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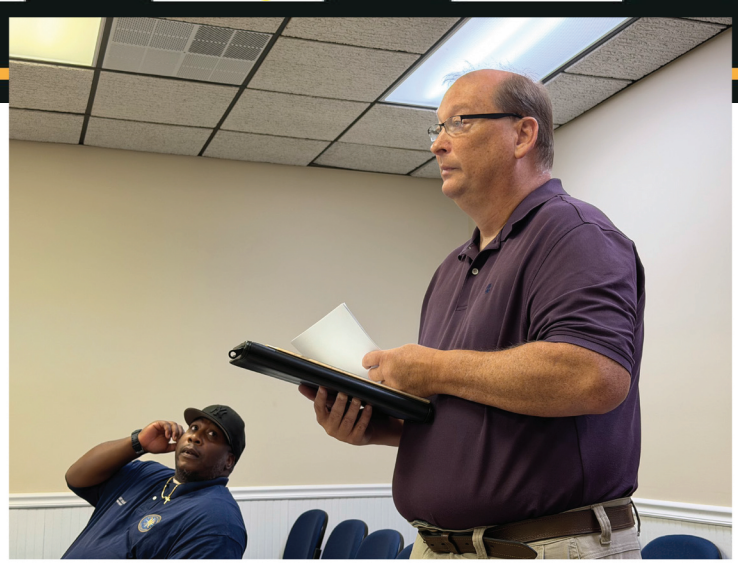
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader."- Dolly Parton

Resurfacing The Rough Spots - Approved By BOC



By Bryant Jordan, News Reporter

The Washington County Board of Commissioners voted on August 19 during a special called meeting to approve the low bid from ASA Paving LLC for the Local Maintenance and Improvements (LMIG) program road resurfacing contract.

During the meeting, Julian Archer of Atlas Technical Consultants addressed the board, explaining that of the 10 contractors who requested bid documents, they received five bids ranging from $6.09 million to $7.5 million. Archer further explained that they had let the project with Jefferson County.

"We let with Washington and Jefferson together, and it will be separated into two contracts, one for Washington and one for Jefferson," he said.

Archer stated that the overall low bid for the project was from ASA Paving LLC at $6,086,907.75. He noted that the company was located in Washington, Georgia. Archer explained that the remaining $5,215,233.25 was covered by Jefferson County, leaving $871,000 for ASA Paving.

"We reviewed all the bids and we recommend awarding this to ASA Paving," Archer said.

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Rally Apparel Hosts Business After Hours

By Bryant Jordan, News Reporter

As previously reported in The Georgian, Rally Apparel hosted the Washington County Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours on August 20. During this event, Rally and the chamber unveiled the 2026 Kaolin Festival T-shirt design. Chamber President Katie Moncus noted that this event marked the second time Rally has hosted this unveiling at Business After Hours. She explained that the design of the new T-shirt features a 70 on the back in a "football/athletic font" to represent the 70th anniversary of the Kaolin Festival.

-Moncus further explained that "if you look at the design, you will see again that it has a 70 on the back, so again the festival started in 1956 – the general idea came about in 1952 through a journalism class

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Members of the Washington County Guild proudly presents the 2026 Kaolin T-Shirt Photo by Bryant Jordan

"That is rural medicine. It is what you get to experience almost every single day"

Medical Students Finish Tour in WaCo *(Part II in a III Part Series)*

By Bryant Jordan, News Reporter

Sixty-four new medical students in the inaugural University of Georgia School of Medicine cohort visited Washington County on July 30 as part of "The Georgia Road Trip."

The students and their faculty were welcomed to Washington County, the final stop on this three-day tour across Georgia, with a special luncheon hosted by the University of Georgia Archway Partnership and Washington County at Oconee Fall Line Technical College (OFTC). During the luncheon, students heard from representatives of the local medical community.

Kim David, OFTC's vice president of economic development, then spoke on a similar theme, providing an overview of OFTC's Allied Health programs. David explained that OFTC serves 11 counties, training many allied health professionals, including nurses, respiratory therapists, radiologic technologists, stenographers, medical assistants and pharmacy technicians.

"All those folks that you will interact with throughout your career as physicians," David said, "are trained at OFTC."

David said the Allied Health programs are "our largest programs here at Oconee Fall Line," and noted that OFTC was among the first technical colleges in the state to offer an associate degree nursing bridge program.

"We partnered a while ago with Darton College out of Albany to provide an associate degree bridge program for paramedics and LPNs to go on and get their RN, and we just started an associate nursing program on our Dublin campus," David said. "We are every day trying to add programs that are going to support you all and support the health care workforce in the state of Georgia."

David noted that she started her professional career in Atlanta, "working to promote rural health, and that wasn't something that I sought out to do, but I kind of found myself throughout my professional career working to support rural health in a variety of ways."



OFTC Vice President of Economic Development, Kim David

David said that part of her job had been administering what she called the "Country Doctor Scholarship," which medical students would be eligible for if they committed to rural practice after completing their residency. She also worked with state-sponsored loan repayment programs, and "a big part of my job was planning a rural recruitment fair called the Georgia Medical Fair."

David stated that she has "a passion for rural health, I guess you could say. I mean, it's not what I do day in and day out. A lot of what I do as vice president of economic development here for the college is working with our communities, so we cover 11 counties, as I told you."

David noted that, aside from Laurens County and Washington County, which is the second-largest community OFTC serves, the college is involved with a number of rural communities, including Hancock, Glascock, Telfair and Wheeler counties.

"A lot of what my job is is to work with our communities, our economic development authorities, our chambers and our Archway Partnership communities to support what goes on in the community as far as workforce is concerned, so I still kind of

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Rally Apparel Hosts Business After Hours

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with Mrs. Hazel Metts at Sandersville High School, and eventually in 1956 it came to fruition."

Moncus noted that the festival had begun in conjunction with the school's homecoming festivities.

"We wanted to kind of tell the story on the back of the shirt," said Moncus.

She described how within the numbers that make up the 70 are images from historic newspapers and articles pertaining to the festival.

"Kayla Jackson with the Historical Society did a phenomenal job – she brought a stack of newspapers and research to the chamber and went through it with me."

Moncus said that "we were able to pull out a lot of great history and images," which were then incorporated into the new design of the festival T-shirt. She also noted that the history of the Kaolin Festival will be featured in the next Historical Society program, which will occur in the fall.

In addition to the images printed on the new T-shirt, Moncus noted that The Guild's table at the unvailing also featured a photograph of their float from the very first Kaolin Parade, which had won first place that year.

