADMINISTRATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300912
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of EDWARD JAMES SCOTT, DECEASED

GAIL SCOTT WILLIAMS, CONSERVATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300914
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of EMMANUEL FOSTER, DECEASED

DAMIEN FOSTER, ADMINISTRATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300913
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of ERNEST D. HOWELL,

FORMER WARD

DERWIN B. DAVIS ESQ., CONSERVATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300899
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of JULIA ROSILAND CRIMMINS FORMER WARD

DEBRA J. HIGDON, CONSERVATOR has petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300782
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of WILLIE BELL MCGEE DECEASED

FLORTACIA BANKS, CONSERVATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300911
5/1

CITATION

RE: ESTATE of WILLIE WALKER, FORMER WARD

TAMEKA BONTY, CONSERVATOR as petitioned to be discharged from Office and all Liability. All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause as to why said petition should not be granted. All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before JUNE 6, 2022 at ten o'clock am.

MELANIE M. Bell, Judge By: Marcia Wynne, Clerk Probate Court
NEWTON COUNTY, GA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT
1132 USHER STREET
COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300843
5/1

Corporations

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation that will incorporate **O & E RELIABLE TRUCKING CORP** 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 40 CROSSBILL TRL, COVINGTON, GA, 30014 and its initial registered agent at such address is KADESH DILLION.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300871
4/24-5/1

Debtors Creditors

NOTICE OF DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

DECEASED NAME: RANDY WAYNE RAY
DATE ADMINISTRATOR appointed: April 7, 2022

ADMINISTRATOR: JASON ANDREW RAY but send claims to **BAKER & SUMMY, PC** (6340 Sugarloaf Parkway, Suite 200, Duluth, GA 30097)

PUBLIC NOTICE #300840
4/1724-5/1,8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of **ROBERT FRANCIS BERGBOWER** late of Newton County Georgia, 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 18TH day of April, 2022

PAUL S. Bergbower, Executor
2189 VALLEY Creek Circle
SNELLVILLE, GA 30078

PUBLIC NOTICE #300902
5/1,8,15,22

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ANNIE REE JACKSON** 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 MARCH 2022

TRACEYE L. JACKSON
110 GOSHAWK WALK
COVINGTON GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300792
04/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CLUES ACROSS

1. A power of perception
4. Slotted hinged metal plate
8. Popular crop
10. Siamese fighting fish
11. Larval crabs
12. South American mammal
13. Occur as a result of
15. Slavic language
16. An electric underground railway
17. Transporting
18. A direction
21. Opposite of start
22. Mock
23. People love and hate it (abbr.)
24. A people of Myanmar
25. A Queens ballplayer
26. Southern Thailand indigenous person
27. Famed actress
34. Thin strips
35. Bluish greens
36. Ridiculed
37. Having the shape of a cube
38. Came down
39. Indian religious god
40. "Bewitched" actress Moore-head
41. Leak through slowly
42. Buzzing insects
43. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

1. Skin condition
2. Earlier
3. Right away
4. Vomiting
5. Go to
6. "The Police" frontman
7. Bullfighting maneuver
9. Pacific island
10. A system of algebraic notation
12. A room used for the activities of a group
14. The longest division of geological time
15. Car mechanics group
17. A barrel of liquid (abbr.)
19. Bound to do
20. Explosive
23. Ridicules

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **BETTY E. TUGGLE** 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 31 ST** day of MARCH 2022

SHARON CHURCH
61 BIRCHWOOD COURT
LAWRENCEVILLE, GA 30043

PUBLIC NOTICE #300812
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CARL A PHILLIPS** 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 MARCH 2022

LAUREN PHILLIPS
5570 FAIRHAVEN PLACE
FAIRBURN, GA 30213

PUBLIC NOTICE #300786
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CHARLES BROOKS, JR** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 12TH** day of APRIL 2022

JERRI BROOKS
1489 HIGHWAY 229
MANSFIELD, GA 30055

PUBLIC NOTICE #300867
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CHARLES EUGENE WELCH, SR** 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 MARCH 2022

SANDRA AKINS
1273 SAGGUS RD
CRAWFORDVILLE, GA 30631

PUBLIC NOTICE #300794
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CHARLES FREEMAN** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 25TH** day of MARCH 2022

