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DCSS's Ken Dyer one of four finalists for state Superintendent of the Year



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Dougherty County Schools Superintendent Ken Dyer

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ALBANY – Dougherty County Schools Superintendent Ken Dyer is one of four finalists who have been named for the 2027 Georgia Superintendent of the Year.

The other finalists are: McDuffie County Superintendent Mychele Rhodes, Muscogee County Superintendent David Lewis and Valdosta City Schools Superintendent Craig Lockhart.

The recognition comes through the Georgia School Superintendents Association and places Dyer among the state's distinguished educational leaders.

"This recognition is both humbling and deeply meaningful," Dyer said. "I have always believed that leadership is not about individual accomplishments, but about the people we serve, the opportunities we create, and the difference we make together.

"I am blessed to work alongside an extraordinary team of educators, support professionals, school leaders, and community partners who demonstrate an unwavering commitment to our students every day."

Dyer has served as superintendent since July 2017 and oversees a school system that serves about 12,500 students across 21 schools and four programs. About 2,300 employees work in the school system.

Dyer has focused on strength-

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Staff Photo: Kathryn Crockett

Exhibitors at the Sunbelt Ag Expo in Moultrie showed products made from or inspired by southwest Georgia agriculture on Wednesday. Natalie Burton of Burton Brambles in Coolidge sells berry kombucha, sauces and T-shirts made from the family's blackberry, blueberry and strawberry crops. Lindy Savelle of Georgia Grown Citrus at JoNina Farm in Thomas County sells citrus trees, plants and fertilizer, along with a citrus datil sauce and other products.

Beyond the bushel:

Value-added products give southwest Georgia growers a second paycheck

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MOULTRIE — Natalie Burton makes a simple promise to the customers who buy her barbecue sauce, cobbler kits and kombucha.

"If my name's on the jar, my berries are in the jar," Burton said Wednesday at the Sunbelt Ag Expo here. "So when we sell out, we don't have any more until the next year."

Across the exhibit halls at Spence Field, farmers and small manufacturers showed how they turn raw crops into finished products. They bottle sauces, box gifts, print shirts, and they find new income and new customers along the way.

Value-added agriculture means increasing a crop's worth through processing or other changes, such as turning berries into jam or shelling nuts for sale. The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension says those products can open new markets and help farms keep

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Albany City Commission considers $315,000 request for Gordon Hotel project

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A third attempt at the development of a downtown hotel started earlier this year. Woodmont Lodging, which is developing plans for the project, has requested funding from the city to shore up the building in order to perform work inside.

ALBANY – A hotel development company working on a project encompassing two historic downtown buildings is asking the city of Albany for a contract amendment to an earlier agreement totaling $315,000.

The Albany City Commission approved a $600,000 loan to the Bethesda, Md.-based firm earlier this year Under the agreement Woodmont, which is seeking to carry the project through to fruition, will develop architectural plans and establish a guaranteed maximum price for the project to transform the former Albany Water, Gas & Light structure into The Gordon as a Marriott Tribute brand, a mid-market boutique designation. The project for 205-207 Pine Ave.

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Chehaw Park & Zoo earns accreditation from the Zoological Association of America

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CHEHAW PARK & ZOO
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ALBANY -- Chehaw Park & Zoo has earned accreditation from the Zoological Association of America, a recognition awarded to facilities that meet established standards for animal care, safety, conservation, education and operations. The accreditation follows a comprehensive review process that examines all aspects of zoo management, from animal welfare and veterinary care to staff training and guest safety.

For the team at Chehaw, the accreditation reflects years of work behind the scenes to strengthen animal care programs and invest in the future of the zoo.

"It's wonderful that our team is being recognized for its

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cash flowing when sales of raw crops slow.

Nationwide, 37,881 farms reported selling processed or value-added agricultural products in 2022, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Census of Agriculture. Those sales totaled about $5.73 billion. In 2017, 33,523 farms reported about $4.04 billion in such sales. The dollar figures are not adjusted for inflation.

Burton and her husband started Burton Brambles in Coolidge 12 years ago around 6 acres of blackberries. They now grow blackberries, blueberries and strawberries on more than 200 acres, Burton said, including a farm in Tennessee they bought three years ago. The berries are handpicked and sold to grocery stores across the country.

Burton began the product line after she left teaching to raise her three daughters.

"The products are kind of my sidekick thing that I do," she said. "When I stopped teaching, we started doing the products just to give me something fun to do on the side, and it has grown tremendously."

Corporate gift boxes have become a big part of that growth.

"Companies call us and say, 'Hey, Natalie, I need 50 gift boxes worth about $20 each. What can you give me?'" Burton said. "All they have to do is give me the names and addresses. I ship everything via UPS all over the United States."

The products also introduce new people to the farm, she said.

"People want to know where their food comes from," Burton said. "People get excited to know the farmer behind the products."

For Lindy Savelle, the case for value-added goods comes down to what visitors will buy. Her Georgia Grown Citrus operation at JoNina Farm in Thomas County sells citrus trees and plants. It has added a citrus datil pepper sauce, juice, jellies, jams and T-shirts.

"When people come, not everybody is going to buy a tree," Savelle said. "They might want something, you know, like a jelly or a jam or a sauce or a T-shirt."

She said the financial impact is "a lot more than you would think."

Savelle, an advocate for the state's Georgia Grown label, said buying local keeps money close to home.

"It might cost a little more, but number one, it's helping your economy — not just my economy, but ours together," she said.

Other businesses add value before a product ever reaches a store shelf. Magnolia Loom, based in Sandersville, buys cotton from Georgia farmers, including cotton from Miller County, and turns it into finished shirts.

"We buy cotton from different farmers across the state, and then we have it processed into fabric," co-owner Torey Rose said. "Then we bring the fabric into our factory in Sandersville, where we cut, sew, garment-dye and decorate."

One step still happens out of state.

"It has to be done in North Carolina," Rose said. "That process doesn't take place in Georgia anymore."

At Waymaker Pecan, April Workman's family turns farm waste into a product. The family grows pecans on 90 acres and raises poultry. They blend chicken litter with cotton gin waste into compost for their own trees, and they sell it to backyard growers.

"We make our own compost," Workman said. "We have poultry houses. We take that, and then we take two parts cotton gin waste, and we make our own compost."

The extra revenue comes with extra expenses. UGA Extension cautions that producers must account for processing space, equipment, energy, labor and storage when deciding whether a product will turn a profit. Food safety and distribution also become part of the business.

For the exhibitors at Spence Field, the work brings customers to the booth and puts a face on the farm. Burton said the gift boxes let her share the farm with people she has never met.

"It's been one of the best things we've done," she said.

Savelle said she held off on value-added products for years before she changed her mind.

"For the longest time I wasn't going to do any," she said, "but it would be silly not to."

The Sunbelt Ag Expo ran through Thursday at Spence Field in Moultrie.

From 1A

GORDON

envisions an 80-room facility.

Plans call for the second building, located across Washington Street, to be renamed the Herald House with larger rooms and kitchenettes geared toward travelers staying a week or more.

If Woodmont ultimately is the project developer, the $600,000 will be counted toward the $9 million the city has pledged to dedicate to the project. If not, the city will retain plans for use by a different company in the future.

On Tuesday, Woodmont founder and Principal Elliott Estes told commissioners that roof repairs and the removal of debris from the WG&L structure are needed to move the work forward. The removal of debris, wiring and framing is needed both to evaluate the building's condition and for safety reasons, Estes said.

Responding to a question from Commissioner Chad Warbington, who asked what the emergency is to perform roof work at this stage, Estes said that water is leaking throughout the building and into the basement and is endangering the electrical system.

"The observation is we've got to protect this asset," he said. "What you saw, the $10,000, is not (about) the importance. It's about protecting the asset that you've got.

"Water will find a way. At the moment, the water is finding a way from your roof down to the basement."

The debris needs to be removed for both safety reasons and to allow for proper assessment of the condition of the building, the developer said.

Woodmont is the third development company to take a shot at the hotel project, which has been on the city's wish list for several years. The proposed amendment to the existing memorandum of understanding would expand the scope to include demolition, construction or reconstruction necessary to stabilize the structure as well as ensure worker safety and prevent further deterioration.

"My contention is it's been six years," Warbington said of the roof. "I think this should be staff-led. If staff thinks it's important, they can put a proposal out."

The proposed work will be necessary to preserve the building, whether or not Woodmont ultimately ends up completing the project, Estes said.

"Every dollar spent is a dollar the city or the next developer won't have to spend," he said. "This property has been neglected. Of course, this is your project. You can wait three or four months or three or four weeks."

The city had previously shored up the roof and preservation work at the Rosenberg Brothers building, he said.

The commission could vote on the proposed change order at its Tuesday meeting.

From 1A

DYER

ening the school system's focus on academic achievement, student wellness and educational opportunities through its Future Ready strategic plan, which prioritizes early literacy, academic rigor and relevance. The superintendent also has promoted student wellness, investment in human capital, and family and community engagement during his tenure.

Among the district's recent accomplishments, Dyer said, is a 90.61% four-year graduation rate for the Class of 2026, exceeding the statewide average of 88.5%. It is the sixth consecutive year for the system surpassing the state graduation rate.

A Georgia Beating the Odds analysis, which elevates school performance relative to expectations based on student demographics and other factors, determined that the school system met or exceeded expected academic performance in nearly 88% of the state's evaluations. The number of schools exceeding expectations increased from 10 in 2024 to 11 in 2025.

Other initiatives include expanding opportunities through career and technical education, dual enrollment, global learning experiences, and partnerships with higher-education institutions and community organizations. Partnering with Albany Technical College, the district increased dual enrollment participation by more than 80%, from 421 students in 2023 to 766 in 2026.

During the same period, the number of industry-recognized Credentials of Value earned by students more than quadrupled, from 138 to 657, an increase of 311%.

Those successes reflect Dyer's belief that students should graduate not only with a diploma but with the knowledge, skills, experiences and confidence needed for employment in high-demand career fields, college, the military or entrepreneurship, he said.

The superintendent's leadership is evident in the impact his work has had in the school system and in the community, Dougherty County School Board Chair Velvet Edwards-Poole said.

"On behalf of the Dougherty County Board of Education, we are extremely proud of Superintendent Dyer and this well-deserved recognition," Edwards-Poole said. "His leadership reflects a deep commitment to student achievement, responsible stewardship of public resources, and creating opportunities for students and employees to reach their full potential."

Dyer said he understands that building a successful school system requires investing in people, the board chair said.

"This honor is a testament to his vision, dedication, and the collective progress of the Dougherty County School System," Edwards-Poole said.

Among Dyer's initiatives is developing a network of professional learning and leadership development opportunities for staff. This includes the Aspiring Principals Academy, Mensa Teachers Academy, Instructional Coaches Academy, and teacher mentoring and induction program.

The recognition is a celebration of the collective progress and collective progress of the people who make it possible, Dyer said.

"Any recognition I receive is truly a reflection of their dedication and collective efforts," he said. "Our work has always been about creating opportunities and expanding possibilities for children. I'm proud of the progress we've made, but I'm even more excited about what lies ahead."



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Daily Horoscopes

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't run with current emotions, they're likely to change rapidly today and tomorrow. Check it thoroughly first, but if a deal presents itself on a Saturday, today could be an epic day to sign on.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your subconscious mind could be spinning like a top for a day or two, let inner feelings settle before you take any action. A partnership could become renewed through expressions of sweetness and affection.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Think through a commitment before you say 'yes,' belief might not be enough to carry you if you really don't have the bandwidth to take it on. A friend could be dealing with social anxiety and could benefit from reassurance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Let your creative expression flow freely, you could end up with new fans or true believers. Tread carefully out in the world today — moods could rapidly shift and it could be easy to become reactive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Cherry-pick what you take on from the outside world — not every offering is even bonafide, much less suited to who you are and where you're at. Your home life could become more grounded and aligned.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Just because it's stated with confidence or comes from a familiar source doesn't mean it's true. Believe when there's cause to believe, not just out of loyalty. A negotiation could be difficult to resolve today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A partner could be all over the place today and probably tomorrow, too. Don't make decisions based on brief moments, decide based on clear patterns. Let facts persuade you in a financial matter, not wishful thinking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Today could feel like a glow-up, and friends and fans are likely to notice. Enjoy it responsibly, don't encourage any forlorn hopes. get through routines one step at a time for, plenty of patience will help.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The more you clear old trauma and shame, the more bulletproof your self-belief becomes. The next few weeks are an excellent time to clear the way for upleveling your life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Believe in a friend, remind them who they really are, remind them how far they've come. Today and tomorrow could feel disrupted at home, don't try to solve anything until rapidly shifting feelings come to a stop.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Indestructible self-belief is a requirement for entrepreneurs, you have to be your own source of faith in your path, most won't understand. Keeping a stash of inspiration can help on days when confidence falters.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It's not a day to make clear decisions about money or a big purchase, up and down emotions could influence your thought process. Wait for a sense of grounded clarity before you act, give it another day or two.

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Some grace, charisma, and enhanced attractiveness could come through as a birthday gift, along with improved income. Be proactive in deciding what to take on as a belief, don't do it blindly. Use November's improved cognitive and communication skills to your advantage and be sure to say 'no' to a brief temptation to shoot yourself in the foot. In December, a small surprise win could presage a much bigger set of wins as many needed resources could begin to land, including more money. A person or something else could undergo a beautiful round of healing, bringing relief. Don't hold back or get distracted, a chance to show your skills in their most positive light could arise — impressing not only yourself, but all the right people, and the recognition could extend into the new year.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1911- Orville Wright remains in the air for nine minutes and 45 seconds in a glider at Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

1926 - The Garrick Theatre in Detroit is where Harry Houdini's last performance takes place

1929 - Black Thursday, Known as the Great Crash on the New York Stock Exchange

1931 - The George Washington Bridge opens to public traffic over the Hudson River

1945 - The United Nations Charter comes into effect

1946 - The first photograph of earth from outer space is taken from a camera on board the V-2 No. 13 rocker

1949 - The cornerstone of the United Nations Headquarters is laid

1954 - President Eisenhower pledges United States support to South Vietnam

1957 - The X-20 Dyna-Soar manned space program is launched by the United States Air Force

1960 - Over 100 people are killed in the Soviet Union after a ballistic missile explodes on the launch pad

1964 - Northern Rhodesia gains their independence from the United Kingdom and becomes Zambia

2003 - The Concorde makes its final commercial flight

2005 - Hurricane Wilma lands in Florida and kills 35 people and 26 others indirectly in addition to causing $20.6 Billion in damages

2008 - Bloody Friday as many of the world's stock exchanges drops around 10% in one of the worst declines in their history

2015 - A driver crashes into the Oklahoma State Homecoming parade, killing four and injuring 34 people

CALENDAR OF OBSERVANCES

- 40 Hour Work Week Day
- Black Thursday
- Food Day
- Good and Plenty Day
- Kiwanis One Day
- Make a Difference Day
- National Bologna Day
- National Crazy Day
- National Pit Bull Awareness Day
- Record Store Day
- Recycle Your Mercury Thermostat Day
- Take Back Your Time Day
- World Development Information Day
- World Polio Day
- World Tripe Day

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"No man who ever held the office of president would congratulate a friend on obtaining it."

John Adams,
U.S. president (1735-1826)

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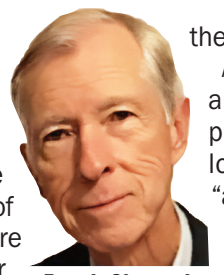
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Today	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Daily Bridge Club

Simple Saturday

By Frank Stewart
Tribune Content Agency


Frank Stewart

Simple Saturday columns focus on basic technique and logical thinking.

Experience may be what makes you hesitate before you go ahead and goof up. It shouldn't require much experience – or card sense – for today's declarer to make 3NT.

	NORTH	
	♠ A Q 7 ♡ 6 5 2 ◇ J 5 3 2 ♣ A 7 4	
WEST		EAST
♠ J 10 9 8 6 ♡ A 8 7 ◇ 7 ♣ Q 10 5 2		♠ 4 2 ♡ Q J 10 9 3 ◇ Q 10 8 ♣ 9 8 3
	SOUTH	
	♠ K 5 3 ♡ K 4 ◇ A K 9 6 4 ♣ K J 6	

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All Pass

Opening lead – ♠ J

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South won the first spade with dummy's ace and next took the A-K of diamonds: The suit would break 2-2 about 40% of the time, and the queen would fall singleton occasionally. But as it was, West discarded a club, and East won the third diamond. He shifted to the queen of hearts, and the defense took five heart tricks.

NINE TRICKS

South should have hesitated before he attacked the diamonds. He needs only four diamond tricks for nine in all; what he can't afford is for East to get in. A heart shift through the king may be fatal.

At Trick Two, dummy leads a diamond, and when East plays the eight, South follows with the nine -- an "avoidance" play. As the cards lie, he can make overtricks; but even if West won, the contract would be safe.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold: S 4 2 H Q J 10 9 3 D Q 10 8 C 9 8 3. Both sides vulnerable. Your partner opens one heart, and the next player doubles. What do you say?

ANSWER: The opponents may own this deal, so you want to take away their bidding room and make it hard for them to find their best contract. Bid three hearts, weak and preemptive. With a good hand, you would choose a different call such as a redouble. If you held 432,QJ1093,Q1083,9, you would bid four hearts.

South dealer
N-S vulnerable

Advice Columnist

Years-old holiday slight still stings

By Eric Thomas
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Eric Thomas

Dear Eric: My mother-in-law's Christmas card always includes a top 10 list. It mainly revolves around family gatherings and grandkids. A few years back, her list included my husband's two brothers and their families but no mention of us and our three amazing kids.

We are always hosting because we live closest to them but somehow, she only praised the brothers who live farther away. It really hurt my feelings.

Even worse, when my husband pointed it out to her (he humorously said that people might think we all died since there was no mention of us), it made her upset, so somehow, we were the bad guys.

His brothers criticized us for bringing it up and my sister-in-law said there are two sides to every story.

You would think if you were sending out a top 10 list you would include all your children. My husband and I still do most of the hosting, but I am very ambivalent about it. How do I get over this? I would like an apology but am discouraged from bringing the topic up again.

My husband says his parents just had a senior moment. And then my sister-in-law saying "there are two sides to every story" rubbed salt into the wound. I know I have bigger problems to be concerned with, but I really try to be a good, loving daughter-in-law and this was very hurtful and years later still bothers me.

– Forgotten Family

Dear Forgotten: What jumps out to me most significantly is the detail that this was years ago. There's no time limit on hurt feelings, but the fact that it's still bothering you may indicate that there's something underneath this slight that's really bothering you. Perhaps this exclusion feels emblematic of some other issue that you have in your family. Perhaps you feel unappreciated for doing all the hosting. It's worth looking at the bigger picture and asking yourself if there's something you'd like to change or address.

But as far as the Christmas card goes, try to assume the best of everyone involved. If you decide to think of it as a senior moment or an oversight that didn't mean what you felt it meant, it may be easier to accept and let go of. You can't go back and change it, and an apology may not change the way you feel.

Not being included on the list hit a sensitive spot for you and if you work on that spot, the list will stop mattering as much. It might be as simple as talking to your mother-in-law about the role you play and getting affirmation that she values you.

Dear Eric: My mother (70s) and I (30s) are at an impasse. She feels I don't call enough. I'm not a phone person. At all. I hate to talk on the phone. I don't have to use the phone for work. I prefer to do everything I can over email or in person. I'd prefer to see her in person more, but we don't live in the same town. So, I do call.

But, apparently, it's not enough for her. She's always saying "You never call. I never know what's going on in your life." But doesn't the phone work both ways? She has no interest in calling me. What can I do to get her to call me?

– Hung Up

Dear Hung Up: Sure, the phone works both ways, but your line is all that you can control. So, while you and your mother could spend your days trapped in the push-pull of "you call/no, you call," your time will be better spent focusing on the relationship you share.

To that end, make the call. Make the call when you think of it. Make the call when you wish she was calling you. Make the call when the appointment reminder in your phone pings you to do it. Because you should set up an appointment reminder in your phone to make the call.

You write that you don't like talking on the phone. But at present this is the best way for you to connect. And it does sound like you want to connect. I didn't see anything in your letter that indicated that these phone calls are a slog, even though you don't like phone calls in general. Until you can see each other in person more, make the call so that you don't needlessly lose time and you don't get stuck in a conflict about who is dialing.

Also try creative solutions. See if FaceTiming feels different, call during a chore or, hands-free, while commuting. See if emailing back and forth suits you both. There are, thankfully, so many ways to connect. You owe it to yourselves to find the one that works for you.

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SQUAWKBOX

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Here's what's so stupid about those people who believe Trump is going to send them all this "free money:" It's your own money, dummy. If you pay taxes, these bribes are coming out of your own pockets. Who was it that said there's a fool born every minute?

Democrats won't need to cheat. Thanks to the current president, a lot of Republicans will be voting for the Democratic candidates.

I think the people who design electronic equipment took that song "Paint It Black" way too seriously, as I have to turn on a light to see the buttons and switches. That Man Without a Family

I don't know what the folks who are working on Pine Avenue downtown are looking for, but the hole they've dug goes about halfway to hell. Who thought it was a great idea to do this work while work on the bridge is going on and traffic is already backed up in the district? More great planning by Albany officials.

How 'bout them Dogs ... oops, sorry.

For just one political party to spend $1 billion in political mid-term election campaigning, to this country, society and suffering humanity in act and character, demonstrates that which is most egregious, abominable, perverse and obscene. Yet not one of you is offended or rejects it. Why?

Trump has become a babbling fool, just saying whatever comes to his feeble mind. He is a train wreck as it is, but to think that our elected officials -- and about 20% of the country -- blindly follow this incoherent buffoon is a sad reality.

Those voters who foolishly think Democrats are more suited to lower prices: It's not going to happen. Many Democrats, including Georgia's own Sen. Raphael Warnock, have already stated that their top priority would be going after President Trump. Shame on those to follow their lies.

Carlton, your love for Ossoff and other Democrats is amazing. Your hatred for people that inherit money has shown for years. (A good shrink would have a blast in your head!) But ossoff is nothing but a trust fund baby. Remember, Ossoff is not really a Georgian with his thinking, a third- or fourth-generation Russian Jew. Never had a real job; never had to worry about money.

Our Great President wants to change the state name of New Mexico to New America. Why not change the name of Georgia? Any suggestions? I like Bulldog Land.

Remember when Republicans had a field day parsing every statement that Biden made, talking about his incapacity to lead the country? Where are these people now that their president is talking about people's butts and their muscles and can't even remember what country he's in? This double standard is more of the dumbing of partisan politics in America.

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Abrams' article denounces taxpayer non-funding of her causes, yet there has been no accounting for or a results review of her spending of the millions of dollars in the "Vitalizing DeSoto" stunt. Nor for the $2 billion in EPA federal funds associated larger national coalition "Power Forward Communities" for low-income communities (per John Kennedy's congressional inquiry). She may be the problem and not the political champion. Boy, are "we" stupid.

Shame on the Worth County Sheriff for assisting ICE with roadblocks designed to catch hard-working folks whose only sin is not having received official citizenship status (not dangerous criminals).

So Heard and his Heardettes are giving the people who haven't shown the ability to even start a project more time to do at least a little bit so that he can hand them over our taxpayer dollars. The fraud that is being perpetrated here is way more than criminal. The GBI, FBI or some agency should be checking this out, but, of course in Georgia, if it doesn't happen in Atlanta, it just doesn't matter.

You can't go to the bank and withdraw your own money without showing your ID proving who you are. The same with voting; you validate who you are and where you live in the voting district. Stop whining about voter ID. You have no argument.

As soon as the World Series is over, the greedy players and the even greedier owners are going into a lockout with the future of the game at stake. You'd think millionaires and billionaires wouldn't want to threaten the goose that laid their golden egg, but that's what greed does to these spoiled brats. I say let 'em all sit at home or, better yet, go try to find a real job.

Sorry Carlton, in Saturday's Herald on Mike Collins, you are the one that has become nauseating, along with two or three others like Ferguson and super weird Ludwig. Your hatred for state and national Republicans is beyond nauseating. Whatever happened to the press and other media outlets being neutral? Not all Republicans are Trump supporters. Georgia will be a Democratic state soon enough.

Trump's approval ratings are now lower than George Dubya and Jimmy Carter.

Hypocrisy is for Trump, undeniably the archetypal fraudster most verifiable in our nation's political history, to go after the "Omars," offering rewards for fraud tips. As a staunch anti-socialist, non-Democrat, Constitutional conservative, to vote Democrats into majority in order to lame duck, impeach and remove Trump may be the only survival alternative for the nation. Republicans will not.

ASU should cancel all of their upcoming events, because someone always dies.

You people who believe this administration is going to (illegally, by the way) pay you money for your vote are really gullible. I'm sure all of you are busy spending the other money that the grifter-in-chief promised you. You weak-kneed sisters will believe anything this liar tells you.

People paying hundreds of millions of dollars to buy political power is absurd. Perhaps when the Trump era passes into the hell of history we'll get some politicians who are for the country, not this evil bozo.

GUEST COLUMNIST ■ MAISY LUDWIG

On becoming – temporarily – a salty dog

I just returned from my first trip to the beach. It's hard to believe it took my parents more than three years to take me there. But I don't want to give the impression that it's all their fault, because it's not. Some of it is mine.

My name is Maisy, and I used to have a problem traveling in a car. If I rode in one longer than 15 minutes, I threw up. After a lot of practice – and any number of different motion sickness medicines – I reached the point that my parents thought I might be ready for a longer drive. How long? Six hours, which is how long it takes to drive from Senoia to Jacksonville Beach.

I did pretty well riding in the back seat, if I do say so myself. Other than barking at several people when we stopped for gas, I pretty much kept my snout shut. That says a lot, considering I was awake the entire time.

The first day on the beach, the weather was beautiful. Mom had me on a leash to keep me from running free, something I've been known to do without one every now and then (but mostly now). Mom also knows when dad takes me for neighborhood walks, I bark at and sometimes chase after anything that moves: people, cars, animals, and life-sized inflatable lawn decorations.

So the leash was actually a pretty good idea. It may have even kept me from getting locked up, because there was a white truck patrolling the beach with "Animal Control" painted on the side. Mom said if I misbehaved in any way, it would come after me. So technically, I guess wearing a leash probably saved me from myself.

However, for maybe the first time in my life, I didn't bark at a single thing that moved the entire walk. That's because there were too many things to choose from, none more enticing than that big thing on one side of us that mom referred to as the ocean.

Then the man asked if I knew how to swim. The truth is I'm not a big fan of water, other than the kind I drink out of a bowl. So dad was honest and told him no. That's when I looked out in the ocean and saw that every contestant, after throwing their surfboard in the water and laying down on them, was – get this – dog paddling. Although I can't say I've done it myself, I've been told that one day it will come naturally to me. But now wasn't the time to prove it, because the man stood firm on his answer. I wasn't going to compete.

We ended up walking a total of 4 miles on the beach our first day, from where we were staying to the Jax Beach pier and back. We walked that distance the next two days as well, only the wind was blowing so hard on both – up to 40 miles per hour at times – that we walked into the wind on 1st Street for two miles before crossing over to the beach and returning with the wind at our backs.

We did that because the loose sand was blowing everywhere and dad didn't want it to get in my eyes. But I will confess that some got



MAISY

stuck in my backside.

I stayed awake in the car the whole drive home as well, which surprised me because I was (sorry) dog-tired from spending so much time on the beach. Since my parents told me I was a good girl the entire vacation, what happened when we got back home came as a bit of a surprise. And I don't mean that in a good way.

They put me directly in the shower. Dad called it a desalination bath. To me it was torture. Later that night I heard mom say she'd like us to have a house on the beach one day. I don't know if we ever will, but if I have any say in the matter, she's got my bark.

GUEST COLUMNIST ■ CHRIS CLARK

Georgia's competitive edge starts with energy

Georgia's economic success story did not happen by accident.

Over the past six years, Georgia has exceeded previous economic development records, generating more than $174.7 billion in investment and creating more than 255,000 jobs across more than 2,600 projects. Perhaps most importantly, 83% of that investment has occurred outside metro Atlanta, proving that in Georgia, zip codes do not dictate opportunity.

Behind that success is something most Georgians rarely think about until it disappears: reliable energy infrastructure.

The Georgia Chamber's long-term strategic plan, GEORGIA|2050, recognizes a simple truth: Reliable infrastructure is the foundation of every strong economy. Gov. Brian Kemp, legislative leaders, the Public Service Commission and our utility partners deserve tremendous credit for maintaining a disciplined, long-term approach to energy planning while many states across the country struggle with uncertainty and instability.

When the lights go out in other parts of the country, they stay on in Georgia. That reliability matters.



CLARK

Every part of Georgia's economy depends on safe, affordable, readily available and consistent power. Manufacturers require it to operate advanced facilities. Hospitals rely on it to deliver care. Families depend on it to power homes and transportation. Farmers need it to operate equipment and irrigation systems. Technology companies and data centers require enormous computing capacity supported by reliable electricity. Even everyday consumer demand continues growing as our economy becomes increasingly digital and connected.

Georgia has been able to meet that demand because our state planned ahead, both in recent years and decades into the past.

Our vertically integrated utility structure, overseen by the PSC, allows utilities to make long-term investments while remaining responsive to evolving consumer and business needs. That system has helped Georgia maintain one of the most reliable and affordable energy environments among top GDP-producing states, even during periods of expansive growth, national inflation and global uncertainty.

Georgia also benefits from one of the most diverse and collaborative energy ecosystems in the country.

Georgia Power, Oglethorpe Power, Georgia's EMCs, Georgia Transmission, MEAG Power, Dalton Utilities and others continue investing in generation, transmission and grid reliability across the state. Our strong natural gas infrastructure also provides critical reliability and flexibility as energy demand continues evolving.

At the same time, Georgia has embraced an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy. Nuclear, natural gas, solar, hydropower, battery storage and emerging technologies will all play a role in powering Georgia's future. The completion of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 positioned Georgia as home to the nation's largest producer of clean energy, while utilities across the state continue expanding renewable generation and strengthening grid resiliency.

This conversation is not simply about growth for growth's sake. It is about keeping Georgia affordable, competitive, and prepared for the future.

The states that win economically over the next 25 years will be the states capable of delivering safe, reliable, affordable energy to support homes, businesses, manufacturing, logistics, innovation and next-generation technologies. Georgia is positioned to lead because leaders here have consistently been willing to think long-term instead of waiting for crises to force action.

Energy security is economic security. And Georgia's continued success will depend on preserving the thoughtful, collaborative approach that brought us here in the first place.

Chris Clark is president/CEO of the Georgia Chamber.

GUEST COLUMNIST ■ MARLO GRAHAM

What FBI reform looks like on the ground in Georgia

Over the last 18 months, the FBI has made significant changes to modernize our organization, sharpen our priorities and put more resources where they are needed most: in the field, protecting the American people.

Here in Georgia, we are seeing the results firsthand. Just look at what FBI Atlanta and our law enforcement partners have accomplished in just the last three months.

In July, an FBI-led task force dismantled a cartel-linked drug trafficking operation in Athens, seizing 28 firearms, fentanyl, methamphetamine, cocaine and cash. In August, FBI Atlanta's Violent Crime Task Force, working alongside the Atlanta Police

Department, rescued two children who had been locked inside a storage locker. The babysitter is now facing kidnapping charges.

That same month, FBI Atlanta brought two alleged Ponzi scheme masterminds to justice. Combined, they tricked thousands of people out of more than a half-billion dollars. In one case, FBI agents tracked the suspect halfway around the world to Fiji.

In September, our Macon Office and the Bleckley County Sheriff's Office worked together to quickly identify and arrest a suspect who made credible threats to carry out a mass shooting at a school — stopping a potential tragedy before it happened.

In Augusta, the Richmond County Sheriff's Office, along with the FBI, made 145 arrests and seized 54 firearms along with significant amounts of cocaine, meth and marijuana during Operation Wildfire. And in September, an FBI SWAT team captured a man in Alabama wanted in connection with the mass shooting on Atlanta's Edgewood Avenue.



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These are just a few examples from over the last few weeks. This is what happens every day across Georgia when federal, state and local law enforcement agencies work together, share information and have the resources to act.

Nationally, the FBI has made significant changes to our organization and our policies to modernize and meet today's needs. FBI Atlanta, which serves all Georgians, is seeing the impact of those changes. For example, over the last 18 months, FBI Atlanta has received additional staffing, including special agents and intelligence analysts. These are personnel that could have remained at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Instead, they are now in Georgia, working cases, developing intelligence and helping our partners protect Georgians.

More resources in the field mean more agents working violent crime, drugs, crimes against children, fugitives, fraud, cyber threats and national security matters. It means more intelligence analysts helping us identify threats and connect the dots. And it means a greater ability to respond quickly when you need us.

With these, and many other reforms in the FBI, our country and Georgia witnessed a dramatic drop in violent crime. According to data reported to the FBI's Crime Reporting Program, nationwide from 2024 to 2025, the United States marked the largest drop in violent crime since FBI estimations began in 1936. Violent crime fell 9.3%. Murders fell 18.1%; robbery fell 18.5%, and property crime decreased 12.4%.

Georgia also saw drops in many major categories around the state. Overall, violent crime decreased 6.1% and property crime fell 14.2%. Homicides decreased 18.3%, while burglary fell 17.7%; robbery fell 14.2%; rape fell 7.8%, and aggravated assault fell 4.2%. Motor vehicle theft saw one of the most dramatic declines, falling 25.5%.

This is important because we know one of the first things many criminals do is steal a vehicle to use in their more violent crimes. Those numbers matter.

These efforts are having an impact across the state. In metro Atlanta, the number of homicides is down by as much as 30%, and robberies are also down. In Augusta, our local partners noticed a 35% drop in murders and a 36% decrease in armed robberies. Columbus has witnessed a 29% decrease in violent crimes.

But I also know that there is still work to be done. There are still families grieving and victims whose lives have been forever changed by violence. For those Georgians, a percentage point on a crime report does not make their loss any less real. That is why we cannot become complacent.

The decline in crime we are seeing across Georgia is the result of many factors. The FBI is one part of that effort. Our state and local partners are another. Together, we are making a difference.

Did these long-overdue changes in the FBI play a part in our ability to fight crime and protect Georgians? Absolutely. By putting more resources in the field, focusing our personnel on the threats that matter most and adding to our task forces across the state, we are now better positioned to do what the FBI has always been called upon to do: protect the American people.