"It is good to look back and see familiar names and faces, so we are excited to be able to honor that," said Moncus.





Moncus then reminded everyone that the new shirts were printed locally at Rally Apparel.

"We were able to support a local business," said Moncus, who added that proceeds from the sale of the shirts not only help support a local business but also a number of other organizations through The Guild, which "helps women and children in Washington County and has been doing that for several decades."

Moncus noted that The Guild also gives back to the Boys & Girls Club, helps sponsor the Youth Leadership Program through the Chamber and was one of the program's founding sponsors.

"Anyway, just a multitude of ways that they help support the kids and women here in our community," Moncus said.

Additionally, Moncus noted that next year, 2027, will mark the 40th anniversary of the first Kaolin Festival T-shirt.

"For 40 years, they have been able to sell these shirts as a fundraiser to support the efforts they undertake for our community," Moncus said.

The Kaolin Festival T-shirts will again be available for purchase at the Chamber, as well as at "different community events for the next few weeks," including at the farmers market.

Moncus emphasized that "once they sell out, they sell out, so if you need to get a certain size, go ahead and grab it."



As previously reported in The Georgian, T-shirts are also available online through The Guild website.

Noting again that Rally Apparel was hosting this event for the second year in a row, Moncus then introduced Rally owner Tori Rose.

Rose began by thanking everyone for attending.

Rose said that "so many things have evolved and changed and are just new since you came last year. Of course, one of them is the Guardian Caps and our partnership with them."

She explained that these Guardian Caps are protective covers that fit over football helmets.

"We started this with the NFL, and this year Jared Wilson with the New England Patriots wore one for the very first time in the Super Bowl, and it was made right here in this factory, so we are excited about that," Rose said.

She added that "anytime you see a Guardian Cap being worn, whether it is in the NFL, at Division I schools, other colleges, high schools or recreation programs, they all get made right here in this facility. We are the exclusive vendor for them."

Additionally, Rose noted that Rally had brought on some new local "team members." She also noted that Rally Apparel has partnered with a new organization "that is all band and dance, and so that is an area we have never manufactured before, and they are going to bring us about another half-million pieces of product that will come out of this building."

She stated that "we don't just make T-shirts. Last year, close to 1 million pieces of apparel were produced in this building, so we are very excited about that."

Rose also announced that Rally Apparel had recently completed outfits for a Marvel movie.

"They all got produced here," she said.

Rose explained that the movie is scheduled for release in 2027 and that once it has been released, she will "let you know that we made those products. We are all sworn to secrecy, and we have a lot of NDAs signed here."

In addition to making T-shirts, athletic wear and now costumes for a major motion picture, Rose noted that Rally Apparel is also "an alteration shop."

She explained that although many people do not know it, customers can bring in clothing to have it hemmed, let out or taken in.

"We have a special line item in our books for alterations. One hundred percent of that alteration money goes back into our community," Rose said, noting that Rally recently participated in the Back-to-School Bash, where "all of our alteration money went to buy those school supplies."

"So help us help our community. When you have alterations, bring them to Rally and we can help you."

Following these words from Rose, Moncus again thanked Rally Apparel for hosting the event, as well as Scoots and Pickle Barrel for providing food and refreshments for the evening.

"Thanks to Scoots, they have delicious food, and then Pickle Barrel is here with the refreshments," Moncus said.

Once again she reminded everyone that 2026 will mark the 70th anniversary of the Kaolin Festival. The theme, which is prominently displayed on the back of the new T-shirt, is "The Kaolin Center of the World." The theme was the festival's original theme in 1956.

Moncus stated that the Chamber now has applications available for festival vendors, including

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Daniel Recognizes Commissioners Past and Present



By Bryant Jordan, News Reporter

On August 13, Mel Daniel, chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners, recognized those commissioners, both past and present, who have completed their commissioner certification training.

Daniel explained that the ACCG (Association County Commissioners of Georgia) "put all these classes together and you become a certified commissioner over time." He said that there had been "quite a few commissioners that came through Washington County and they went through the program, went through all the classes."

Daniel noted that earning county commissioner certification takes a great deal of time.

"It is a lot. You put in a lot of time – a lot of classes you were sitting there for 6 to 8 hours a day, I can promise you. Some of them are boring. I will be honest with you, and some of them are great, but I recommend if you become a county commissioner to get the training."

Daniel recognized commissioners Tuttle Barksdale, Edward Burton, Carl Forrester, Chuck Hancock, Melton Jones, Larry Mathis, E.D. Ray, Wayne Sheppard, and Frank Simmons.

Daniel then recognized Commissioner Harlan Archer for having now completed his training.

"Y'all know he hasn't been in there long and he's already certified. He is finished and I am proud of him because I know what he has been going through." Daniel added, "I'm right behind him. I think I have one more class, but he pulled ahead of me."

"It is good training – I mean it is HR, it is taxes, tax law, appraisal. It is things that you really should learn as a county commissioner," said Daniel. "And I know that James [Hitchcock] has had classes, Mr. Bobby [Jackson] has had classes. I don't know how many more they have to take, but they are right in there too. They are about to get finished with theirs."

Daniel concluded by saying, "Thank you, Harlan, for putting your time in." He also noted that there were more classes available beyond certification.

Daniel stated that Commissioner Simmons is himself a "silver standard of excellence." He explained that both Simmons and former Commissioner Burton have had 100 additional training hours beyond their certification.

Careful What You Ask For!



Rev. Tony Mimbs, Pastor

"And it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons judges over Israel. Now the name of his firstborn was Joel; and the name of his second, Abiah: they were judges in Beersheba.

And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment. Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah, And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD. And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them." - 1 Samuel 8:1-7

The late Kenny Rogers once had a hit song titled "When Two Fools Collide". The verses above remind me of that title. First, the great Prophet Samuel started the ball rolling when he chose nepotism and named his own sons as Judges to succeed him when he got old. What could go wrong there, right?

But a second group of fools, the Israelites, stepped up to counter that move by asking Samuel for an earthly king to rule over them instead. So instead of stepping up to the plate and issuing this final ruling of "no" to the Israelites, Samuel tried to weasel out and told God on them, like He didn't already know about it.

But, just as our Lord does for us, God warned the Israelites through Samuel about all the terrible things that would happen to them if they continued seeking the ways of the world over His perfect plan. Yet even God's chosen people continued to demand kings to rule over them, because they wanted to be like the lost of the world.

Sound familiar? Do we ever abandon the perfect Word of our God in favor of the sinful "wisdom" of the world? The clear history of the 20th Century clearly shows us the danger of the godless Communism that slaughtered over 100 million people and took the freedom of millions more. But now, right here in the second most blessed nation in the history of the world, we are reportedly seeing hundreds of thousands of our people choosing that same godless and deadly system to take our freedom!