CINDY HUSNIK
4365 CLAIRSBROOK LN
ACWORTH, GA 30014

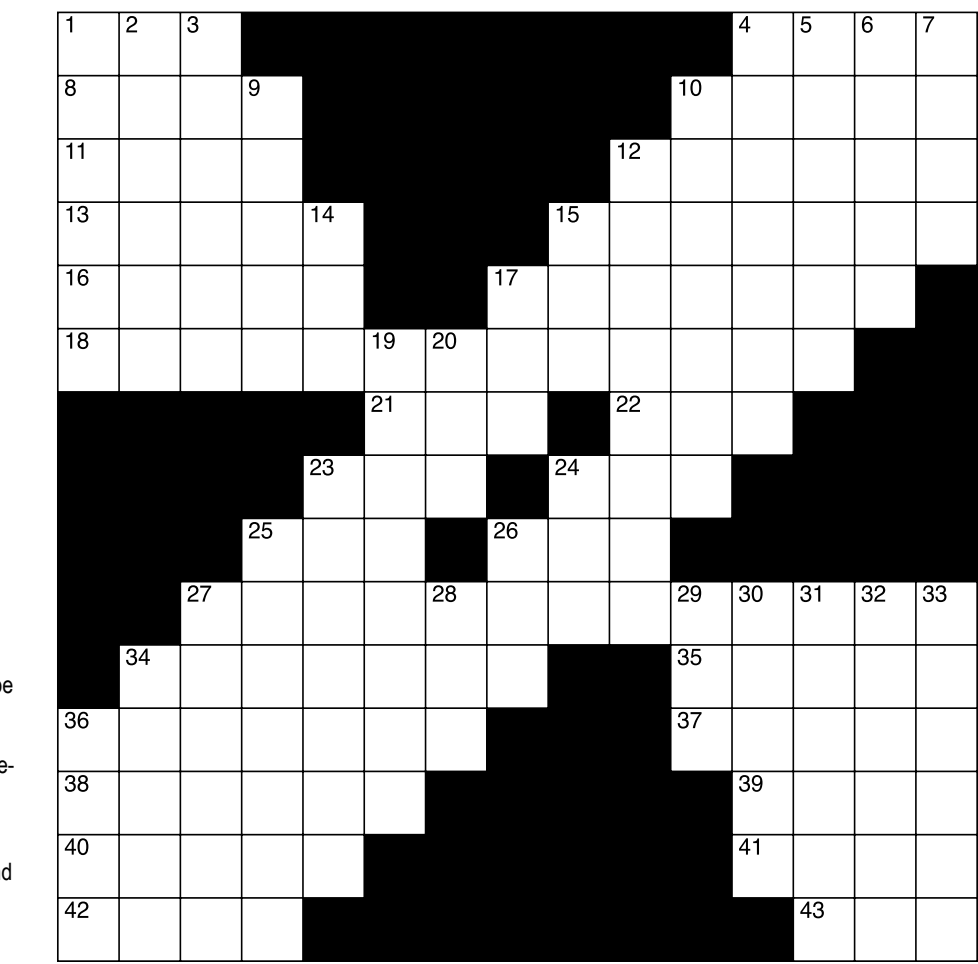
PUBLIC NOTICE #300783
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CLAUDE FRED FOSTER** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 25TH** day of MARCH 2022

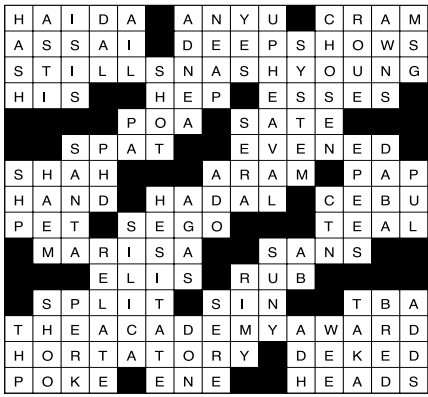
MICHAEL FOSTER
1430 COLE SPRINGS RD
BISHOP, GA 30621

PUBLIC NOTICE #300789
4/10,17,24-5/1



24. Adult male
25. Military personnel
26. French and Belgian river
27. Found in the sea
28. A share lost in default (abbr.)
29. Type of medication (abbr.)
30. City on the Rhine
31. Animal disease
32. They're in martinis
33. Get away
34. Wampum
36. Lacking brightness

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:



NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **DELLANN ALLEN** 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 MARCH 2022

BURT ALLEN
1097 FINCHER RD
COVINGTON GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300784
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ELASIE W. DELAMAR** 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 30 TH** day of MARCH 2022

ELLA TURNER
235 HAZELHURST DR
COVINGTON GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300832
4/17,24-5/1,8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ERNEST BENNIE COKER** 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 22ND** day of APRIL 2022

CHRISTOPHER COKER
140 COLDWATER CREEK
MCDONOUGH, GA 30252

PUBLIC NOTICE #300897
5/1,8,15,22

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **FLOYD ENSLEY HARDY** 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 MARCH 2022

SCOTT HARDY
498 BALD ROCK RD
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #300793
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **FRANCES MARTIN SWIGART** 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 APRIL 2022

STEPHEN THOMSON
5523 PARKER HILL LN
DUBLIN, OH 43017

PUBLIC NOTICE #300865
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **GARY EDWARD MILLIGAN** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 13TH** day of APRIL 2022

JUDY WHITLEY
PO BOX 72
PORTERDALE GA 30070

PUBLIC NOTICE #300863
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **HORACE HARDEMAN** 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 MARCH 2022

BONNIE GLOVAN
40 NORTHWOOD CREEK WAY
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #300785
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **JERRY MAGGARD LAWSON** 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 APRIL 2022

CYNTHIA VAN VYNCKT
5051 HIGHWAY SOUTH
COVINGTON ,GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300842
4/17,24-5/1,8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **JOSEPH B. WRIGHT** 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 31 ST** day of MARCH 2022

SUSAN MCPHAIL
215 STATION LANE NW
KENNESAW, GA 30144

PUBLIC NOTICE #300833
4/17,24-5/1,8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **KIMBERLY HOWARD-SLOAN** 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 APRIL 2022