While we've accomplished a lot in these last 18 months, there is still work to be done. And I make this promise to the people of Georgia: FBI Atlanta will continue to show up, work with our partners and use every resource available to us to crush violent crime, protect our communities and make Georgia safer. That is our mission. And we aren't letting up.

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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."
Romans 8:2

COLUMNIST ■ CARLTON FLETCHER

Riding that gravy train of 'free money'

Money, it's a hit. Don't give me that do-goody-good bullsh--.

-- Pink Floyd


FLETCHER

I don't want everyone jumping on my idea – I'll patent it if I have to – but I've come up with what I believe is a unique way to make a living.

I'm going to support every MAGA candidate who is running for office so that I can keep getting all that "free money" that our kind-hearted president is giving out to brib ... oops, to encourage Americans to vote for a bunch of lousy politicians who keep their original thoughts – if they're still capable of having one – to themselves and do whatever that genius in the White House tells them to do.

I know, I know. He's promised three or four checks already, dating back to September and earlier, and none of them has showed up yet. Most likely, it's because of the liberal mail carriers who aren't doing their jobs, but, rest assured, the checks are in the mail.

Leading up to the midterm elections, where, surprisingly, Republican politicians in close races are finding ways to ask the president not to show up and "help" them when a year or so ago they would have been begging him to just fly over their state so voters could catch a whiff of his greatness, the president has been making pledges to hand out that free money right and left.

Heck, I'm pulling like crazy for Republicans now because if I'm going to be able to make my house payment in November, I need that $5,000 I'm going to get if the GOP prevails.

Over the last few days, the president has pledged $150 million or so to Alaskans for needed power lines at a rally for fading Senatorial candidate Dan Sullivan, and there's an $8 billion bailout waiting for Kansas farmers – who are among the nation's businessmen and women hardest hit by the president's "beloved" tariffs and the cost of diesel fuel due to his illegal war with Iran, which we're losing, by the way – to try and boost the fading campaign of Sen. Roger Marshall.

And, lucky me, since I fall into that senior citizen category, I'm anxiously waiting my $500 "Obama rebate," part of $475 million pledged just to show contempt for the former president's signature legislation, and I'll even get 90 extra bucks as part of $1.9 billion in Medicare Part B rebates.

I know I won't get in on any of that Kansas, Alaska – and every other state where a Republican candidate is in a tight race – largesse, but I think if enough of us start complaining loud enough during the remainder of the great deliverer's term in office, I'm sure we'll get more and more of this free money.

For instance, I'm working with some folks I know who are big 4-H supporters to come up with a plan to give the president the organization's first-ever 4-H Piece Prize – yes, the spelling's off, but I don't really think that's going to be a big deal. It worked for those boobs who head up international soccer, so I figure if I broker this deal, I should get enough free money to last me another couple of months.

I'm also reaching out to Georgia Senatorial candidate Mike Collins to get the names of some of his ... we'll say less savory ... supporters, the kind that the president has an affinity for ... some of those "good people" on the other side of that little dust-up in Virginia. If I can get in with them, I'm sure we'll be able to work up a yuuuuge "anti-Obama/anti-nonwhite" payment that'll get me through the end of the year.

Sure, I know payments like this amount to bribes, the kind of political capital every ruling party in Georgia and America has used – although not so blatantly – to try and win over votes when an election might be close. (Or, in the case of Richard Nixon, just because he was the crookedest politician in this country's history ... a title he is in jeopardy of losing.)

I also know that anyone who sits on the front porch waiting for the mail to come – in Albany, that's often an iffy proposition – is going to be disappointed day after day when yet another 24 hours go by and, of course, no check is in the mail.

Even though I'm planning my future around all this free money that I'm sure will start pouring in any day now, something occurred to me as I reached out to various groups that can help me extort ... make that build a case for ... each new promise. If any of this money – and I mean ANY – did actually make it to my mailbox, it would be money that I and my fellow citizens – or at least the few in Albany who still contribute to the tax base – paid in taxes. That kind of spoils it a bit for my concept of free money.

Sigh ... maybe I'll keep working a while longer.

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COLUMNIST ■ DAVID CARROLL

Checking up on the mail


CARROLL

Everyone deserves a fall break, including columnists. Imagine the pressure that comes with cranking out these gems on a weekly basis. We start with a blank screen, and we must come up with 700 magnificent words, and hopefully put them in the right order.

So this week, it's your turn to contribute. To the inbox we go!

Dear David: Your column on Pizza Mix and Potted Meat brought back a funny memory. When I was in college, the box of pizza mix cost about a quarter. I made the pizza, cut the Vienna sausages into little round slices, baked it and had a Vienna Sausage Pizza feast. This is also when Kraft Mac and cheese was 11 cents a box. Love your columns, keep them coming. (Linda in Rome, Ga.)

Linda: Imagine if social media existed back then. You could have posted this on TikTok and triggered a nationwide phenomenon.

Dear David: I have enjoyed your past columns and books with humorous takes on social media mistakes. Have you seen anything lately that amused you? (Pat in White House, Tenn.)

Pat: Absolutely. Earlier this year, while gearing up for a certain pro football championship game, I noticed a restaurant on Facebook was promoting a special "Super Bowel party." I'll bet that was a blast. Later in the year, I answered the phone in the newsroom. The caller asked, "What time do the Ozempic Games come on?" And while watching a network newscast's hurricane coverage, the anchor said, "Let's check in with our reporter on the ground." I'm thinking, "Well, for God's sake, somebody pick her up!"

Dear David: I don't live in your TV viewing area, but my friend in Cleveland, Tenn., sends me your columns. She said you announced that you're stepping down from your news anchor job after almost 40 years. What's up with that? (Ryan in Houma, La.)

Ryan: That is true, come December. It's time. How do you know it's time? It's when you turn in your notice, and no one tries to talk you out of it. And besides, there may be other opportunities for me. Although I will be picky. I won't be that guy dressed in a chicken suit at a car dealership offering 0% interest and no down payment on a new Kia. On second thought, if I was in a chicken suit, you wouldn't know it was me, right?

But seriously folks, I've had a job ever since I was 6 years old, when my parents put me to work in the country store. From there I went into broadcasting, which I've done nonstop, even seven days a week for a while.

Speaking into a microphone does not require the same level of physical labor as patching a roof or paving a road, so I've never complained about my workload. From 2016 to 2023, in addition to my daily news duties, I also wrote three books, did a weekend radio show, and wrote this weekly column. I was never busier, and I enjoyed every minute of it.

But you never want to stay too long at the party, and lately, covering the news is like trying to shoe a running horse. So I'm looking forward to winter. For the first time in my adult life, I can enjoy a good snowfall without having to drive in it.

Dear David: Why are you on my local editorial page? I turn to this page for commentary on political issues. I expect to see constructive opinions on topics that affect my life. You should use your influence to keep politicians honest, and inform readers about the dangerous direction in which our nation is headed. (Mitchell in Scottsboro, Ala.)

Just a few weeks later, I got this one.

Dear David: I enjoyed your column about the gentleman who sings "God Bless America" at Atlanta Braves games, and the ones you wrote about products from my childhood. It is refreshing to read about something other than politics. Keep up the great work. (Fred in Scottsboro, Ala.)

Fred: You need to look up Mitchell, who also lives in Scottsboro. Tell him to be patient. Everything is going to be OK.

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COLUMNIST ■ THOMAS KNAPP

'Free money' may land on you ... in more ways than one

On Oct. 19, President Trump visited Kansas to prop up a lagging Republican candidate (U.S. Senator Roger Marshall), and he brought the bucks with him, pledging an $8 billion bailout for farmers hurt by Trump's tariffs and Trump's war on Iran.

That follows $150 million for power lines in Alaska (to goose another tight Senate race), $475 million in $500 "ObamaCare refunds" on Sept. 10, $1.9 billion in $90 "Medicare Part B rebates" on Oct. 2 (seniors are an especially key voter demographic), and of course his promise to put a $5,000 check in the mail to each adult U.S. citizen after — and only if — his party prevails in the upcoming congressional elections.

"A billion here, a billion there," the late U.S. Sen. Everett Dirksen, R-Ill., mused, "and pretty soon you're talking about real money."


KNAPP

Government spending is almost always about buying votes, but never more obviously than during campaign season.

With the elections only two weeks away, it's not impossible that we'll see Trump motorcading through swing House districts, using a leaf blower to distribute hundred dollar bills, before the big day.

He's in a tight spot of his own making (on, among other issues, "affordability"). And many past presidents have found themselves in such situations.

His party faces near certain loss of the House of Representatives and possible loss of the Senate. Nothing new there, either — the ruling party almost always loses seats, and sometimes majorities, in midterms.

And whenever that happens, the "free money" spigot gets turned on full blast. Trump's not unique so far as the impulse goes. He's just got more of a flair for the theatrical.

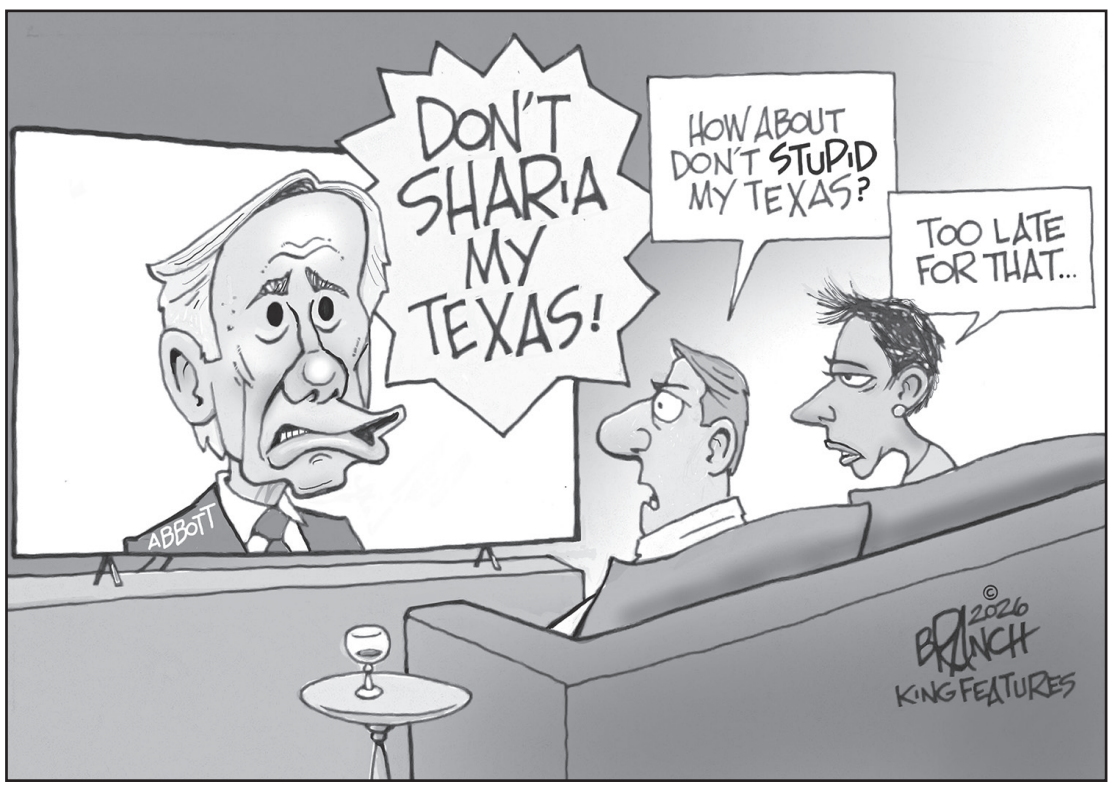
Of course, all that faux generosity has to be paid for ... and it gets paid for by, at least in part, the same people the "free money" lands on.

In order to spend money, the government has to have money. Which means it either taxes you to get the money, or it borrows the money and promises to beat it out of you later (with interest).

Science fiction writer Robert Heinlein popularized the acronym TANSTAAFL (although he was far from the first to express the sentiment): "There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch."

Is fake "free money" a good reason to vote Democrat in November? No, it isn't. When in power and in danger of losing power, the Democrats throw around "free money," too. That's how political government works: Take money with one hand, pass out less than you took with the other. As one New Deal politico put it, "tax and tax, spend and spend, elect and elect."

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Tree-lighters to help celebrate Lights of Love at Phoebe hospitals

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ALBANY -- For 40 years, Lights of Love has brought our community together to honor loved ones and share hope for those fighting cancer. More than $1 million has been raised to support oncology patients and their families.

For Lights of Love 2026, the honorary tree lighters are:

Karen Rackley is back again as Phoebe Worth's honorary tree lighter after 20 years, this time as a survivor. Karen's experience reminds us of the importance of care close to home and the support of a loving community during life's most challenging moments. She will help light the tree at Phoebe Worth on Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m

Debbie and Bob Mulford, the long-time owners of the Shoe Box in Albany, have both experienced the challenges of cancer as patient and caregiver. Their inspiring journey is a beautiful reminder of what Lights of Love is all about! Debbie and Bob will help light the tree at Phoebe Putney in Albany on Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Every light tells a story, and every gift brings hope to local patients and families facing cancer. Phoebehis holiday season, honor someone special or remember a loved one with a gift that shines a little brighter.



Karen Rackley



Debbie and Bob Mulford

Georgia utility commission's balance of power at stake in election

By Emily Jones
WABE/Grist

ATLANTA -- Two seats on the Georgia Public Service Commission are on the ballot in this year's election, and the outcome could see Democrats controlling the powerful commission for the first time in decades.

The commission regulates utilities, including Georgia Power, meaning commissioners have final say over how the state's largest utility makes energy and how much customers pay for it. It has received increased scrutiny in recent years due to a series of rate hikes and the scramble to make enough energy for a massive spike in demand Georgia Power is predicting from the data center boom.

Last year, frustration over rising power bills helped two Democrats win seats on the commission in a landslide. One of those seats, the District 3 post now held by commissioner Peter Hubbard, is back on the ballot this year. If the party can hold onto it and win the District 5 seat that's currently up for grabs, Democrats would hold a majority.

Hubbard stressed that point in the Atlanta Press Club's debate.

"In this election, you can vote for Peter Hubbard and Shelia Edwards to flip the commission to a Democratic majority who will lower your bills and hold Georgia Power and data centers accountable," he said.



Special Photo: Ross Williams/Georgia Recorder

Early voting is underway across Georgia, including for two down-ballot races that could decide which party controls a little-known state regulatory board that influences how much Georgians pay for their utilities.

Hubbard worked as an advocate and a solar consultant before he won his seat on the commission. He puts a big emphasis on clean energy as a way to lower power bills.

His opponent, Fitz Johnson, didn't participate in the debate. Johnson served four years on the commission before losing his seat to Hubbard last year. During that time, he voted to approve the six rate hikes that became the major focus of last year's election, as well as a temporary rate freeze that began last year. He also voted to approve Georgia Power's ongoing expansion, which relies heavily on fossil fuels.

At a campaign event in the spring, Johnson told WABE he has unfinished business on the commission.

"To get to dig a little deeper and to make sure that we are on track to take care of our ratepayers," he said of his plans if he regains the seat. "Also, to promote economic development."

Republican Josh Tolbert is running against Democrat Shelia Edwards for the District 5 seat on the Georgia Public Service Commission. Tricia Pridemore previously held the post, but decided to run for Congress this year instead of seeking re-election. She lost, then stepped down early for a job at a corporation that builds data centers. Gov. Brian Kemp appointed former Commissioner Stan Wise to the seat until the term ends in January.

Tolbert has leaned into his background as an engineer working on power plants.

"Ratepayers need a voice and representative on the commission," he said during the debate. "When it comes to utility decisions and power bills, that voice needs to know something about energy."

Edwards argues the commission already has engineers and energy experts on its advisory staff.

"You don't need another nuclear engineer," she said during the debate. "You need a commissioner who will stand up for families, seniors and veterans. And that's me."

Edwards worked with Lockheed and NASA in the wake of the Challenger shuttle disaster, and she points to that experience as proof she can work with engineers and wade through technical material.

Though the candidates have to live in specific districts, the elections are statewide, meaning all registered voters in Georgia can cast a ballot for both seats on the Georgia Public Service Commission.

The winners of these two races will oversee several issues with substantial implications for power bills and Georgia's climate future, since burning fossil fuels to make electricity is a leading producer of greenhouse gas emissions.

Delayed-harvest trout season begins Nov. 1 in Georgia

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SOCIAL CIRCLE – The Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife Resources Division has announced the start of the delayed-harvest trout season on Nov. 1. Anglers can look forward to freshly stocked streams and excellent catch-and-release fishing opportunities. The first delayed-harvest stockings of the season will take place during the week of Nov. 2.

"Trout fishing is available year-'round in Georgia, but there are five designated streams that follow delayed-harvest regulations to enhance angler success," WRD Trout Stocking Coordinator Chris French said. "From Nov. 1 to May 14, these trout streams are catch-and-release only, and anglers must also only use single hook, artificial lures. These streams are stocked monthly by WRD, alongside partners like the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and South Carolina DNR. This approach of regular stocking and catch-and-release ensure great trout catch rates during the delayed-harvest season."

This delayed-harvest season, WRD biologists are teaming up with researchers from the University of Georgia to mark and recapture stocked fish in the delayed-harvest section of the Chattahoochee River. The study aims to quantify angler use and persistence of trout in the delayed-harvest section post-stocking. All recaptured fish will be released, unharmed, back into the Chattahoochee River for anglers to catch. By collecting data on angler success and trout persistence over time, WRD will be better informed to make management decisions that result in enhanced angler catch rates.

*The fishing experience will not change for anglers during the study period," French said. "Fish will be stocked at similar rates and frequencies as in past years, and normal delayed-harvest regulations still apply. However, due to the constraints of the study, WRD will not be hosting the annual Whitewater Bucket Brigade stocking events this year."

Designated Delayed Harvest Streams

Chattahoochee River: Sope Creek to U.S. Highway 41 (Cobb Parkway).

Toccoa River: On U.S. Forest Service land upstream of Lake Blue Ridge in Fannin County (from 0.4 miles above Shallowford Bridge to 450 feet above the Sandy Bottom Canoe access).

Amicalola Creek: On the Dawson Forest WMA (Steele Bridge Road downstream to Georgia Highway 53).

Smith Creek: Downstream of Unicoi Lake (Unicoi State Park).

Chattooga River: From State Highway 28 upstream to the mouth of Reed Creek (U.S. Forest Service land bordering South Carolina).

Outside of delayed harvest waters, Georgia offers numerous year-round trout fishing options, including:

Noontootla Creek Watershed: Known for high-quality fishing for wild brown and rainbow trout, with tributaries also supporting wild brook trout. Managed under artificial-lure-only regulations with a 16-inch minimum size limit.

Chattahoochee River (below Buford Dam): Offers opportunities ranging from stocked rainbow trout to trophy-sized wild browns. Accessible for bank, wading, and boating anglers, with an artificial-lure-only section between Buford Highway (20) and Medlock Bridge.

Other Recommended Waters: The Toccoa River downstream of Lake Blue Ridge, the Tallulah River, and the Chattooga River provide excellent fall trout fishing.



Special Photo: Georgia DNR

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife Resources Division has announced the start of the delayed-harvest trout season on Nov. 1.

Trout anglers must possess both a valid Georgia fishing license and a trout license. By purchasing a license, fishing equipment, or a specialty trout vehicle tag, anglers directly support trout management efforts across the state. Funding from the Sport Fish Restoration Act and Trout Unlimited license plate sales helps WRD manage fish populations, operate hatcheries, and maintain public fishing access and facilities.



Special Photo

Isaac Harper of Americus has been selected as the recipient of the Southwest Georgia Farm Credit Scholarship for the Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management program.

Isaac Harper receives Southwest Georgia Farm Credit Scholarship

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THOMASVILLE -- Southern Regional Technical College student Isaac Harper of Americus has been selected as the recipient of the Southwest Georgia Farm Credit Scholarship for the Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management program. The $1,000 scholarship is designed to help students cover the cost of tuition and fees as they pursue careers in conservation and natural resource management.

Harper, a graduate of Southland Academy, plans to pursue a career as a plantation manager after graduating from SRTC next summer. His passion for the outdoors, machinery, animals, and improving land and wildlife led him to pursue an education in Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management and prepare for a career centered on responsible stewardship of natural resources.

The scholarship, established through the generous support of Southwest Georgia Farm Credit, demonstrates the organization's ongoing commitment to supporting rural communities and the agricultural industry.

"Isaac is an outstanding example of the kind of student we are preparing for careers in land and natural resource management," Jeremy Green, SRTC's program chair for Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management, said. "His passion for the outdoors and commitment to improving land and wildlife will serve him well as he works toward his goal of becoming a plantation manager. We are grateful to Southwest Georgia Farm Credit for investing in students like Isaac and in the future of our industry."

SRTC's management program is a comprehensive, hands-on program that prepares students for careers in forestry, wildlife management, and conservation. The program is offered at both SRTC-Tifton and SRTC-Thomasville, with both locations featuring traditional classrooms alongside extensive forested outdoor classroom spaces. Students in the program gain valuable skills in prescribed fire, silviculture, GPS/GIS technology, wildlife management, and numerous other competencies essential to the conservation field.

Southwest Georgia Farm Credit has been serving rural America for more than 100 years and provides scholarship opportunities to deserving students throughout its association territory in southwest Georgia, covering Baker, Calhoun, Chattahoochee, Clay, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Marion, Miller, Mitchell, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Seminole, Stewart, Sumter, Terrell, Thomas and Webster counties.

"The SRTC Foundation is thrilled to continue offering the Southwest Georgia Farm Credit Scholarship to our Land, Forest, Wildlife Management students," Christina Reneau, SRTC's executive director of Institutional Advancement, said. "Support from community partners like Southwest Georgia Farm Credit helps remove financial barriers for our students while allowing them to focus on developing the skills and experience they need to build successful careers. We are excited to see where Isaac's education and passion for the field take him."

For more information on scholarships, how to give, and how to apply, visit the foundation's website at www.southernregional.edu/scholarships or contact Reneau at creneau@southernregional.edu.

Southern Regional Technical College offers over 150 degree, diploma, and certificate programs that are designed to get students quickly into their desired careers, and 38 general education courses that transfer to the University System of Georgia institutions and 19 private colleges and universities in Georgia. SRTC has instructional sites located in 11 counties across southwest Georgia for the convenience of its students.

For the most up-to-date information on registration, class dates, and program offerings, interested individuals can log on to www.southernregional.edu or call (888) 205-3449. Spring semester begins Jan. 12.

Ballot amendment would supply funding to upgrade Georgia 911 system

By Maya Homan
Georgia Recorder

ATLANTA -- Georgia is currently in the midst of transforming its 911 system to incorporate new technology in a world where most calls to emergency services are made from cellphones rather than landlines.

But how quickly the state finishes that upgrade may depend on the outcome of one of this year's three ballot questions. A proposed constitutional amendment would create a designated fund where lawmakers can earmark state money to modernize and standardize Georgia's 911 system statewide.

Notably, the measure would not actually allocate any state or local money to the fund. State Rep. Chuck Martin, an Alpharetta Republican who sponsored the resolution creating the ballot question, said that if the constitutional amendment is approved by voters, state lawmakers will need to pass enabling legislation next year to determine how funds will be allocated across the state.

"The idea is that this is the first step toward creating an infrastructure where we can create a sustainable funding mechanism, so that Georgia has a ubiquitous, first-class 911 system moving forward," he said.

As part of the process, lawmakers will need to pass legislation to change the existing local 911 fee to a state one. Martin said the question of how those state funds will be allocated to municipalities will be determined with input from city and county governments, as well as 911 directors. Without that enabling legislation, Martin said, the fund will still exist, but it will sit empty.

"If we can't come to a conclusion that our cities and counties agree with, that our [911] directors agree with that would be the best way to move forward, we will have a fund that money won't be deposited in it, money won't be distributed from," he said.

But Martin added that smaller counties in particular would greatly benefit from an increase in funds and more modern technology to address emergencies.

According to the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority, more than 80% of 911 calls are made from wireless devices, such as cellphones. However, the technology used throughout the state's emergency infrastructure has not changed much since the system was first established in 1968, when most calls were placed on landlines.

State lawmakers are currently hoping to implement a network called Next Generation 911, which would allow first responders to more precisely identify a caller's location and allow the public to send photos, videos and text messages to 911 centers in addition to placing calls.

Thomas Cisco, the Forsyth County emergency management director and president of the Georgia 911 Directors Association, said that some counties in Georgia are already using the updated technology, but many counties still rely on the older technology.

"Right now, we have 156 different public safety entry points that have all different varieties and varying degrees of technology when it comes to answering telephone calls and dispatching," Cisco said. Under a Next Generation 911 system, he added, "you'll get the same level of service in any county you go to, from the smallest county to the largest county."

Only 17 of Georgia's 159 counties are currently Next Generation 911-compliant, according to Clint Mueller, the deputy director of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia.

Georgians currently pay a $1.50 monthly fee on their cell phone bills that is intended to go toward funding their local 911 systems. But Cisco said that storing the money in a designated fund would allow any unused funds to roll over to the next fiscal year and prevent lawmakers from diverting the money elsewhere.

The resolution creating the ballot question passed through both chambers of the Legislature early this year with unanimous support and appeared to be relatively uncontroversial. But earlier this month, a grassroots organization called Galvanize Georgia voiced opposition to the measure, warning that the funds could be used to purchase automated license plate readers like Flock cameras, which have come under fire after numerous instances of misuse by law enforcement officials.



Special Photo

A proposed constitutional amendment would create a designated fund from which lawmakers can earmark state money to modernize and standardize Georgia's 911 system statewide.

A spokesperson for the state House speaker said the funds would not be used for automatic license plate readers, citing state law that defines the specific technology used in Georgia's 911 system.

"The proposed constitutional amendment is clear that this funding is only for upgrades to 911 systems, which do not include Flock cameras," Kayla Green, a spokesperson for House Speaker Jon Burns of Newington, said. "These funds may only be used to upgrade emergency communication systems that strengthen direct communication between Georgians and first responders."

Blue Bird to invest $300 million in Peach County

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ATLANTA – Blue Bird Corporation, a technology leader and innovator of school buses, is expanding its existing footprint in Peach County. The company plans to invest an estimated $300 million in a new manufacturing facility in Fort Valley, creating 375 new jobs over the next three years.

"For nearly 100 years, Blue Bird has been an incredible part of Georgia's story, and now that story will continue to be written for years to come," Gov. Brian Kemp said. "We are proud when our long-time partners can grow and adapt to changing markets right here in the Peach State, and this expansion is the latest example that our pro-business environment is fostering sustained success for our business partners.

"I want to congratulate Blue Bird, Fort Valley, and Peach County on this announcement and their continued prosperity."

Blue Bird school buses are available in a wide range of options and configurations to meet the diverse needs of school districts worldwide. The company has set industry standards through innovative design, engineering excellence, and advanced manufacturing capabilities, and currently supports more than 1,900 employees in Georgia.

"Georgia is where Blue Bird was born, and it has been our home for nearly 100 years," John Wyskiel, president and CEO of Blue Bird Corp., said. "Every bus that rolls out of our plant carries the pride of the people across middle Georgia who build it.

"Our new facility in Fort Valley is our way of investing back into the community where we will continue to build more of the safe, dependable buses that school districts rely on, so we can keep getting children to school safely for the next hundred years."

Blue Bird will convert a former manufacturing site for diesel-powered motorhomes at 401 Wanderlodge Way in Fort Valley into a new facility to build buses of all powertrains. The new, 1 million-square-foot manufacturing facility will produce Type C school buses, including diesel, gasoline, propane, and electric-powered models. Construction is expected to begin in Q1 2027. The company will hire for manufacturing, operations, and technician roles. To learn more about Blue Bird, including where interested individuals can apply for jobs, visit www.blue-bird.com/careers.



File Photo

Blue Bird Corporation is expanding its existing footprint in Peach County.

"For generations, Fort Valley has helped Blue Bird move America forward," Fort Valley Mayor Shakeena B. Reeves said. "Today, Blue Bird is helping Fort Valley move toward a new century of possibilities. May the next 100 years be defined not only by the buses we manufacture, but by the families we strengthen, the opportunities we create, and the future we build together."

Regional Project Manager Candice Scott represented the Georgia Department of Economic Development's Global Commerce team on this competitive project in partnership with the Development Authority of Peach County and Georgia Quick Start.

"Since 1927, Blue Bird has been one of Georgia's longest-standing automotive manufacturers, evolving with the industry while continuing to grow in Fort Valley and Middle Georgia," GDEcD Commissioner Pat Wilson said. "For nearly 100 years, families across America have placed their trust in Blue Bird every school day, entrusting these buses to safely carry their children to and from school. It's remarkable to see that legacy continuing to create jobs and opportunity in a rural Georgia community, and to see Blue Bird continuing to invest and grow in the place it has called home for generations."

Georgia inmates sentenced in jury duty call scheme

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ALBANY – Two Georgia inmates who orchestrated a phone scheme from behind bars, extorting at least 119 citizens by demanding payment for supposed missed jury duty fines, have been sentenced to federal prison following an investigation conducted by the FBI.

Lance Riddle, aka "C-Port," was sentenced to serve a total of 200 months in prison, followed by three years of supervised release, to run consecutively to any state sentence. Co-defendant Joey Amour Jackson, aka "Apesh--," was sentenced to serve a total of 120 months in prison, followed by three years of supervised release, to run consecutively to any state sentence.

The court will determine restitution for both defendants in 90 days. Senior U.S. District Judge W. Louis Sands presided over the sentencing hearings. Jackson and Riddle were found guilty of one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud and one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering after a five-day trial. There is no parole in the federal system.

"Even from prison, the defendants preyed on citizens through threats and deceit, scams that too many Americans are confronted with today," U.S. Attorney Will Keyes said. "Our office and our law enforcement partners remain firmly committed to protecting the public and ensuring that those who commit fraud face full accountability."

"Not even prison cells prevented these criminals from harming dozens of innocent people," Marlo Graham, special agent in charge of FBI Atlanta, said. "Hopefully, this sentence will bring some level of comfort to the victims and prevent others from falling for similar scams. The FBI will continue to work with our law enforcement partners in not only addressing these types of inmate-based crimes but also in preventing inmates' access to contraband cellphones that provide the means to do so much harm to the unsuspecting public."

According to court documents and statements referenced at trial, FBI agents in Columbus received information from law enforcement agencies across the U.S. about wire fraud by Georgia inmates, including local law enforcement in Colorado, Florida, Virginia, Nevada, California and Ohio. Agents discovered that inmates at Calhoun State Prison, including Jackson and Riddle, were using contraband cellular telephones and advanced electronic techniques such as Voice Over Internet Protocol to contact victims from a number that mirrored the numbers of their local police departments.

Special Logo

The victims were told they had one or more warrants for their arrest due to missing jury duty. The defendants, posing as police officers, informed the victims that the warrants would be cleared through payment of a bond over the phone and, if not paid, the victims would immediately be arrested. The victims were also informed they were under a "gag" order and couldn't speak about their warrants until the bond was paid, or they would be immediately arrested.

Some victims were told that, because of supposed heightened courthouse security, they needed to go to a local Target store, enter a restroom, undress, and record themselves performing a self-conducted cavity search before verifying their signature. Some victims subsequently received lewd and sexually explicit messages, including violent threats. The scheme primarily targeted female professionals with prominent online profiles, though a small number of male victims also were identified.

The inmates impersonated both fictitious individuals and real law enforcement officers from the victims' local jurisdictions. They worked with co-conspirators outside prison who managed the group's financial accounts. The stolen proceeds were used to pay off personal debts such as house and vehicle loans, as well as to purchase drugs. The scheme resulted in more than $464,920 in documented losses from 119 victims nationwide, though the true number of victims is likely much higher as many cases go unreported.

The case was investigated by the FBI Atlanta's Columbus Resident Agency and prosecuted by Criminal Chief Leah McEwen.

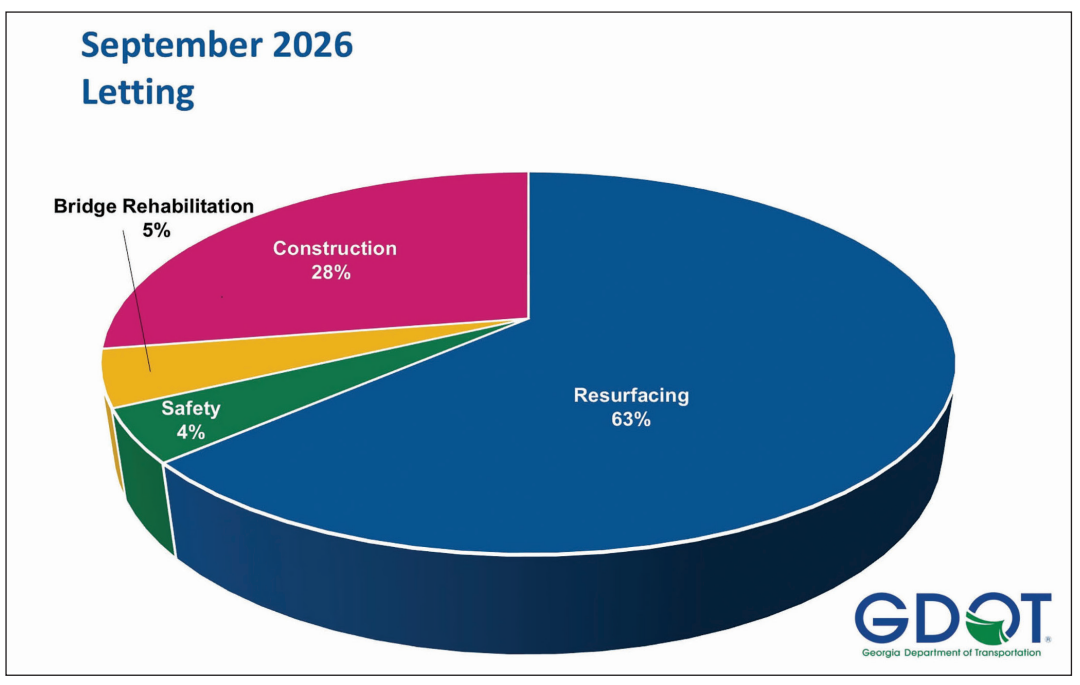
Georgia DOT awards projects worth $62.8 million in September

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ATLANTA -- The Georgia Department of Transportation awarded a total of 25 projects valued at approximately $62.8 million at the monthly State Transportation Board meeting held in September. Contracts were awarded to the lowest qualified bidders on Oct. 2.