What should we do? First, we need to tell our friends and neighbors about the only Perfect system in history, which is found in God's Word. It's called the Gospel.

In The Name Above All Names, The Lord Jesus Christ,
Tony Mimbs

"BUT GOD" WILL You Trust His Process



Shante' Dixon
Owner & Founder

I recall GOD showing me a picture of a hamster spinning in his cage. He used that small illustration as an example because that's what often times happens in our lives. Things happen that we don't expect, doors open and some close, people come and go, sickness may occur, loss of a job, loosing a loved one, or in other words LIFE happens and we feel like we are that small hamster that's constantly spinning out of control.

You see before David could become the King he had to go through a process. There were some things that occurred in his life that he had to go through in order to get to GOD'S Promises.

It's through the process that GOD teaches us things, grows our character, our ability to do what we feel, our faith but most of the time the process is for preparation to where he is guiding us to in him.

Inspite of all these challenges that we may experience, inspite of all the hurt and pain they may cause, and inspite of all the discouragement they may bring, they will not keep us from our destiny.

I encourage each of you On this DAY, to celebrate and welcome his Holy Spirit into your heart and your mind. I pose the question: Will You TrusT His Process of whatever He's doing in your life? If you do, say I will trusT His PROCESS!!!

Be blessed,
Please share your Success Story, Testimonies, Words of Inspirations, etc. to butgod316@yahoo.com.

The Game It's Over Yet !

Maybe you are going thru tough times and you want to throw in the towel . Remember tough times don't last, but tough people will. Read 1Corinthians 9:24-27 AMEN! I hope everyone has a great week. Jesus Loves You!

Minister Glenn Mincey, Davisboro

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Unplugged: An Old-Fashioned Solution for a Modern Problem



By KYLE DOMINY

Mornings are hectic once again in my home.

I am a morning person. I love to ease into my day in the quiet darkness of the pre-dawn hours, with a cup of coffee and some light reading. People who sleep to the last possible moment before they have to jump out of bed to the noise of a blaring alarm clock and rush off to work are, quite frankly, insane.

The summertime months provide the best opportunity for such beginnings. With only my own schedule to account for, I am master of my time and my daily commute.

With the start of school, those days are over for now. I, along with countless other parents, am at mercy of carpool lines and dismissal bells once again, cramming my own responsibilities to fit the desires of the schoolhouse.

But alas, such is life, and I know I'd better enjoy these fleeting years while I can. But I'm still going to complain a little bit.

As precious as every passing minute is, especially under a tight schedule, there are many distractions that seek our attention. None are as difficult to avoid like the allure of a smartphone.

Like the song of siren calling out to the Greek sailors of old (I haven't seen the newest blockbuster rendition of "The Odyssey," but I know how the story goes), a smartphone draws in the strongest of warriors and robs them of their most valuable asset.

Perhaps that is a touch too dramatic, but the best complainers have to have a flair for exaggeration.

On a recent moment when it was time to be heading out of the door, I went searching for my children. Lo and behold what do I find? My one-and-only precious girl child glued to a screen.

Now, most of you reading this are doing so in a newspaper and that I greatly appreciate. Technology should have stopped with the Gutenberg press, maybe Linotype.

"It's time to go," I bellowed, that's what fathers do when they're aggravated with their offspring, at her.

"I still have to brush my teeth," she answered, frantically shoving the phone into her pocket as if I didn't have eyes and could see her.

"You are addicted to that phone," I said.

"I am not," was her retort.

Just what a screen junkie would say.

I've heard of a new trend of people "going analog," not just stepping away from things like social media, but disconnecting from the internet as much as possible. There have been spikes in the sale of books, magazines and even newspapers (I may make a decent living out of this yet). MP3 players that have to be loaded with a curated list of songs are popular again.

And it's not people my age and older doing this, people who remember when devices did not hog our attention, but young people tasting digital-less freedom for the first time.

There'll be some mandatory analog time in my house for a few days.



BOC Approves LMIG Resurfacing

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Interim County Administrator Chris Hutchings added, "And that amount comes in right at what we put in the TIA [Transportation Investment Act] budget for the LMIG and TIA budget for this year – we put $5 million in it."

Board Chair Mel Daniel asked, "What kind of reviews do we have on this company?"

Archer responded that ASA Paving had just completed a project with Atlas in Warren County, paving five roads. Archer stated that they had had "no issues with them." He said that "they are a small outfit company and they did a good job."

Commissioner Harlan Archer then asked if they had done any work in Washington County. Archer replied that he believed ASA had done work in the City of Sandersville and in the City of Tennille last year, but that Atlas had not been a part of those projects.

He added that ASA had "done work in Warren County - Mr. John Graham over there, and he had been well pleased with them, so they were the low bidder in Warren County, and we were well pleased with them."

Jerry Brinson, also of Atlas, said, "We knew nothing about them, but from what we saw, the work that they did for us this year for Warren County – a lot better than what we had last year – and the guy that is the foreman is Josh Newsome, and he used to be with C&H Paving with Benji Cranford." Brinson said, "Back years ago, C&H got all the work in this area, and Josh was the foreman with them then, so we have had some pretty good success out of this crowd."

Brinson added that "in Warren County they've got some good, smooth pavement. I can tell you that." He said they would recommend ASA Paving.

Daniel asked Julian Archer to go over the roads that were scheduled to be paved. Among those roads listed by Archer were Linton Road, from the Sandersville city limits to the Hancock County line, which he noted is "roughly 14 mile;" Sunhill Grange, from Highway 24 to 242, which is roughly 2.4 miles; and three sections of Kaolin Road. Archer noted that these sections would be patched and topped "close to where the landfill used to be where it is breaking up really bad."

Daniel asked, "What does the rest of the road look like to y'all?"

Brinson said that the road would eventually have to be fixed as well. Archer said that the county had recently patched parts of this road "in between the spots, so we are tying everything basically together."

Commissioner James Hitchcock asked if they would be "building



Robert Holmes Jr.
Washington County Public Works Director

back up the base" of the road. Archer replied that they would be "putting down 4 inches of base and then topping it. We are going to patch it at 4 inches and then put topping on it so it will be good."

Additionally, Archer noted that Buckeye Road from Hearst Road to the Johnson County line would be paved and that the three locations on Kaolin Road would cover roughly 0.35 miles altogether. Archer also noted that Lozier Lane, "which is the new pavement joint to the Sandersville city limits, which is off Ridge Road," had been added to the project.