KEVEN SLOAN
200 HILLSIDE OAK LN
COVINGTON GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300866
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **MAMIE NELL DIAL GARNER** 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 MARCH 2022

DALE M. GARNER
1847 MIRAMONTE WAY
LAWRENCEVILLE, GA 30045

PUBLIC NOTICE #300791
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **MARY K. HENDERSON** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 25TH** day of MARCH 2022

RANDALL HENDERSON
20 SOUTHERN OAKS DR
WEST MONROE, LA 71292

PUBLIC NOTICE #300787
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **MELVIN RALPH GRANTHAM** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. **THIS THE 20TH** day of APRIL 2022

ELIZABETH MCDONEL
250 PROVIDENCE CLUB DR
MONROE, GA 30656

PUBLIC NOTICE #300896
5/1,8,15,22

NOTICE TO DEBT

LEGALS:

Continued from B3

4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ROBERT WAYNE WOMACK** 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 **APRIL 2022**

SALENA TURNER
510 DORSEY RD
HAMPTON, GA 30228

PUBLIC NOTICE #300868
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **STANLEY FRANK TOMKIEWICZ** 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 **MARCH 2022**

JOHN STRAUSS
1132 CONYERS STREET SE
COVINGTON GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #300835
4/17,24-5/1,8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **WINNA JEAN EVANS** 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 **APRIL 2022**

JOHNNY GRANTFORD EVANS
2135 ROCKY PLAINS ROAD
COVINGTON, GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300893
5/1,8,15,22

NOTICE TO Debtors and Creditors
ALL CREDITORS of the estate of **Kent Buford Linville** 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 25TH day of March, 2022
NAME: **SAGE** Ann Linville
TITLE: **EXECUTOR**
ADDRESS: **5304** Captain's Place, Agoura Hills, CA 91301

PUBLIC NOTICE #300752
4/10,17,24-5/1

Divorces

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

ADRIAN D. EDWARDS
PLAINTIFF,
V
KATHY T. EDWARDS
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2022-CV-645-2

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO KATY T. EDWARDS
1538 RIVERBROOKE WAY
CONYERS GA 30012

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 11TH day of APRIL 2022 you are hereby notified that on the MARCH 29, 2022 the Plaintiff, ADRIAN D. EDWARDS 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 JOHN M. OTT Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. **THIS, THE 11TH** day of **APRIL 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300882
4/24-5/1,8,15

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

CAMMISHA MADDOX
PLAINTIFF,
V
CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2022-CV614-4

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN
117 FLAT ROCK RD
OXFORD, GA 30054

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 25TH day of MARCH 2022 you are hereby notified that on the 03/25/2022 the Plaintiff, CAMMISHA MADDOXT filed suit against you for ABANDONMENT/ 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 CHEVEDA D. MCCAMU Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. **THIS, THE 29TH** day of **MARCH 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300815
4/10,17,24-5/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

DANITA MARSH
PLAINTIFF,
V
BRENTON FINCH
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2021-CV-1879-4

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO BRENTON FINCH
45 TRELAWNEY KEEP
COVINGTON GA 30228

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 29TH day of MARCH 2022 you are hereby notified that on

the 08/11/2021 the Plaintiff, DANITA MARSH 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 CHEVEDA D. MCCAMU Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. **THIS, THE 29TH** day of **MARCH 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300814
4/10,17,24-5/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

JACQUELINE SMALLEY
PLAINTIFF,
V
CORNELIUS BARNES
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2022-CV-675-4

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO CORNELLIUS BARNES
5470 HILLENDALE DR APT 105
LITHONIA GA 30058

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 7TH day of APRIL 2022 you are hereby notified that on the APRIL 1, 2022 the Plaintiff, JACQUELINE SMALLEY 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 CHEVEDA D. MCCAMY Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. **THIS, THE 7TH** day of **APRIL 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300869
4/24-5/1,8,15

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

KATINA VERNET CHING
PLAINTIFF,
V
LIPPU CHING, JR
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2022-CV-4-5

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO LIPPU CHING, JR
SAVANNAH, GA

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 6TH day of APRIL 2022 you are hereby notified that on the 01/04/2022 the Plaintiff, KATINA VERNET CHING 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 W. KENDALL WYNNIE, JR Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. **THIS, THE 7TH** day of **APRIL 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300837
4/17,24-5/1,8

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF
GEORGIA

YAMILI GOMEZ
PLAINTIFF,
V
JOSE PABLO GARCIA
DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO.2022-CV-550-3

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

TO JOSE PABLO GARCIA
10921 HWY 36 LOT 8
COVINGTON GA 30014

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 13TH day of APRIL 2022 you are hereby notified that on the MARCH 16, 2022 the Plaintiff, YAMILI GOMEZ filed suit against you for DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE 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 14TH** day of **APRIL 2022**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300883
4/24-5/1,8,15

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

EVERTON STEVE ROBINSON,
PLAINTIFF,

V.