The largest single investment resurfacing project, valued at approximately $5.3 million, proposes 14.06 miles of milling, inlay, plant mix resurfacing, and shoulder rehabilitation on State Route (SR) 23 Spur beginning at SR 192 and extending to Elm Street, and on SR 192 beginning north of U.S. Highway 80 and extending south of SR 56 in Emanuel County. This contract and 13 other resurfacing projects total approximately $39.7 million and represent 63% of the total funds awarded.

The largest single investment construction project, valued at approximately $7.4 million, proposes 0.21 mile of slope repair on U.S. 27 / SR 1 at Taylors Ridge in Chattooga County. This contract and four other construction projects total approximately $17.3 million and represent 28% of the total funds awarded.



DOT projects (DOT Illustration)

The largest single investment bridge rehabilitation project, valued at approximately $1.9 million, proposes bridge rehabilitation on SR 157 over Rock Creek and on SR 286 over the Conasauga River in Walker and Whitfield counties. This contract and one other bridge rehabilitation project total approximately $3.0 million and represent 5% of the total funds awarded.

The largest single investment safety contract, valued at approximately $1.1 million, proposes 10.38 miles of resurfacing, signing, pavement marking upgrades, and shoulder rehabilitation on Zebina Road beginning at Middle Ground Road and extending to Washington Street in Jefferson County. This contract and three other safety projects total approximately $2.8 million and represent the remaining 4%of the total funds awarded.

The September awards bring the total construction contracts for Fiscal Year 2027, which began on July 1, to approximately $502.1 million. This total includes TIA, Design-Bid-Build, and locally administered projects. Fiscal Year 2027 will conclude June 30, 2027.

Dougherty's remarkable turnaround earns statewide honor



Staff Photo: Joe Whitfield

Dougherty head coach Uyl Joyner, center, joins players, coaches and school officials Wednesday at Dougherty High School after the Trojans became the first Albany team to receive Georgia High School Football Daily's Team of the Week award.

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor

ALBANY — Since Georgia High School Football Daily began presenting its Team of the Week award in 2020, no Albany team had earned the honor.

Until Dougherty.

The Trojans accepted the award Wednesday afternoon at Dougherty High School, turning a moment of statewide recognition into another milestone for a program that finished 2-9 just last season.

Now Dougherty is 6-1, ranked No. 7 in Class AAAA and leading Region 1-AAAA. Its latest victory — a stunning 26-23 comeback against then-No. 4 Cairo — earned an audience well beyond southwest Georgia.

Georgia High School Football Daily, an Atlanta Journal-Constitution product with more than 18,000 subscribers, selected Dougherty after reviewing games involving more than 400 high school teams across the state.

"This is the first time a team from Albany has won the 'Team of the Week' award," GHSF Daily's Jeff Gable told the Trojans.

For fourth-year head coach Uyl Joyner, the significance reached beyond rankings and recognition.

"This means everything," Joyner said after the ceremony. "You know where we've come from — where we couldn't find a win, and now here we are as the team of the week. This just means everything."

Gable joined representatives from BSN Sports and Siemens, the award's sponsors, for Wednesday's presentation. He explained that selecting a winner requires more than finding an impressive final score.

"The criteria included the quality of the opponent, how you won, what the coaches have had to say, and much more," Gable said. "You were 29-point underdogs going into

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Staff Photo: Joe Whitfield

Albany State defensive players, including former Dougherty standout Chancie Brown, center, after stopping a running play against Lane College. Coach David Bowser says he expects Benedict College to be more challenging and is encouraging his defense to be at their best to stop the Tiger running game.

Golden Rams battle to stay in title chase

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor

ALBANY — The lead was theirs. The finish wasn't.

Albany State fought its way out of a 10-point hole at Tuskegee, drove 80 yards twice and moved ahead with less than six minutes remaining Saturday. Then the Golden Rams watched Tuskegee drive back downfield and take the game away.

Now comes Benedict — and another chance to show that a difficult season still has somewhere worth going.

"We've still got a lot to play for," Albany State coach David Bowser said.

The Golden Rams will need to play like it Saturday when the Tigers arrive at Albany State Coliseum for a 1 p.m. kickoff. Benedict is 6-1, has won three straight and just hammered then-No. 21 Edward Waters 45-24.

Albany State is 3-4 overall and 3-2 in the SIAC. Its lineup is hurting. Its championship hopes still have life.

A victory would give both teams two conference losses, helping the Golden Rams regain ground in the race.

Getting there starts with stopping No. 1.

David Smith, Benedict's senior running back, rushed for 106 yards and two touchdowns against Edward Waters, helping the Tigers pile up 238 rushing yards and build a 35-3 halftime lead.

"He is really, really good," Bowser said.

Benedict's roster also includes a familiar name for Albany football fans: former Westover standout running back Saylor Edwards. The freshman's status for the Tigers' traveling squad has not been confirmed.

For Bowser, the immediate concern is the running game Benedict has already established.

He has emphasized "run fits" throughout practice this week — the assignments that put each defender in the proper gap. Against a back like Smith, one player drifting out of position can turn a routine carry into an open-field chase.

Bowser trusts his defensive front. Saturday will demand more than strong play from the linemen, however. Linebackers must fill behind them. Safeties must arrive where they belong.

The Golden Rams could have to handle those assignments without Evan Wynn and Rontavion Scott, both banged up at Tuskegee.

On offense, linemen Demetrius Hopkins and Cameo Jones will be unavailable. Hopkins is out for the season.

Benedict won't offer much room to compensate for those absences. Its special teams won't provide a breather, either.

The Tigers blocked three punts against Allen two weeks ago. Against Edward Waters, Chris Butler returned a kickoff 76 yards for a touchdown.

Bowser has responded by adding starters to special-teams units they don't normally play on.

"We need to have our best players on the field for their special teams," he said.

Benedict can threaten Albany State in several ways. It also has an opportunity to change a recent history that belongs to the Golden Rams.

Three times the teams met last season. Three times Albany State won.

The first victory, 31-3 in Columbia, helped put ASU in position to host the SIAC championship game. The Golden Rams won that meeting 22-16, then ended Benedict's season with a 14-12 victory in the NCAA playoffs.

Bowser cautioned against assuming Saturday will simply pick up where those games ended.

"This is a different team. Benedict is a very different team," he said. "Outside their coaching staff and a few of their key players, most of their guys didn't lose to Albany State three times."

Still, he expects the Tigers to understand what those defeats cost the program.

Now Benedict's victory over

See **ASU** 10A

Lee County sweeps Kell, moves to Elite Eight

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor



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Lee County first baseman Jaydenne Frisbee stretches for a throw to record an out during Wednesday's second game against Kell. The Lady Trojans won 3-0 and 3-2 to advance to the GHSA Class 6A Elite Eight next week in Columbus.

LEESBURG — Kell got a second chance against Tina Benton on Wednesday. It never found a way to score against her.

The Lee County pitcher followed a complete-game shutout with three scoreless innings of relief, earning both victories as the No. 2-ranked Lady Trojans swept the Lady Longhorns 3-0 and 3-2 to advance to the Class 6A Elite Eight.

Lee County improved to 29-3 and secured a trip to the South Commons Softball Complex in Columbus next week, pairing Benton's work in the circle with just enough offense to settle two tight games.

Makinley Duke provided the power with a home run in the clincher. Brylyn Parsons supplied the less flashy — but equally valuable — finishing touches, twice bringing home runs on groundouts, including the winner in the sixth inning.

That combination proved enough to overcome a determined Kell team and starter Lyla Morici, who struck out 17 without issuing a walk across the doubleheader.

In the opener, Benton made sure Lee County's modest offensive cushion held up.

She struck out five over seven shutout innings and helped at the plate, going 2-for-3 as the Lady Trojans collected six hits.

Porter Butler delivered the breakthrough, singling home a run in the third inning to put Lee County ahead. Duke and Jaylyn Purvis also drove in a run apiece.

Morici kept Kell within reach, allowing just one earned run in six innings, but the Lady Longhorns could not solve Benton. Brianna Gentry went 2-for-2, and Lee County's defense helped preserve the shutout with a double play.

The second game began with a louder statement from Duke, who drove a solo home run over the center-field fence in the second inning. Parsons followed with a run-scoring groundout in the third, giving Lee County a 2-0 advantage.

This time, Kell answered.

The Lady Longhorns tied the game in the fourth, with a single down the left-field line by leadoff hitter Maggie Willmott helping pull Kell even. Willmott finished 4-for-4.

Reese Watkins worked through those first four innings for Lee County, allowing two runs on seven hits with two strikeouts and one walk.

Then Benton returned to the circle, and Kell's scoring stopped.

She limited the Lady Longhorns to two hits over the final three innings, giving Lee County time to reclaim the lead. In the sixth, Parsons delivered another productive groundout to bring home the go-ahead run.

The Lady Trojans managed four hits against Morici — one each from Aubree Spencer, Mac Davis, Butler and Duke — but made them count. Their defense added another double play, and Benton finished what Watkins started.

Two close games. Two Benton victories. One trip to Columbus.

Dawgs reset before rivalry

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor

ATHENS — Georgia has a weekend to catch its breath. Kirby Smart intends to make sure the Bulldogs also regain their footing.

Following Saturday's 27-24 loss to Auburn, Georgia entered its open week looking to heal battered bodies, sharpen its execution and correct mistakes before facing Florida on Oct. 31 at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta.

That process includes separating concerns about quarterback Gunner Stockton's health from the plays that helped cost Georgia its first loss.

"He has not had any concussion symptoms," Smart said Tuesday.

Smart acknowledged that Stockton suffered a shoulder stinger, but pushed back against speculation that a head injury explained his performance. Stockton threw two interceptions against Auburn, although Smart emphasized that the quarterback also made plays that kept Georgia in contention.

Receiver London Humphreys offered a similar assessment.

"He gave us a shot to come back in a game like that," Humphreys said.

Stockton found Humphreys for the fourth-quarter touchdown that helped pull Georgia even. The Bulldogs couldn't finish the comeback, but Humphreys said the offense never abandoned its confidence in its quarterback.

"Everyone trusted the whole offense, and we still believed we were in the game," he said.

Auburn ultimately settled the outcome when Alex McPherson drilled a 34-yard field goal as time expired, snapping the Tigers' nine-game losing streak against Georgia.

The Bulldogs now must turn that disappointment into productive work.

Smart scheduled practices Tuesday through Thursday before giving players a break, tailoring the demands to what each needs. Veterans logging heavy snaps require recovery. Players farther down the depth chart need repetitions, conditioning and opportunities to develop.

"We have different guys in different spots that all need different things," Smart said.

Across those individual assignments, several team priorities stand out.



Special Photo: Kameron Taylor

Georgia quarterback Gunner Stockton and the Bulldogs are using their bye week to regroup before facing Florida on Oct. 31 in Atlanta. Coach Kirby Smart said Tuesday that Stockton suffered a shoulder stinger against Auburn but has shown no concussion symptoms.

Georgia must tackle more consistently. Smart said missed tackles have climbed above the program's levels in previous seasons, allowing opponents to extend plays and gain extra yards.

The Bulldogs also need to tighten their red-zone defense, where missed opportunities to finish plays have proved costly. On special teams, Smart wants better placement on punts intended to trap opponents near their goal line.

Those corrections give the open week a purpose beyond resting for another rivalry game.

Florida awaits in a setting that will give the familiar matchup a different backdrop. The teams will meet at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 31 on ABC, moving from Jacksonville because of renovations at EverBank Stadium.

The rivalry shifts to Tampa in 2027. This season's game will mark its first appearance outside Jacksonville since 1995.

Before Georgia makes the short trip to Atlanta, however, Smart's attention remains on the work in Athens: getting players healthy and fixing the mistakes that left the Bulldogs vulnerable against Auburn.

Battered 49ers put perfect start on line in Atlanta

Field Level Media

Undefeated but battered, the San Francisco 49ers limp into Atlanta to face the reeling Falcons on Sunday afternoon.

San Francisco (6-0) has paid a physical toll for its best start since 2019, when it won its first eight games. The 49ers could be without receivers Deebo Samuel (hamstring) and Mike Evans (Achilles), who missed Wednesday's walkthrough, while Christian Kirk (calf) is working toward a return from injured reserve entering a trip that will send the team away from the West Coast for the first time since a season-opening game in Australia.

After beating the Washington Commanders on Monday night, head coach Kyle Shanahan's team will face a short week of practice and will need to keep relying on quarterback Brock Purdy.

The 26-year-old's 14 passing touchdowns are tied with Kirk Cousins and Trevor Lawrence for most in the NFL, while his QBR of 83.0 is best in the league.

Shanahan and first-year defensive coordinator Raheem Morris will return to familiar territory. Shanahan was Atlanta's offensive coordinator in 2015 and 2016, helping the Falcons reach Super Bowl LI, while Morris was fired in January after two consecutive 8-9 seasons as Atlanta's head coach.

"I don't think they can be more motivated. I think our guys are as motivated as you can get each week," Shanahan said when asked if his players wanted to specifically win for Morris on Sunday. "I don't think we get too caught up in that, but I know they care about Raheem a lot and definitely would want to do that for him. But I don't think we're looking at it as too much of a personal game."



Special Photo: Kyle Terada / Imagn Images

San Francisco quarterback Brock Purdy and the unbeaten 49ers visit Atlanta on Sunday to face the Falcons.

Shanahan will have his team focus on stopping dual-threat Atlanta running back Bijan Robinson, who has 641 rushing yards and five touchdowns (four rushing, one receiving).

"It'll be a huge challenge going against Bijan," Shanahan said. "He's as good as advertised in the pass game and run game. He doesn't have any weakness, so it's a huge challenge for our linebackers, huge challenge for our whole defense."

Meanwhile, Atlanta (2-4) will look to salvage a three-game homestand against a third straight contending team. The Falcons, off to their worst six-game start since 2020, have dropped consecutive one-score games to the Baltimore Ravens and Chicago Bears before facing a San Francisco team that has won its first six games.

"They're undefeated for a reason," Atlanta head coach Kevin Stefanski said of San Francisco. "Very well-coached, very good players, so it's an awesome challenge for this football team. We have to play our best. That's the truth; we've got to play our best on Sunday."

Atlanta's pass defense has struggled to limit opposing quarterbacks. The Falcons rank 28th in the league, allowing 252.0 passing yards per game. Stefanski doesn't think that obstacle will get any easier this week.

"(Purdy) is a very, very special quarterback," Stefanski said. "I haven't studied the rest of the league — I'm watching a lot of his tape right now — but it's hard to imagine someone is playing the position better than he is right now. He's an elite processor, he has elite accuracy and I think he's an elite scrambler. ... Very smart, hard to get on the ground. This is a great player."

(forearm) didn't practice on Wednesday. Starting cornerback A.J. Terrell returned to practice for the first time since injuring his groin on Sept. 20. Rookie linebacker Kendal Daniels was a full participant Wednesday after leaving Sunday's game against Chicago on a stretcher with a neck injury.

San Francisco defensive end Nick Bosa (calf) also missed Wednesday's walkthrough, although Shanahan expressed hope that the five-time Pro Bowler could return Thursday

Bosa hasn't played since Week 2.

Dream rout Valkyries, grab finals lead

By Jack Batten
Field Level Media

ATLANTA – Angel Reese had 21 points and 12 rebounds to help the Atlanta Dream run away with a 97-71 victory over the Golden State Valkyries to take a 2-1 series lead in the WNBA Finals on Wednesday night.

Rhyne Howard added 16 points and Naz Hillmon scored 15 for the fourth-seeded Dream, who outscored Golden State 51-31 in the second half en route to their first-ever home Finals win.

Isobel Borlase chipped in 12 points, while Jordin Canada finished with 10 points, eight assists and six rebounds in Atlanta's second straight win in the best-of-seven series.

Gabby Williams led Golden State by 15 points on an ineffective 5-of-18 shooting. Tiffany Hayes added 14 points, while Janelle Salaun and Cecilia Zandalasini scored 13 apiece. Kiah Stokes collected a team-high 11 rebounds for the second-seeded Valkyries, who never led.

Trailing by six at halftime, Golden State began the second half on an 8-2 run — including a pair of 3-pointers from Zandalasini — to even the score at 48 with 8:52 left in the third quarter.

The Dream responded with eight straight points to take a 57-49 lead at the 5:25 mark of the third.

A 3-pointer by DeWanna Bonner and a layup by Hillmon bookended a 12-2 run to finish the third quarter and give the Dream a 71-57 advantage.

Golden State's Veronica Burton made a 3-pointer for her only field goal of the night, but Howard answered with five of the Dream's seven straight points to build the margin to 20.



Special Photo: Brett Davis / Imagn Images

Atlanta's Angel Reese scored 21 points and grabbed 12 rebounds Wednesday as the Dream won 97-71 to take a 2-1 lead in the WNBA Finals.

Golden State missed its first eight shots from the field and was held scoreless until the 5:07 mark of the first quarter, when Kaila Charles split a pair of free throws to cut the visitors' deficit to 6-1.

Hillmon drilled consecutive 3-pointers to give Atlanta a nine-point edge before Reese hit a triple to make it 22-12. The Dream led 23-15 entering the second quarter.

After Canada made a layup to stamp an 8-0 Atlanta run, Salaun connected on a trey to jumpstart an 11-4 spurt to pull the Valkyries within five with 3:16 remaining in the first half.

Reese's 15 first-half points led Atlanta, which took a 46-40 lead into the break.

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Edward Waters has strengthened its position in the conference race. Winning in Albany would keep the Tigers pushing toward an opportunity to host the championship.

The Golden Rams can disrupt those plans. First, they must respond to a loss that left Bowser proud of their effort and disappointed by the outcome.

"That was a very physical game at Tuskegee, on both sides of the ball," he said. "I told our guys I was very proud of the way we matched the intensity Tuskegee brought."

The setting carried its own weight. Tuskegee's championship history met Albany State's, and Bowser felt it.

"There really was a vibe there," he said.

His players responded, erasing a 10-0 halftime deficit and taking a 14-10 lead with 5:37 remaining. Tuskegee answered with the winning touchdown in a 17-14 game.

"We came back and took the lead 14-10, but we had never experienced somebody driving back against us to win the game," Bowser said.

There is no undoing that finish. There is another game to influence.

"This is going to be another good game," Bowser said, "and we've got to bring that intensity again."

Against Benedict, the Rams need to bring it — and sustain it through the finish.

Saturday's game will air on ESPN+.

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this game and came from behind to win."

Dougherty supplied a compelling case.

Trailing Cairo 16-0 at halftime, the Trojans rallied to tie the game in the third quarter and seize a 23-16 lead in the fourth. After Cairo answered, Dougherty drove into position for Christian Hernandez's 39-yard field goal with four seconds remaining.

The Trojans outscored Cairo 26-7 after halftime, defeating one of the state's highest-ranked teams and taking control of the region race.

Five days later, they gathered to receive an award no Albany team had claimed in the program's history.

Joyner wanted his players to appreciate that achievement. He also wanted them looking ahead.

"We can enjoy this but we can't stay on this," he said. "We've got to get focused and ready for Bainbridge and then we've got to get ready for Westover. It's a great honor but we've still got work to do."

Dougherty travels to Bainbridge on Friday, then faces crosstown rival Westover before closing the regular season against Hardaway in Columbus.

Wednesday belonged to a team whose climb from 2-9 had captured the state's attention.

Friday brings the next chance to show why.

Former Falcon Allen Bailey dies at 37

Field Level Media

Former Kansas City Chiefs defensive end Allen Bailey has died at the age of 37.

"Our hearts go out to his family," Chiefs head coach Andy Reid said to begin his news conference on Wednesday. "Prayers are with them. Way too young, obviously. One of my favorite players. Great kid. Just sorry to see that happened to him."

Bailey was found dead on Tuesday in his Florida home, with his family telling TMZ that they believe he died from natural causes. No official cause of death had been released as of Wednesday afternoon.

"Allen Bailey was an excellent teammate, generous man, and kind soul," the Chiefs posted on social media on Wednesday. "We're deeply saddened to hear of his passing, and our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends."

Kansas City selected Bailey in the third round of the 2011 NFL Draft out of Miami.

He totaled 248 career tackles, 22 sacks, 40 tackles for loss, 40 quarterback hits, four forced fumbles and seven fumble recoveries (one returned for a touchdown) in 133 regular-season games (70 starts) for the Chiefs (2011-18) and Atlanta Falcons (2019-20).

He also played in six playoff games (five starts) and had 10 tackles, two sacks and two forced fumbles.

"Rest in peace, Allen Bailey," the Falcons posted on social media, using the folded hands/prayer emoji. "We send our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes said Wednesday that Bailey was the first person he saw when he entered the locker room after getting drafted in 2017. Seeing the burly and athletic Bailey, listed at 6-foot-3 and 288 pounds, made Mahomes realize he wasn't in college anymore, calling it "surreal."

"Obviously, it's terrible to hear the news," said Mahomes, Bailey's teammate for two seasons. "A great teammate — he's one of those glue guys on the team. He makes plays. He's not necessarily a superstar, but the guy that kind of makes everything go. We're praying for his family. (As) teammates, we've talked and we know that we're going to do whatever we can to support those guys."

A native of Sapelo Island, Ga., Bailey played 50 games for the Miami Hurricanes from 2007-10 and made 107 tackles, 19 sacks and 31 tackles for loss with two forced fumbles. He was a two-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference selection.

"It's terrible, especially with all the good he (did)," Reid said of Bailey's death. "He's got a family and that's a sad deal. I know his father passed away young, too. It makes you sick when it happens to somebody that young."

Tony's Take: SEC hangovers, Cowboys headaches

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Carryover. I'm not one who bows to SEC superiority. Given the BIG10's rise in recent years - why would I? However, Auburn and Tennessee should thank BAMA and UGA's heavyweight fight that led to their wins last week.

Don't get me wrong, War Eagle outplayed the Dawgs and Rocky Top enjoyed cigars after putting the Tide in their place. That being said, the BAMA | UGA game took its toll on the top programs in SEC Football and the carryover into a hangover that led to the Tigers and Vols wins.

When I was coaching small college basketball, I was once told by a veteran head coach, to not let a D-I money game beatdown cost my team an additional game or two. Beat downs, emotional and physical games generally impact performance in the game(s) in the coming week, and this was apparent with the teams mentioned above.

The Dawgs will enjoy their much needed off week, and hopefully the off-week weekend will not produce any off-the field issues. Trust me, Kirby will be coaching a lot about off the field conduct than football as the weekend approaches.

Historically Bad. I am a lifelong Dallas Cowboys fan. It started when I was a preteen. This was the era of America's team when they were led by Tom Landry, Roger Staubach, Tony Dorsett, and other stars who are part of the franchises Ring of Honor. The organization has appeared in the Super Bowl eight times, winning five. Only the Steelers and Patriots have more Lombardi Trophies and they own six. Sadly, Dallas hasn't advanced to an NFC Championship since 1996 despite having periodic flashes of greatness. Dallas is only one of four NFL teams to not make it to the NFL final four during that time.

No NFL organization has more pre-season hype than Dallas. The polarizing franchise is worth more than any other professional organization, valued by Forbes at $17 billion. The off-season defensive moves were supposed to raise the defensive unit to average which would let one of the highest-scoring offenses make a run at greatness this season. A month and a half in the season, the Cowboys have lost twice as many games as they have won and stand at 2 - 4. As improbable as it seems, Dallas sits in second place, and Vegas odds have the Cowboys favored to win the NFC East.

The NFC East is reeling. Talk about stat of the day: according to Google, this is the first division to not have a team win a game in back-to-back weeks when every team played games since 1970. The division was 0 - 6 - 2 the past two weeks thanks to the Commanders, who had an historic late-game clock management blunder against the Giants which resulted in a tie. Falcons fans were simply called in Quinning. Former Falcons head coach Dan Quinn was on the sidelines when Atlanta gave the Super Bowl to the Pats with poor end-of-game management.

Time will tell if the Cowboys can turn the season around. Odds are they can due to the ineptness of the Division they find themselves in.

Expansion. The best part about CFP expansion to 24 is not that there will ever be 24 Power 4 and Group of 5 teams who will enter the season with the talent to win the national championship. Knowing expansion opens the door for an additional loss to make CFP opens the door for epic BIG10 v SEC non-con matchups.

UGA v OSU | BAMA v INDIANA | Ole Miss v Michigan | TN v Oregon | Florida v UCLA ... here is an idea ... Week 0, 1 , and 2 could be the hoops version of BIG10 / SEC challenge. This won't happen to the scale of basketball, but I'm hopeful a smaller version of this will take place.

The 24-team playoff will have multiple poor games due to the talent disparity, but without expansion teams were going to load their schedule with FCS (I-AA) non-conference games to avoid that extra loss that would keep them from the tournament. Expansion gives life to early season major matchups.

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FEMA to award $22.7 million-plus for Georgia disaster recovery

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ATLANTA — FEMA is awarding more than $22.7 million to Georgia, funding eight projects that will accelerate disaster recovery in communities throughout the state.

The state will receive $22.7 million through FEMA's Public Assistance program, which provides federal reimbursement to communities after a disaster for debris removal, emergency protective measures taken to reduce or eliminate disaster impacts, and to repair or rebuild damaged critical infrastructure. Public Assistance grants announced include:

More than $9.1 million to Slash Pine Electric Membership Corporation for debris removal operations and to repair utilities.

More than $7.4 million to Satilla Rural Electric Membership Corporation for emergency protective measures.



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FEMA is awarding more than $22.7 million for infrastructure grants in Georgia, funding eight projects that will accelerate disaster recovery in communities throughout the state.

More than $3.2 million to Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation for emergency protective measures.

More than $1.8 million to Wellstar Health System for emergency protective measures related to COVID-19.

More than $754,000 to Canoochee Electric Membership Corporation for emergency protective measures taken following Hurricane Helene.

This funding is part of more than $896 million that FEMA announced for more than 620 projects nationwide and is the latest example of the billions of dollars in disaster recovery provided by FEMA to support state and local communities as they work to rebuild from recent natural disasters.

Obituaries



Bobbie Marie Hobby (Oliver)

Bobbie Marie Oliver Hobby of Sylvester, Georgia (born July 12, 1936) went to be with the Lord on October 15, 2026.

She will be laid to rest at Crown Hill Cemetery in Albany, Georgia. Her information can be found at www.KimbrellStern.com



GySgt Miles Edwin Martin, USMC (Ret.)

Miles Edwin Martin, 88, of Albany, Georgia, passed away peacefully in New Smyrna Beach, FL, leaving behind a legacy of devotion to country and family. Born April 30, 1938, in Andalusia, Alabama, to Miles Truman Martin and Mary Estelle Phillips, he learned grit early while sharecropping cotton and peanuts across Alabama and Florida. Miles served over 20 years in the United States Marine Corps. While fondly remembered as a Drill Instructor and Senior D.I. for four years, he spent most of his distinguished career in Force Recon conducting classified special operations, including pilot rescues behind enemy lines. A veteran of two wartime tours in Vietnam, he trained Vietnamese forces in 1961, earning rare Vietnamese jump wings. Following his military retirement, he dedicated 17 years to teaching Naval Junior ROTC in Leesburg, affectionately known to generations of students as "Mr. Gunny." He was preceded in death by his wives, Carole Morris Martin, his devoted partner of 52 years, and Alice Fay Mercer Martin. His legacy continues through his six children: sons Charles (SMSgt, USAF, Ret.), Kevin Michael (USN/Merchant Marine), Sean (USMC/USCG, Ret.), and David (USAF); daughters Cathleen Monnett and Kelly Slayton; and many beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Special Photo & Logo: Chehaw

Chehaw Park & Zoo has earned accreditation from the Zoological Association of America.

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dedication to animal care and safety," Samantha Sassone, the living collections director at Chehaw, said. "Accreditation gives us greater access to professional resources that will help us maintain high standards and continue to improve the facility."

This accomplishment marks an important step in the ongoing evolution of Chehaw Park & Zoo. Earlier this year, the organization successfully hosted its inaugural Upland Wildlife Festival, introducing a new event focused on conservation, outdoor recreation and community engagement.

Park leadership views these accomplishments as early steps in a larger effort to improve facilities, expand programming, and create memorable experiences for guests.

"Earning ZAA accreditation is an important milestone that highlights the outstanding work our team does every day," Jackie Entz, the education director at Chehaw, said. "It reflects our commitment to excellence in education, animal care, and conservation, while reinforcing our mission to inspire lifelong connections between people and the natural world."

As part of the ZAA network, Chehaw joins other accredited zoological institutions dedicated to responsible animal stewardship, professional development, and conservation education. The accreditation helps strengthen opportunities for collaboration and resource sharing while reinforcing the zoo's commitment to caring for the animals entrusted to its staff.

Visitors are encouraged to follow Chehaw's progress as new projects, programs, and enhancements are introduced throughout the coming years.





BEFORE YOU TURN UP THE HEAT:

What is your HVAC system trying to tell you?

(NAPS)—When temperatures drop, many homeowners turn on their heating systems, sometimes for the first time in months. That seasonal startup is a good opportunity to pay attention, not just to whether the heat works, but to what your HVAC system may be telling you.

A strange odor, an unusually dirty filter or debris near a register doesn't necessarily mean your HVAC system needs to be cleaned. However, certain signs may indicate that it is time to have the system professionally inspected.

Here are a few things to watch for as you turn up the heat this fall.

Dust or Debris Coming from Registers

A small amount of dust around a register is not necessarily unusual. But visible particles blowing from the registers, dark streaks surrounding them or debris collecting shortly after you clean may deserve a closer look.

A professional can look beyond the registers to help determine where the debris is coming from and whether cleaning or another corrective action is warranted.

Musty or Unusual Odors

It is not uncommon to notice a brief dusty smell when a heating system starts for the first time in the fall. That odor should fade fairly quickly.

A persistent musty, stale or otherwise unusual smell is different. Odors can have several possible sources, and covering them with air fresheners will not address the underlying issue. If the smell continues whenever the system operates, consider having it inspected.

Signs of Rodents or Insects

Unusual noises, droppings near registers, nesting material or unpleasant odors may indicate that rodents or insects have entered part of the HVAC system.

Because ductwork and other components are often behind walls, above ceilings or in attics and crawl spaces, homeowners may not be able to see the full extent of the problem. Any active infestation should be addressed by a qualified pest-control professional before HVAC cleaning begins.

Dust and Debris Following Renovations

Home improvement projects can create an enormous amount of fine dust. Drywall sanding, flooring installation, demolition and other construction activities can release particles that travel well beyond the immediate work area.

If registers and returns were not properly protected, or if the HVAC system operated while work was underway, construction debris may have entered the system. An inspection can help determine whether debris has collected inside and whether cleaning is necessary.

Uneven or Unexplained Airflow

Does one room suddenly feel much warmer or cooler than the others? Is there noticeably less air coming from a particular register?

Uneven airflow can have many causes, including closed dampers, blocked registers, damaged or disconnected ductwork, filter problems or issues with other HVAC components. It should not automatically be blamed on dirty ducts.

First, make sure registers are open and not blocked by furniture, rugs or curtains. If the difference persists, an HVAC professional can evaluate the system and identify the cause.

Filters That Become Dirty Unusually Quickly

Air filters naturally become dirty over time. How often they need to be changed depends on the type of filter, system use, household activities and whether the home has pets.

A filter that becomes heavily loaded much faster than usual, however, may be a clue that something has changed. The filter may be improperly fitted, air may be bypassing it or another condition may be introducing additional debris into the system.

Use the filter type recommended for your HVAC equipment and follow the manufacturer's replacement guidance. If the rapid buildup continues, consider having the system evaluated.



Photo courtesy of NAPS

Before you turn up the heat this fall, take a moment to look, listen and smell. Your HVAC system may be giving you useful information, and an inspection can help you understand what it means.

Inspect First, Then Decide

None of these signs automatically means your entire HVAC system needs to be cleaned. Odors, dust and airflow changes can have many possible causes.

A professional inspection can help identify the source of the problem, document the condition of the system and determine whether cleaning or another corrective action is appropriate. If cleaning is recommended, ask what parts of the system will be addressed, how the work will be performed and how your home will be protected.

This information comes from Breathing Clean, a consumer resource from NADCA, The HVAC Inspection, Cleaning, and Restoration Association.

Learn More

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Small items can have a big impact on hunters

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ALBANY— When recounting how they harvested the white-tail trophy of a lifetime, seldom is there a glowing testimonial about the adequate supply of toilet paper on hand.

We now live in an era where success in even our most primordial pursuits seems to be dependent upon our ability to acquire the latest and greatest technological gadgetry. Today technology allows a hunter with average marksmanship skills to consistently make shots that would have required countless hours of range time just a few decades ago.

Modern optics can now calculate and adjust for distance and windage. A multitude of mass-produced rifles can shoot sub-MOA groups straight out of the box with no customizing required. Cellular game cameras allow "hunters" to scout for game on their phones while they participate in other leisurely pastimes. The same phone allows them to analyze forecasts related to prevailing and predicted weather patterns and solar activity.

Programs designed specifically for big game hunting provide algorithms to predict the feeding, bedding, and breeding patterns for the deer near their hunting locations.

However, for any of these technological wonders to actually impact hunting success, the hunter has to actually be in the field hunting.

Georgia's Guide to Hunting & Fishing Regulations and Seasons highlights the fact that hunters in the state have the opportunity to hunt white-tail deer for 140 days during the 2026- 2027 season. Obviously, most hunters are limited in the number of days they can actually hunt. Therefore, every minute they can spend in a stand has an increased value.

Having the opportunity to hunt is only part of the challenge. Having the ability to be in a stand while the deer are moving is sometimes the greatest challenge a hunter faces. A hunter's ability to stay in the field often comes down to issues related to physical comfort.

The first step to ensure comfort outdoors is to pay attention to weather patterns and dress appropriately for the anticipated weather pattern. Dressing in layers is always the best option, as it allows the hunter to adjust what they are wearing as conditions change during the day. In southwest Georgia, it's common to start the day wearing long johns and end it in a T-shirt.