Daniel asked where this road was located. Hutchings replied that it was "out at the rec department – that little cut-through road – it used to be called Sun Hill Road."

Archer explained that "on the map it is Sunhill Grange, but if you go out there, it is signed Lozier Lane – it comes out there to the new Ridge Road."

Commissioner Archer said, "That is 22.44 miles – isn't that a little bit more than what we typically do?"

Hutchings stated that "in dollars we usually do 2 to 2 1/2 million – we have got about five now because TIA has built up a little bit and we got that special LRA, which was like $1 million or so."

Washington County Public Works Director Robert Holmes Jr. said that he thought it was about $1.7 million.

Hitchcock said that usually "we don't do near that much." Hutchings added that "2 to 2 1/2 is our normal."

Commissioner Harlan Archer then asked if that was 310 or 320, and Hutchings replied that it was 310.

"So that is basically 7% of what we…" Hutchings said. "That is a 15-year pace, but that is not sustainable – we normally do half of that."

"But that is where we need to be," said Commissioner Archer.

"That is where we need to be," agreed Hutchings, "but we can't."

Commissioner Archer then asked whether "since we did 14 miles in one stretch, did that help the numbers much instead of doing a half a mile here – or is it basically, do you get savings by doing longer stretches?"

Julian Archer responded that the contractor prefers longer stretches of road, "so they do not have to mobilize," but he noted that he was not sure how the pricing was affected.

Hutchings asked if having multiple counties bidding together helps in such projects. Julian Archer stated that Washington, Jefferson and Glascock counties were all let together last year.

"That helps like Jefferson County, because Jefferson County did not have that much to resurface, so if you would have let it separately, they would probably have gotten a higher price," said Julian Archer.

Brinson also noted that in Glascock County they had "rolled theirs over until next year to get a bigger resurfacing next year – when that comes in with the three next year, it should help the price even more."

Brinson stated that "I commend the Board for doing longer stretches of road like you have been doing because instead of doing a mile here and a mile there, this helps you with your overall road maintenance – it gives you prolonged life on it."

Hutchings then explained that "the only thing I know to do about catching up, and this is a while in the future, when we do the next 10-year T-SPLOST, TIA, put some of these long stretches of county roads on the regional project list – we did that the first time – we put Deepstep Road on the regional project list, and it was paid for out of a different bucket of money than our discretionary money and try to get four or five of these long stretches paved at some point during that tenure. And then we use this kind of money for the smaller routes – that is what I would propose."

He noted that this would take place in the year 2032.

Hutchings stated that last year the county had done $5 million, but at that time they had funding from both NextEra as well as LRA funds.

"This year five, so the last two years we have done $10 million, but that is not the normal," he said.

Holmes also added that the Board should keep in mind that Page Road would have to be completely rebuilt. Hitchcock agreed, saying that Page Road has been in "bad shape for a long time." Holmes said that they had been patching the road, "doing our best just to keep it going, but it is beyond resurfacing."

After confirming that the low bid had come from ASA Paving, Daniel called for a motion "to accept the low bid by ASA Paving." This motion was made by Commissioner Harlan Archer and seconded by Hitchcock. The motion was approved unanimously.

Medical Students Finish Tour in WaCo *(Part I in a III Series)*

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get to do that through the health care focus."

David noted that she was a former Archway professional who serves on the executive committee, "supporting the Archway Partnership in all of our communities."

"I am kind of up here to talk to you about OFTC and answer any questions that you might have about technical education, but I am also here as a homegrown girl who moved back home even though I wasn't planning to do that, and as someone who just has a passion for rural health and promoting rural health and supporting rural health in any way that I can."

David said she is able to be a voice for rural communities throughout the state, whether through technical college conferences, Archway Partnership events or by engaging with the university.

"However I can, I try to make sure that the technical college is an important piece of everything that goes on," she said.

David added, "I can definitely attest to the fact that rural health care is important, and a lot of us would not be where we are today without some rural health care."

Before introducing the next speaker, Burley recognized Jill Johnson, chief clinical officer at WCRMC; Cheryl Wright, WCRMC director of nursing; and Dr. Charnetta Colton-Poole, a pediatrician.

"At this time, I want



Dr. Jennifer Tarbutton

to have Dr. Jennifer Tarbutton come up," Burley said. "Jennifer is one of our pediatricians here, and we are so thankful for all of our providers. Jennifer has actually mentored so many students, so many students who have come through. I have had medical students sleep at my house when they were here doing some work, and working with Jennifer on different things, so I am going to have her share for a minute."

Noting that she attended Mercer University, Tarbutton said, "Aren't we fortunate as a state to have two schools now to start training physicians to come to rural areas. It is so important. It is so needed, and we are so thankful that UGA has this going on now as well."

Tarbutton told the students, "You guys in this room will become very close friends over the next four years of going through the trenches, all the time in the library and the time in the hospital. You will have a lot of fond memories together, and 20 years from now, you will be colleagues calling on each other across the state, hopefully to check in. One of you will be a surgeon, one will be a pediatrician, one will be in internal medicine. You can always use each other's knowledge and connections."

Tarbutton explained that she had grown up in Perry and completed her residency at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Stating that she was thankful to have moved back to a rural area, Tarbutton said, "It has been really special to live and work in the same community. You get to know your patients a lot better. You see them at church, their kids go to school with your kids, and you run into them at Walmart. That gives you a different perspective, a whole perspective, in taking care of them."

Tarbutton added, "Some of you in this room will end up in rural medicine, and I think it is a very special way to practice medicine, more than in a metropolitan area, which is where I started my career."

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Qualifications Due On October 5, 2026

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Request for Qualification (RFQ)
To Provide A/E Services
Project No. 252845

The Town of Harrison, as "Owner", is seeking Statements of Qualifications from firms interested in providing Engineering Services. The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is issued to identify the most qualified potential providers of the above-mentioned services. One or more firms that respond to the RFQ and who are determined by the Owner to be especially qualified may be deemed eligible and may be invited to discuss and negotiate for these. All respondents to the RFQ are subject to instructions communicated in this document and additional terms and conditions listed in the Owner's RFQ. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all statements of qualifications and to waive technicalities and informalities at the discretion of the Owner.

Restriction of Communication: From the issue date of this RFQ until a successful proposer is selected and announced, proposers are not allowed to communicate for any reason with any members of the Selection Committee or the Owner staff, except for:

a) Submission of questions as instructed in the RFQ,

b) During the proposer's conference (if applicable), or

c) As provided by any existing work agreement(s).