YVONNE ANGELLA YOUNG,
DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION FILE NUMBER
SUCV2021Q02176

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: YVONNE ANGELLA
YOUNG (No Known Last Address)

YOU ARE hereby notified that the above styled action seeking divorce was filed against you in said Court on September 22, 2021, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of said Court and serve upon John L. Strauss, Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is: **1132 CONYERS** Street, Covington, GA 30014, an answer to the complaint within sixty days of **APRIL 1ST** , 2022.

WITNESS The Honorable Jeffrey L. Foster, Judge of said Court. This the

5th day of April, 2022.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300819
04/17,24-5/1,8

Foreclosures

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF NEWTON
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

BECAUSE OF a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by **Howard B. Herbert, Jr.** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Opteum Financial Services, LLC, its successors and assigns dated February 22, 2005, and recorded in Deed Book 1897, Page 485, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTEUM MORTGAGE ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-2, securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$133,000.00, 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, June 7, 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:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 230 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 21, Unit Two of The Woods of Dearing Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 33, page 205, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

SAID PROPERTY is known as **35 Dearing Woods Court, 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, zoning ordinances, restrictions, 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 Howard B. Herbert, Jr., successor in interest or tenant(s).
HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTEUM MORTGAGE ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-2 as Attorney-in-Fact for Howard B. Herbert, Jr.

FILE NO. 19-075282
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP*
ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at Law
211 PERIMETER Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 300
ATLANTA, GA 30346
(770) 220-2535/CH
HTTPS://WWW.LOGS.COM/
***THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

PUBLIC NOTICE #300880
5/1,8,15,22,29

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
UNDER POWER
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Martin R. Boyd and Kristen A. Boyd** to Newton Federal Bank, dated August 6, 2004, and recorded in Deed Book 1730, Page 354, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of BKPL-EG Series I Trust by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4232, Page 568 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of one hundred forty thousand and 00/100 (\$140,000.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on May 3, 2022, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 154 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING SHOWN AS TRACT I, CONTAINING 2.10 ACRES, ON SURVEY FOR RANDY AIKEN PREPARED BY LOUIE D. PATRICK, GEORGIA R.L.S. #1757, DATED JULY 2, 2004, AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 41, PAGE 221, CLERK'S OFFICE, NEWTON SUPERIOR COURT, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE THERETO FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

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

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

discuss possible alternatives to avoid foreclosure.

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

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Martin R. Boyd; Kristen A. Boyd; or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as **50 McCart Circle, Covington, GA 30014.**

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

U.S. BANK Trust National Association, as Trustee of BKPL-EG Series I Trust as Attorney in Fact for Martin R. Boyd and Kristen A. Boyd.
QUINN LEGAL, P.A.
19321 US Hwy 19 N, Suite 512
CLEARWATER, FL 33764
PHONE: (727) 474-9603
ESERVICE@QUINNLEGAL.COM
BY: /S/ Erin M. Rose Quinn
ERIN M. Rose Quinn, Esq.
GEORGIA BAR Number 547833

PUBLIC NOTICE #300795
4/10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

THIS IS an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.Under and by virtue of Power of Sale contained in the Security Deed from **Jack H. Sparks**, to Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., dated July 17, 2000, filed for record July 19, 2000, recorded at Deed Book 945, Page 593, Newton County, Georgia Records, in the original principal amount of \$58,956.26; as assigned to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., a Tennessee Corporation, by Assignment of Security Deed dated January 15, 2005, filed for record March 09, 2005, recorded at Deed Book 1861, Page 263, aforesaid records together with a Promissory Note of equal date and value, 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 at NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first TUESDAY in MAY, 2022, the following described property:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 34 of the 8th Land District, Newton County, Georgia, being designated as Lot #38 of Creekwood Estates, said Lot containing 1.00 acres and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT a point on the northern side of Rocky Plains Road at the west line of Lot #39; thence running North 73 degrees 03 minutes West, along the northern right-of-way of Rocky Plains Road, a distance of 134.00 feet to a point; thence running North 04 degrees 46 minutes 25 seconds East a distance of 318.97 feet to the southern side of Pickens Road; thence running North 89 degrees 21 minutes 33 seconds East, along Pickens Road, a distance of 126.77 feet to Lot #39; thence running South 04 degrees 00 minutes 39 seconds West a distance of 359.23 feet, along Lot #39, to POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID LEGAL description is controlling but the property is commonly known as **698 Rocky Plains Road, Covington, Georgia 30016** a/k/a 19 Pickens Road, Covington, Georgia 30016.

TAX And Parcel ID Number: 0049000000081000

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

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by inspection of the property; any outstanding taxes, including but not limited to, ad valorem taxes, which constitute liens upon said property; special assessments; and all outstanding bills for public utilities which constitute liens upon said property; To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Jack H. Sparks and /or tenant(s).