One low-tech item that serves multiple purposes is a camouflage "boonie" hat. This hat provides protection from light rain and helps retain body heat in cooler temperatures. The brim is wide enough to allow hunters to use it to cut the sun's glare as well as shield their eye motion from wary deer. They also provide protection to the face and ears from harmful UV rays more effectively than a cap.

Appropriate footwear for the weather and terrain being hunted is also critical to comfort and safety. Once a hunter's feet get wet, it's almost impossible to ignore them. This mental challenge only gets worse when temperatures drop and feet get cold.

Comfort isn't the only challenge related to cold, wet feet. If temperatures are low enough, the threat of hypothermia can become a legitimate concern. Either condition can lead to an early end to an otherwise enjoyable hunt.

One advantage to hunting in colder weather is the abundance of pocket space. Most hunting jackets, coats and anoraks have large exterior and interior pockets to easily hold an assortment of small items that allow a hunter to extend their stay in the woods or on their stand when other gremlins related to personal comfort arise.

Another serious challenge that presents itself is a subtle tickle in the back of a hunter's throat that almost always ends with an explosive cough. This generally occurs when the woods are quiet and deer are approaching the hunter's stand. A simple solution is to be sure and have a few fruit-flavored cough drops or throat lozenges in a shirt or jacket pocket. A roll of lifesaver is also a good solution to this problem.

Hunger can quickly become a mental and physical discomfort when hunter's stay in the stand for prolonged periods. This is especially true when the hunt is unexpectedly extended. And hunger pangs often occur when the deer suddenly become active close to the time a hunter had planned to leave the stand and head in for a late breakfast. A protein bar is a good short-term solution and easily fits in a shirt or jacket pocket. For some hunters this is a problem that can only be solved with some help from the goddess of the hunt,. "Little Debbie."

Thirst also can lead to a desire to call it quits. Fortunately, another pocket-friendly solution exists in the form of small 8-ounce water bottles. These fit easily in a jacket pocket without being uncomfortable. In fact, one in the opposite side pockets of a jacket are barely noticeable and creates a balanced load.

One low-tech item of hunting gear that can be invaluable to ultimate success is a small pocket puffer that aids in detecting wind direction changes during a hunt. Although a weather app may "report" a prevailing wind direction, astute hunters know that wind direction is not always consistent and may change frequently during a hunt. Knowing wind direction can impact how a deer reacts while approaching a stand as well as how the hunter reacts to the approaching deer.

Although the items mentioned here are small, their impact can be large. An axiom Benjamin Franklin printed in his 1758 edition of Poor Richard's Almanac exemplifies this: "For want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; for want of the horse the rider was lost; for want of the rider the battle was lost; for want of a battle the kingdom was lost. And all for the want of a nail."



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Small items can come in handy in the woods.

DNR's Career Academy gives students insights on careers

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ALBANY— This summer, the Department of Natural Resources invites rising juniors and seniors to a week-long summer camp at which students will have the opportunity to explore future career options, receive training and education, and make connections with current DNR employees.

Attendees will work alongside field professionals and receive hands-on training from game wardens, park managers, wildlife, fisheries, and marine technicians while traveling across the state, visiting wildlife management areas, state parks, fish hatcheries, historic sites and Georgia's coast.

Students will stay overnight at the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center located in Mansfield and the Jekyll 4-H Center on Jekyll Island. Lodging and food are included in the total cost. Students also may choose to earn Dual Enrollment credit that can be used in Fish and Wildlife and Conservation Law Enforcement programs at many technical colleges.

Students will have the opportunity to learn about careers in habitat stewardship, law enforcement, state parks hospitality, fisheries & wildlife management, coastal conservation and more.

Career Academy students will learn about all major aspects of working for DNR. As part of the Career Academy, students will take part in:

-- Electrofishing and fish habitat creation;

-- Prescribed burns and land management;

-- Boating and firearms safety;

-- Trailblazing and state park management;

-- Saltwater fisheries surveys and methods.

The DNR Career Academy is hosted at DNR properties across the state, including state parks and historic sites, wildlife management areas, fish hatcheries, and regional campuses from the mountains to the coast. The Career Academy includes on-site visits to DNR workplaces where students will learn from full-time DNR employees about what they do and how they manage Georgia's natural resources.

Students will be divided into smaller groups to allow for one-on-one conversations with DNR employees and the chance to take part in hands-on activities. After the program, students can receive continued mentorship from DNR employees to stay on track for future careers with DNR. Eligible students also can choose to earn optional technical college credit upon completion of the Career Academy.

Throughout the Career Academy experience, DNR staff will be side-by-side with students, who will have the opportunity to ask questions, dive deeper into career fields in which they have an interest and learn about the future education requirements for employment with DNR.

The cost for the DNR Career Academy is $100 and includes all meals and lodging.

Current sophomores and juniors who are Georgia residents are invited to apply to participate in the Career Academy. Select students will be invited to participate in an online interview with DNR employees.

To apply visit: https://gadnr.org/careeracademy; complete the online application between Oct. 14 and Nov. 16; parent/guardian will complete the permission form and upload it in the application portal; supply one letter of recommendation from an adult who is not related to you but who can tell about you.

When the application is completed, provide the letter writer's email address. DNR will email the person a link where he or she can upload the letter directly to DNR online. After the person submits the letter, the applicant must go into the portal and complete the application. Applicants will receive a confirmation email when they have successfully submitted their application.)



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Rising juniors and seniors can apply for DNR's Career Academy.



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Sealed proposals will be received, on behalf of Dougherty County by the City of Albany, Procurement Division, 222 Pine Avenue, Suite 260, Albany, Georgia, 31701, until 5:00 PM, on November 13, 2026. A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 10:00 AM, October 21, at DOCO Jail, 1302 Evelyn Avenue, Albany, GA 31705. Proposal documents can be obtained from Procurement, the Georgia Procurement Registry, and www.albanyga.gov. For additional information contact Destin Adams, Buyer I, at dadams@albanyga.gov.
\by\ Michael Eaton, Chief Financial Officer
October 24, 2026

Corporations

A-1044
NOTICE OF INCORPORATION
Notice is given that articles of incorporation which incorporate MNR EXPRESS 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 404 Forest Glen Drive, Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia 31707. The initial registered agent of the corporation at such address is RUBINA ASLAM.
LISA M. GABLE ROBERTSON & GABLE, LLC 3595 Engineering Drive, Suite 101 Peachtree Corners, GA 30092 (770) 736-5182
October 24, 31, 2026

A-990
I, **Brad Raffensperger**, the Secretary of State and the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that
Global Evangelical Mission & **Christian Charitable Foundation Corporation** a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation has filed articles/certificate of amendment in the Office of the Secretary of State on 09/26/2026 changing its name to: **The United Methodist International Congregation, Inc.,** a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation and has paid the required fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said articles/ certificate of amendment.
WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on 10/02/2026.
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

Debtors & Creditors

A-1038
GEORGIA, CALHOUN COUNTY
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
RE: Estate of JOHN ANDREW CONLEY, deceased, late of Calhoun County, Georgia.
All creditors of this estate are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to me.
JOHN KEVIN CONLEY, Co-Administrator
SHEILA DAVIS, Co-Administrator
of the Estate of JOHN ANDREW CONLEY
Collier & Gamble, LLP
Edward R. Collier
P.O. Box 577
Dawson, Georgia 39842
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1037
GEORGIA, CALHOUN COUNTY
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
RE: Estate of **SADIE HOLT CONLEY**, deceased, late of Calhoun County, Georgia.
All creditors of this estate are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

JOHN KEVIN CONLEY, Co-Administrator SHEILA DAVIS, Co-Administrator
of the **Estate of SADIE HOLT CONLEY** Collier & Gamble, LLP
Edward R. Collier
P.O. Box 577
Dawson, Georgia 39842
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1036
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE is hereby given to all debtors and creditors of the Estate of Margie King Fullerton of said county, deceased, to render an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law. All persons indebted to the estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
This 13th day of October, 2026.
Michael Glenn Fullerton and Robert Douglas Fullerton, Executors of the Estate of Margie King Fullerton
c/o William D. Moorhead III, Esq.
314 W. Residence Ave.
Albany, GA 31701
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1021
GEORGIA,
DOUGHERTY COUNTY.
NOTICE
Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Estate of **JEFFREY H. CORNELL**, Deceased,
to submit an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Run in newspaper:
SARAH ELIZABETH MCDANIELS, Petitioner 2721 Rushland Park Blvd.
Knoxville, TN 39724
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1020
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA,
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
All creditors of the Estate of NE'AHMAD ALFRED, deceased, late of Dougherty County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands
to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate
are required to make immediate payment to us.
This 8th day of October, 2026.
Lauren H. Williamson,
Administrator of the Estate of Ne'Ahmad Alfred
P.O. Box 70639
Albany, GA 31708
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1047
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE is hereby given to all debtors and creditors of the Estate of George M. Chastain III of said county, deceased, to render an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law. All persons indebted to the estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
This 20th day of October 2026.
George M. Chastain IV, Executor of the
Estate of George M. Chastain III
c/o John M. Moorhead, Esq.
314 W. Residence Ave.
Albany, GA 31701
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1046
NOTICE
GEORGIA
DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Estate of Jimmy E. Martin, deceased, to present an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law, and all persons indebted to the said estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Genelle Denise Martin
Administratrix of the Estate of Jimmy E. Martin
c/o Larry B. Owens, LLC
P.O. Box 352
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 430-9989
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-977
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA,
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
All creditors of the Estate of Stella Pete, deceased, late
of Dougherty County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands
to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate
are required to make immediate payment.
This 30 day of September, 2026.
Reve Pete, as Administrator
of the Estate Stella Pete, deceased
305 Southwood Drive
Albany, GA 31701
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-980
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE is hereby given to all debtors and creditors of the Estate of Mamie Carter Nelson of said county, deceased, to render an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law. All persons indebted to the estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
This 1st day of October, 2026.
Myrtice E. Pullins, Executor of the Estate of Mamie Carter Nelson
c/o William D. Moorhead III, Esq.
314 W. Residence Ave.
Albany, GA 31701
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-1010
NOTICE
GEORGIA
DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Estate of Sabrina W. Brown, deceased, to present an account of their demands to the undersigned within the time prescribed by law, and all persons indebted to the said estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Michael E. Brown
Executor of the Estate of Sabrina W. Brown
c/o Larry B. Owens, LLC
P.O. Box 352
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 430-9989
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-979
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
STATE OF GEORGIA,
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
All creditors of the Estate of CARENE JOHNSON TALLEY, deceased, late of Dougherty County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to us.
This 1st day of October 1, 2026.
BRANTLEY TALLEY,
Administrator of the Estate of CARENE JOHNSON TALLEY
222 Yellow Pine Court
Niceville, Florida 32578
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-984
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
State of Georgia,
County of DOUGHERTY
Estate No. 2026-ES-247
All creditors of the Estate of CLAUD E. HARROLD, SR., deceased, late of Dougherty County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned Administrator.
Claud E. Harrold, Jr.
Administrator of the Estate of Claud E. Harrold, Sr.
c/o Christopher A. Flowers.
504 N. Jefferson Street
Albany, GA 31701
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

Divorces

A-976
DOUGHERTY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF GEORGIA
Petitioner: Tanakia R. Hunter
V.
Respondent: Richard L. Hunter Jr
Civil Action Case Number: 26CV844-3
NOTICE OF SUMMONS
To: Richard L. Hunter Jr, Respondent Named Above: This notice has been published to let you know that a Divorce case was filed against you in Superior Court on 9/1, 2026. The court issued an order for service of summons by publication on 9/24, 2026. You must file an Answer to the Petition with the clerk of Superior Court and serve the Petitioner with a copy of the Answer. The Petitioner's address is 1424 Cedar Park Dr, Mobile, Al 36605. You must file your Answer within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for service by publication. If you fail to file an Answer, then a judgment by default will be taken against you, and the Petitioner will get everything he asked for in the Petition for Divorce.
This the 29th day of September, 2026.
Samantha Sebastian Dep. Clerk
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

Juvenile Court

A-973
PUBLICATION
DOUGHERTY COUNTY JUVENILE COURT
IN THE MATTER OF: K.A., B/M, DOB: 09/08/2021;K.A., B/M, DOB: 09/08/2021; K.A, B/M, DOB: 12/16/2022
To: Roderica Ashberry, Justin Crapp and any other individual who might be the biological father of one male child born to Roderica Ashberry on December 16, 2022 and two male children born to Roderica Ashberry on September 8, 2021.
A petition was filed in this Court by Social Services Case Supervisor Treena White, on the 26th day of June 2026. The Petition alleges the above-referenced children to be dependent according to Georgia law and seeks **termination of your parental rights, if any**. You may obtain a copy of the Petition, which sets forth the specific allegations in detail, from the Clerk of Juvenile Court of Dougherty County, **225 Pine Avenue, Basement, Juvenile Court, Albany, Georgia,** phone is 229-431-2162.
By authority of an Order for Service by Publication by the Judge of said Court on the 13th day of July, 2026, you are commanded to be an appear in the Juvenile Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, at the Dougherty County Courthouse located at 225 Pine Avenue, Basement, Juvenile Court, Albany, Georgia, within sixty (60) days of said Order for Service by Publication and on the 1st day of December 2026, at 1:00 p.m. to then and there make defense to allegations of the petition, and to show cause why the prayers of the petition should not be granted, and why the said children and all parties named herein should not be dealt with according to the provisions of the law. **The hearing is for the purpose of terminating your parental rights.**
You or any other interested party may file a written objection or answer on or before the date and time for the hearing stated above by filing the same at the office of the Clerk of Juvenile Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, and the Petitioner's Attorney, Gregory T. Williams.
Be advised that any biological father who is not the legal father of these children shall lose all rights to these children and shall not be entitled to object to the termination of his rights unless within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, he files (1) a petition to legitimate the children pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-7-22 and (2) notice of the filing of the Petition to legitimate with the Dougherty County Juvenile Court.
Witness the Honorable Valerie Brown-Williams, Judge of said Court this 13th day of July 2026.
Tequila Woods
Clerk of Dougherty County Juvenile Court
Gregory T. Williams
Special Assistant Attorney General
Post Office Box 1113, Camilla, Georgia 31708
Phone (229) 330-0614, Georgia Bar Number 443607
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

Miscellaneous

A-943
SUMMARIES OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
Pursuant to requirements of the Georgia Constitution, Attorney General Christopher Carr, Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, and Legislative Counsel Betsy Howerton hereby provide the summaries of the proposed constitutional amendments that will appear on the November 3, 2026, general election ballot for consideration by the people of Georgia (short captions are those adopted by the Constitutional Amendments Publication Board):
-1 -
Increases the maximum qualifying acreage for assessment and taxation as bona fide conservation use property.
House Resolution No. 32
Ga. L. 2025, p. 1081
( ) YES
( ) NO
Shall the Constitution of Georgia, for the purpose of protecting family farmland, be amended so as to increase the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres?"
Summary
This proposal increases the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres. It amends Article VII, Section I, Paragraph III of the Georgia Constitution, relating to uniformity, classification of property, assessment of agricultural land, and utilities, by revising subparagraph (e)(1).
A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.
- 2 -
Provides for the nonpartisan election of all probate court judges.
House Resolution No. 251
Ga. L. 2026, p. 1110
( ) YES
( ) NO
Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require that all probate court judges be elected in nonpartisan elections?"
Summary
This proposal provides that all probate judges shall be elected in nonpartisan elections. It amends Article VI, Section VII, Paragraph I of the Georgia Constitution, relating to selection and term of office of judges, by revising subparagraph (a).
A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.
- 3 -
Authorizes creation of Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund for 9-1-1 systems expansion, maintenance, and operation.
House Resolution No. 1243
Ga. L. 2026, p. 1109
( ) YES
( ) NO
Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to dedicate certain existing revenues, including revenues reallocated by law, to a nonlapsing fund to be used exclusively for the expansion, maintenance, and operation of emergency 9-1-1 systems in this state?"
Summary
This proposal authorizes the General Assembly to provide by general law for the creation of the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund. It amends Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Georgia Constitution, relating to appropriations to be for specific sums, by adding a new subparagraph (s).
A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.
October 17, 24, 31, 2026

Name Changes

A-1023
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the name change of: Kinshishi Imani Mathis
Civil Action File No. 26CV963
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Kinshishi Imani Mathis , filed a petition in the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 8th day of October, 2026, to change my name from Kinshishi Imani Mathis to Kinshishi Imani Young. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
Signed this 8th day of October, 2026.
Kinshishi Imani Mathis, Petitioner
503 Rosenburg St
Albany, GA 31707
229-439-3349
October 17, 24, 31,November 7, 2026

A-1042
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the name change of: Malorie Dixon
Civil Action File No. 26CV983-3
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Malorie Dixon , filed a petition in the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 14th day of October, 2026, to change my name from Malorie Dixon to Malorie Jackson. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
Signed this 14th day of October, 2026.
Malorie Dixon, Petitioner
2029 Stuart Avenue
Albany, GA 31707
470-399-3853
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1048
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the name change of: Seth Aaron Best
Civil Action File No. 26CV994
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Seth Aaron Best , filed a petition in the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 19th day of October, 2026, to change my name from Seth Aaron Best to Elliot Silvi-Best. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
Signed this 19th day of October, 2026.
Seth Aaron Best, Petitioner
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-964
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
Dougherty COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the Name Change of the Child(ren)
Lauren Edwards, Minor child(ren)
Civil Action File No. 26CV857-4
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Tiara Noel, filed this petition to the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 4th day of September, 2026, to change the name(s) of the minor child(ren) as follows:
Current Name of Child: Lauren Taylor Edwards
Date of Birth: 07-09-10
Proposed New Name: Lauren Taylor Noel
Any interested or affected party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within thirty days as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).
This 4th day of September, 2026.
Tiara Noel
Petitioner pro se
707 Meadowlark Dr
Albany, GA 31707
229-886-5849
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-962
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the name change of: Trytinia Smokes
Civil Action File No. 26CV928-4
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Trytinia Smokes , filed a petition in the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 25th day of September, 2026, to change my name from Trytinia Smokes to Madison Elise Deveraux. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
Signed this 25th day of September, 2026.
Trytinia Smokes, Petitioner
1430 Owens Ave
Albany, GA 31705
478-403-8984
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-993
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In Re: Shameka Alford
Civil Action File No.26CV718-1
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Notice is hereby given that Shameka Alford, the undersigned, filed his petition to the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 31st day of July, 2026, praying for a change in the name of minor child(ren) from Julian Hryeer Bigham to Julian Hryeer Alford and from Baby Boy Bigham to Juelz Hilon Alford. Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition.
This 6th day of October, 2026.
Shameka Alford
Petitioner
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-989
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF Dougherty COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the name change of: Nkiruka Alex
Civil Action File No. 26CV941-1
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Nkiruka Alex , filed a petition in the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 30th day of September, 2026, to change my name from Nkiruka Alex to Nkiruka Belgrave-Seay. Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within 30 days after the Petition was filed.
Signed this 30th day of September, 2026.
Nkiruka Alex, Petitioner
525 5th Ave
Albany, GA 31701
786-442-6167
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-988
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
Dougherty COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA
In re the Name Change of the Child(ren)
Ismael Moreno, Minor child(ren)
Civil Action File No. 26CV600-3
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
I, Carmen Chicas, filed this petition to the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia on the 23rd day of June, 2026, to change the name(s) of the minor child(ren) as follows:
Current Name of Child: Ismael Moreno
Date of Birth: 01-22-23
Proposed New Name: Ismael Chicas
Any interested or affected party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within thirty days as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).
This 23 day of June, 2026.
Carmen Chicas
Petitioner pro se
22 Transvilla Pkwy
Albany, GA 31705
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

Probate Court Administration

A-1033
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM KELVIN LANE, SR.
ESTATE NO: 2026-ES-331
NOTICE
TO: Lindsey Zevnik, Mary Cole, All Heirs of William Kelvin Lane, Jr., and All Other Interested Parties:
Tommy Mims and Tracy Mims have petitioned for the appointment of the County Administrator as Administrator of the above referenced estate of said County for the sole purpose of making it possible to commence or continue a lawsuit against the estate of said decedent. If the petition is granted, the County Administrator shall be relieved by the Court from all liabilities, duties and obligations otherwise imposed on the administrator of an estate, including but not limited to the marshaling of assets, the publication of notice to creditors, the filing of an inventory, the filing of returns, and the posting of a separate bond, except for these duties and obligations directly related to the acceptance of service of process and qualification as administrator and other duties directly related to the lawsuit.
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 **November 23, 2026**. 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge of the Probate Court
225 Pine Avenue, Room 123
PO Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702-1827
229-431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1032
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: EFFIE CALLAHAN TUCKER
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-334
Dina Kay Sutherland has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **EFFIE CALLAHAN TUCKER**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **November 9, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1047
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: CHARLES HENRY GOODROE
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-343
Ethan Lee Goodroe has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **CHARLES HENRY GOODROE**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **November 16, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-975
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: OTIS FLOYD
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-295
Verlincia Green has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **OTIS FLOYD**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **November 2, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent

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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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-958
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: AMINA LANZANO
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-098
Jayden Lanzano has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **AMINA LANZANO**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **October 26, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-955
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: OLAN MARK KIMBRELL
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-320
Brandy Kimbrell Hickox has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **OLAN MARK KIMBRELL**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **October 26, 2026.**
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-954
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: DAVID LEE CREAMER
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-321
Mary Katherine Gordon has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **DAVID LEE CREAMER**, Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **October 26, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-999
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: LONNIE CHARLES GREEN, SR.
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-329
TO: Kanyana Green Grimsley, Lonnie Green, Jr., and Pearlie Necole Green and to whom it may concern:
Lekeya Shante Jackson has petitioned to be appointed **administrator** of the estate of **LONNIE GREEN, SR**., Deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261, and waiver of bond/reports/statements.) 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 for any such objections, and must be filed with the court on or before **November 16, 2026**.
All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

Probate Court Administration

objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

Probate Court Misc.

A-1009
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF FRANK H. SCHAFFER, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 2026-ES-330
PETITION BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR WAIVER OF BOND AND/OR GRANT OF CERTAIN POWERS NOTICE
Deanna R. Schaffer has petitioned for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or for the grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261 in regard to the above estate. All interested persons 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 **November 9, 2026**.
BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge of the Probate Court
Dougherty County Probate Court
225 Pine Ave, Suite 123
Albany, GA 31702
229-431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

Probate Court 12 mth Support

A-1039
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: CLIFFORD LEON TOLBERT
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-336
NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT
The Petition of **Sonja Lee Tolbert** for a year's support from the above referenced estate of the Deceased, for Decedent's surviving spouse having been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause, if any, on or before **November 16, 2026**, why said petition should not be granted.
All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds for any such objections, and must be filed on or before the time stated in the preceding sentence. All pleading/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 17, 24,31, November 7, 2026

A-1031
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: ORVEN GLENN HARP
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-335
NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT
The Petition of **Sylvia C. Harp** for a year's support from the above referenced estate of the Deceased, for Decedent's surviving spouse having been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause, if any, on or before **November 16, 2026**, why said petition should not be granted.
All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds for any such objections, and must be filed on or before the time stated in the preceding sentence. All pleading/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

Probate Court 12 mth Support

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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1043
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN RE: ESTATE OF: VALARIE J. McDONALD
ESTATE FILE NO: 2026-ES-338
NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT
The Petition of Daniel C. McDonald for a year's support from the above referenced estate of the Deceased, for Decedent's surviving spouse having been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause, if any, on or before November 16, 2026, why said petition should not be granted.
All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds for any such objections, and must be filed on or before the time stated in the preceding sentence. All pleading/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless 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.
Leisa G. Blount
Judge, Probate Court
Dougherty County, GA
P.O. Box 1827
Albany, GA 31702
(229) 431-2102
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

Public Hearings

A-1055
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ALBANY HOUSING AUTHORITY RFQ NO. PIN-55 -001 LAND ACQUISITION DUE DILIGENCE, CIVIL ENGINEERING AND LAND PLANNING SERVICES
The Housing Authority of the City of Albany, Georgia (AHA) invites qualified civil engineering firms to submit qualifications for comprehensive acquisition due diligence and preliminary land planning services for approximately 55.27 acres on Pinson Road and Rosebrier Avenue in Albany, Georgia.
AHA seeks one prime consultant responsible for providing and managing all required technical disciplines, including surveying, environmental assessments, geotechnical investigations, wetlands and floodplain evaluation, utilities, drainage, access, zoning, preliminary development planning, cost estimates, and technical closing support. Qualified subconsultants are permitted. Services will support a proposed mixed-use development and a 90-day acquisition inspection period.
Selection will be based on qualifications, relevant experience, proposed personnel, approach, availability, and past performance, followed by negotiation of scope and compensation. **Do not submit pricing with qualifications.**
The complete RFQ and submission instructions may be obtained by contacting Douglas Holdridge, Director of Modernization, at dholdridge@albanyha.com.
Qualifications must be received by no later than 2:00 PM **Eastern Time on 11-19-2026**, in accordance with the RFQ. Written questions are due by **12:00 PM Eastern Time on 11-05- 2026**
AHA reserves the right to reject any or all submissions and to cancel or amend this solicitation in accordance with applicable requirements. Small, minority-owned, and women-owned firms are encouraged to participate.
October 24, 27, 29, 31, November 3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 2026

Public Sales/ Auctions

A-1026
Legal Notice of public sale
Notice is hereby given that Tony's Towing & Wrecker Service, Albany, Georgia, pursuant to O.C.G.A 40-11-2, will sell at public auction the following abandoned motor vehicles for towing, storage, and related charges.
Sale Date: October 29,2026
Sale Time: 10:00 A.M
SALE location: Tony's towing & Wrecker service.
1541 E Broad Ave Albany, Ga 31705
229-405-3930

Vehicles:
2008 Avalon Toyota - VIN# 4T1BK36B08U315491

2015 Kia Optima LX- VIN# KNAGM4A78F5640293

2014 RAM 1500 TK- VIN # 1C6RR6GT5ES249848

2012 CHRY 200- VIN # 1C3CCBAB2CN131393

The vehicles will be sold AS IS to the highest bidder. Tony's Towing & Wrecker Service Reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
October 17, 24, 2026

A-1045
You are hereby notified, in accordance with OCGA 40-11-19 (A) (2), that petitions were filed in the Magistrate Court of Dougherty County to foreclose liens for all amounts owed. If the lien is foreclosed, a court shall order the sale of the vehicle to satisfy the debt. The vehicle is currently located at: A-1 Wrecker Service, 213 7th Ave, Albany, GA.
Corrections to advertisement of 8/8/26 and 8/15/26 incorrect vin # listed:

Make: Dodge
Model: Dakota
Year: 2007
Vin #: 1D7HE22K07S232326
License: NONE
State:
Case #: 2026-229A

Make: Honda
Model: CRV
Year: 2006
Vin #: SHSRD68516U403888
License: GR1962
State: GA
Case: 2026-228AV
Octobers 24, 31, 2026

Public Sales/ Auctions

A-1043
ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE
You are hereby notified, in accordance with OCGA 40-11-19 (a) (2), that each of the below referenced vehicles are subject to a lien and a petition may be filed in court to foreclose a lien for all amounts owed. If the lien is foreclosed, a court shall order the sale of the vehicle to satisfy the debt. Vehicles are currently located at: A1 Wrecker Service
The vehicles subject to liens as stated above are identified as:

Make: Jeep
Model: Cherokee
Year: 2014
Vin #: 1C4PJMCS4EW147670
Tag: GBK935
State: GA

Makek: Jeep
Model: Cherokee
Year: 2015
Vin #: 1C4PJMCS3FW565039
Tag: None
State;

Make: Jeep
Model: Wrangler
Year: 2006
Vin #: 1J4FA69S46P722841
Tag: NONE
State:

Anyone with an ownership interest in any of these vehicles should contact the following business immediately:
A1 Wrecker
213 7th Ave
Albany, GA 31701
Phone: (229)-436-3990
October 24, 31, 2026

A-1008
Sunbelt MINI-WAREHOUSES
1481-A US 19 SOUTH LEESBURG, GEORGIA 31763
phone: 229-888-6813
Sunbelt Mini-Warehouses will conduct a Public Sale of the contents of the storage units listed below at 1481-A US 19 S, Leesburg, GA 31763 on November 13 at 9:00am.
All sales will be sealed bids with the highest bid chosen. All bid winners will remove all the contents in the unit immediately and broom sweep unit. Sunbelt Mini-Warehouses reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any item from this sale.

Unit # 2 Lisa Bivens
Furniture Misc.

Unit #12 Amanda Hall --Furniture Misc.

Unit #20 Remington Barnes-- Misc.

Unit # 47 Francis Roberts-- Furniture Misc.

Unit #51 Johnny Washington -- Misc.

Unit #69 Jazmine Smith -- Misc.

Unit #65 #66 WJ Dunkin - Misc.
October 17, 24, 2026

A-1005
You are hereby notified, in accordance with OCGA 40-11-19 (A) (2), that petitions were filed in the Magistrate Court of Dougherty County to foreclose liens for all amounts owed. If the lien is foreclosed, a court shall order the sale of the vehicle to satisfy the debt. The vehicle is currently located at: A-1 Wrecker Service, 213 7th Ave, Albany, GA.