For violation of this provision, the Owner reserves the right to reject the proposal of the offending proposer.

The RFQ package may be obtained at Town of Harrison, 40 North Railroad Avenue, Harrison, Georgia 31035. Statements of Qualifications must be delivered to the Town Clerk at townofharrison@bellsouth.net or hand delivered at 40 North Railroad Avenue, Harrison, Georgia 31035 and should be delivered in accordance with instructions in the RFQ package.

Questions may be directed to Ms. Sarah Anderson, Town Clerk at 478-552-7640. Questions will be answered via addendum only. The deadline for submitting questions is September 25, 2026. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all statements of qualification, as well as to waive technicalities and informalities.

It is the policy of the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority; GEFA, that small businesses, female-owned businesses and minority businesses have a fair and equal opportunity to participate in these opportunities. Contractors and subcontractors who

Town of Harrison, 40 North Railroad Avenue, Harrison, Georgia 31035 Ms. Sarah Anderson, Town Clerk, 478-552-7640

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Sample Request for Qualifications

Town of Harrison

Request for Qualifications

To Provide

Engineering Services

For

Project No. 252845

Pump Station and WPCP Improvements

Town of Harrison

CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT
Dixon Grove Church of God in Christ, Tennille, Georgia, will be celebrating its Annual Homecoming on Sunday, September 6, 2026. Midday worship will begin @ 12:15 p.m. and the Homecoming Celebration will begin @ 2:30 p.m. The speaker will be Bishop Keith G. Nation of the Victory Worship Center Church of God in Christ in Stockbridge, Georgia.
Revival services will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, September 8-10, 2026, @ 7 o'clock p.m. nightly. The guest evangelist will be Reverend Grady Bell from the Zion Hope Baptist Church, Tennille, Georgia.

Bethany Baptist Church Homecoming
September 13, 2026

Bethany Baptist Church, 1132 Harts Ford RD, Tennille, GA invites you to Homecoming on Sunday, September 13, 2026, at 11:00 with lunch to follow the service. Rev. Bill Calhoun will be the guest speaker. Please come and join us as we celebrate Bethany Baptist Church's 222nd anniversary.

12th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration

Pastor Roby Grissom, Jr. & Lady Josephine Grissom
Sunday September 13,2026 at 1:00 p.m.
Guest Speaker Rev. Corian Roberson Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church
Piney Mount Missionary Baptist Missionary Baptist Church 3323 Union Church Rod. Warthen Ga. 31094

Send your Church Annoucements/ Events to: sandersvillep@gmail.com

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NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The **TOWN OF TENNILLE** has tentatively adopted a 2026 millage rate which will require an increase in property tax by **100%.**

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on the tax increase to be held at the **TENNILLE FIRE HOUSE, 110 PARK ST TENNILLE, GA. ON THE 3RD OF SEPTEMBER AT 9 AM AND 5:30 PM.**

The time and places of additional public hearings on this tax increase are at **TENNILLE FIRE HOUSE, 110 PARK ST. TENNILLE, GA. ON THE 17thTH OF SEPTEMBER AT 6:00 PM WITH A CALLED MEETING AT 6:30 PM TO SET MILLAGE RATE.**

This tentative increase will result in a millage rate of **5.00** mills, an increase of **5.00** mills. Without this tentative increase, the millage rate will be no more than **0.00** mills. The proposed tax increase for a non-homestead property with a fair market value of **$50,000.00** is approximately **$100.00** and the proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of **$100,000.00** is approximately **$200.00**.

PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCING A PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE CITY OF TENNILLE

The CITY OF TENNILLE recently announced its intentions to increase the 2026 property taxes it will levy this year by 100% over the rollback millage rate.

The millage rate for 2025 was 9.733 mills. The proposed rate for 2026 millage rate is only 5.00 mills. However, because of the new FLOST sales tax collected by Tennille, the rollback rate is 0.00 mills. The following chart shows the property taxes paid in 2025 and in 2026 if there is no millage rate increase and in 2026 with the tentative proposal of 5.00 mills

Property Value	$50,000	$100,000	$200,000
2025 - 9.733 mills	$194.66	$389.32	$778.64
2026 - 0.00 mills	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2026 - 5.00 mills	$100.00	$200.00	$400.00

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on the tax increase to be held at the **TENNILLE FIRE HOUSE, 110 PARK ST TENNILLE, GA. ON THE 3RD OF SEPTEMBER AT 9 AM AND 5:30 PM.**

The time and places of additional public hearings on this tax increase are at **TENNILLE FIRE HOUSE, 110 PARK ST. TENNILLE, GA. ON THE 15TH OF SEPTEMBER AT 6:00 PM WITH A CALLED MEETING AT 6:30PM TO SET MILLAGE RATE.**

NOTICE

The **CITY OF TENNILLE** does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at 110 Park St. (Fire Department) **on September 17,2026 AT 6:30 P.M** and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2026 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

	TENNILLE		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
City	VALUE	Real & Personal	21,974,479	21,817,544	22,271,939	29,649,635	29,521,101	29,452,982
		Motor Vehicles	358,930	302,300	311,720	328,890	280,010	270,060
		Mobile Homes	397,522	398,575	428,587	422,656	428,534	435,225
		Timber - 100%	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Heavy Duty Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Gross Digest	22,730,931	22,518,419	23,012,246	30,401,181	30,229,645	30,158,267
		Less Exemptions	233,593	273,302	3,162,016	726,570	974,405	977,309
		NET DIGEST VALUE	22,497,338	22,245,117	19,850,230	29,674,611	29,255,240	29,180,958
	RATE	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	22.4770	23.6980	28.1000	20.5170	22.0770	19.6380
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	10.2700	11.4430	15.9870	10.7300	12.3440	14.6380
		NET M&O MILLAGE RATE	12.2070	12.2550	12.1130	9.7870	9.7330	5.0000
	TAX	**TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED**	$274,625	$272,614	$240,505	$290,425	$284,741	$145,905
		Net Tax $ Increase	$1,073	($2,011)	($32,109)	$49,920	($5,684)	($138,836)
		Net Tax % Increase	0.39%	-0.73%	-11.78%	20.76%	-1.96%	-48.76%

The current year's levy reflects reductions resulting from Property Tax Relief Local Option Sales Tax (PTRLOST, also known FLOST) proceeds applied to offset property taxes. As a result, the taxes levied are lower than they otherwise would have been absent these proceeds.

Rally Apparel Hosts Business After Hours

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market, food and nonprofit vendors, as well as parade, sponsorship and car show applications.