THE SALE will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the United States Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. **VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC.** and its counsel are acting as debt collectors. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC., as Attorney-in-Fact for Jack H. Sparks. For information on modifying or altering the loan or acquiring further information about this Security Deed:

CONTACT: JASON Godwin
GODWIN LAW GROUP
3985 STEVE Reynolds Blvd, Bldg D Norcross, GA 30093
PHONE: 470-427-2683

EMAIL: JGODWIN@GODWINLAWGROUP.COM

PUBLIC NOTICE #300796
4/10,17,24-5/1

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 **Lisa Smith** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, dated February 28, 2020, and recorded in Deed Book 3974, Page 468, Newton County, Georgia records, as last transferred to Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. by Assignment recorded in Deed Book 4354, Page 471, Newton County, Georgia records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original

principal amount of \$161,405.00, 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 May, 2022, to wit: May 3, 2022, the following described property:

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 239 of the 9th Land District of Newton County Georgia and being in Cherry Valley Subdivision as shown on survey of property of Melvin F. and Hortense H. Shelton by R C Pace, RLS #1359, dated 9/5/79 and recorded in Plat Book 15, Page 175B, 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.

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 fees having been given).

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as **6165 Elliott Street SE, Covington, GA 30014**, 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): Lisa Smith or tenant or tenants.

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

THE SALE will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; (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.
ATTENTION: LOSS Mitigation Department
3217 S. Decker Lake Drive
SALT LAKE City, Utah 84119
1-888-818-6032

THE FOREGOING notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.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 **SELECT PORTFOLIO** Servicing, Inc. **AS ATTORNEY** in fact for **LISA SMITH**
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. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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PUBLIC NOTICE #300755
04/3,10,17,24-5/1

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Cassandra A Butler and Kelvin W Butler** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Parkside Lending, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated June 7, 2019, recorded in Deed Book 3854, Page 615, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 4257, Page 106, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4369, Page 717, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of TWO HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$202,268.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in June, 2022, the following described property:

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

THE DEBT secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (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 Security Deed first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but

not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper 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: Nationstar Mortgage, LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd., Coppell, TX 75019, (888) 480-2432.

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

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Cassandra A Butler and Kelvin W Butler or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as

LEGALS:
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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.

FUNDS USED at sale shall be in certified funds and payable to "Bell Carrington Price & Gregg, LLC".
DEUTSCHE BANK National Trust Company, as Trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-NC3 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates as Attorney in Fact for James F. Moss, Jr.,

ANY INFORMATION obtained on this matter may be used by the debt collector to collect the debt. Bell Carrington Price & Gregg, LLC, 339 Heyward Street, 2nd Floor, Columbia, SC 29201 (803)-509-5078. File: 22-41122

PUBLIC NOTICE #300754
04/3,10,17,24-5/1

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

PURSUANT TO the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by **DESTINY DEAMCAL REID** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR NATIONS RELIABLE LENDING, LLC in the original principal amount of \$111,935.00 dated March 20, 2018 and recorded in Deed Book 3679, Page 588, Newton County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to AMERIHOM MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC in Deed Book 3926, Page 396, Newton County records, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, before the Courthouse door in said County, or at such other place as lawfully designated, within the legal hours of sale, on June 07, 2022, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 133 AND 156 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 33, GREENFIELD COMMONS SUBDIVISION, UNIT TWO, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33, PAGES 65-67, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

SAID PROPERTY being known as: **20 CREEKVIEW COURT COVINGTON, GA 30016**

TO the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are DESTINY DEAMCAL REID or tenant(s).

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

SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to the following: (1) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not yet due and payable); (2) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; (3) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property; and (4) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

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

THE NAME, address, and telephone number of the individual or entity who has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage is as follows:

CENLAR FEDERAL Savings Bank 425 Phillips Boulevard Ewing, NJ 08618

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

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

AMERIHOM MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC, as Attorney-in-Fact for

DESTINY DEAMCAL REID ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC 10700 Abbott's Bridge Road Suite 170 Duluth, GA 30097 Phone: 470.321.7112 **FIRM FILE** No. 22-018583 - MaO

PUBLIC NOTICE #300874
4/24-5/1,8,15,22

Juvenile Court

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:
C.J.K. SEX: Male D O B : 07/29/2021 Case #107-22J-0296
CHILD UNDER 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS

TO: **JENNIFER N. GRIFFITHS** KINNA, Mother; **KRISTOPHER MALIN KINNA**, Legal Father; **CLIFFORD BRADFORD GIBSON**, Putative Father; **JOHN DOE**, and any unknown, unnamed biological father or other persons claiming to have a parental interest in the minor child named above born to **JENNIFER N. GRIFFITHS KINNA** on the date above-listed.

A PETITION to Terminate Parental Rights was filed in this Court on April 11, 2022, by the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services, concerning

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

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

NOTICE OF EFFECT OF TERMINATION JUDGMENT
GEORGIA LAW provides that you can permanently lose your rights as a parent. A Petition to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed requesting the Court to terminate your parental rights to your child(ren). A copy of the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights can be obtained from the Clerk of the Newton County Juvenile Court. A court hearing of your case has been scheduled for the 28th day of June, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., at the Newton County Juvenile Court, Judge Horace J. Johnson Jr. Judicial Center, 1132 Usher Street, NW, Covington, Georgia 30014.

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

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

EVEN IF your parental rights are terminated:

(1) YOU will still be responsible for providing financial support (child support payments) for your child(ren)'s care unless and until your child(ren) is/are adopted; and **(2) YOUR** child(ren) can still inherit from you unless and until your child(ren) is/are adopted.