Make: Toyota
Year: 2008
Model: Yaris
Vin ID: JTDJT903185166026
License: SDQ
State: GA
Case #: 2026-192AV

Make: Ford
Year: 2007
Model: Edge
Vin ID: 2FMDK46C27BA57955
License: 5552242
State: NH
Case #: 2026-191AV

Make: Kia
Year: 2014
Model: Sorento
Vin ID: 5XYKT3A66EG501013
License: TGN5930
State: GA
Case: 2026-190AV

Make: Nissan
Year: 2009
Model: Murano
Vin ID: JN8AZ18U49W018572
License: SJA4502
State: GA
Case #: 2026-197AV

Make: Honda
Year: 2008
Model: Element
Vin ID: 5J6YH18788L0124436
License: P7597157
State: GA
Case #: 2026-193AV
Make: Acura
Year: 2007
Model: TL
Vin ID: 19UUA66267A020284
License: SLM5153
State: GA
Case #: 2026-189AV

Make: Toyota
Year: 2008
Model: Yaris
Vin ID: JTDBT923484010790
License: GJN304
State: GA
Case #: 2026-180AV

Make: Nissan
Year: 2013
Model: Murano
Vin ID: JN8AZ1MW9DW302716
License: S2531973
State: GA
Case #: 2026-187AV

Make: Dodge
Year: 2013
Model: Durango
Vin ID: 1C4SDHCT7DC690481
License: E21663
State: GA
Case #: 2026-181AV

Make: Nissan
Year: 2008
Model: Maxima
Vin ID: 1N4BA41E18C829635
License: RSX5947
State: GA
Case #: 2026-185AV

Make: Kia
Year: 2011
Model: Optima
Vin ID: KNACGR4A6XB5115626
License: SJL0071
State: GA
Case #: 2026-184AV

Make: Honda
Year: 2012
Model: Shadow RS
Vin ID: JH2RC5811CK200121
License: NONE
State: GA
Case #: 2026-182AV

Make: Hyundai
Year: 2012
Model: Genesis
Vin ID: KMHGC4DD7CU167104
License: NONE
State: GA
Case #: 2026-170AV

Make: Buick
Year: 2006
Model: LaCross
Vin ID: 2G4WD582061148739
License: SFL0075
State: GA
Case #: 2026-171AV

Make: Volkswagen
Year: 2015
Model: Jetta
Vin ID: 3VWD07AJ8EM329502
October 17, 24, 2026

Service by Publication

A-1041
DOUGHERTY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF GEORGIA
Petitioner: Tiffany Jackson
V.
Respondent: Kavin R. Wilburn
Civil Action Case Number: SUCV2026000362
NOTICE OF SUMMONS
To: Kavin R. Wilburn, Respondent Named Above: This notice has been published to let you know that a Petition for Child Support case was filed against you in Superior Court on 4/14, 2026. The court issued an order for service of summons by publication on 9/22, 2026. You must file an Answer to the Petition with the clerk of Superior Court and serve the Petitioner with a copy of the Answer. The Petitioner's address is 152 Patriots Trail #117, Hinesville, GA 31313. You must file your Answer within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for service by publication. If you fail to file an Answer, then a judgment by default will be taken against you, and the Petitioner will get everything he asked for in the Petition for Child Support.
This the 22nd day of September, 2026.
Samantha Sebastian, Dep
Clerk
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1038
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,
V.
DENNIS ADDISON, and UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA on behalf of the DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT,
Defendants.
Case No. SUCV2026000269
TO: DENNIS ADDISON
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
By Order for Service by Publication, entered the 13th day of October 2026, and filed on this Court's Docket the 14th day of October, 2026, you are hereby notified that Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC (the "Plaintiff") filed a Complaint for Judicial Foreclosure (the "Complaint") on March 20, 2026 and you have been named as a party-in-interest.
You are required to file with the Clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiff's attorneys, Bret J. Chaness and Patty Bramlett of Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Comers, Georgia 30071, an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order for Publication.
WITNESS, the Honorable Denise Marshall, Judge of this Superior Court. This 14th day of October, 2026
Phyllis Johnson
CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1004
Dougherty COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF GEORGIA
Petitioner: Broderick Jackson
V.
Tavia Jackson, Respondent
Civil File Case Number: 26CV866-2
Respondent: Nyoman Kurniawan
ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
Petitioner having moved the Court for an order directing service to be made upon Respondent Tavia Jackson the case named above, and it appearing to the Court from the verified Complaint and Affidavit in support of such motion that Respondent is a nonresident and that the action is an action in which a Respondent may be served by publication pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 9-10-71, it is ORDERED, that service upon the Respondent be made by publication as provided by law.
This 28th day of September, 2026.
Victoria S. Darrisaw
JUDGE / Clerk
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-1003
Dougherty COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF GEORGIA
Petitioner: Skylar Fox
V.
Nyoman Kurniawan
Civil File Case Number: 26CV822-1
Respondent: Nyoman Kurniawan
ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
Petitioner having moved the Court for an order directing service to be made upon Respondent Nyoman Kurniawan the case named above, and it appearing to the Court from the verified Complaint and Affidavit in support of such motion that Respondent is a nonresident and that the action is an action in which a Respondent may be served by publication pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 9-10-71, it is ORDERED, that service upon the Respondent be made by publication as provided by law.
This 6th day of October, 2026.
Denise Marshall
JUDGE / Clerk
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

Trade Names

A-1039
TRADE NAME REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND AFFIDAVIT
Trade Name: Smith's Transporting
203 Independence Dr Albany, GA 31705
(1) (Description of Registrant; if natural person, give name and full address: if firm or partnership, give name and address of each member of firm or partnership; if corporation, give name of corporation and its legal domicile. If limited partnership the firm name shall have added the word "limited" in parentheses).
Dontavia Farley, 203 Independence Dr Albany, GA 31705
(2) (Describe the business owned or being or to be carried on and the county in which said business is chiefly carried on, and, if a corporation, it's legal domicile; and the trade name used).
Providing hotshot trucking and transportation services for businesses and individuals. Freight transportation, local and long distance hauling, equipment and general cargo.
(3) This registration made and filed to comply with requirements of Act of General Assembly of Georgia, approved March 29, 1937, and amendment approved March 20, 1943.
Dontavia Farley
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Personally appeared before me
Dwan Cantrell, an officer authorized to administer oaths, the undersigned, who being duly sworn deposes and says that the facts stated in the foregoing registration are true. Sworn to and subscribed before me the 16th day of October, 2026.
Dwan Cantrell
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: December 22, 2028
October 24, 31, 2026

A-1054
TRADE NAME REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND AFFIDAVIT
Trade Name: Sunnyside Landscaping
2214 Taft St, Albany, GA 31707
(1) (Description of Registrant; if natural person, give name and full address: if firm or partnership, give name and address of each member of firm or partnership; if corporation, give name of corporation and its legal domicile. If limited partnership the firm name shall have added the word "limited" in parentheses).
Anthony Phillips, 2214 Taft St, Albany, GA 31707
(2) (Describe the business owned or being or to be carried on and the county in which said business is chiefly carried on, and, if a corporation, it's legal domicile; and the trade name used).
Landscaping/Construction business in Dougherty County. 2214 Taft St, Albany, GA 31707 dba Sunnyside Landscaping
(3) This registration made and filed to comply with requirements of Act of General Assembly of Georgia, approved March 29, 1937, and amendment approved March 20, 1943.
Anthony Phillips
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Personally appeared before me
Anthony Phillips, an officer authorized to administer oaths, the undersigned, who being duly sworn deposes and says that the facts stated in the foregoing registration are true. Sworn to and subscribed before me the 21st day of October, 2026.
D. Elaine Hunt Nichols
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: July 20, 2028
October 24, 31, 2026

Foreclosures

A-1030
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
To: All persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as 1403 E 1st Avenue;
Resident/Tenant/Occupant;
Kaford Properties, LLC;
Dougherty County, Georgia;
State of Georgia.
Take notice that: Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §48-4-45 and §48-4-46, the right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
Property Location: **1403 E 1st Avenue**
Map Reference No./Parcel No.: 000TT-00035-006
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on November 23, 2026.
The tax deed to which this notice relates is dated August 05, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5339, Page 314.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the close of business on the aforementioned barment date, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to Windlass Rest, LLC at the offices of Jett Law Group, LLC at 2987 Clairmont Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329.
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1028
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
To: All persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as **6014 Newton Road**;
Resident/Tenant/Occupant;
Olivia Bien-Aime;
Josette Bien-Aime;
Dougherty County, Georgia;
State of Georgia.
Take notice that: Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §48-4-45 and §48-4-46, the right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
Property Location: 6014 Newton Road
Map Reference No./Parcel No.: 00312 00006 011
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on November 23, 2026.
The tax deed to which this notice relates is dated August 05, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5339, Page 89.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the close of business on the aforementioned barment date, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to Windlass Rest, LLC at the offices of Jett Law Group, LLC at 2987 Clairmont Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329.
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1027
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
To:All persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as 5**612 McIver Drive;**
Resident/Tenant/Occupant;
Derrick L. Erickson, individually and as Executor of the Estate of Lorena Nora Erickson;
Unknown Heirs of John Erickson, III;Unknown Heirs of Erika Lopez; Zabel Lopez;Shane Erickson;Jessica Rojas a/k/a Jessica Lopez;Jonathan Lopez;Bryan Lopez;Kala Tzun;Zack Erickson;
Dougherty County, Georgia;State of Georgia.
Take notice that:Pursuant to O.C.G.A.§48-4-45 and §48-4-46, the right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
Property Location:5612 McIver Drive
Map Reference No./Parcel No.:005-1-00000-177
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on November 23, 2026.
The tax deed to which this notice relates is dated August 05, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5339, Page 90.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the close of business on the aforementioned barment date, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to Windlass Rest, LLC at the offices of Jett Law Group, LLC at 2987 Clairmont Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329.
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

Foreclosures

A-1025
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
To: All persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as **1014 James Cross Avenue;**
Resident/Tenant/Occupant;
Gerald B. Harris;
City of Albany;
State of Georgia;
Dougherty County, Georgia.
Take notice that: Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §48-4-45 and §48-4-46, the right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
Property Location: 1014 James Cross Avenue
Map Reference No./Parcel No.: 00205-00003-007
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on November 23, 2026.
The tax deed to which this notice relates is dated August 05, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5339, Page 79.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the close of business on the aforementioned barment date, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to Windlass Rest, LLC at the offices of Jett Law Group, LLC at 2987 Clairmont Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329.
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1019
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: JANE S. PETTIS
1242 Nixon Drive, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 37 of Nichols Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 94, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 00176/00004/014
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 73.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS, LLC
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments, LLC
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
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October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1051
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: FORTUNE RENTAL PROPERTIES, LLC
804 Colquitt Circle, Albany, Georgia 31707
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 402, the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being Lot 218 of West Town Subdivision, Section II, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 36, Dougherty County, Georgia Records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description, located at 804 Colquitt Circle, according to the present system of numbering property in Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 00230/00008/018
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **21st day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 321.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **21st day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
LATISA BOWMAN
% Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By: /s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Latisa Bowman
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
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A-1050
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
606 Moultrie Road, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being the East 60 feet of Lot 32 of Kalmon & Malone Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said subdivision recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 145, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, and is located at 606 Moultrie Road.
Parcel No. 0000Y/00021/004
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **21st day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 216.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **21st day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
REAL INVESTING, LLC
% Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By: /s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Real Investing, LLC
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1049
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
604 Moultrie Road, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being a strip 10 feet wide across the entire West side of Lot 32, All of Lot 33 and a 10 foot strip across the entire East side of Lot 34 of Kalmon & Malone Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said subdivision recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 145, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County.
Parcel No. 0000Y/00021/005
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **21st day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 217**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **21st day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
REAL INVESTING, LLC
% Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By: /s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Real Investing, LLC
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1017
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
103 Almond Drive, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as all of Lot 9 in Block "A" of Pecan Terrace Subdivision, according to a plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 232, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia. This property is known as 103 Almond Drive, according to the present system of street numbering in the City of Albany, Georgia.
Parcel No. 00017/00000/009
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 223.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026,** by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1044
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT TO REDEEM (NOTICE OF BARMENT)
FROM:
WARE QUALITY INVESTMENTS
TO:
GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC
406 FIFTH AVE
ALBANY, GA 31701
RE: Foreclosure of Right to Redeem Property Tax Deed
Current Tenant:
2002 COLQUITT AVE
ALBANY, GA 31707
Date of Notice: 10/01/2026
Take notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Dougherty County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows:
PLT 3-36 PT LL 402, 1ST DIST/00230/00005/038/2002 COLQUITT AVE ALBANY, GA 31707
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 20th day of November 2026
The tax deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 3, Page 36.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the close of business on the date stated above by payment of the redemption price as fixed by law to the undersigned at the following address:
Redemption Payment Location:
Ware Quality Investments
2217 Gleneagles Dr
Albany, GA 31707
Email: warequalityinvestments13@gmail.com
The property was purchased for **$13,100**. In addition,2025 taxes were **$1168.72**. Initial premium was 20% for the first year and now an additional 10% due to currently being in the 2nd year. Pay off amount for the property is to be paid with a certified check or money order.
Please govern yourself accordingly.
This 1st day of October 2026
Torey Ware / Ware Quality Investment
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2026

A-1045
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
STATE OF GEORGIA
DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by, Stephanie J. Williams, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Kellner Mortgage Investments I, LTD, dated 5/27/2005, and recorded on 6/1/2005, as Instrument No. 005946, in Book 2979, Page 292, Dougherty County, Georgia Records, as last assigned to as last assignment to The Bank of New York Mellon, F/K/A The Bank of New York as Trustee for registered Holders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-7 by assignment recorded 10/13/2026 as Instrument No. in book 5402, Page 371-372, conveying the after described property securing the payment of a Note in the amount of $60,700.00 with interest thereon as set forth therein.
NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Security Deed by the Holder, and by virtue of the power of sale and authority vested in it, will on 1/5/2027 sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash: During the legal hours of sale before the door of the courthouse of Dougherty County, Georgia, the following described property situated in Dougherty County, Georgia, to wit:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING ALL OF LOT 105 OF RADIUM SPRINGS SUBDIVISION, SECTION III, ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION AS SAME IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 109 (PLAT CABINET 1, SLIDE A-51), IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA.
Tax Parcel ID: 00008-00013-001/R00-29566 (Tax Map 8, Block 13, Parcel 1)
Being real property commonly known as **410 VIRGINIA AVE ALBANY, GA 31705**
The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the debt and all expenses of this sale including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).
Said sale will be made subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: All restrictive covenants, easements and rights-of-way appearing of record, if any; all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all outstanding or unpaid bills and assessments for street improvements, curbing, garbage, water, sewage and public utilities which may be liens upon said property; and any outstanding taxes, assessments and other liens superior to the security deed being foreclosed hereby. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the above-described property is in the possession of the borrower and/or other persons with the consent and acquiescence of the borrower.
Except to the extent that the Holder may bind and obligate Mortgagors to warrant title to the Property under the terms of the Security Deed, conveyance of the Property shall be made without any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied. All sales are "as is", "where is'.
The entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of certified funds. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser. This property is being sold with express reservation that the sale is subject to 1) confirmation and audit of the status of the loan by the holder of the security deed, 2) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, 3) procedures for rescission of sale under O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, whereby 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 above. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the person or entity who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend, or modify all terms of the above-described mortgage is as follows:
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, 500 N. State College Blvd., Suites 1030, 1300 & 1400 Orange, CA 92868 , Telephone No.: 800-561-4567
The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A The Bank of New York as trustee for registered Holders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-7 to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the Security Deed described herein.
Please be advised that the trustee may require entity or trust bidders at this trustee's sale to provide information, documentation and/or certification of the vesting instructions and the data required to be reported pursuant to FinCEN regulations effective for transfers of residential real property to covered transferees on or after March 1, 2026. The required information must be provided to the trustee before a deed under power will be issued for covered transfers. The Buyer may be required to pay charges associated with the gathering and reporting of information to FinCEN. Additional information regarding these regulations and the required transferee information and certifications can be found at:
https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers and https://www.fincen.gov/rre-faqs#D_5
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A The Bank of New York as trustee for registered Holders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-7 as Attorney in Fact for Stephanie J. Williams
For Foreclosure sale information please contact Vylla Solutions, LLC, P.O. Box 3309, Anaheim, California 92803, Phone: (888) 313-1969
TS # 26-42059
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026 January 2, 2027

A-1016
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
1803 Melrose Drive, Albany, Georgia 31707
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 404, 1st Land District, City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 10 in Block "B" of Avondale Acres, according to a plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 172, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia. Property known as 1803 Melrose Drive, Albany, Georgia.
Parcel No. 0000Q/00009/010
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 206.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026,** by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1015
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
729 East Town Road, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as all of Lot 30 in East Town Subdivision, according to a map or plat of record, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 267 and 268, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 0000U/00008/015
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 212.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
im@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1014
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
1311 Whispering Pines Road, Albany, Georgia 31701
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in a portion of Land Lot 371, 1st Land District in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 49 in Whispering Pines Subdivision, according to a plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 23, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County. Located at 1311 Whispering Pines Road, according to the present system of numbering in Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 0000N/00019/014
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 180.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-971
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE RIGHT TO REDEEM
TAKE NOTICE THAT : JEFFERY MARC WILLIAMS AND HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN and LIENHOLDERS
The right to redeem the following described property to-wit:
Map & Parcel 000HH-00027-022
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, being all of lots 5 and 6 in Block 17 in Ragsdale-Odom Addition of said city, as shown on a plat recorded in Deed Book 15, Pages 344 and 345 in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, said lots being 50 feet wide and 150 feet deep and said lots being located and fronting on the south side of Holloway Street.
Will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on or after the 24 day of October, 2026.
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August, 2025 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5339, Page 241.
The property may be redeemed at anytime before the 24th day of October 2026, by the payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: Barfield Law Firm Inc., 56 Blakely Street, Cuthbert, Georgia 39840. Please be governed accordingly.
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-969
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
Pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by JACKIE G BRIGGS to SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC. in the original principal amount of $54,000.00 dated June 26, 2003, and recorded in Deed Book 2614 , Page 337, Dougherty County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2019-4, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE in Deed Book 5380, Page 636, Dougherty 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 11/3/2026, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS ALL OF LOT 34 OF GAILSHAR GARDENS SUBDIVISION "B", ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 186 IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA.
Said property being known as: **1906 GAIL AVE, ALBANY, GA 31707**
To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are JACKIE G BRIGGS 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:
Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc.
3217 S. Decker Lake Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84119
800-635-9698
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.
TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2019-4, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, as Attorney-in-Fact for JACKIE G BRIGGS
Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC
13010 Morris Rd., Suite 450
Alpharetta, GA 30004
Phone: 470-321-7112
Firm File No. 26-394040
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-967
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
1305 Mobile Avenue, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 241, 1st Land District, City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 93-C of the resubdivision of Lot 93 of Columbia Acres, according to a map or plat of said resubdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 338, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County. Said property has located thereon a dwelling known as 1305 Mobile Avenue according to the present system of numbering in the City of Albany, Georgia.
Parcel No. 00001/00029/02B
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **27th day of November 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 115**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **27th day of November 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BAULDWIN LEE CUNNINGHAM
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By: /s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bauldwin Lee Cunningham
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-966
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
2046 N. Riverview Circle, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 5 of Lakewood Homes Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said subdivision recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 220, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County.
Parcel No. 0000K/00033/005
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **27th day of November 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed **Book 5339, Page 176**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **27th day of November 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BAULDWIN LEE CUNNINGHAM
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By: /s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bauldwin Lee Cunningham
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-965
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: STEVEN R. BENSON
2229 Duitman Road, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 188, 1st Land District, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 15 of the "Resubdivision of Parts of Tracts 15, 23 and 30 of the Towns Place Subdivision (formerly Duitman Property)", according to a map or plat of said resubdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 29 (Plat Cabinet 1, Slide A-78), in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County.
Parcel No. 00154/00004/018
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **27th day of November 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed **Book 5339, Page 67**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **27th day of November 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BAULDWIN LEE CUNNINGHAM
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By:/s/ (SEAL)
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
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GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
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tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-963
NOTICE OF SALE
GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY
By virtue of a power of sale contained in that certain Deed to Secure Debt from THOMAS G. HALL to : RENASANT BANK, as successor by corporate merger to HERITAGEBANK OF THE SOUTH, dated April 1, 2004, and recorded in Deed Book 2777, Page 022 et seq., as same was modified by Modification of Security Deed dated April 15, 2019 as recorded in Deed Book 4597, Page 175 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, said Deed to Secure Debt having originally been given to secure that certain Promissory Note in the original principal amount of FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS ($44,000.00) of even date therewith, as well as all extensions, renewals and modifications thereof, together with any and all other indebtedness, of any type or description, then or thereafter owing by THOMAS G. HALL to RENASANT BANK as successor by corporate merger to HERITAGEBANK OF THE SOUTH, there will be sold by the undersigned, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, before the courthouse door at Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in November 3, 2026, the following described property:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Dougherty County, Georgia, and being the north 188.2 feet of Tract A of the Albany Georgia Pecan Company Subdivision "D", according to a map of said subdivision as same is recorded in Contract Book 2, Page 152, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at the intersection of the north line of said tract "A" with the east right of way line of U.S. Highway 19 and run thence south 1°41' wets a distance of 180.2 feet to a point; run thence north 87°30' east a distance of 1,031.5 feet to the west right of way line of the Atlantic Coastline Rail Road; run thence north 0°30' east along the west right of way line of said rail road a distance of 188.2 feet to a point; run thence south 87°30' west a distance of 1,028.59 feet to the point of beginning; said property being described according to a plat of the property of Thomas G. Hall and Candace Lee Hall, dated December 22, 1976, by William Lowe, Registered Land Surveyor.
This is the same property as that conveyed to Grantor and Grantee by Warranty Deed as the same appears of record in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed Book 575, Page 24.
THE STREET ADDRESS OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPERTY, UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF OF RENASANT BANK ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT NUMBERING SYSTEM OF STREETS IN DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA IS 4100 RADIUM SPRINGS ROAD, ALBANY, GEORGIA.
The indebtedness secured by the aforementioned Security Deed has been and is hereby declared immediately due and payable in full because of the failure of THOMAS G. HALL to maintain payments upon said indebtedness owing to the RENASANT BANK as successor by corporate merger to HERITAGEBANK OF THE SOUTH in accordance with its terms. Said indebtedness remaining in default, this sale shall be made for the purpose of paying such indebtedness, as well as all expenses of this sale, including attorneys' fees.
The above-described property will be sold as the property of THOMAS G. HALL and will be sold subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: all zoning and subdivision ordinances and/or regulations; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or an inspection of the property; all real property ad valorem taxes or assessments, which may constitute liens upon said property; all liens which, under applicable law, would take priority over the Deed to Secure Debt described above; and all easements, restrictions, rights-of-way, security deeds or other encumbrances of record which have priority over the referenced Deed to Secure Debt.
To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party presently in possession of said property is THOMAS G. HALL, and/or a tenant or tenants.
Please be further advised that the entity which has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of your Notes, Security Deed, and related documents, is:
Renasant Bank
104 Heritage Lane
Leesburg, GA 31763
(229) 878-2008
ATTN: Joey Shiver
Please note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of such loan.
THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
RENASANT BANK, as successor by corporate merger to HERITAGEBANK OF THE SOUTH as Attorney-in-Fact for THOMAS G. HALL
October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-960
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT TO REDEEM
TO: **Stephen Acree and/or all heirs and persons claiming thereunder**
Take notice that: **James Unlimited Property Management LLC**
The right to redeem the following described property to-wit:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 209 AND 210, 1ST LAND DISTRICT, DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA, CONSISTING OF 6.60 ACRES , MORE OR LESS BEING A PORTION OF TRACT 2, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT ENTITLED "RETRACEMENT SURVEY WILLIE PEARL HARRIS ESTATE", PREPARED BY FENTON W. NASH, GEORGIA LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2829, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 61, DOUGHTERY COUNTY , GEORGIA PUBLIC DEED RECORDS.
Parcel: 00159-00001-033
Location Address: 1418 WILLIAMSBURG RD
will expire and forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **28th of October 2026.**
The tax deed to which the notice relates is dated the **5TH day of August 2025** and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Ben Hill County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5398 Page 86.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **28th day of October 2026** by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address.
James Unlimited Property Management LLC
327 Eighth Avenue
Albany, Ga 31701
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-959
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT TO REDEEM
TO: **Stephen Acree and/or all heirs and persons claiming thereunder**
Take notice that: **James Unlimited Property Management LLC**
The right to redeem the following described property to-wit:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 209 AND 210, 1ST LAND DISTRICT, DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA, CONSISTING OF 6.42 ACRES , MORE OR LESS, BEING TRACT 3, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT ENTITLED "RETRACEMENT SURVEY WILLIE PEARL HARRIS ESTATE", PREPARED BY FENTON W. NASH, GEORGIA LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2829, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 61, DOUGHTERY COUNTY , GEORGIA PUBLIC DEED RECORDS.
Parcel: 00159-00001-007
Location Address: 1415 WILLIAMSBURG RD
will expire and forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **28th day of October 2026.**
The tax deed to which the notice relates is dated the **5TH day of August 2025** and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Ben Hill County, Georgia, in Deed Book 5398 Page 85.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **28th day of October 2026** by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address.
James Unlimited Property Management LLC
327 Eighth Avenue
Albany, Ga 31701
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-956
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: FREDERICK SHANE BELL
1018 Lincoln Avenue, Albany, Georgia 31701
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 363 in the First Land District, City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 5X, Block 161, of the Redivision of West Highlands Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said Redivision of West Highlands Subdivision, as the same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 2 (Plat Cabinet 1, Slide A-37), in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, and is located at 1018 Lincoln Avenue, according to the present system of numbering house in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 000DD/00024/020
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **23rd day of November 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in Deed **Book 5339, Page 277**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **23rd day of November 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
HIGHER HEIGHTS FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES, INC.
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
By:/s/ (SEAL)TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Higher Heights Fellowship Ministries, Inc.
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

A-923
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
Because of a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by Rico B Anderson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as grantee, as nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Paddio, a Missouri Limited Liability Company dated November 30, 2021, and recorded in Deed Book 4912, Page 222-232, Dougherty County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to NewRez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, securing a Note in the original principal amount of $122,735.00, 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, December 1, 2026, 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 the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 15, Block 2, of Palmyra Homes Subdivision according to a map or plat of said subdivision as the same is recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 210 (Plat Cabinet 1, Slide A-27), in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia.
Said property is known as **1308 6Th Avenue, Albany, GA 31707**, 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

Foreclosures

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 **Rico B Anderson and Odella Smith Anderson, successor in interest or tenant(s).**

NewRez LLC as Attorney-in-Fact for Rico B Anderson

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September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, 2026

A-947
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
Pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by CHIAKA NEALY to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as a nominee for Southpoint Financial Services, Inc. in the original principal amount of $93,279.00 dated August 29, 2024, and recorded in Deed Book 5223, Page 266, Dougherty County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC in Deed Book 5397, Page 1-2, Dougherty 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 11/3/2026, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 371 IN THE FIRST LAND DISTRICT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING ALL OF LOT 37 OF NORTH SLAPPEY HEIGHTS, ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION AS THE SAME IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 258 (PLAT CABINET 1, SLIDE A-33), IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORIGA,
Said property being known as: **1109 19TH AVE, ALBANY, GA 31707**
To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are CHIAKA NEALY 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:
Planet Home Lending, LLC
321 Research Parkway, Suite 303
Meriden, CT 06450
1-855-884-2250
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.
PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC, as Attorney-in-Fact for CHIAKA NEALY
Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC
13010 Morris Rd., Suite 450
Alpharetta, GA 30004
Phone: 470-321-7112
Firm File No. 26-445818
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-1013
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
1309 Whispering Pines Road, Albany, Georgia 31701
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in a portion of Land Lot 371, 1st Land District in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot 47 in Whispering Pines Subdivision, according to a plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 23, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County. Located at 1309 Whispering Pines Road, according to the present system of numbering in Dougherty County, Georgia.
Parcel No. 0000N/00019/015
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 181.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
BONNIE'S BLUE STAR INVESTMENTS
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Bonnie's Blue Star Investments
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1012
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
811 Cotton Avenue, Albany, Georgia 31701
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lots 14, 15 and 16 in Block 1 of Hollywood Heights Subdivision, according to a map or plat of said subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 209, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County.
Parcel No. 000HH/00005/013
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 289.**
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
DANTEVEOUS BALDWIN
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Danteveous Baldwin
GA State Bar No. 213025
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Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-1011
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
TO: GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL, LLC
1604 Beverly Avenue, Albany, Georgia 31705
and all persons who can claim any interest in and to said property:
Take Notice that:
The right to redeem the following described property, to wit:
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, and being all of Lot E-2, Rolling Groves Subdivision, according to a plat of same as same is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 135, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County.
Parcel No. 0000K/00010/013
will expire and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the **7th day of December 2026.**
The Tax Deed to which this notice relates is dated the 5th day of August 2025, and is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, in **Deed Book 5339, Page 172**.
The property may be redeemed at any time before the **7th day of December 2026**, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address:
TAKELIA BLANDIN
Divine Finney Davis, PC
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.
TIMOTHY O. DAVIS
Attorney for Takelia Blandin
GA State Bar No. 213025
600 N. Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701
229/883-1610
tim@dfdpclaw.com
October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2026

A-998
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DOUGHERTY
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
Because of a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by James H. Coston and Anita S. Coston, husband and wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for BBMC Mortgage A Division of Bridgeview Bank Group, its successors and assigns dated January 26, 2018, and recorded in Deed Book 4481, Page 189, Dougherty County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to U.S. Bank National Association, securing a Note in the original principal amount of $226,743.00, 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, December 1, 2026, 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 IN LAND LOT 37 OF THE SECOND LAND DISTRICT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS ALL OF LOT 263 OF ST. ANDREWS SUBDIVISION, SECTION 2, ACCORDING TO PLAT OF SAME AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 30, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA. SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY, VISIBLE AND OF RECORD, IF ANY.
DEED TYPE: WARRANTY DEED BETWEEN CHARLES A. CLARK, AND HAZEL F. CLARK AND JAMES H. COSTON AND ANITA S. COSTON DATED: 1/20/2000, RECORDED DATE: 1/20/2000, IN BOOK: 2051, PAGE 176.
Said property is known as **2405 East Alberson Drive, Albany, GA 31721**, 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 **Anita S. Coston and The Representative of the Estate of James H. Coston, successor in interest or tenant(s).**

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Attorney-in-Fact for James H. Coston and Anita S. Coston, husband and wife

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October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, 2026

A-997
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER
STATE OF GEORGIA
DOUGHERTY COUNTY
Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by, Rodney B. Dixon, Sr., to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, dated 11/15/2013, and recorded on 12/2/2013, in Book 4082, Page 191, Dougherty County, Georgia Records, as last assigned to as last assignment to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC by assignment recorded 3/6/2017 as Instrument No. in book 4396, Page 307, conveying the after described property securing the payment of a Note in the amount of $125,681.00 with interest thereon as set forth therein.
NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Security Deed by the Holder, and by virtue of the power of sale and authority vested in it, will on 1/5/2027 sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash: During the legal hours of sale before the door of the courthouse of Dougherty County, Georgia., the following described property situated in Dougherty County, Georgia, to wit:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING ALL OF LOT 5 OF
THE C.E. JACKSON SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION AS SAME IS RECORDED IN PLAT
BOOK 3 PAGE 311 IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA.
Tax Parcel ID: 00182/00001/20G
Being real property commonly known as **108 SE ROSEWOOD DR ALBANY, GA 31705**
The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the debt and all expenses of this sale including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).
Said sale will be made subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: All restrictive covenants, easements and rights-of-way appearing of record, if any; all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all outstanding or unpaid bills and assessments for street improvements, curbing, garbage, water, sewage and public utilities which may be liens upon said property; and any outstanding taxes, assessments and other liens superior to the security deed being foreclosed hereby. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the above-described property is in the possession of the borrower and/or other persons with the consent and acquiescence of the borrower.
Except to the extent that the Holder may bind and obligate Mortgagors to warrant title to the Property under the terms of the Security Deed, conveyance of the Property shall be made without any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied. All sales are "as is", "where is'.
The entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of certified funds. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser. This property is being sold with express reservation that the sale is subject to 1) confirmation and audit of the status of the loan by the holder of the security deed, 2) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, 3) procedures for rescission of sale under O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, whereby 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 above.
Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the person or entity who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend, or modify all terms of the above-described mortgage is as follows:
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, 500 N. State College Blvd., Suites 1030, 1300 & 1400 Orange, CA 92868 , Telephone No.: 800-561-4567
The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the Security Deed described herein.
Please be advised that the trustee may require entity or trust bidders at this trustee's sale to provide information, documentation and/or certification of the vesting instructions and the data required to be reported pursuant to FinCEN regulations effective for transfers of residential real property to covered transferees on or after March 1, 2026. The required information must be provided to the trustee before a deed under power will be issued for covered transfers. The Buyer may be required to pay charges associated with the gathering and reporting of information to FinCEN. Additional information regarding these regulations and the required transferee information and certifications can be found at:
https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers and https://www.fincen.gov/rre-faqs#D_5
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC as Attorney in Fact for Rodney B. Dixon, Sr.
For Foreclosure sale information please contact Vylla Solutions, LLC, P.O. Box 3309, Anaheim, California 92803, Phone: (888) 313-1969
TS # 26-42435
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
October 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12, 19, 26, January 2, 2026

A-987
Notice Of Sale Under Power
State Of Georgia, County Of Dougherty. Under And By Virtue Of The Power Of Sale Contained In A Deed To Secure Debt Given By Moses Martinez To Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Grantee, As Nominee For Ameris Bank, Its Successors And Assigns , Dated 05/13/2024, And Recorded On 05/14/2024 As Book No. 5190 And Page No. 324-338, Dougherty County, Georgia Records, As Last Assigned To Pennymac Loan Services, LLC (The Secured Creditor), By Assignment, Conveying The After-Described Property To Secure A Note Of Even Date In The Original Principal Amount Of $235,554.00, With Interest At The Rate Specified Therein, There Will Be Sold By The Undersigned At Public Outcry To The Highest Bidder For Cash At The Dougherty County Courthouse Within The Legal Hours Of Sale On The First Tuesday In November, 2026, The Following Described Property: All That Tract Or Parcel Of Land, Lying And Being In Land Lots 222 And 247 Of The First Land District, City Of Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, And Being A Part Of Tracts 3 And 26 Of The Dixie Pecan Orchards Company Subdivision "E", And Being More Particularly Described As Follows: Commence At The Northwest Corner Of Tract 3 Of Dixie Pecan Orchards Company Subdivision "E" As Shown On A Plat Of Said Subdivision Recorded In Deed Book 18, Page 361, Dougherty County Public Deed Records, And Go Thence South 04 Degrees 39 Minutes East Along The Eastern Boundary Of The Albany-Camilla Highway (State Road 3) A Distance Of 230 Feet To The Point Of Beginning; Continue Thence South 04 Degrees 39 Minutes East A Distance Of 221.8 Feet To A Point Marked By An Iron Pin; Go Thence North 87 Degrees 20 Minutes East A Distance Of 1047.5 Feet To A Point Marked By An Iron Pin; Go Thence North 00 Degrees 45 Minutes East A Distance Of 220 Feet To A Point, Go Thence South 87 Degrees 20 Minutes West A Distance Of 1067.8 Feet To The Point Of Beginning. Said Tract Is Further Described On A Plat Of Survey Prepared By William Lowe, Registered Surveyor, Dated March 12, 1980. The Debt Secured By Said Deed To Secure Debt Has Been And Is Hereby Declared Due Because Of, Among Other Possible Events Of Default, Failure To Pay The Indebtedness As And When Due And In The Manner Provided In The Note And Deed To Secure Debt. Because The Debt Remains In Default, This Sale Will Be Made For The Purpose Of Paying The Same And All Expenses Of This Sale, As Provided In The Deed To Secure Debt And By Law, Including Attorney's Fees (Notice Of Intent To Collect Attorney's Fees Having Been Given). Pennymac Loan Services, LLC Holds The Duly Endorsed Note And Is The Current Assignee Of The Security Deed To The Property. Pennymac Loan Services, LLC, Acting On Behalf Of And, As Necessary, In Consultation With Pennymac Loan Services, LLC (The Current Investor On The Loan), Is The Entity With The Full Authority To Negotiate, Amend, And Modify All Terms Of The Loan. Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, Pennymac Loan Services, LLC May Be Contacted At: Pennymac Loan Services, LLC, 3043 Townsgate Road, Suite 200, Westlake Village, CA 91361, 866-549-3583. Please Note That, Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, The Secured Creditor Is Not Required To Amend Or Modify The Terms Of The Loan. To The Best Knowledge And Belief Of The Undersigned, The Party/Parties In Possession Of The Subject Property Known As **3404 Radium Springs Rd, Albany, Georgia 31705** Is/Are: Moses Martinez Or Tenant/Tenants. Said Property Will Be Sold Subject To (A) Any Outstanding Ad Valorem Taxes (Including Taxes Which Are A Lien, But Not Yet Due And Payable), (B) Any Matters Which Might Be Disclosed By An Accurate Survey And Inspection Of The Property, And (C) All Matters Of Record Superior To The Deed To Secure Debt First Set Out Above, Including, But Not Limited To, Assessments, Liens, Encumbrances, Zoning Ordinances, Easements, Restrictions, Covenants, Etc. The Sale Will Be Conducted Subject To (1) Confirmation That The Sale Is Not Prohibited Under The U.S. Bankruptcy Code; And (2) Final Confirmation And Audit Of The Status Of The Loan With The Holder Of The Security Deed. Pursuant To O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, Which Allows For Certain Procedures Regarding The Rescission Of Judicial And Nonjudicial Sales In The State Of Georgia, The Deed Under Power And Other Foreclosure Documents May Not Be Provided Until Final Confirmation And Audit Of The Status Of The Loan As Provided In The Preceding Paragraph. Pennymac Loan Services, LLC As Attorney In Fact For Moses Martinez. This Law Firm Is Acting As A Debt Collector Attempting To Collect A Debt. Any Information Obtained Will Be Used For That Purpose. 00000010712636 Barrett Daffin Frappier Turner & Engel, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341-5398.
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Notice Of Sale Under Power
State Of Georgia, County Of Dougherty. Under And By Virtue Of The Power Of Sale Contained In A Deed To Secure Debt Given By Jamaica Allen And Travis Allen To Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") As Nominee For Carrington Mortgage Services LLC , Dated 08/17/2023, And Recorded On 08/17/2023 As Book No. 5116 And Page No. 210-225, Dougherty County, Georgia Records, As Last Assigned To Bank United N.A. (The Secured Creditor), By Assignment, Conveying The After-Described Property To Secure A Note Of Even Date In The Original Principal Amount Of $263,145.00, With Interest At The Rate Specified Therein, There Will Be Sold By The Undersigned At Public Outcry To The Highest Bidder For Cash At The Dougherty County Courthouse Within The Legal Hours Of Sale On The First Tuesday In November, 2026, The Following Described Property: All That Tract Or Parcel Of Land Situate, Lying And Being In The City Of Albany, County Of Dougherty, State Of Georgia, And Being More Particularly Described As Follows: All Of Lot Nos. 116 And 117 In Lake Park Subdivision "A", According To Plat Of Same As Recorded In Plat Book 2, Page 30 In The Office Of The Clerk Of Superior Court Of Dougherty County, Georgia. This Conveyance Is Made Subject To The Public Utility Easements And Other Easements, Visible And/Or Of Record, Affecting The Conveyed Property; To Any Valid And Enforceable Protective Covenants And Restrictions Applicable To The Property And To The Valid And Enforceable Laws, Ordinances And Regulations Governing And Regulating The Use Of The Conveyed Property. The Debt Secured By Said Deed To Secure Debt Has Been And Is Hereby Declared Due Because Of, Among Other Possible Events Of Default, Failure To Pay The Indebtedness As And When Due And In The Manner Provided In The Note And Deed To Secure Debt. Because The Debt Remains In Default, This Sale Will Be Made For The Purpose Of Paying The Same And All Expenses Of This Sale, As Provided In The Deed To Secure Debt And By Law, Including Attorney's Fees (Notice Of Intent To Collect Attorney's Fees Having Been Given). Bank United N.A. Holds The Duly Endorsed Note And Is The Current Assignee Of The Security Deed To The Property. Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Acting On Behalf Of And, As Necessary, In Consultation With Bank United N.A. (The Current Investor On The Loan), Is The Entity With The Full Authority To Negotiate, Amend, And Modify All Terms Of The Loan. Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC May Be Contacted At: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, 500 N. State College Blvd.,, Suites 1030, 1300 And 1400, Orange, CA 92868, 800-561-4567. Please Note That, Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, The Secured Creditor Is Not Required To Amend Or Modify The Terms Of The Loan. To The Best Knowledge And Belief Of The Undersigned, The Party/Parties In Possession Of The Subject Property Known As **1009 Summit Drive, Albany, Georgia 31707** Is/Are: Jamaica Allen And Travis Allen Or Tenant/Tenants. Said Property Will Be Sold Subject To (A) Any Outstanding Ad Valorem Taxes (Including Taxes Which Are A Lien, But Not Yet Due And Payable), (B) Any Matters Which Might Be Disclosed By An Accurate Survey And Inspection Of The Property, And (C) All Matters Of Record Superior To The Deed To Secure Debt First Set Out Above, Including, But Not Limited To, Assessments, Liens, Encumbrances, Zoning Ordinances, Easements, Restrictions, Covenants, Etc. The Sale Will Be Conducted Subject To (1) Confirmation That The Sale Is Not Prohibited Under The U.S. Bankruptcy Code; And (2) Final Confirmation And Audit Of The Status Of The Loan With The Holder Of The Security Deed. Pursuant To O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, Which Allows For Certain Procedures Regarding The Rescission Of Judicial And Nonjudicial Sales In The State Of Georgia, The Deed Under Power And Other Foreclosure Documents May Not Be Provided Until Final Confirmation And Audit Of The Status Of The Loan As Provided In The Preceding Paragraph. Bank United N.A. As Attorney In Fact For Jamaica Allen And Travis Allen. This Law Firm Is Acting As A Debt Collector Attempting To Collect A Debt. Any Information Obtained Will Be Used For That Purpose. To Obtain Options And Alternatives To Foreclosure Please Contact Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC Directly, Toll-Free By The Following Telephone Number: (800-561-4567). 00000010742583 Barrett Daffin Frappier Turner & Engel, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341-5398.
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CALHOUN COUNTY NOVEMBER 2026 TAX SALE
SHERIFF'S SALE
ANGELA D. VARNUM
EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CALHOUN
Under and by virtue of certain tax Fi.Fa.'s issued by the **Tax Commissioner of Calhoun County, Georgia, in favor of the State of Georgia and County of Calhoun** against the following named persons and the property as described immediately below their respective name(s).
There will be sold for cash or certified funds at public outcry, before the **Courthouse steps in Morgan, Calhoun County, Georgia**, between the legal hours of sale, on the **first Tuesday in November 2026, the same November 3, 2026.**
The following property will be sold **between the legal hours of sale, 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM**. The below listed and described properties, or as much thereof as will satisfy the State and County tax execution on the respective individual and property. The properties hereinafter described have been levied on as the property of the persons whose names immediately precede the property description. Each of the respective parcels of property are located in **Calhoun County, State of Georgia**. The years for which said Fi.Fa.ís are issued and levied are stated below the name of the owner in each case. **This is a buyer beware sale and all property will be sold as is. The Tax Commissioner makes no warranty, neither expressed nor implied, as to title, and all properties are subject to all recorded covenants, easements, and right of ways. Properties are sold under the power of a tax sale deed with specific rights of redemption.**
Each defendant and tenant in possession, if applicable, has been notified of levy time and place of sale. Purchaser shall pay for title, all transfer cost, all taxes, advertising cost and recording fees. At the discretion of the Tax Commissioner's office, payment will be required within two (2) hours after the completion of the tax sale. In the event a bid is not properly paid, the property may be **re-offered later on the day of the sale, or the following business day, that being November 4, 2026.**