"We have already collected a little over half of the sponsorship that we need. We are right at the finish line," said Moncus, who explained that once sponsorships were "all wrapped up," the Chamber would begin collecting photos for those sponsors at the appropriate levels.

She also noted that Kaolin Festival yard signs would be available for purchase this year for $20.

"They are generic, so you can keep them year after year," Moncus added.

She again noted that festival applications would be available at the Chamber as well as online and would be due in mid-September.

According to Moncus, the general setup for the festival will be similar to previous years.

"We are shifting a little bit as the hotel project continues to make its way down at the old Salvation Army," said Moncus, who explained that "we have got to kind of get out of that property, so we will start moving things back toward Pickle Barrel and that area."

She also stated that nonprofit vendors, including churches and other organizations that have traditionally been located behind Chester Dean's, will be moved "over with all the other vendors so they get lots of traffic."

The festival will be held Oct. 10, during the second weekend of October, following the same timeline it has used for the past several years.



Tori Rose, Rally's Owner

Moncus also noted that the Chamber has a seasonal calendar with dates that revolve around the Kaolin Festival. She noted that the calendar remains fluid as new events continue to be added.

Those events include school homecomings, 5K runs, the Kaolin Kanter, and the Hamburg Hustle 5K trail race at Hamburg State Park as well as a prevention fair at Washington County Regional Medical Center.

In addition to information about the festival, Moncus noted that the Chamber now has 26 new members, including Premier Heating & Air, Tennille Baptist Church, DeLano's Wellness Spa, Graceful Glow Salon and Spa, Smile Doctors Orthodontics, Erica Harden, KendraJo Creates, Mid State Quality Homes, Joseph Sumner, Food For Less, Empowered to Serve Ministries, The Lemonade Lady, Sandersville Methodist Church, Small Town Hunting Properties & Real Estate, Rise and Shine Pediatric Therapy, Ellen & Co., Rhodes and Sons, Azalea Outdoor, Dogwood Manor, Colorworx, Heaven IT Solutions, Pro Mulch and Grade, Tuttle W. Barksdale General Merchandise, Peach State Electric and Nolan Excavating and Siteworks LLC.

Moncus noted that the Chamber had recently celebrated several ribbon cuttings and that another Women in Business event would be held Sept. 22, which is National Women in Business Day.

"Stay tuned on that for the location and more specifics," Moncus said.

She also noted that the annual Drugs Don't Work meeting would be held for businesses that carry workers' compensation coverage.

"This is a 7.5% discount you can get on your workers' comp policy. You have to have an annual meeting and annual education, and so we have a guest coming to speak on that on Sept. 23 at 12 o'clock," Moncus said.

She also told those present to stay tuned for upcoming September, October and November Business After Hours events.

Moncus closed her remarks by saying, "Thank y'all for being here. Thank y'all for supporting the Kaolin Festival and for supporting the T-shirt, and again, thank you to our restaurants, Scoots and Pickle Barrel, for being here, and to Rally for hosting us and always being a great host."



NOTICE

The **City of Riddleville** does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the **The Firehouse** on **September 14,2026** at **7:30 P.M**.and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

	COUNTY WIDE		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Countywide Area	VALUE	Real & Personal	1,719,032	1,721,581	1,718,429	2,525,050	2,410,056	2,465,996
		Motor Vehicles	35,340	30,460	24,840	20,110	16,570	13,020
		Mobile Homes	60,265	65,999	76,392	71,305	72,648	64,755
		Timber - 100%						
		Heavy Duty Equipment						
		Gross Digest	1,814,637	1,818,040	1,819,661	2,616,465	2,499,274	2,543,771
		Less Exemptions	57,171	54,957	48,807	136,307	149,673	
		NET DIGEST VALUE	1,757,466	1,763,083	1,770,854	2,480,158	2,349,601	2,543,771
	RATE	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.8310
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)						0.7080
		NET M&O MILLAGE RATE	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.7130	0.1230
	TAX	**TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED**	$1,253	$1,257	$1,263	$1,768	$1,675	$313
		Net Tax $ Increase		$4	$6	$506	($93)	($1,362)
		Net Tax % Increase		0.32%	0.44%	40.05%	-5.26%	-81.32%

The current year's levy reflects reductions resulting from Property Tax Relief Local Option Sales Tax (PTRLOST, also known FLOST) proceeds applied to offset property taxes. As a result, the taxes levied are lower than they otherwise would have been absent these proceeds.

NOTICE

The **CITY OF DAVISBORO** does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the **CITY HALL CONFERENCE CENTER** on **SEPTEMBER 14TH at 7:00 P.M**. and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2026 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

	COUNTY WIDE		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Countywide Area	VALUE	Real & Personal	5,496,581	5,522,844	5,566,477	6,878,662	6,701,778	7,787,155
		Motor Vehicles	110,420	89,000	94,220	80,920	73,890	56,660
		Mobile Homes	275,634	305,810	321,634	322,778	326,725	301,693
		Timber - 100%	0	0	0	0	33,000	0
		Heavy Duty Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Gross Digest	5,882,635	5,917,654	5,982,331	7,282,360	7,135,393	8,145,508
		Less Exemptions	168,193	166,868	169,023	337,634	305,329	304,067
		NET DIGEST VALUE	5,714,442	5,750,786	5,813,308	6,944,726	6,830,064	7,841,441
	RATE	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	17.8430	18.6020	22.0670	18.6500	20.9890	4.6340
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	12.7900	13.5720	17.0180	14.4830	16.7360	4.2450
		NET M&O MILLAGE RATE	5.0530	5.0300	5.0490	4.1670	4.2260	0.3890
	TAX	**TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED**	$28,875	$28,926	$29,351	$28,939	$28,864	$3,050
		Net Tax $ Increase	($972)	$50	$425	($413)	($75)	($25,814)
		Net Tax % Increase	-3.26%	0.17%	1.47%	-1.41%	-0.26%	-89.43%

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ROSA M. TARBUTTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Preschool Story Time 12:00 - 12:30pm Story Time & Craft 4:00 - 5:00pm	2	3	4	5
6	7 LABOR DAY	8	9	10 Homeschool Students Farm Bureau Story Time 3:30 - 4:30pm	11	12
13	14	15 Preschool Story Time 12:00 - 12:30pm Story Time & Craft 4:00 - 5:00pm	16	17	18 Senior Movie Morning 10:30am - 12:00pm	19
20	21	22 Teen Tuesday 4:00 - 5:00pm	23	24 Homeschool Students Read & Learn 3:30 - 4:30pm	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Notes

All events are open to the public unless noted otherwise.