PURSUANT TO statute, you are put on notice that as a biological father you may lose all rights to your child(ren) named above and will not be entitled to object to the termination of your rights to such child(ren) unless, within 30 days of receipt of notice, you file: **(1) A** petition to legitimate such child(ren); and **(2) NOTICE** of the filing of the petition to legitimate with the Court in which the termination of parental rights proceeding is pending.

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

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

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

WITNESS THE Honorable Hillary Edgar, Judge of said Court, this 13th day of April, 2022.

/S/ JANELL Gaines

Clerk, Juvenile Court of Newton County, Georgia

PUBLIC NOTICE #300858
4/24-5/1,8,15

Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **JINUS ANTHONY MEKHI WILLIAMS**

PETITIONER, V. OBJECTORS
RESPONDENT.

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
2022-CV-784-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF CHILD

ALMAGNA CHEN filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on APRIL 19 2022, to change the name of the following minor child from: **JINUS ANTHONY MEKHI WILLIAMS** to **JUNIYUS ANTHONY MEKHI WILLIAMS** 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).

ALMAYNA CHEN
40 WILDFLOWER TRL
OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #300901
5/1,8,15,22

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of Child(ren): **KAMRYN DIOR MOYE**

JORDAN MOYE BURGESS
PETITIONER, V. NICHOLAS QUARTERMAN
RESPONDENT.

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
2022-CV-689-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF CHILD

JORDAN BURGESS filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on APRIL, 5 2022, to change the name of the following minor child from: **KAMRYN DIOR MOYE** to **KAMRYN DIOR BURGESS** **ANY INTERESTED** party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within the time prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§ 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).

PUBLIC NOTICE #300838
4/17,24-5/1,8

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **ANTHONY ANSERMO EASON**
PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
2022-CV-662-5

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

ANTHONY ANSERMO EASON filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on APRIL 1, 2022 to change the name from **ANTHONY ANSERMO EASON** to **ANTHONY ANSERMO NILES** Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
04/01/22

ANTHONY ANSERMO EASON
40 BRUNSWICK CT
COVINGTON GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300836
04/17,24-5/1,8

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **RELVAI HICKENBOTHAM**
PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
2022-CV-719-2

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

RELVAI HICKENBOTHAM filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on APRIL 8, 2022 to change the name from **RELVAI HICKENBOTHAM** to **REVELLA ANN SHOEMAKER** Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
04/08/22

RELVAI HICKENBOTHAM
325 SPRINGLAKE TERRACE
COVINGTON GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #300870
4/24-5/1,8,15

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **YOLANDA DENISE BENDER-HOWARD**
PETITIONER,

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
2022-CV-637-4

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

YOLANDA DENISE BENDER-HOWARD filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on MARCH 29, 2022 to change the name from **YOLANDA DENISE BENDER-HOWARD** to **YOLANDA DENISE BENDER** Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
03/29/22

YOULANDA DENISE BENDER-HOWARD
414 GREENFLEAF RD
CONVERS, GA 30013

PUBLIC NOTICE #300813
4/10,17,24-5/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: **KIMBERLY GRAY, AS PARENT** and Natural Guardian of **MASON LEE GRAY**

CIVIL ACTION Number **SUCV2022000672**

NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 1ST day of APRIL, 2022, **KIMBERLY GRAY** as Parent and Natural Guardian of Mason Lee Gray, filed a Petition in the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia seeking a name change from **MASON LEE GRAY** to **MASON LEE SMITH**. Any interested party has the right to appear and file objections. At the expiration of thirty (30) days from the filing of the Petition, upon proof of publication, and if no objection is filed, the Court shall proceed to hear and

determine all matters raised by said Petition.

STEPHEN L. Coxen
GEORGIA BAR No. 192725
ATTORNEY FOR Petitioner
5109 HIGHWAY 278
SUITE B
COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014
(770) 784-7660
(770) 784-7665 Facsimile

PUBLIC NOTICE #300839
4/17,24-5/1,8

Public Notice

CITY OF COVINGTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.12 that the below applications were submitted for consideration by the Covington Planning Commission on the following properties:
A. BOARD/STAFF Discussion:
1. 1ST Reading - Ga. Regional Code Clean-up
MAYOR And Council will conduct a Public Hearing for the above referenced items, on Monday, May 16th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
PLANNING COMMISSION'S Public Hearing on item was previously held on Tuesday, March 8th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
MEETING WILL be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 2116 Stallings Street. ALL INTERESTED parties are invited to participate. For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 770-385-2010

PUBLIC NOTICE #300889
5/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

ASFA W. WHYTE, PETITIONER, V.

TAMARA A. WHYTE, AKA TAMARA A. PERCH
RESPONDENT
CIVIL ACTION File No.: **SUCV2021002829**

ORDER BY PUBLICATION
IT APPEARING by Affidavit, that the Respondent, **TAMARA A. WHYTE, AKA TAMARA A. PERCH**, on whom service is to be made resides out of the State of Georgia, or has departed from her last State of residence, Missouri, or cannot after due diligence, be found within the State, or conceals herself to avoid service of the Summons, and it further appearing, either by Affidavit or by verified Petition on file, that a claim exists against her in respect to whom service is made, **IT IS HEREBY CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND DECREED** THAT service be **MADE BY** publication as provided by law.