File #: 2
Map/Parcel Number: A009 018
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Alexander, Robert ETAL; A009 018 / 18691 Morgan Rd NE
Current Property Owner: Alexander, Robert; Brown, Morella A; Brown, Bessie A; Scrubbs, Lura Lee A; Alexander, Annie Pearl; Brown, Mandi A; Alexander, Flozell; Alexander, Lonnie; Alexander, Willie Jim; Alexander, Emmanuel
Reference Deed: 48/789
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A009 018, lying and being in Land Lot 149, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.50 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 48, Page 789, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 18691 Morgan Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 5
Map/Parcel Number: 0022 012C
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Bethel, Anissiya; 0022 012C / 3AC/2095 Dickey Bypass
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 196/73
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0022 012C, lying and being in Land Lot 120 of the 3rd Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 3.00 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 196, Page 73, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 2095 Dickey Bypass.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 6
Map/Parcel Number: L004 002
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Black, Vashti (Estate); L004 002 / Lot & HSE/39254 Mercer Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: Y/305
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L004 002, in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book Y, Page 305, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 39254 Mercer Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 7
Map/Parcel Number: E010 020
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Blackmon, Debra & Holley, Larry Donnell; E010 020 / House 52 First Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 182/118
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E010 020, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 182, Page 118, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 52 First Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 8
Map/Parcel Number: A005 018
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Blocker, Charlie Estate IN REM; A005 018 / 180 SE R E Jennings Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 142/4
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005 018, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.39 acres, more or less, being Lot 1, described in Deed Book 142, Page 4, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 180 R E Jennings Avenue SE.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 9
Map/Parcel Number: A005 101
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Blue Wright Holdings Opportunity Zone LLC; A005 101 / 17343 Highland Avenue
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 217/249
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005 101, lying and being in Land Lot 189 of the 4th Land District, City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 217, Page 249, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 17343 South Highland Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 10
Map/Parcel Number: L006 041
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Brown, Edward (Est in REM); L006 041 / 3808 South Depot St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 91/60
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L006 041, lying and being in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Tract C, shown in Plat Book 2, Page 12, described in Deed Book 91, Page 60, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 3808 South Depot Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 12
Map/Parcel Number: E005 063A
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Brown, Lula Mae; E005 063A / 19471 Hartford St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 168/485
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E005 063A, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.04 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 168, Page 485, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 19471 Hartford Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 13
Map/Parcel Number: A004 052
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Bryant, Timothy B (Estate in REM); A004 052 / Lot 3 & 4 / 39 Magnolia Ave NE
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 200/558; 174/569
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A004 052, lying and being in Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.52 acre, more or less, being Lots 3 & 4, Carver Heights Subdivision, shown in Plat Book 2, Page 105, described in Deed Book 200, Page 558, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 39 Magnolia Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 14
Map/Parcel Number: A003 054
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Butler, Ben & Judye Estate; A003 054 / Lot/Camellia St SW
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: NRF
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A003 054, lying and being in Land Lot 189 of the 4th Land District, City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, located on Camellia Street.
Years Due: 2024-2025

File #: 15
Map/Parcel Number: 0030 065B07
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Butler, Ruby Estate IN REM; 0030 065B07 / Lot & MH/Dismukes MHP #20
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 95/216
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0030 065B07, lying and being in Land Lot 245 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.299 acres, more or less, being Tract 7, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 307, described in Deed Book 95, Page 216, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 20621 Highway 37 20.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 16
Map/Parcel Number: E002 026
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Collins, Faye (Fay) Lee (Estate); E002 026 / 801 Martin Luther King Dr
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 35/101
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 026, lying and being in Land Lot 204 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lot 10, Oak Grove Subdivision, described in Deed Book 35, Page 101, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 801 MLK Jr Drive.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 17
Map/Parcel Number: A005 021
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Conley, Diane Barnes; A005 021 / 222 Arles St SE
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 53/237
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005 021, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.28 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 53, Page 237, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 222 Arles Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 19
Map/Parcel Number: L007 011
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Crayton, Alex Jr; L007 011 / 3337 S Depot St
Current Property Owner: Crayton, Alex & Crayton, Alex Jr
Reference Deed: 28/57; 165/564; 206/421
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L007 011, lying and being in Land Lot 307 of the 3rd Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.46 acre, more or less, being Lot 11, Bill Jordan's Bermuda Plantation Subdivision, shown in Plat Book 2, Page 282, described in Deed Book 206, Page 421, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 3337 South Depot Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 20
Map/Parcel Number: 0018 007D04
Defendant(s) in FiFa: CTA Properties Management LLC; 0018 007D04/ Lot 4/110 Daisy Court
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 208/443
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0018 007D04, lying and being in Land Lots 205 & 206 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.50 acres, more or less, being Lot 4, Sealy Place Subdivision, Phase 1, shown in Plat Book 6, Page 196, described in Deed Book 208, Page 443, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 110 Daisy Court.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 21
Map/Parcel Number: 0022 002B
Defendant(s) in FiFa: CTA Properties Management LLC; 0022 002B / Bond Estates Tract C/ Dickey BYP
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 215/314; 145/293
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0022 002B, lying and being in Land Lot 83 of the 3rd Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 9.71 acres, more or less, being Tract C, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 186, described in Deed Book 145, Page 293, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 1291 Fountain Bridge Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 23
Map/Parcel Number: 0040 016A

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Defendant(s) in FiFa: Davis, Lacarrie Renea; 0040 016A / 3.43 Ac/665 Bluffton Rd
Current Property Owner: Davis, Lacarrie Renea & Robinson, Veronice
Reference Deed: 210/150;232/456
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0040 016A, lying and being in Land Lot 323 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 3.43 acres, more or less, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 217, described in Deed Book 232, Page 456, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 665 Bluffton Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 24
Map/Parcel Number: E010 031
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Davis, Patrick (Partick) & Hill, LaCarie (LaCarrie); E010 031 / MH 18098 College St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 182/76
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E010 031, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 182, Page 76, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 18098 College Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 25
Map/Parcel Number: A005A001BB
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Denis, Fredy Jean Jr; A005A001BB / 518 Pioneer Rd NE
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 218/434; 157/14
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005A001BB, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, being part of Lots 37 & 39, Block B, described in Deed Book 218, Page 434, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 518 Pioneer Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 26
Map/Parcel Number: 0041 014AC
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Duke, Larry E Jr & Marilyn (Marilynn); 0041 014AC / 1.5 AC/ Davis Chapel Rd
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 193/492
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0041 014AC, lying and being in Land Lot 283 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.50 acres, more or less, shown in Deed Book 193, Page 493, described in Deed Book 193, Page 492, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 1390 Davis Chapel Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 27
Map/Parcel Number: A002 041
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Dunham, Rodney Estate; Dunham, Roxie; A002 041 / V/L John McMurria Rd
Current Property Owner: Dunham, Rodney & Harper, Jura Dunham
Reference Deed: N/230
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A002 041, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.25 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book N, Page 230, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, located on John McMurria Road.
Years Due: 2021-2025

File #: 29
Map/Parcel Number: 0016 030
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Ferguson, Virginia H & Jason M; 0016 030 / 1 AC/ 4639 Ferguson Rd
Current Property Owner: Ferguson, Oscar Malone & Mrs. Agnes B
Reference Deed: 33/697; 34/679; 28/519
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0016 030, lying and being in Land Lot 337 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.932 acre, more or less, being Tract 3, shown in Plat Book 8, Page 8, described in Deed Book 34, Page 679 & being a portion of the property described in Deed Book 28, Page 519, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 4639 Ferguson Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 30
Map/Parcel Number: A005 101C
Defendant(s) in FiFa: George, Vernell K (Estate In REM); A005 101C / Lot & House/116 Creek Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 54/432;79/75
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005 101C, lying and being in Land Lot 189 of the 4th Land District, City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lots 2 & 3, shown in Plat Book 4, Page 159, described in Deed Book 79, Page 75 & Deed Book 54, Page 432, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 116 Creek Avenue.
Years Due: 2024-2025

File #: 34
Map/Parcel Number: 0087 002
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Griffin, Cassell W (Estate in REM); 0087 002 / 474 AC / 129 Hwy 37
Current Property Owner: Division 7 Properties LLC
Reference Deed: 230/525
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0087 002, lying and being in Land Lots 101 & 140 of the 3rd Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 230, Page 525, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 129 Highway 37.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 35
Map/Parcel Number: A003 104
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hall, Columbus & Ethel Estates; A003 104 / Creek Ave & Butlers Alley
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: NRF
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A003 104, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.07 acre, more or less, the description contained herein being incorporated by this reference, located on Creek Avenue & Butlers Alley.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 36
Map/Parcel Number: A003 098
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hall, Columbus & Ethel Estates; A003 098 / City Lot/Cherokee St SW
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: NRF
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A003 098, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.07 acre, more or less, the description contained herein being incorporated by this reference, located on Cherokee Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 39
Map/Parcel Number: 0074 070
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Harrell, Lillie Mae; 0074 070 / 4087 W Main Street
Current Property Owner: Bowman, Floyd & Miller, Turner A
Reference Deed: Y/554
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0074 070, lying and being in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book Y, Page 554, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 4087 West Main Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 45
Map/Parcel Number: A005 058
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hightower, Charles & Deanne (WROS); A005 058 / 49 Pepper St SE
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 192/409
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005 058, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.21 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book 192, Page 409, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 49 Pepper Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 46
Map/Parcel Number: 0028 007A
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Karter, William Jeffrey & Hill, Jay Kirkman; 0028 007A / 1.338 AC/Sandy Bottom Rd
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 182/499; 216/342
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0028 007A, lying and being in Land Lot 325 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.34 acres, more or less, shown in Plat Book 7, Page 94, described in Deed Book 216, Page 342, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 1390 Sandy Bottom Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 47
Map/Parcel Number: A003 103
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hill, McKenzie; A003 103 / City Lot/Creek Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: NRF
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A003 103, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.13 acre, more or less, the description contained herein being incorporated by this reference, located on Creek Avenue.
Years Due: 2022-2025

File #: 48
Map/Parcel Number: E004 082
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hodge, Elijah Jr; E004 082 / 344 MLK Jr Dr
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: W/194;227/704
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 082, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.25 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book 227, Page 704, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 344 Martin Luther King Jr Drive.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 49
Map/Parcel Number: E004 105
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Hodge, John R Jr Et Al; E004 105 / Lot 25/ 31 Jay Street
Current Property Owner: Hodge, John R (Est)
Reference Deed: 30/505-506; 206/610
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 105, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.34 acre, more or less, being Lot 25, shown in Plat Book 3, Page 162, described in Deed Book 30, Pages 505-506, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 31 Jay Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 52
Map/Parcel Number: E003 039
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Jackson, Joyce Ann; E003 039 / 122 Lark Street
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 190/263
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E003 039, lying and being in the City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 190, Page 263, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 122 Lark Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 57
Map/Parcel Number: E002 019
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Johnson, Inell S; E002 019 / 60 Turner Chapel Lane NW
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: Y/546; 226/483
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 019, lying and being in Land Lot 204, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.21 acre, more or less, being a portion of City Lot 33, described in Deed Book 226, Page 483, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 60 Turner Chapel Lane.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 58
Map/Parcel Number: E004 019
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Johnson, Inell S; E004 019 / 739 Turner Street
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 226/481
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 019, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book 53, Page 680, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 739 Turner Street.
Years Due: 2019,2025

File #: 63
Map/Parcel Number: L006 024
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Mansfield, Sabrina; L006 024 / Lts 81-83/ 21 & 25 Florence Ave
Current Property Owner: Mansfield, Sabrina & Jackson, Lonzie & Lonzie Jr & Eddie & Wilman
Reference Deed: 196/493; 195/323
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L006 024, lying and being in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lots 81, 82 & 83, Hammond Annex, shown in Plat Book 2, Page 142, described in Deed Book 196, Page 493, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 25 Florence Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 64
Map/Parcel Number: A008 023
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Mardes1 LLC; A008 023 / Lot 1 & 2/18199 Morgan Rd
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 45/324; 52/86; 146/370; 223/445
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A008 023, lying and being in Land Lot 149 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.83 acre, more or less, being Lots 1 & 2, shown in Plat Book 3, Page 173, described in Deed Book 223, Page 445, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 18199 Morgan Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 65
Map/Parcel Number: L005 028A
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Marshall, Christine; L005 028A /MH/66 Boyd St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 48/586
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L005 028A, lying and being in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, being a portion of Lot 21, described in Deed Book 48, Page 586, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 66 Boyd Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 67
Map/Parcel Number: E005 021
Defendant(s) in FiFa: McIntosh, Samuel L (Lavan) & Monique L; E005 021 / Duplex / 194 Strickland St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 181/373
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E005 021, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, containing 0.96 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 181, Page 373, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 194 Strickland Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 73
Map/Parcel Number: 0030 06521
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Oliver, Donald E; 0030 06521 / Lot 21 / 221 Bunny Ln
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 207/174
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0030 06521, lying and being in Land Lots 217 & 218 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.16 acres, more or less, being Lot 21, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 107, described in Deed Book 207, Page 174, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 221 Bunny Lane.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 76
Map/Parcel Number: E004 068
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Porter, Rodriguez; E004 068 / 277 Martin Luther King Dr
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 225/198
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 068, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.14 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book 225, Page 198, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 277 Martin Luther King Junior Drive.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 77
Map/Parcel Number: E007 010
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Porter, Rodriguez; E007 010 / MH 406 Dixie Circle
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 225/200
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E007 010, lying and being in Land Lot 204 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.34 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book 225, Page 200, the descriptions contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 406 Dixie Circle.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 80
Map/Parcel Number: 0079A001
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Reed, Nora Mae; 0079A001 / 17557 Woodvalley Rd NW
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 44/599
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0079A001, lying and being in Land Lot 191 of the 4th Land District, City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.40 acre, more or less, being Lots 910 & 912, shown in Plat Book 3, Page 107, described in Deed Book 44, Page 599, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 17557 Woodvalley Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 82
Map/Parcel Number: E009 021
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Rivas, Araujo Magda Y (aka Araujo, Magda Yadira Rivas); E009 021 / House 402 Bay Ave
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 212/288
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E009 021, lying and being in Land Lot 176 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, being property shown in Plat Book 2, Page 260, described in Deed Book 212, Page 288, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 402 Bay Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 84
Map/Parcel Number: L002 013E
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Robinson, Diane; L002 013E / Lot 4 / 53 Melvin St
Current Property Owner: Walker, Cornelius
Reference Deed: 229/420
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L002 013E, lying and being in Land Lot 293 of the 3rd Land District, City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lot 4, Sherwood Hawke Subdivision, shown in Plat Book 4, Page 493, described in Deed Book 229, Page 420, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 53 Melvin Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 85
Map/Parcel Number: L002 013G
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Robinson, Diane; L002 013G / Lot 3 / Melvin Street
Current Property Owner: Walker, Cornelius
Reference Deed: 229/420
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L002 013G, lying and being in Land Lot 293 of the 3rd Land District, City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lot 3, Sherwood Hawke Subdivision, shown in Plat Book 4, Page 493, described in Deed Book 229, Page 420, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 41 Melvin Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 86
Map/Parcel Number: 0061 073BIN
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Sanders, Shirley Ann (Estate in REM); 0061 073BIN / 1.25 AC/Blue Springs Rd
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 82/61
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0061 073BIN, lying and being in Land Lot 310 of the 3rd Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.251 acres, more or less, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 235, described in Deed Book 82, Page 61, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 2995 Blue Springs Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 87
Map/Parcel Number: E004 094
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Severson, Joann Roe; E004 094 / Lot 16/90 Robin Street
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 155/292
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 094, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.34 acres, more or less, being Lot 16, Singer Heights Subdivision, shown in Plat Book 3, Page 162, described in Deed Book 155, Page 292, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 90 Robin Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 90
Map/Parcel Number: A002 043
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Smith, Demetress T; A002 043 / 7735 John McMurria Rd NW
Current Property Owner: Sprueil, Tiffany, Harold & Hosannah
Reference Deed: 137/547; 207/178; 207/348
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A002 043, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.50 acres, more or less, being Lot 16, Block E, shown on plat for the City of Arlington, described in Deed Book 207, Page 178, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 7735 John McMurria Road.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 91
Map/Parcel Number: 0018 02004
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Sweatman, Kristen & Davis, Kodie S; 0018 02004 / Lot 4/165 John Arthur Ln
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 218/582
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0018 02004, lying and being in Land Lot 217 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, being a portion of Lot 4, shown in Plat Book 6, Page 115, described in Deed Book 218, Page 582, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 165 John Arthur Lane.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 94
Map/Parcel Number: E003 003
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Timpson, Eric D; E003 003 / 357 Martin Luther King Dr
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 189/318
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E003 003, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, being property described in Deed Book 189, Page 318, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 357 Martin Luther King Jr Drive.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 95
Map/Parcel Number: E004 006
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Timpson, Troy Scellus; E004 006 / 163 Slaton Dr
Current Property Owner: Canidate, Chekeylar M & Chambers, Tuvulsiae M
Reference Deed: 230/48
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E004 006, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.23 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 230, Page 48, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 163 Slaton Drive.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 96
Map/Parcel Number: E008 037
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Turner, James C; E008 037 / Lot & House/Manry @ Bay
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 171/349
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E008 037, lying and being in Land Lot 175 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, being Lot 2, shown in Plat Book 3, Page 164, described in Deed Book 171, Page 349, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 665 Bay Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 97
Map/Parcel Number: 0030 065B06
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Wade, Katie; 0030 065B06 / Lot & MH/Dismukes MHP #6
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 95/217
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0030 065B06, lying and being in Land Lot 245 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.264 acres, more or less, being Tract 6, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 307, described in Deed Book 95, Page 217, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 20621 Highway 37 Lot 6.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 98
Map/Parcel Number: A005A003A
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Walker, Cornelius; A005A003A / 17580 N Highland St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 212/76; 161/491
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A005A003A, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.03 acre, more or less, being a portion of City Lot 15, Block B, described in Deed Book 161, Page 491, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 17580 North Highland Avenue.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 99
Map/Parcel Number: E002 001
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Walker, Cornelius; E002 001 / 1065 Pine St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 220/547; 108/98
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 001, lying and being in the City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.74 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 108, Page 98, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 1065 Pine Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 100
Map/Parcel Number: E003 036
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Walker, Cornellius; E003 036 / 18, 28, 38, 48 Manry St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 207/517
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E003 036, lying and being in Land Lot 203 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, being a portion of the property described in Deed Book Q, Page 321, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 18 Manry Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 101
Map/Parcel Number: E002 033
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Walker, Cornelius (Cornellius) Lemar; E002 033 / 170 Booker Washington St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 204/340
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 033, lying and being in Land Lot 204 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.303 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 204, Page 340, known as 170 Booker Washington Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 103
Map/Parcel Number: 0030 06517
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Walker, Sandra Dee & Peterson, Christine; 0030 06517 / Lot 17 & MH/ 115 Bunny Ln
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 66/221
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel 0030 06517, lying and being in Land Lot 218 of the 4th Land District, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 1.125 acres, more or less, being Lot 17, shown in Plat Book 5, Page 107, described in Deed Book 66, Page 221, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 115 Bunny Lane.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 104
Map/Parcel Number: L005 041
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Washington, Allen (Estate) Et Al; L005 041 / Lot off Boyd St
Current Property Owner: Washington, Viola, Mary, Eula & Allen
Reference Deed: V/130
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel L005 041, lying and being in the City of Leary, Calhoun County, Georgia, described in Deed Book V, Page 130, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, located on Boyd Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 107
Map/Parcel Number: E002 004
Defendant(s) in FiFa: West, George & Amandy (Estates in REM);E002 004 / V/L Pine St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: X/583
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 004, lying and being in the City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.16 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book X, Page 583, the descriptions contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, located on Pine Street.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 109
Map/Parcel Number: E002 061
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Williams, Cornice L; E002 061 / 15 & 17 Mt Grove Ln (Off Pine)
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 89/166
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E002 061, lying and being in Land Lot 204 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.19 acres, more or less, described in Deed Book 89, Page 166, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 15 and 17 Mount Grove Lane.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 112
Map/Parcel Number: A002 014
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Williams, Willie Vera & Roger L Sr; A002 014 / 155 NW Laurel Avenue
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 109/67
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax parcel A002 014, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.37 acre, more or less, being Town Lot 58, Block O, described in Deed Book 109, Page 67, the descriptions contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 155 Laurel Avenue NW.
Years Due: 2025

File #: 113
Map/Parcel Number: A007 017B
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Wilson, Gloria; A007 017B / E 1/2 Lot 13 / Pecan St SE
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 43/703
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel A007 017B, lying and being in the City of Arlington, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.23 acres, more or less, being a portion of Lot 13, shown in Plat Book 1, Page 149, described in Deed Book 43, Page 703, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 175 Pecan Street.
Years Due: 2024-2025

File #: 115
Map/Parcel Number: E008 052
Defendant(s) in FiFa: Zackery, Katherine (Estate in REM); E008 052 / House/1352 Pine St
Current Property Owner: Same as Defendant(s) in FiFa
Reference Deed: 60/260
Property Description: All and only that parcel of land designated as Tax Parcel E008 052, lying and being in Land Lot 204 of the 4th Land District, City of Edison, Calhoun County, Georgia, containing 0.50 acre, more or less, described in Deed Book 60, Page 260, the description contained therein being incorporated herein by this reference, known as 1352 Pine Street.
Years Due: 2025

October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-944

SUMMARIES OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to requirements of the Georgia Constitution, Attorney General Christopher Carr, Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, and Legislative Counsel Betsy Howerton hereby provide the summaries of the proposed constitutional amendments that will appear on the November 3, 2026, general election ballot for consideration by the people of Georgia (short captions are those adopted by the Constitutional Amendments Publication Board):

-1 -

Increases the maximum qualifying acreage for assessment and taxation as bona fide conservation use property.
House Resolution No. 32
Ga. L. 2025, p. 1081
( ) YES
( ) NO

Shall the Constitution of Georgia, for the purpose of protecting family farmland, be amended so as to increase the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres?"

Summary

This proposal increases the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres. It amends Article VII, Section I, Paragraph III of the Georgia Constitution, relating to uniformity, classification of property, assessment of agricultural land, and utilities, by revising subparagraph (e)(1).

A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.

- 2 -

Provides for the nonpartisan election of all probate court judges.
House Resolution No. 251
Ga. L. 2026, p. 1110
( ) YES
( ) NO

Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require that all probate court judges be elected in nonpartisan elections?"

Summary

This proposal provides that all probate judges shall be elected in nonpartisan elections. It amends Article VI, Section VII, Paragraph I of the Georgia Constitution, relating to selection and term of office of judges, by revising subparagraph (a).

A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.

- 3 -

Authorizes creation of Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund for 9-1-1 systems expansion, maintenance, and operation.
House Resolution No. 1243
Ga. L. 2026, p. 1109
( ) YES
( ) NO

Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to dedicate certain existing revenues, including revenues reallocated by law, to a nonlapsing fund to be used exclusively for the expansion, maintenance, and operation of emergency 9-1-1 systems in this state?"

Summary

This proposal authorizes the General Assembly to provide by general law for the creation of the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund. It amends Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Georgia Constitution, relating to appropriations to be for specific sums, by adding a new subparagraph (s).

A copy of this entire proposed constitutional amendment is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court and is available for public inspection.

October 17, 24, 31, 2026

A-1007

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROZ COSSMOS, DECEASED
ESTATE NO. 2026 P36
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE

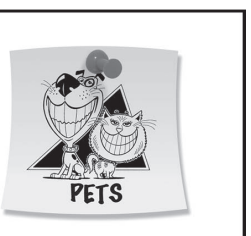
TO: Whom it may concern:

Susan Michelle Cossmos has petitioned to be appointed administrator(s) of the estate of Roz Cossmos deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261.) All interested persons 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 Oct. 30, 2026.

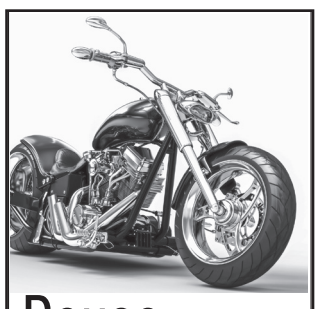
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by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH – INDEFINITE AMOUNTS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **Which Halloween monster is good at math?**

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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5. Bath sheet	_ _ _ _ L	Eiffel or Pisa	_ _ _ _ R
6. Push	_ _ O _ _	Remove whiskers	_ _ A _ _
7. Pester	_ O _ _ _ _	Tub user	_ A _ _ _ _
8. Cake layers	_ _ _ R _	Supermodel Cheryl	_ _ _ G _
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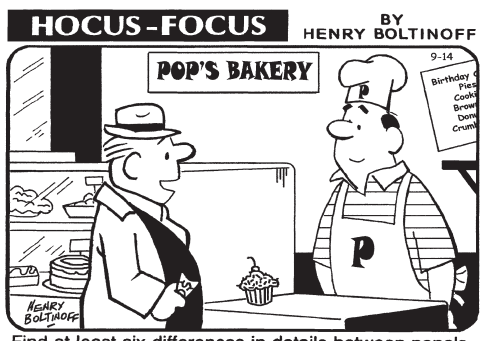
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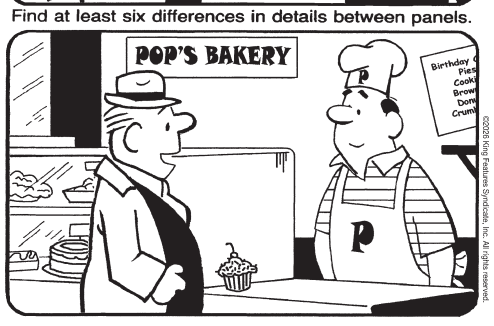
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

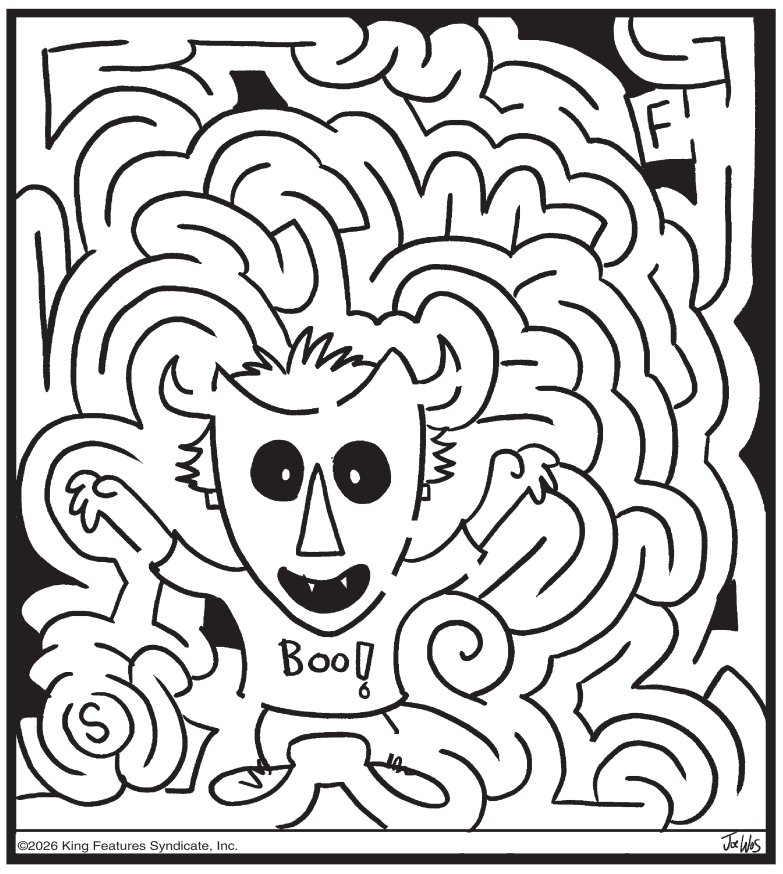


Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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Differences: 1. Cupcake is moved. 2. Money is missing. 3. Sign is moved. 4. Man is taller. 5. Counter is wider. 6. Sleeve is shorter.



Riddle Answer: Count Dracula.