Preschool Story Time is for ages infant - 4 years

Story Time & Craft is for ages 5 - 12 years

Teen Tuesday is for ages 10 - 15 years

REMINDER: There must be a parent present throughout all events.

Senior Movie Morning will be "Fried Green Tomatoes" (PG-13)

Library Hours **https://www.ocrl.org/wc-home**

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Wednesday - 10:00am-5:00pm
Thursday - 10:00am-6:00pm
Friday - 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturday - 10:00am-1:00pm

NOTICE

The **CITY OF DEEPSTEP** does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the **DEEPSTEP TOWN HALL** on **SEPTEMBER 16TH,2026 at 6:00 P.M**. and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2026 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

	COUNTY WIDE		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Countywide Area	VALUE	Real & Personal	4,263,755	4,152,297	3,894,133	4,267,295	4,133,809	4,178,396
		Motor Vehicles	32,680	21,480	23,110	29,170	30,000	19,830
		Mobile Homes	22,271	22,666	23,335	23,642	23,690	23,865
		Timber - 100%	0	0	0	0	0	290,585
		Heavy Duty Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Gross Digest	4,318,706	4,196,443	3,940,578	4,320,107	4,187,499	4,512,676
		Less Exemptions	39,450	37,340	35,994	104,894	111,489	147,989
		NET DIGEST VALUE	4,279,256	4,159,103	3,904,584	4,215,213	4,076,010	4,364,687
	RATE	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	8.7020	9.4760	11.5660	10.3790	11.4200	2.2240
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	5.7800	6.5610	8.6660	8.1420	9.1960	2.2230
		NET M&O MILLAGE RATE	2.9220	2.9150	2.9000	2.2370	2.2240	
	TAX	**TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED**	$12,504	$12,124	$11,323	$9,429	$9,065	
		Net Tax $ Increase	($247)	($380)	($800)	($1,894)	($364)	($9,065)
		Net Tax % Increase	-1.93%	-3.04%	-6.60%	-16.73%	-3.86%	-100.00%

The current year's levy reflects reductions resulting from Property Tax Relief Local Option Sales Tax (PTRLOST, also known FLOST) proceeds applied to offset property taxes. As a result, the taxes levied are lower than they otherwise would have been absent these proceeds.

NOTICE

The **TOWN OF HARRISON** does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at **40 N.RAILROAD AVE. HARRISON,GA.** on **September 16th at 9:00 a.m.** and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2026 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

	HARRISON		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Countywide Area	VALUE	Real & Personal	3,168,743	3,162,370	3,164,126	4,339,266	4,870,904	4,711,289
		Motor Vehicles	82,710	68,550	89,500	86,430	76,280	77,180
		Mobile Homes	251,276	263,003	272,458	282,177	323,040	287,988
		Timber - 100%	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Heavy Duty Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Gross Digest	3,502,729	3,493,923	3,526,084	4,707,873	5,270,224	5,076,457
		Less Exemptions	147,579	174,822	165,045	333,741	381,591	431,173
		NET DIGEST VALUE	3,355,150	3,319,101	3,361,039	4,374,132	4,888,633	4,645,284
	RATE	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	19.3910	21.9280	26.0270	20.1490	21.4650	4.1780
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	15.5970	18.1300	22.2430	17.2840	17.4650	3.4980
		NET M&O MILLAGE RATE	3.7940	3.7980	3.7840	2.8650	4.0000	0.6800
	TAX	**TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED**	$12,729	$12,606	$12,718	$12,532	$19,555	$3,159
		Net Tax $ Increase	($16)	($123)	$112	($186)	$7,023	($16,396)
		Net Tax % Increase	-0.13%	-0.97%	0.89%	-1.46%	56.04%	-83.85%

The current year's levy reflects reductions resulting from Property Tax Relief Local Option Sales Tax (PTRLOST, also known FLOST) proceeds applied to offset property taxes. As a result, the taxes levied are lower than they otherwise would have been absent these proceeds.

WASHINGTON COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

DEBTORS/CREDITORS

G26-098
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Karl Glenn Smith, deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Jamie Garner Smith/Co-Administrator
324 Hayes Rd
Tennille, Ga 31089
Adellyn Smith/Co-Administrator
30 East lake Dr
Sandersville, Ga 31082
This 25th day of August, 2026

September 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026

G26-099
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Nina Lou Washington, deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Dianne Fragher/Administrator
1799 Holmes Cannery Rd.
Tennille, Ga 31089
This 26th day of August, 2026

September 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026

G26-090
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Dorothy Jean Andrews, deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Terrence Andrews/Administrator
c/o Jason Davis/Attorney for Estate
318 S Harris Street, Ste. A
Sandersville, Ga 31082
This 11th day of August, 2026

August 19, 26, September 2, 9, 2026

G26-086
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of George Allen Wilson, deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Emma Johnson Wilson/Executrix
553 Browns Crossing Rd
Milledgeville, Ga 31061
This 4th day of August, 2026

August 12, 19, 26, September 2, 2026

G26-087
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Robert Charles Fitzgerald, deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Andrea Blair Fitzgerald Register
592 Stembridge Rd.,SE
Milledgeville, Ga 31061
This 4th day of August, 2026

August 12, 19, 26, September 2, 2026

G26-088
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Randall Carlton Waters deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Amber Waters Stephens/Administrator
c/o E. Allen Smith/Attorney for Estate
P. O. Box 6142
Sandersville, Ga 31082
This 4th day of August, 2026

August 12, 19, 26, September 2, 2026

G26-089
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
GEORGIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY
All creditors of the Estate of Jacqueline Ann Lawson deceased late of Washington County, 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 to us.
Nicolas Alan Lawson/Executor
462 Holton Rd.
Davisboro, Ga 31018
This 7th day of August, 2026

August 12, 19, 26, September 2, 2026

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRAION

G26-092
IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM EARL LONG, Deceased
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE
To: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, Melanie Kaye Harris has petitioned to be appointed Administrator(s) of the estate of William Earl Long, deceased of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O. C. G. A. 53-12-261.) All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before September 14, 2026. All pleadings/objections must be signed under oath before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings, objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate Court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
Russell A. Sheppard
Probate Judge
By: Shelia Evans/
Chief Clerk of Probate Court
132 West Haynes Street
Sandersville, GA 31082
478-552-3304

August 19, 26, September 2, 9, 2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT

G26-093
IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: THOMAS PARKER, DECEASED
NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT
The Petition of VICKEY D. PARKER, for year's support from the estate of THOMAS PARKER, deceased, for decedent's surviving spouse, having been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause, if any, on or before September 14, 2026, why said Petition should not be granted.
All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed on or before the time stated in the preceding sentence. All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed the Petition may be granted without a hearing.
Judge of the Probate Court
By: Shelia Evans
Chief Clerk of the Probate Court
P. O. Box 669
Sandersville, Ga 31082
478-552-3304

August 19, 26, September 2, 9, 2026

NOTICE OF INTENT TO VOLUNTARILY DISSOLVE A CORPORATION

G26-095
NOTICE OF INTENT TO VOLUNTARILY DISSOLVE A CORPORATION: A Notice of Intent to Dissolve B & D Hardware and Auto Parts, Inc., a Georgia corporation with registered office at 220 Creekwood Ct, Sandersville GA 31082, has been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Georgia Business Corporation Code.