SO ORDERED, this 12th day of April, 2022

W. KENDALL Wynne, Jr, JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT
ALCOVY JUDICIAL Circuit

PUBLIC NOTICE #300851
4/17,24-5/1,8

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

BRANDON LITMAN, PLAINTIFF,

V.

JAMERICA THOMAS, DEFENDANT,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2022-CV-384-1

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: JAMERICA THOMAS

BY ORDER of the court for service by publication dated February 25, 2022, you are hereby notified that on February 24, 2022 the Plaintiff, **BRANDON LITMAN**, filed suit against you for Petition for Legitimation. You are required to file with the Clerk of Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, Stephen L. Coxen, The Coxen Firm, LLC, P.O. BOX 467, Covington, Georgia 30015-0467, an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of February 25, 2022.

WITNESS, THE Honorable Jeffrey L. Foster, Judge of Newton County Superior Court.

THIS 25TH day of February, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE #300884
4/24-5/1,8,15

NOTICE IS hereby given that at 6:30 p.m. on May 2, 2022 at 2116 Stallings Street, Covington, Georgia the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington, Georgia, shall provide for a hearing on the passage of an ordinance entitled:
"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTION 16.08.010 (DEFINITIONS) OF CHAPTER 16.08 (INTERPRETATIONS AND DEFINITIONS), AMENDING SECTION 16.16.020 (PERMITTED USES) OF CHAPTER 16.16 (STANDARD ZONING DISTRICTS), AND ADOPTING SECTION 16.20.345 (HOMELESS SHELTER) TO CHAPTER 16.20 (SUPPLEMENTAL USE PROVISIONS) THEREOF, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER

PURPOSES:"
A COPY of said proposed ordinance is posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall, 2194 Emory Street, Covington, Georgia.
THIS 18TH day of April 2022.

THE CITY OF COVINGTON Audra M. Gutierrez City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE #300890
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NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES:

• **2008** HYUNDAI SONATA 5NPET46C48H388791
• **1994** BAYLINER CAPRI B1YB71CXH394
• **2017** KIA OPTIMA 5XXGT4L30HG123567
• **2007** CHEVROLET TAHOE 1GNFC13J97J273266
• **1987** BOAT TRAILER 1T9BT2535FT104354
• **1987** CHAPPARRAL BOAT FGBN0108F787
1984 STARCRAFT STARLITE 1SAMUUIE2EI1M00997

PUBLIC NOTICE #300862
4/24-5/1

STATE BOARD MEMBER TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 17, 2022

DR. STANLEY DeJarnett to Host **STATE BOARD** of Education Tenth District Public Hearing
THE STATE Board of Education will hold a public hearing for citizens in the Tenth Congressional District on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. The meeting will be held from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Putnam County High School, 300 War Eagle Drive, Eatonton, GA 31024. **THE PURPOSE** of the hearing is to hear comments from interested citizens and educators within the congressional district regarding the performance and problems of public education. Persons wishing to speak should sign in upon arrival.
THE GEORGIA Department of Education does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Individuals who need assistance or auxiliary aids for participation in this public forum are invited to make their needs known to Geraldine Price at sbboardmin@doe.k12.ga.us no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300905
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BERKELEY
IN THE FAMILY COURT FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DOCKET NO. 2021-DR-08-1999

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES VERSUS SHAUNTOYA ELVIRA LASHEY SINGLETON AND ERIC RICHARDSON, DEFENDANTS. IN THE INTERESTS OF: MINOR CHILD BORN 2015.

TO DEFENDANT: SHAUNTOYA ELVIRA LASHEY SINGLETON

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this action filed with the Clerk of Court for Berkeley County on December 17, 2021. Upon proof of interest, a copy of the Complaint will be delivered to you upon request from the Berkeley County Clerk of Court, and you must serve a copy of your Answer to the Complaint on the Plaintiff, the South Carolina Department of Social Services, at the office of its Attorney, Kenneth L. Murphy, II, Legal Department of the Berkeley County Department of Social Services, 2 Belt Drive, Moncks Corner, SC 29461, within thirty (30) days of this publication, exclusive of the date of service. If you fail to answer within the time set forth above, the Plaintiff will proceed to seek relief from the Court. Kenneth L. Murphy, II, SC Bar # 101333, 2 Belt Drive, Moncks Corner, SC 29461, (843) 719-1095.

PUBLIC NOTICE #300857
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Public Sales Auctions

AD: PUBLIC Sale held at **Ginn Chrysler 2251 Access Road Covington, Ga. 30016.**
ON THURSDAY 28th April , 2022 & Thursday 5th May, 2022 at 10:00am until 11:00am
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PUBLIC NOTICE #300873
4/24-5/1

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 10-4-215 to satisfy the owner's lien. All bids will be accepted online through www.storageauctions.com. The auction will end on or after 9 May 2022, 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.

SOKITHIA SHY, Unit 037 appears to contain; Washer, Dryer, clothing, vacuum, computer monitor, totes, toys.

TYCHIANNA REED, Unit 049 appears to contain; Chairs, dresser, mattresses, lamp, head and foot board, toys, nightstand, clothes, vacuum, bags.