PuzzlesForKids Answer

Even Exchange answers

1. Lisbon, Lision
2. Aware, Award
3. Umpire, Empire
4. Summer, Simmer
5. Towel, Tower
6. Shove, Shave
7. Bother, Bather
8. Tiers, Tiegs
9. Rhine, Shine
10. Ponder, Powder

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"CD LCT CD DRBKXTGVGBK, YS GBDAGTCVGRBD UCYM LTRY IRNM, IGLM CBE EMCVO, CBE NGMXGBK RVOMT AMRAIM'D DGVHCVGRBD." — ME DOMMTCB

Previous Solution: "Making something with really dark subject matter … doesn't mean everybody can't laugh and have a good time on set." — Filmmaker Curry Barker

TODAY'S CLUE: T equals R

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"VUQGW UPQMUP VL NFUTQXNG CYATGNBO QFSTYDUP FL OUGMUGXUO ... EQMZ N MQWZMUT OUGMUGXU Q ENO NVBU MY ETQMU N MQWZMUT VYYJ." — HNPQU OFQMZ

Previous Solution: "As far as songwriting, my inspirations came from love, life and death, and viewing other people's situations." — Ed Sheeran

TODAY'S CLUE: V equals B

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top 10 movies

1. **Other Mommy**
(R) Jessica Chastain, Jay Duplass
2. **Verity**
(R) Anne Hathaway, Dakota Johnson
3. **Resident Evil**
(R) Austin Abrams, Zach Cherry
4. **Heart of the Beast**
(PG-13) Brad Pitt, J.K. Simmons
5. **The Social Reckoning**
(R) Jeremy Allen White, Mikey Madison
6. **Forgotten Island**
(PG) H.E.R., Liza Soberano
7. **Primetime**
(R) Robert Pattinson, Merritt Wever
8. **Digger**
(R) Tom Cruise, Riz Ahmed
9. **The Odyssey**
(R) Matt Damon, Tom Holland
10. **Angel and the Badman**
(PG-13) Zachary Levi, Neal McDonough

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7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 "Choosin' Texas" singer Ella (7)	
2 courtesy (10)	
3 fan mags (5)	
4 ostrich or emu (6)	
5 furnishing fabric, often (6)	
6 nevus, to a layperson (4)	
7 coquettish (6)	

LAN	TI	TE	EY	SS
LI	IN	RTY	TE	LE
CH	MO	ES	NE	PO
ZIN	FLI	GL	TZ	RA

Thursday's Answers: 1. TONELESS 2. SOFTENS 3. IBSEN 4. STINGRAY 5. WAINWRIGHT 6. OCTAVE 7. RELATIVE 10/23

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1 resistance (8)	
2 the "I" in MRI (7)	
3 vichyssoise or mulligatawny (4)	
4 film director Fennell (7)	
5 temporary hitch (5)	
6 bike gear changer (10)	
7 on the threshold (7)	

UP	PU	LD	AG	DE
RAI	CLO	ACK	NAL	EME
SHB	LI	LLE	RA	ING
UR	IM	VE	SO	MI

Friday's Answers: 1. LANGLEY 2. POLITENESS 3. ZINES 4. RATITE 5. CHINTZ 6. MOLE 7. FLIRTY 10/24

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Adaptive sports programs

In a repeat of last year, the VA is set to give $16 million in grants to 91 groups around the country that host the annual adaptive sports program. What has gone up is the number of veterans who will be able to participate. This year the VA has enrolled an additional 290,000 veterans in healthcare.

The adaptive sports program, as well as the therapeutic arts program, is run by community, regional and national grant recipients to provide opportunities for disabled veterans to participate.

If you're interested in competing or training in these events, whether you want to aim for skiing, the wheelchair games, golf, the Golden Age games or the arts, there is a place for you.

If you want to become a Paralympic athlete, there's even a training allowance, a monthly stipend for those who are selected to compete with the national Olympic team.

For the National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic, the adaptive ski program, see wintersportsclinic.org. Veterans with spinal cord injuries, visual impairment, traumatic brain injury and more are eligible. The clinic runs from March 27 to April 3 next year. Click "Participate" to see how to register and to review the participant requirements.

The Golden Age Games, for veterans age 55 and above, includes 20 medaled sports events broken into eight age categories. Whether you're into archery, track and field, bowling, horseshoes or any of the 19 sports, there is room for you. Competitions will be held June 23 to June 29, 2027.

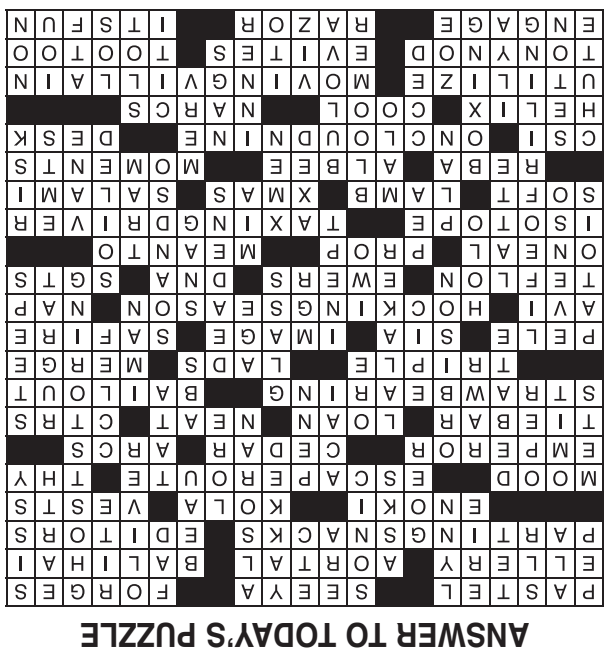
The National Veterans Creative Arts Festival submission window will be Feb. 1 - March 15, 2027, and covers a wide range of artistic endeavors, from creative writing to dance to music to art, and more. See department.va.gov/veteran-sports/national-veterans-creative-arts-festival for more information.

Keep an eye on department.va.gov/veteran-sports for information on all the categories and events, and especially the registration dates.

As always, volunteers are needed. These events can't take place without the hundreds of volunteers who step up to ensure that disabled veterans have the opportunities to participate.

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ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

Release Date: Saturday, October 24, 2026

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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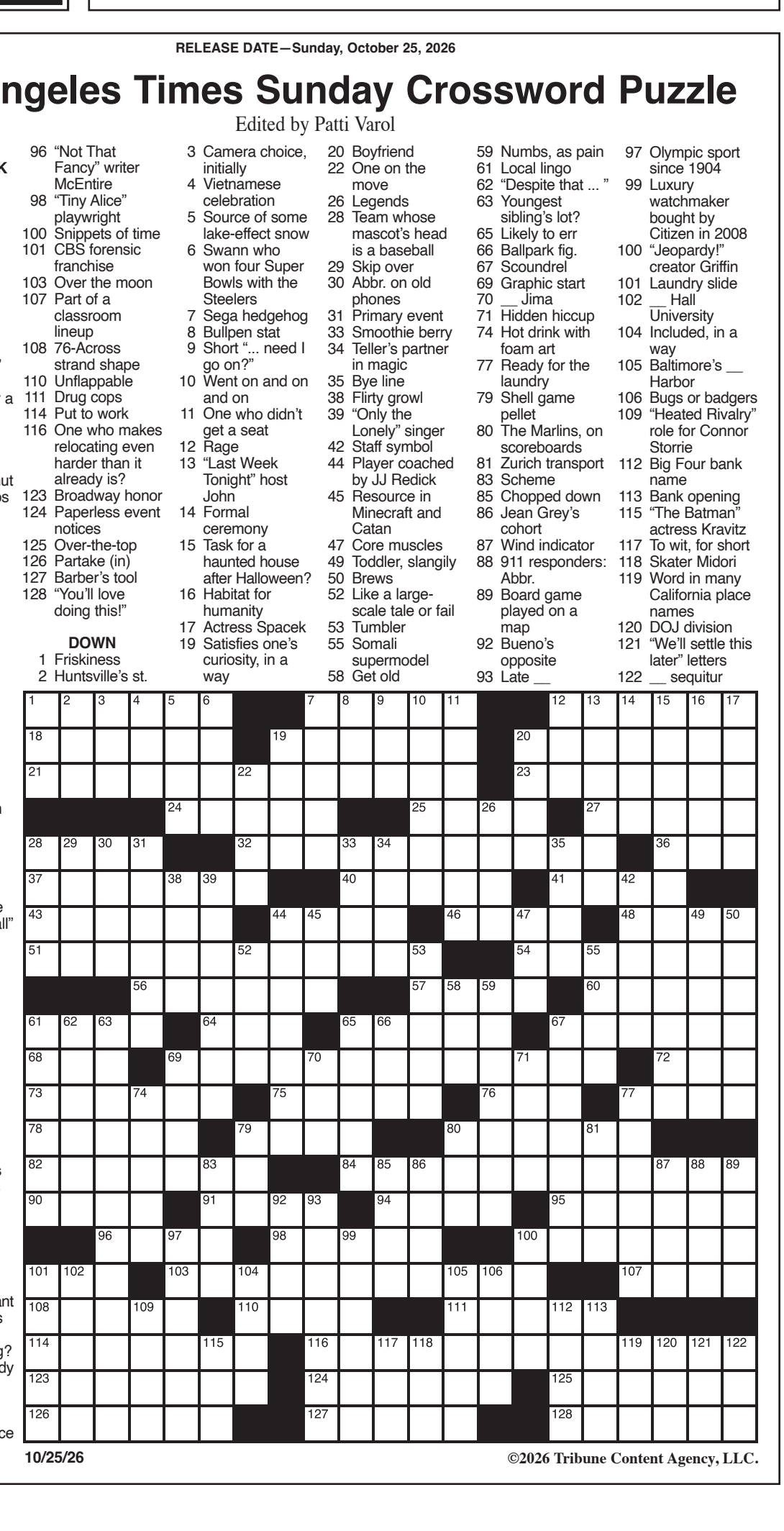
ACROSS
1 Garage equipment
9 One who takes things the wrong way?
15 Ancient Egypt's "plant of immortality"
16 How donburi is served
17 Parent who seems to do it all
18 Umami-rich snack
19 Audrey Tautou film
20 Admits
22 RSVP part
23 Chaps whose business is picking up?
24 Habitat for some gnomes
26 Groups with routine practice sessions
30 "Over there," in Portuguese
31 Small bluff
32 Dough
33 Billboard entries
35 "Tell the truth!"
36 Proceeds without a pause
37 Common tamale ingredient
38 "__ help!"
39 Ephemeral post, colloquially
41 Terrarium growth
42 Pen
43 Go unused
44 Porowski of "Queer Eye"
45 Place to enter a security code
48 Jumped out of one's skin?
50 What files can help with
52 Preferring platonic connections, for short
53 University founded by Booker T. Washington
54 Reacts to a riot, say
55 "Sure, hon"

DOWN
1 Isabel Allende's "La __ de los espíritus"
2 Grad
3 Means of access for some watering holes
4 Attract
5 "Complicated" singer Lavigne
6 Part of a viral load?
7 Maven
8 Korean company whose name means "three stars"
9 Capacity built via repetition
10 "Be right with you!"
11 Low-quality internet content
12 Word in Spanish 101 and French 101
13 Diagnostic test, for short
14 Bylaw, for short
21 Key part of an exit strategy
23 "Be right with ewe!" sounds?
24 Drink that may be topped with cardamom
25 Strange
26 Style guides?
27 "Gaycation" co-host
28 Stands by
29 Saw places
31 Green transport, gray water recycling, etc.
34 "Yo!" de Cologne?
35 "Just do it," e.g.
37 Access, in a way
40 "Saving Fish From Drowning" novelist
41 __ oath
43 Like flan
44 Six-time MLB All-Star Moisés
45 Tuscan city known for a campanile
46 Painter's calculation
47 Sacred animals in Nara, Japan
48 __ educado: rude, in Spanish
49 Pop singer Rita
51 North Sea bird

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RELEASE DATE—Sunday, October 25, 2026

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Patti Varol

"EASING DOES IT" BY PAM AMICK KLAWITTER

ACROSS
1 Muted hue
7 "I'm off!"
12 Signs fraudulently
18 Queen of mystery
19 Like a major artery
20 "South Pacific" song
21 Light fare after a breakup?
23 Line judges?
24 Ramen mushroom
25 Caffeine-rich nut
27 Sleeveless tops
28 General vibe
32 Way out
36 Archaic possessive
37 __ penguin
40 Tree on the Lebanese flag
41 Curved paths
43 Haberdashery clip
44 Deal that generates interest
46 __ as a pin
48 Large med. facilities
51 Like the first little pig?
54 Save from ruin
56 Hit that clears the bases
57 Blokes
60 Enter traffic
61 Brazilian icon known as "The King of Football"
64 "Unstoppable" singer
65 Visual
67 Longtime language columnist William
68 Bird: Pref.
69 Best time of year to visit a pawn shop?
72 Afternoon refresher
73 Pan coating
75 Fancy pitchers
76 Genetic letters
77 Some NCOs
78 Oscar winner Tatum
79 Play thing
80 Will, given a chance
82 Chemical variant
84 Golf club that's almost too heavy to swing?
90 Like butter ready for whipping
91 Baby sheep
94 Dec. 25
95 Charcuterie slice
96 "Not That Fancy" writer McEntire
98 "Tiny Alice" playwright
100 Snippets of time
101 CBS forensic franchise
103 Over the moon
107 Part of a classroom lineup
108 76-Across strand shape
110 Unflappable
111 Drug cops
114 Put to work
116 One who makes relocating even harder than it already is?
123 Broadway honor
124 Paperless event notices
125 Over-the-top
126 Partake (in)
127 Barber's tool
128 "You'll love doing this!"

DOWN
1 Friskiness
2 Huntsville's st.
3 Camera choice, initially
4 Vietnamese celebration
5 Source of some lake-effect snow
6 Swann who won four Super Bowls with the Steelers
7 Sega hedgehog
8 Bullpen stat
9 Short "... need I go on?"
10 Went on and on and on
11 One who didn't get a seat
12 Rage
13 "Last Week Tonight" host John
14 Formal ceremony
15 Task for a haunted house after Halloween?
16 Habitat for humanity
17 Actress Spacek
19 Satisfies one's curiosity, in a way
20 Boyfriend
22 One on the move
26 Legends
28 Team whose mascot's head is a baseball
29 Skip over
30 Abbr. on old phones
31 Primary event
33 Smoothie berry
34 Teller's partner in magic
35 Bye line
38 Flirty growl
39 "Only the Lonely" singer
42 Staff symbol
44 Player coached by JJ Redick
45 Resource in Minecraft and Catan
47 Core muscles
49 Toddler, slangily
50 Brews
52 Like a large-scale tale or fail
53 Tumbler
55 Somali supermodel
58 Get old
59 Numbs, as pain
61 Local lingo
62 "Despite that ... "
63 Youngest sibling's lot?
65 Likely to err
66 Ballpark fig.
67 Scoundrel
69 Graphic start
70 __ Jima
71 Hidden hiccup
74 Hot drink with foam art
77 Ready for the laundry
79 Shell game pellet
80 The Marlins, on scoreboards
81 Zurich transport
83 Scheme
85 Chopped down
86 Jean Grey's cohort
87 Wind indicator
88 911 responders: Abbr.
89 Board game played on a map
92 Bueno's opposite
93 Late __
97 Olympic sport since 1904
99 Luxury watchmaker bought by Citizen in 2008
100 "Jeopardy!" creator Griffin
101 Laundry slide
102 __ Hall University
104 Included, in a way
105 Baltimore's __ Harbor
106 Bugs or badgers
109 "Heated Rivalry" role for Connor Storrie
112 Big Four bank name
113 Bank opening
115 "The Batman" actress Kravitz
117 To wit, for short
118 Skater Midori
119 Word in many California place names
120 DOJ division
121 "We'll settle this later" letters
122 __ sequitur

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PICKLES

by Brian Crane

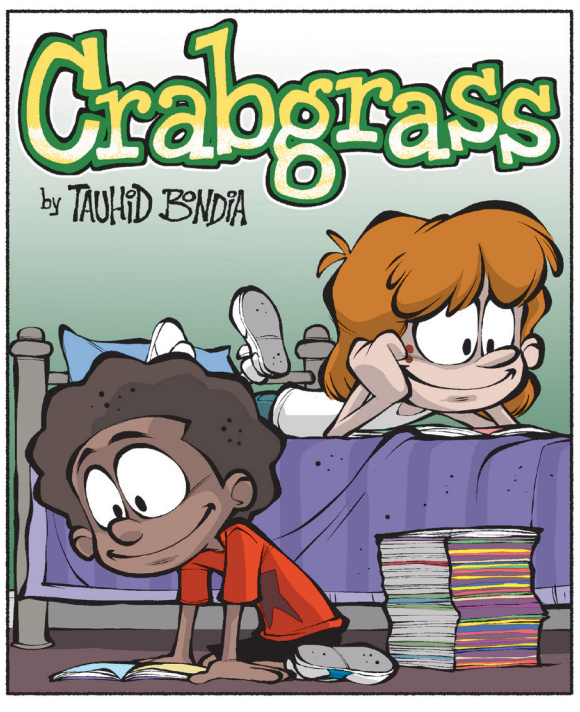






Crabgrass

by Tauhid Bondia



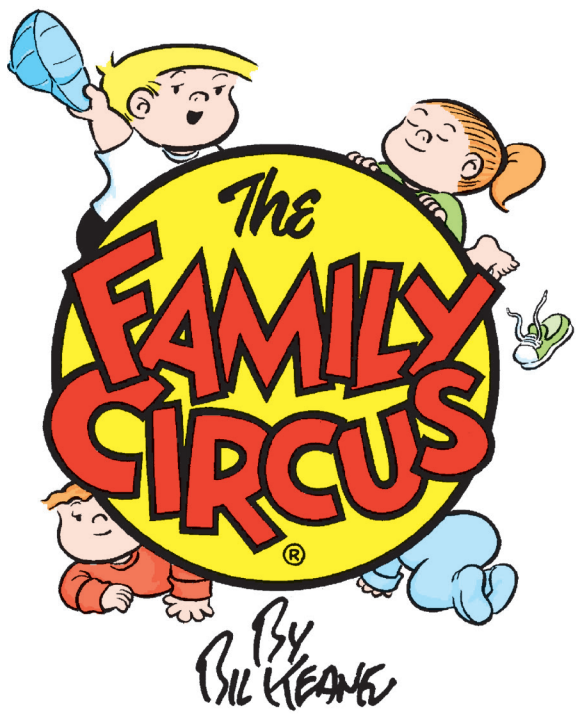


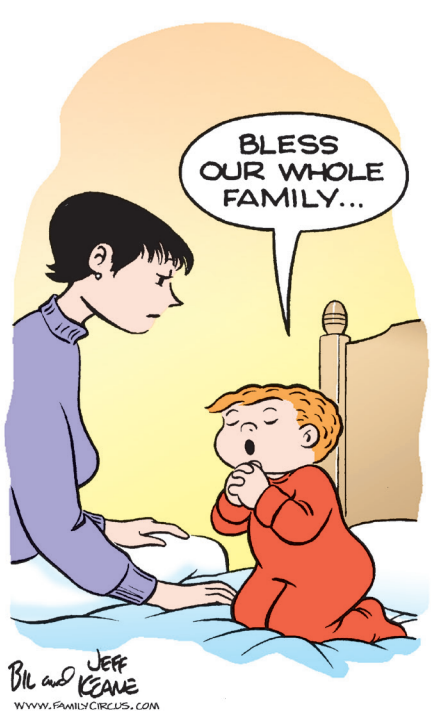




The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



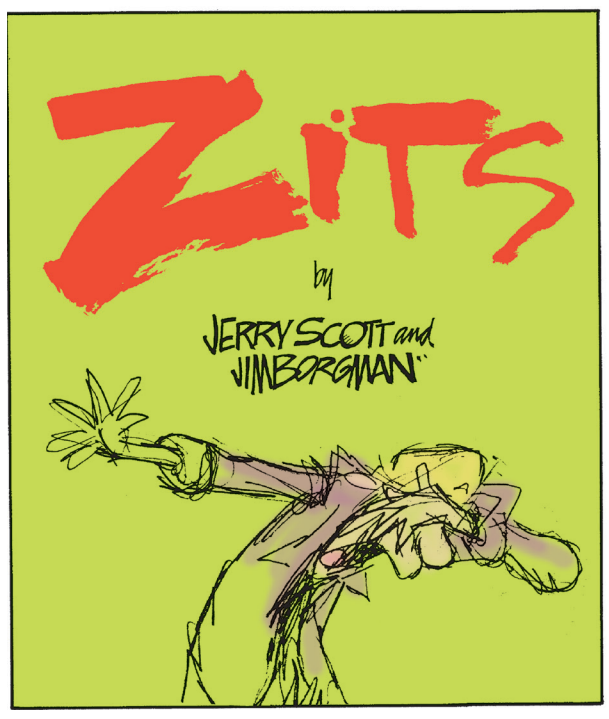






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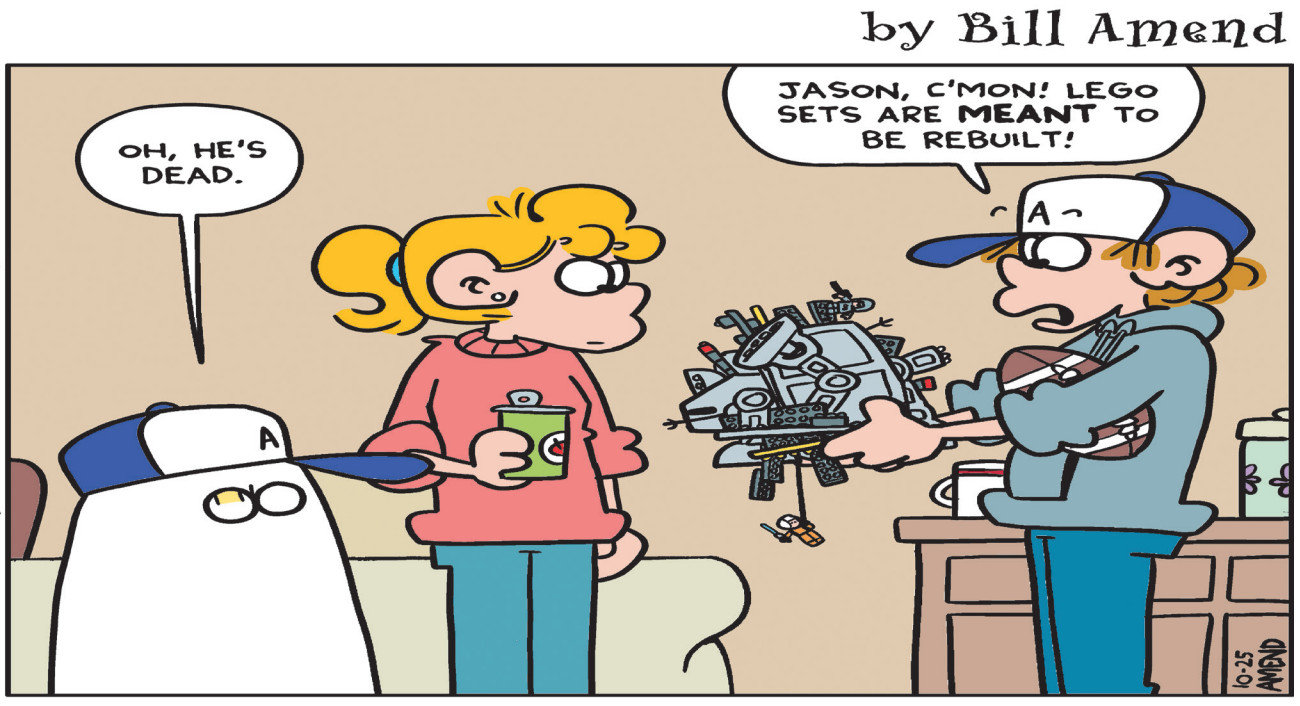




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by Bill Amend



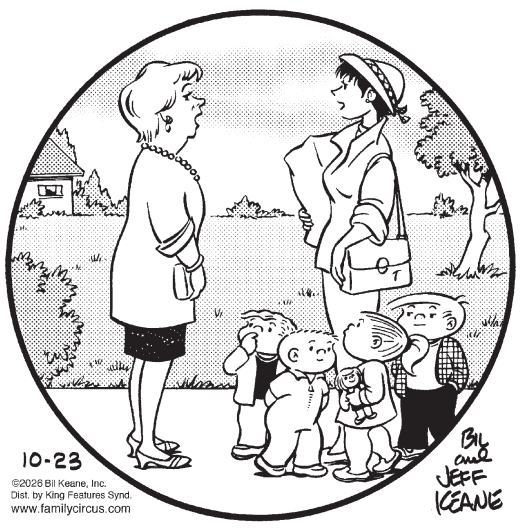


CLOSE TO HOME John McPherson



"She gave us a bag of carrots and a brochure on tooth decay."

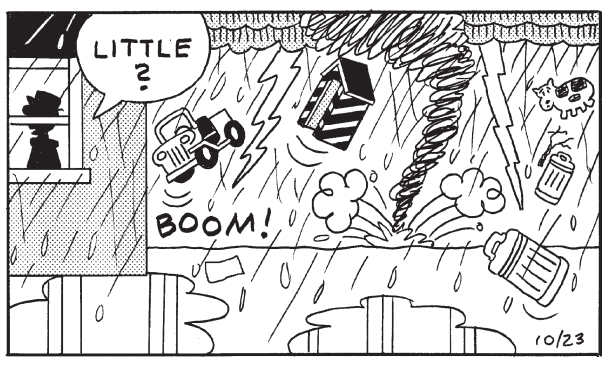
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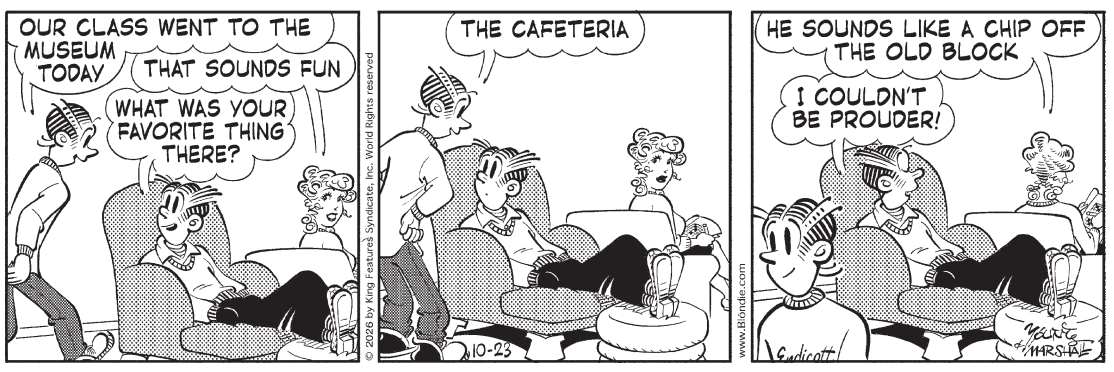
"How do you divide your love among four children?"
"I don't divide it. I multiply it."

BEETLE BAILEY Mort & Greg Walker





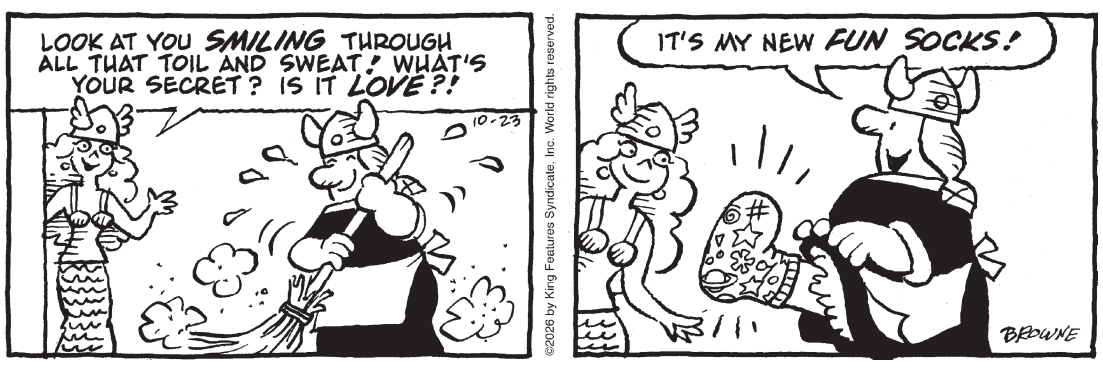
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THE BORN LOSER Art & Chip Sansom



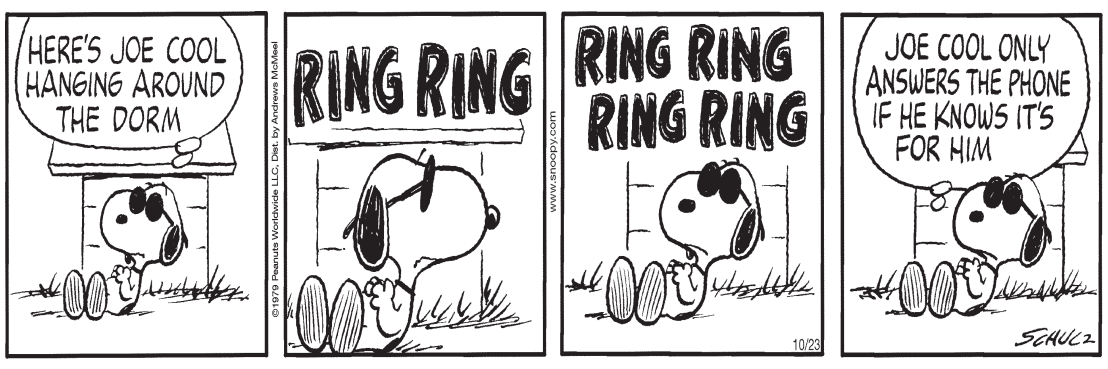
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE Chris Browne



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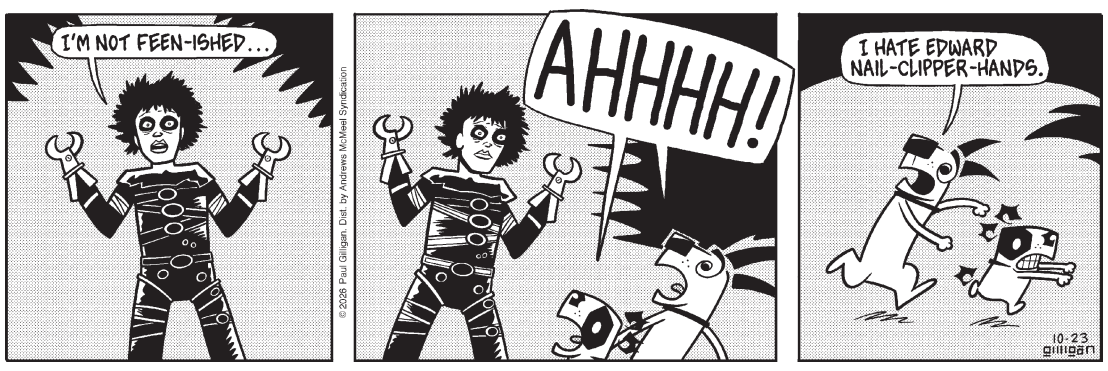
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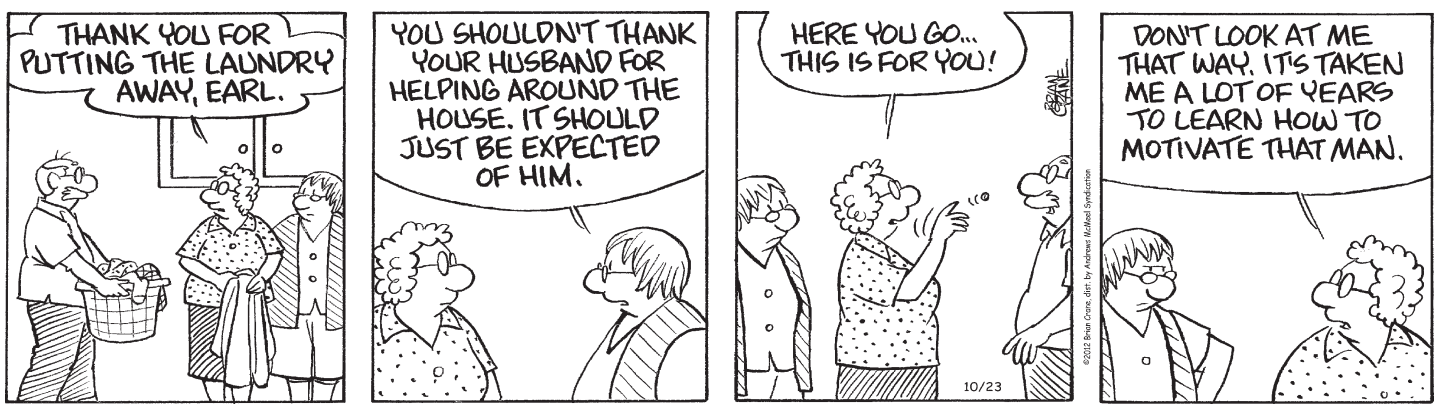
GARFIELD Jim Davis



POOCH CAFE Paul Gilligan



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ACROSS

1 "Ring out the thousand __ of old": Tennyson
5 Hat holders
9 Figure in a Faustian bargain
14 Name on a former lake in Central Asia
15 Sandwich title
16 __ keyboard
17 Hayworth of "The Strawberry Blonde"
18 Gospel music?
20 Slogans
22 Ring topper
23 Screening org.
24 Chart-topper
26 High cloud
30 Really, really sticky situation?
34 Fiver
35 Uncomfortably honest
36 Pulitzer winner James
37 African language family
40 __ Atleos: big name in ATMs
41 Oscar, but not Big Bird
42 Vicinity
43 Tenor Pavarotti
45 Molecule in some vaccines
46 Brag obnoxiously after winning a swabbing contest?
50 Gymnast Olga with four Olympic gold medals
52 128 oz.
53 Colorado Plateau Native
54 Model/actress Kate
57 Mortar's partner
59 Generous Volkswagen promotion?
63 Panache
64 Mexican meat
65 Period after Shrove Tuesday
66 Toy (with)
67 Break the rules
68 Eight, in combinations
69 Minuscule

DOWN

1 Affection
2 Oratorio solo
3 Material for some patio furniture
4 Board on some patio furniture
5 Gatorade owner
6 Orecchiette shape
7 Foie __
8 Buttonhole, e.g.
9 Veto on movie night
10 Cautionary color
11 Spot for a metti
12 Two-time WNBA Finals MVP Wilson
13 Picky criticism
19 Golden St. region
21 "Silly goose!"
25 Distraught
27 Sitar piece
28 Very, informally
29 Pomegranate bit
31 "__ Is Betta Than Evvah!": 1976 album
32 Home of the Kaaba
33 Revealing to all
36 Missing GI
37 Flavorful part of a cinnamon tree
38 View from the Uffizi
39 Proximate
41 Measurement given in degrees
43 Led Zeppelin's "Whole __ Love"
44 Fit in with
46 Sesame Street denizen
47 Current source
48 "Finally!," or what can be found in 18-, 30-, 46-, and 59-Across
49 Minuscule
51 Lake __ Vista, Florida
55 Capital west of Stockholm
56 Fraction of a min.
58 Big rig
59 TV monitor
60 Cheer syllable
61 Poetic preposition
62 Pantry pest

TODAY'S SOLUTION:

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6	5	9	7	3	8	1	2	4
7	1	4	5	2	9	8	3	6
4	8	2	6	9	1	5	4	3
9	6	5	8	7	4	2	1	9
5	3	7	2	5	3	1	6	8

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TODAY'S WHATZIT SOLUTION:

Count me out

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HAYDEN PANETTIERE (1989-2026) **Solution: 11 letters**

R	T	R	W	I	P	K	A	T	E	M	A	F	X	W
E	E	I	E	I	C	H	E	A	R	T	S	O	T	L
L	L	K	K	G	K	R	O	Y	W	E	N	R	E	A
L	E	S	L	L	I	Y	Y	A	E	K	A	G	S	D
I	S	A	C	A	A	T	D	K	E	P	O	E	N	I
V	C	E	L	R	W	E	O	O	A	V	L	R	E	M
H	O	C	P	L	E	P	B	D	T	O	O	N	S	I
S	P	W	S	I	Y	A	E	C	R	S	A	C	N	R
A	E	P	N	U	R	E	M	E	M	J	U	R	A	E
N	B	E	T	H	R	T	O	R	L	T	T	C	J	P
S	Ⓢ	Ⓖ	Ⓤ	Ⓑ	E	I	S	I	E	S	I	R	I	O
A	D	N	A	M	A	R	E	O	N	N	T	U	M	O
R	U	C	Y	U	M	I	O	M	G	W	A	I	A	C
A	S	R	E	B	M	A	J	E	E	A	N	S	R	S
H	T	R	E	L	A	K	S	M	S	D	S	E	K	K

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A Breed Apart, Alert, Ally, Amanda, Amber, Beth, Bug's, Claire, Cooper, Cove, Cruise, Custody, Cute, Dawn, Dust, Fame, Forger, Hearts, Heroes, Jane, Jansen, Joe Somebody, Kairi, Kate, Kaya, Knox, Kri, Mark, McBeal, Memoir, Nashville, New York, Own, Racing, Roles, Sarah, Scream, Skip, Sleepwalker, Stripes, Suri, Telescope, Tiger, Titans, Vogel, Will, Wladimir, Yumi

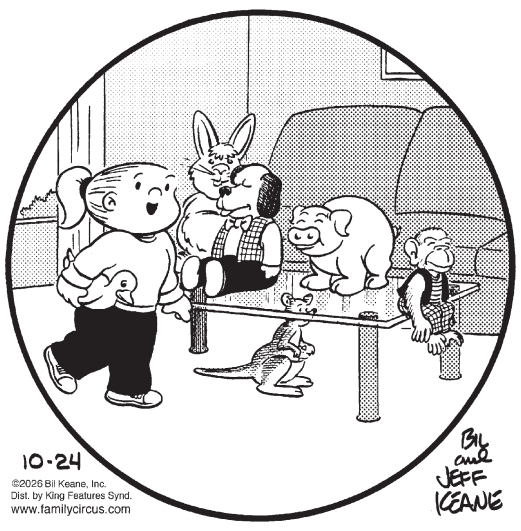
TODAY'S ANSWER: Ice Princess

CLOSE TO HOME John McPherson



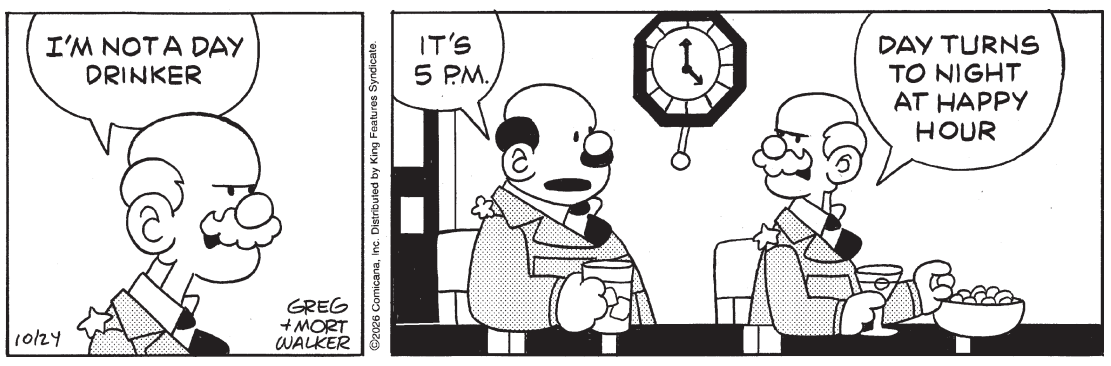
"Oh, isn't that darling! The kids are ironing roadkill between sheets of wax paper!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS Bil Keane



"Because kangaroos like to be down under."