August 26, September 2, 2026

TRADE NAME REGISTRATION

G26-096
WASHINTONG COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
TRADE NAME REGISTRATION
PERSONNALLY APPEARED THE UNDERSIGNED WHO ON OATH DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT:
Leanne Gutierrez
1006 New Tennille Road, Harrison, GA 30135
IS/ARE DOING BUSINESS IN LAURENS COUNTY, GA., UNDER THE NAME OF:
Peachy Thrift
1006 New Tennille Road, Harrison, GA 30135
AND THAT THE NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE CARRIED ON AT SUCH ADDRESS IS:
Clothing, retail, online
Leanne Gutierrez
Person making declaration
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 17th DAY OF August, 2026.
Lisa Johnson Bertoch
NOTARY PUBLIC

August 26, September 2, 2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

G26-097
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: Mary Eddins Simons, Petitioner
CIVIL ACTION NO. SUCV2026000180
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Notice is hereby given that Mary Eddins Simons, the undersigned, filed his petition to the Superior Court of Washington County, Georgia on the 26th day of August, 2026, praying for a change in name of the petition from Mary Eddins Simons to Linda Eddins Simons. Notice is hereby given pursuant to law for any interested or affected party to appear in said court and to file an objection to said name change. Objections must be filed within said court within thirty (30) days of the filing of said petition.
This 20th day of August, 2026.
Lind E. Simons, Petitioner

September 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026

PETITION TO PROBATE WILL IN SOLEMN FORM

G26-100
IN THE PROBATE COURT-COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF PHYLLIS POOLE, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2026-WS-038
NOTICE
IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will (and Codicil(s) in Solemn Form in the above referenced estate having been filed.
TO: any unknown heirs:
This is to notify you to file an objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before September 28, 2026.
BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before September 28, 2026. All pleadings/objections must be signed under oath before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings, objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate Court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. If objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
Russell A. Sheppard
Probate Judge
By: Shelia Evans/
Chief Clerk of Probate Court
132 West Haynes Street
Sandersville, GA 31082
478-552-3304

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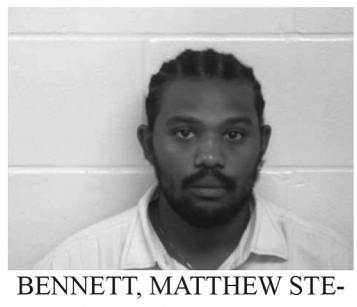
*** All legals are required to be e-mailed each week prior to run date by 12 PM on Friday's.** *(wacolegals@gmail.com)*

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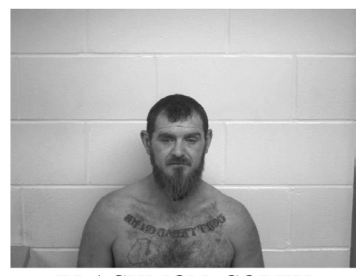
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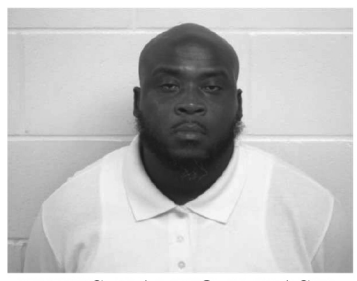
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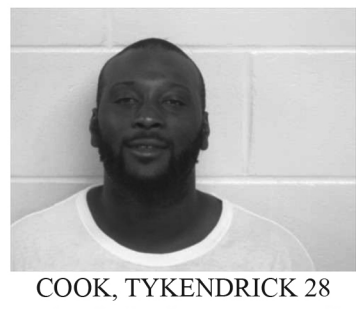
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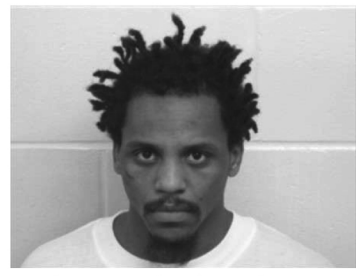
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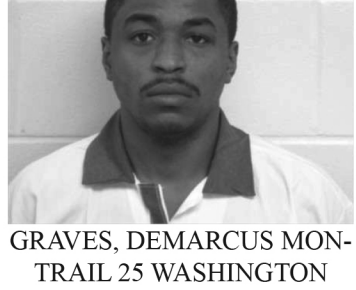
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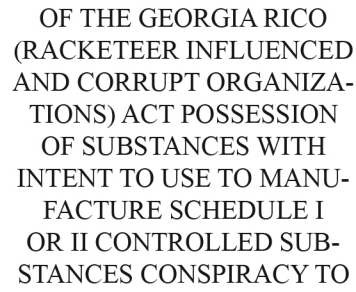
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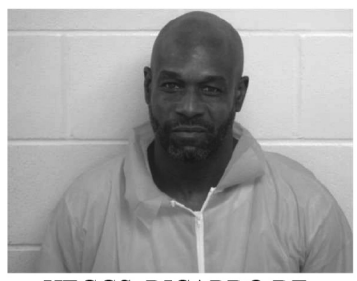
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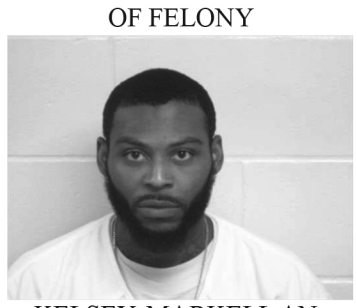
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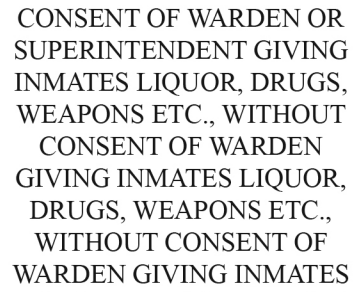
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