JERENATE THOMAS, Unit 052

appears to contain; Toys, deep freezer, changing table, coolers, clothes, dresser, exercise equipment.

ARTHUR LAWSON, Unit 192E appears to contain; stereo equipment, microwave, totes.

LISA HAVIOR, Unit 267 appears to contain; Televisions, mattresses, dresser, exercise bike, chairs.

EKWELE NWAIPENJA, Unit 338, appears to contain; Luggage, bikes, couch, table, mattresses, boxes, home decor.

TOBY HENDRICKS, Unit 477, appears to contain; Night stand, mattress, end tables, couches, headboard, dresser, Chester, coffee table, bed frame, box spring.
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. \$100 Cash cleaning deposit will be returned once property to cleaned from unit. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of a settlement between the owner and the obligated party.
PATRICIA DANIELS
PROPERTY MANAGER
COVINGTON STOR-IT
8165 WASHINGTON St. S.W.
COVINGTON, GA 30014

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TITLE:

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shot that was blocked by ACA's goalkeeper. Brooks' shot ricocheted off the goalkeeper's hands and Alana Ferguson collected the rebound and made the shot in a wide open goal.

With 12:15 remaining in the first half, Brooks scored a goal of her own, giving Social Circle its first lead of the night — a lead that it would never relinquish.

More chippy moments ensued in the final minutes of the first half, but Social Circle's 2-1 remained intact when halftime arrived.

Early in the second half, though, Social Circle added to its lead.

After earning a corner kick, Kaylee Connell crossed the ball into the Lady Redskins' offense. The pass went off a couple of Social Circle players before Olivia Cross kicked the

ball through a few ACA defenders and into the net.

That gave Social Circle its definitive 3-1 lead and it never looked back from there.

Countless times in the second half, though, the Lady Redskins' defense was tested, but it remained tough and never allowed another goal. Rory Stowe, Faith Young and Morgan Chambers seemed to always be in the right place to clear the ball and stop any scoring threat. Goalkeeper Addie Stracner recorded a few key saves in the victory, too.

As the final seconds ticked off the clock, Social Circle players, fans and coaches began to celebrate as they knew the Lady Redskins were officially heading to the state title game next week.

Tess Preston, one



Social Circle's Peyton Brooks (2) advances the ball past an Atlanta Classical Academy defender during the second half of a GHSA state playoff match Thursday. With a win over ACA, Social Circle advances to the title game.

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of 10 seniors on this year's squad, could hardly describe what the moment meant to her as she came running off the field in celebration.

"I didn't even have words to describe it," Preston said of the celebratory moment. "I am just so excited and

it was the best feeling ever."

Now, the Lady Redskins are off to compete in the state championship game. They'll face a familiar foe in Commerce, of Region 8A-Public.

Commerce gave Social Circle its lone loss of 2022 on Feb. 7 with

Social Circle avenging that loss at home on March 10.

But Richardson stressed how those previous contests won't factor into what happens next week.

"Even though we've played them before, it's going to be a brand new game," Richard-

son said. "It's a state championship game. Anything I think of their team, they're even better than they are. Everybody's going to be on their best and working as hard as they can. So, we have to be ready for a game like the one we just played."

Smiles of the Month

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"I know being over here will be put me in a position to grow as a coach and grow in the profession."

Grant told *The Covington News* that he has complete faith in Fortson to step up and be Alcovy's next head coach.

"I think it's a good opportunity for him," Grant said. "He's defi-

nately in a spot where he's ready for it. He deserves the opportunity to run his own program and I think he's going to do a great job over there."

A native of Elberton, Fortson has played football since he was 8 years old. He graduated from Elbert County High School and earned a scholarship to play at

Valdosta State University.

While there, Fortson was part of the first national championship in school history in the last several years.

Alcovy Athletic Director Thomas Lowe recognized Fortson's deep football background upon the hiring announcement.

"Coach Fortson brings a wealth of football knowledge and experience to our football program," Lowe stated. "Coach Fortson's passion, knowledge and enthusiasm for the game of football is contagious. Our student-athletes are excited and fortunate to have him as their head coach."

Now, Fortson will lead the Tigers football program — a program that is coming off its first ever region championship. With that, Fortson stressed how he believes that the Tigers can get even better moving forward.

"If we come in and work and the kids commit to what we're trying to accomplish, we'll continue to achieve great things," Fortson said. "And we'll continue to put Alcovy on the map as one of the premier schools in the county and the state. Alcovy accomplished a lot last season, but I want to be here to help push us to the next level."

A Wednesday press release stated Alcovy was "looking forward to continuing the great academic and athletic work here at Alcovy. Coach Fortson is a huge part of that vision, and our future is bright."

The Alcovy football team hosted a prospective football player and parent meeting Thursday, April 28, at Alcovy High School. The meeting served as an official introduction for Fortson as the Tigers' head ball coach.



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SO MUCH MORE. THERE'S NO
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EVERYTHING'S SHE'S DONE,
BUT WE CAN SAY

"Thank You."

In honor of all moms, we are holding a raffle for a special Mother's Day Gift Basket. Come by one of our locations to enter now thru May 5th. The winner will be notified by phone on May 6th. You do not have to be present to win. You do not have to be a customer of Newton Federal to win.