BEETLE BAILEY Mort & Greg Walker



BLONDIE Dean Young & John Marshall



THE BORN LOSER Art & Chip Sansom



ZITS Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



GARFIELD Jim Davis



PICKLES Brian Crane



SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

	2		7	6			5	
6	7			3	5			
				1	2			9
4						5		
			5	2	3			
		5						6
3			6	7				
			2	9			6	7
	4			5	1		2	

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TOUPEE

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SUDOKU INSTRUCTIONS: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repitition.

TODAY'S WHATZIT SOLUTION: Bigwig

TODAY'S SUDOKU SOLUTION:

8	2	9	1	5	3	6	4	7
7	6	3	4	9	2	8	1	5
5	1	4	8	7	6	9	2	3
6	3	1	7	4	9	5	8	2
4	8	7	3	2	5	1	9	6
2	9	5	6	8	1	7	3	4
9	7	6	2	1	4	3	5	8
3	4	2	5	3	8	9	7	1
1	5	8	9	6	7	4	2	3

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Suitable
4 Strong wind
8 Yield by treaty
12 By way of
13 — Slaughter of baseball
14 Surmounting
15 Business abbr.
16 Fissure
17 Remedy
18 Tempest
20 Afternoon break in London
22 Klutz
24 Ratite bird
25 Trig function
28 — of ceremonies
32 Deer horn
33 "Able was I — I saw Elba"
34 Regret
35 Leave high and dry
38 Landed property
42 Verses
43 Mojito ingredient
44 Lyricist — Gershwin
45 Famed street in New Orleans
49 Edible bulb
53 Stare at
54 Brass instrument
56 Letters in genetics
57 Sawbucks
58 Use a blue pencil
59 Fall mo.
60 Warmth
61 Gainsay
62 Actor — Woodall

DOWN

1 Rara —
2 Liquid measure
3 Tex-Mex snack
4 Relevant
5 Black cuckoo
6 Room under the roof
7 High regard
8 Saguaro
9 Case for small things
10 Campus building
11 Sword
19 Make turbid
21 Org. for doctors
23 — -de-lance
25 Concern
26 Burden
27 "Let it stand!"
29 Group of players
30 Sea eagle
31 Some wines
35 — Lanka
36 Hoarse
37 Filmmaker — Coogler
39 Take into custody
40 Clumsy boat
41 Overacted
45 The two together
46 S-shaped molding
47 Arm bone
48 Bare
50 "American —"
51 Formerly
52 Post-WWII alliance
55 Hopper

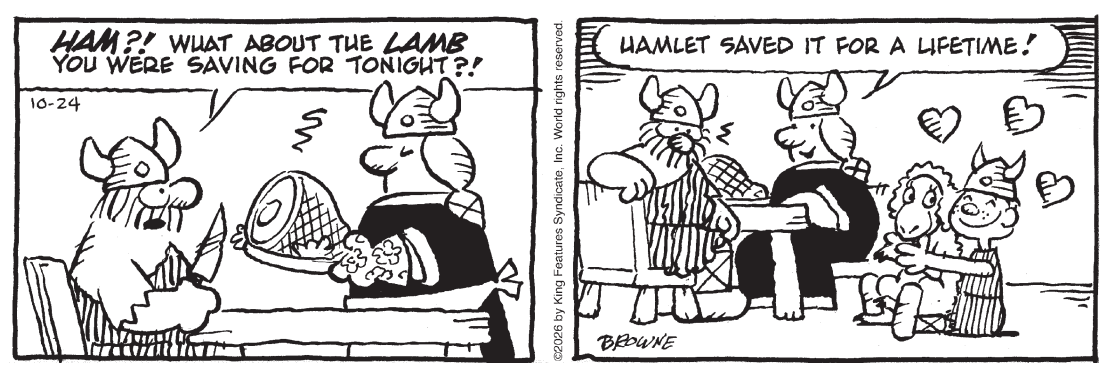


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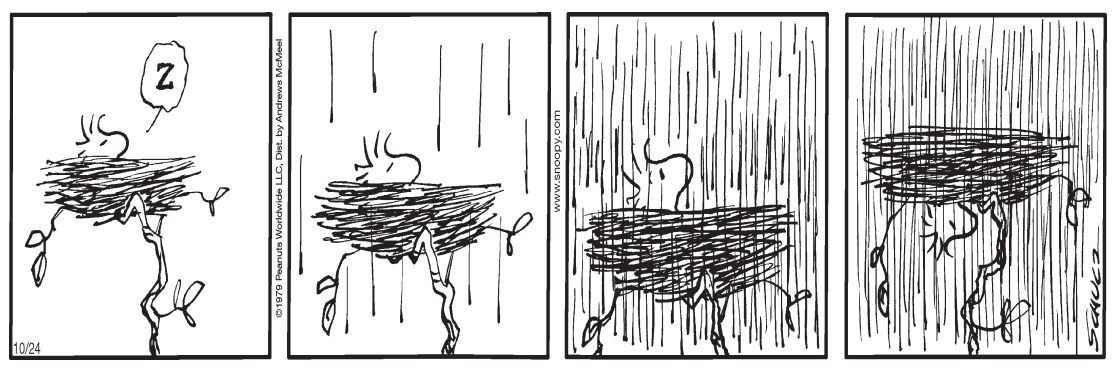
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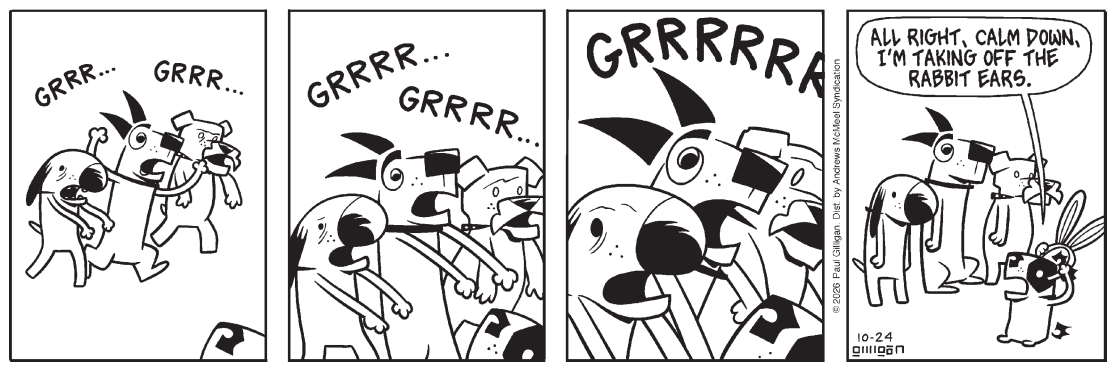
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE Chris Browne



PEANUTS Charles M. Schulz



POOCH CAFE Paul Gilligan



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GOLDFISH **Solution: 8 letters**

S	S	K	C	I	R	T	H	G	I	R	B	O	A (T)
A	D	E	E	F	F	I	L	T	E	R	L	I	(A) T
N	L	Y	L	A	D	N	A	R	O	F	I	(N)	S A
D	E	E	R	B	A	Y	M	L	G	Y	(K)	A	H O
Y	N	S	Q	E	B	I	Y	G	G	R	S	S	W L
I	N	K	L	U	R	E	L	A	E	A	A	A	A F
R	U	C	R	R	L	I	P	T	L	L	E	V	T S
I	T	O	O	L	M	T	E	S	P	P	S	I	E L
D	Y	R	O	M	E	M	S	S	H	I	N	Y	R L
E	L	W	E	K	O	H	C	J	M	E	U	M	M I
S	W	R	C	M	E	O	U	P	C	A	L	M	I G
C	O	U	R	L	R	M	L	S	T	E	N	L	W L
E	B	E	T	A	P	E	E	V	I	T	C	A	S I
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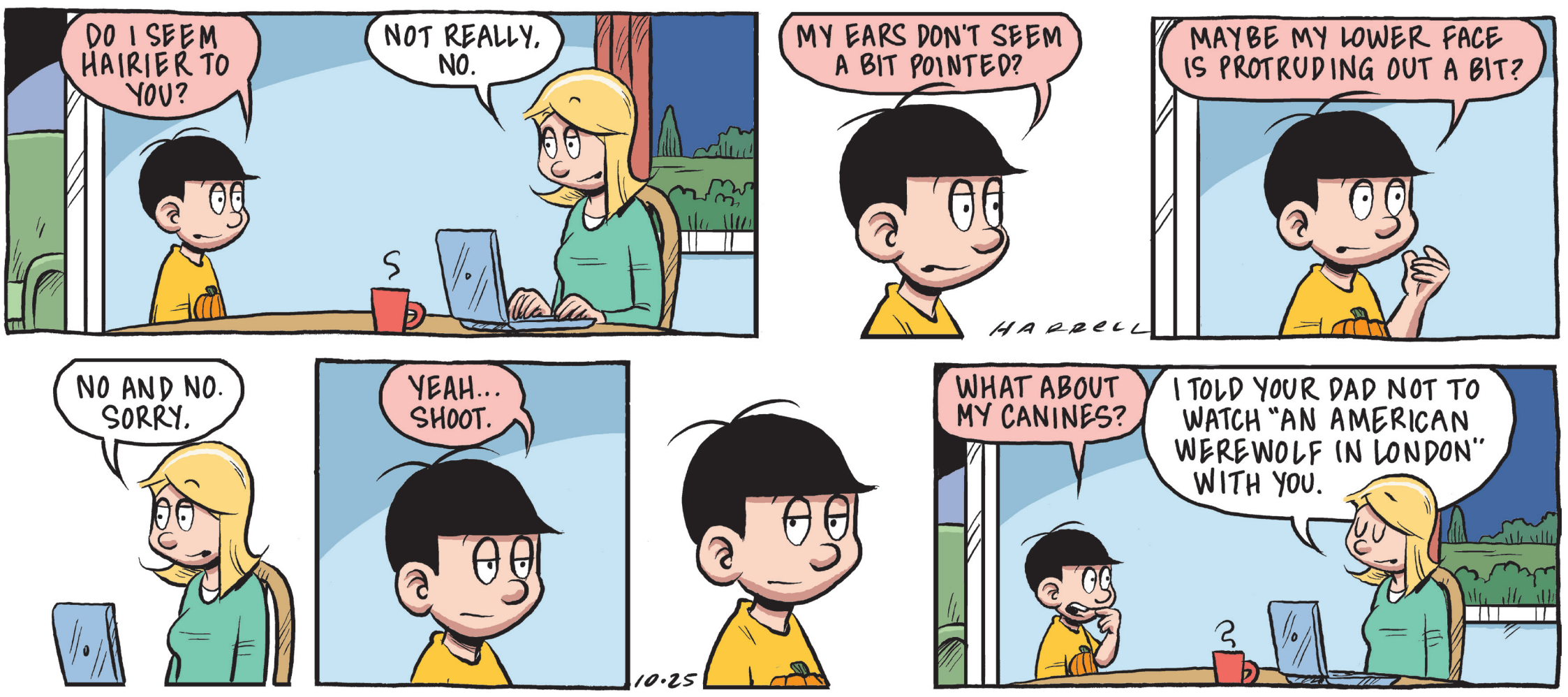
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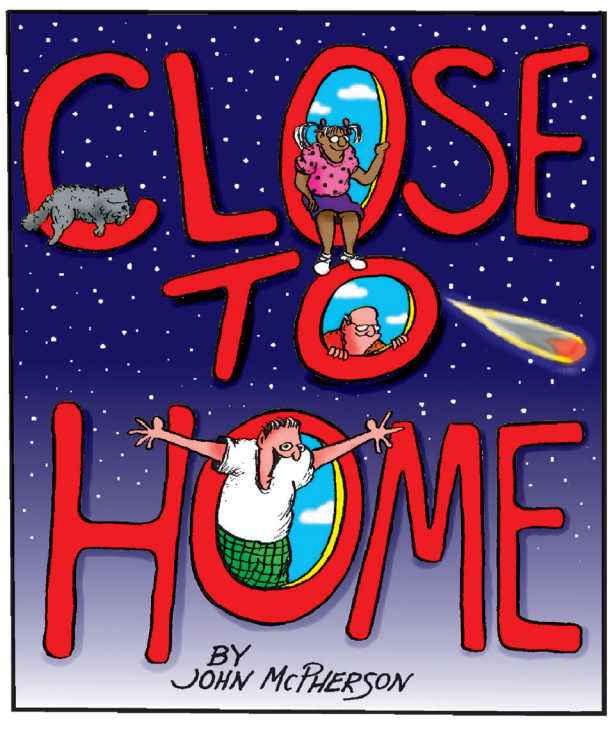
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TODAY'S ANSWER: Aquarium

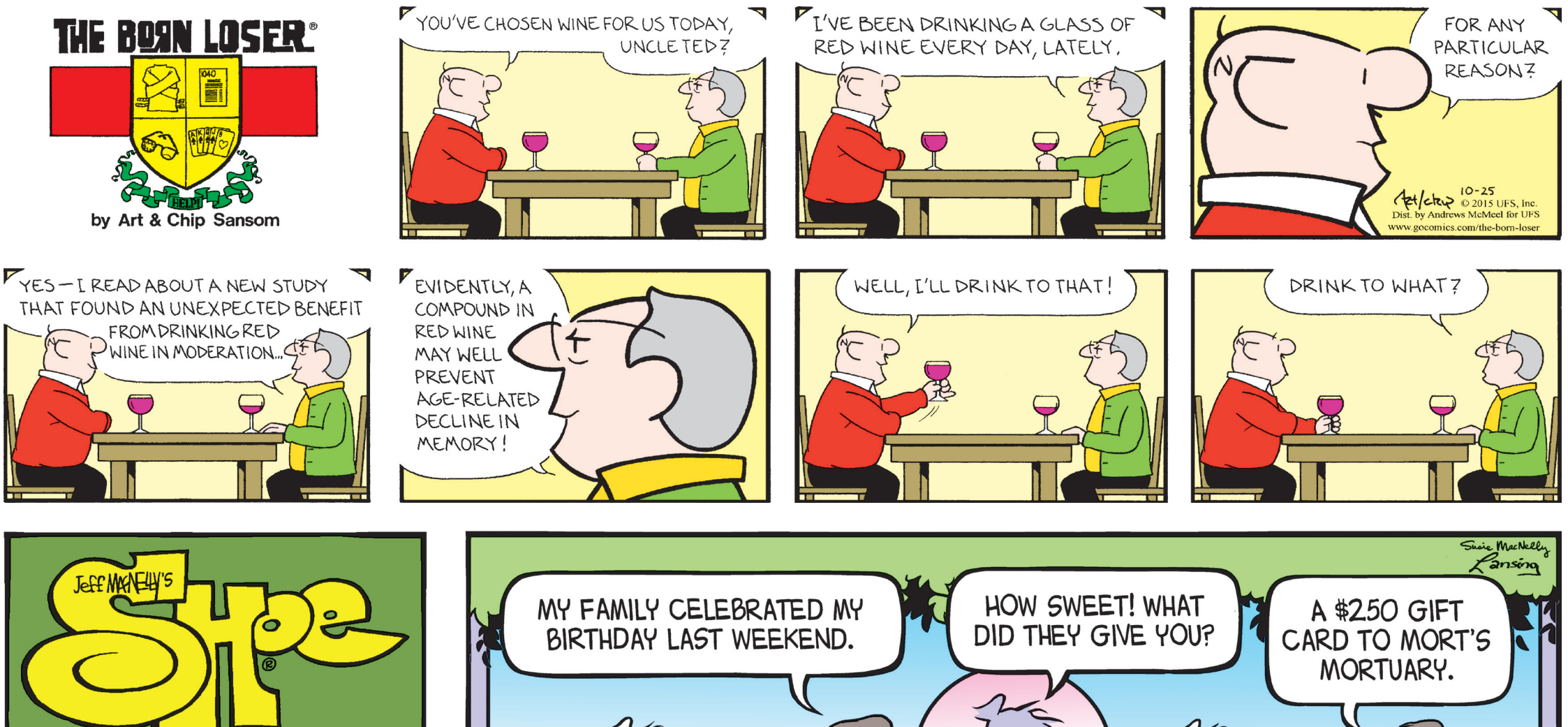
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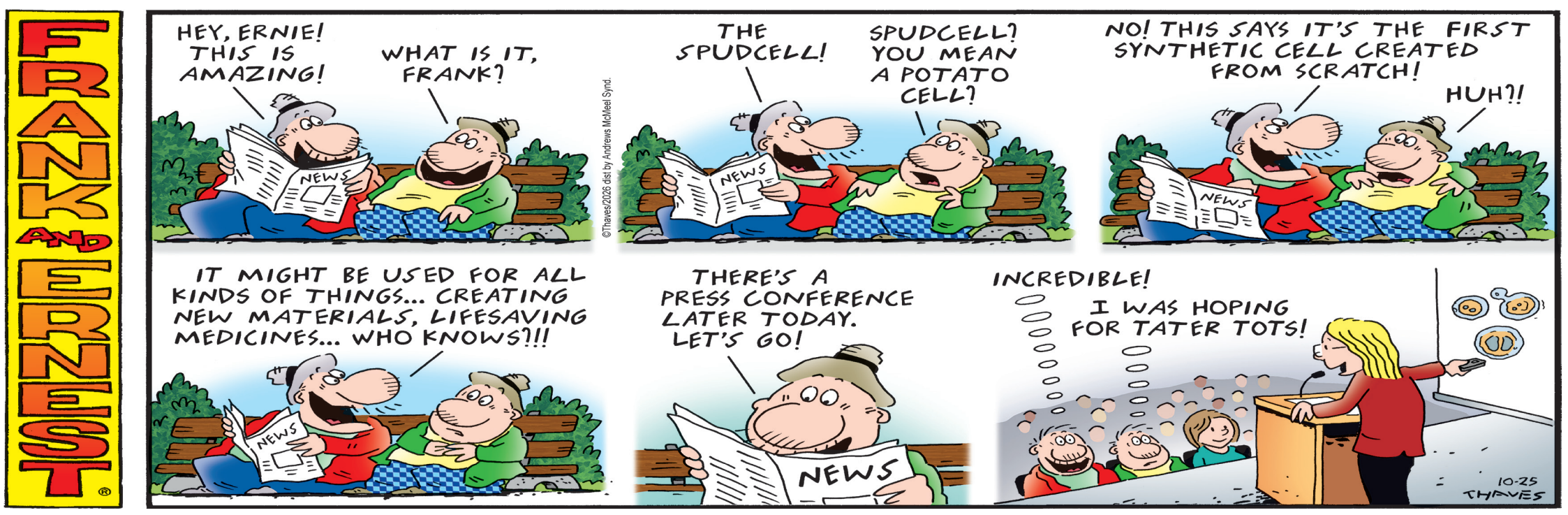
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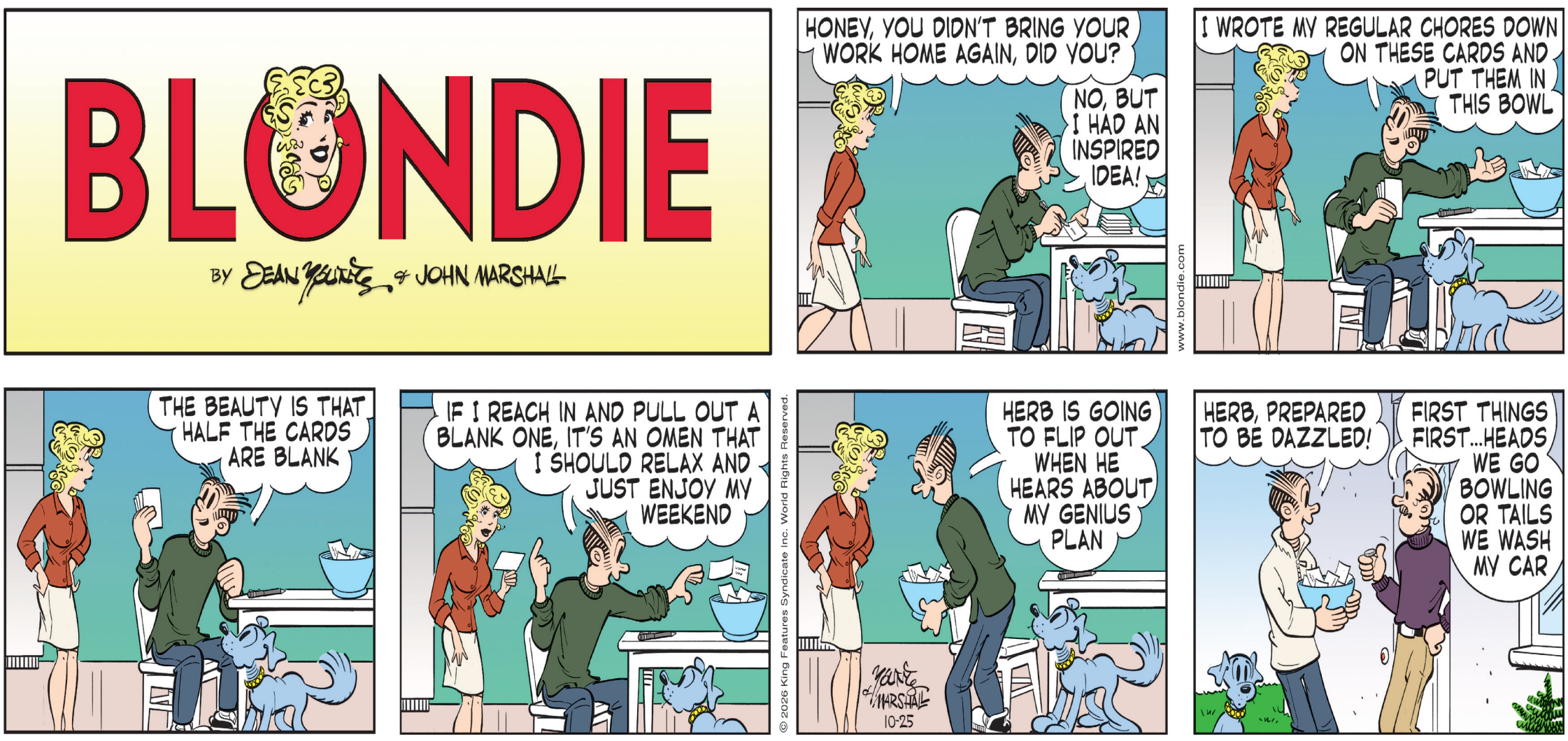






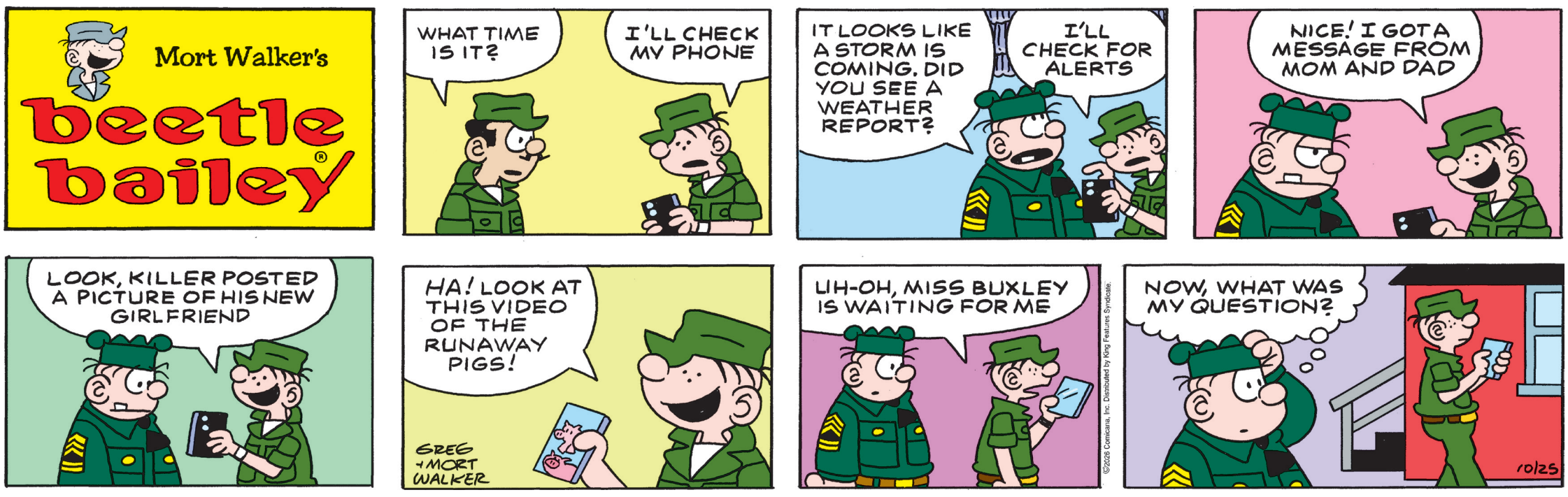
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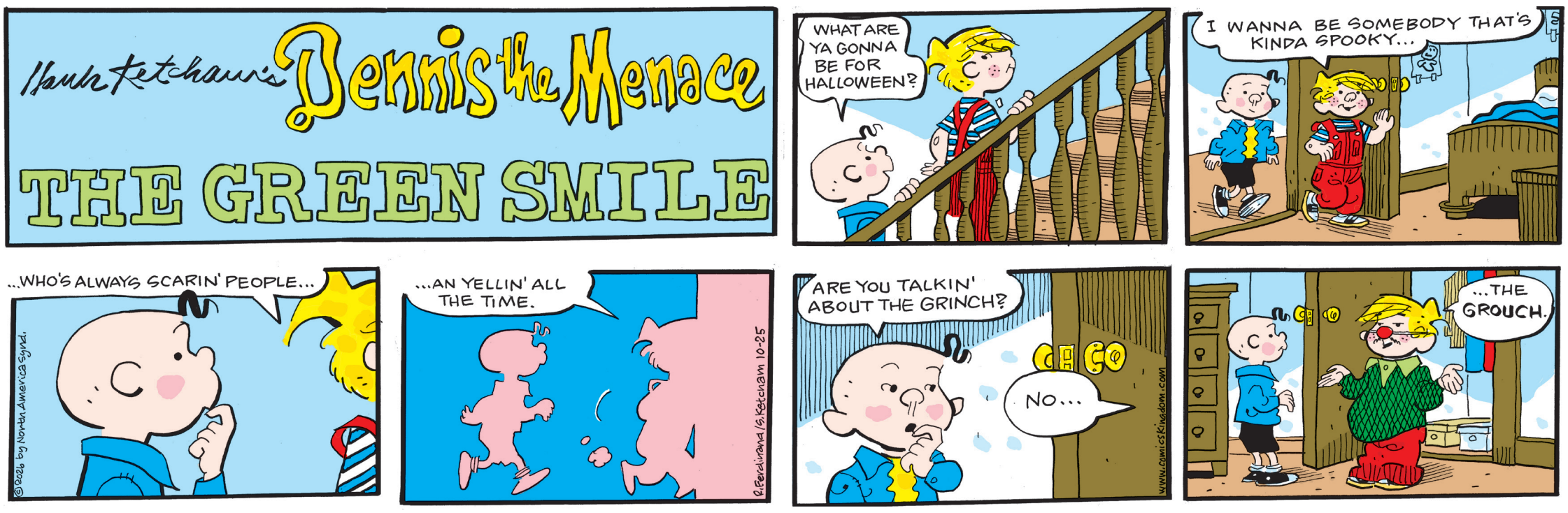
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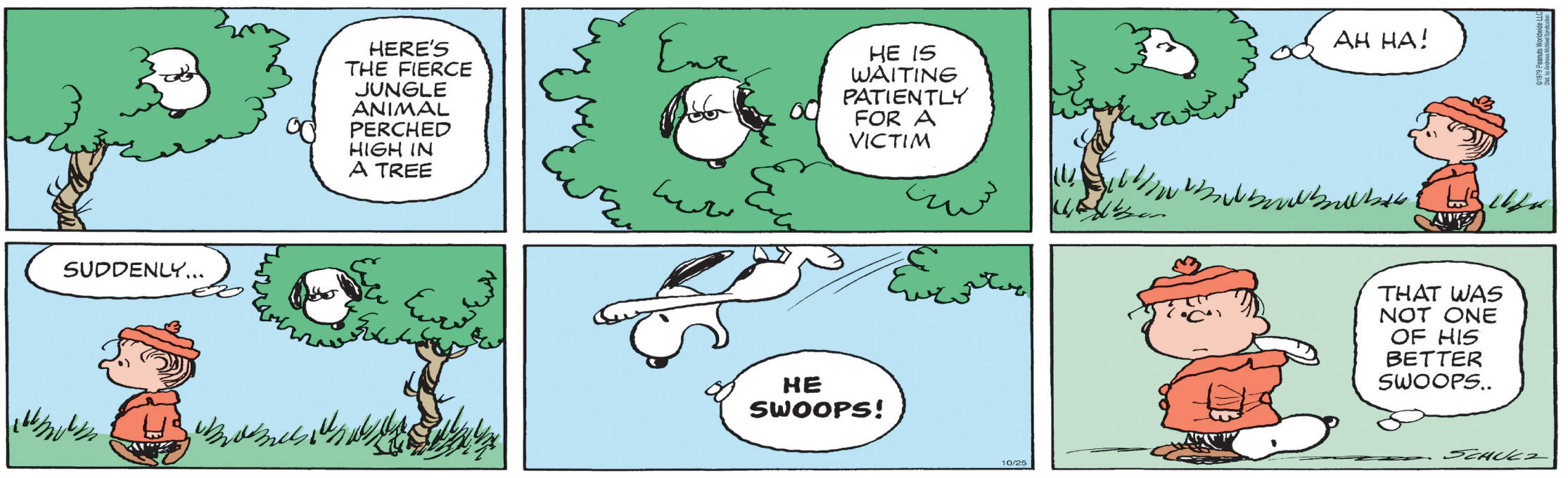
Hank Ketcham's Dennis the Menace

THE GREEN SMILE



CLASSIC PEANUTS

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

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