

Coosa Journal

News & Encouragement from the Coosa County Sheriff's Office



YEAR END
REVIEW

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“Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”
(Psalm 82:3-4)

Sheriff Michael Howell

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Office is here...**

To Serve and Protect

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Police Officers Prayer

*Lord I ask for courage
Courage to face and Conquer my fears...
Courage to take me Where others will not go...
I ask for strength
Strength of body to protect others And strength of spirit to
lead others...
I ask for dedication
Dedication to my job, to do it well. Dedication to my
community,
To keep it safe...
Give me Lord, concern
For others who trust me
And compassion for
those who need me...
And please Lord through it all
Be at my side...*

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Rockford Baptist Church

9575 Highway 231 Rockford

10:00 AM Sunday School
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Point of View ³

Get Directions From The Instructions

My first retail job was with Big K. Do you remember these “big box stores” of days gone by? I was in high school, but not old enough to have a work permit, so Mr. Deal hired me to work in the back room (the stockroom) during the Christmas holidays putting together all manner of merchandise for display. I guess he was keeping me out of sight, but I think he regretted assigned me the next level of the assembly process.

While assembling bicycles, tricycles, basketball goals, and dollhouses for display is one thing; assembling these for paying customers is more demanding. Displays which will not be sold might not have all the “road ready” features and the instructions might have been overlooked, especially the disclaimers which state if certain things are not completed, it might result in death.

While assembling a mountain bike for a customer to give as a present for Christmas, I did it as if it were going up for display. I left off a few bolts, gadgets, and cosmetic items. As they rolled it out of the front doors, it fell apart. The tires went one way, the seat was in the new owners, the handlebars crashed to the sidewalk and we found the gear box under a truck in the parking lot.

Mr. Deal said, “Do another one and get your directions from the instruction book.”

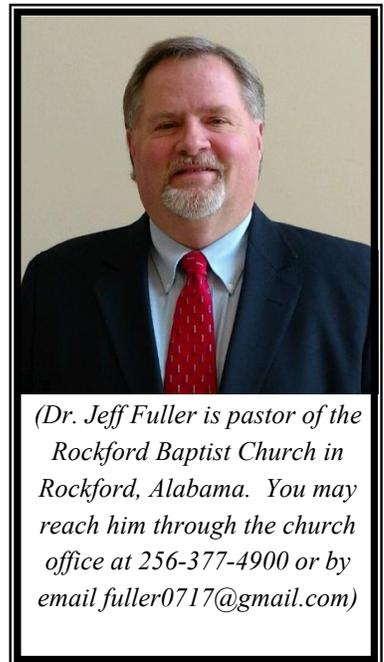
Have you ever wished life came with instructions? We wonder how we are to do things: How am I supposed to deal with that situation at work? How do I parent children? What about marriage? What in the world does God expect from me?

We often think God’s plans are too lofty, too big, even too grand and noble for us...especially when we hear things like: “God’s will is our sanctification.”

What does that even mean?

In 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12 we learn that sanctification is simply the process by which we become more like Jesus. We do that by reading the Bible. Through the Word of God, we get to know Jesus better and to know His ways.

As we do that our eyes are opened to sin. We realize sin is keeping us for God’s best. Once we recognize those sins for what they really are, and what they are robbing from us, we seek to avoid them.



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We are able to pray, “And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.” **(Matthew 6:13 HCSB)** Through reading the Bible and praying, seeking Godly wisdom we become aware of situations that make us weak and vulnerable to sin, and we adjust our lives to steer clear of such influences and draw nearer to the Lord.

As we read the Bible and live more like Jesus, we learn His way to love others. We begin to see the immense needs of those around us. We start to seek ways to aid them through the instructions of God’s precious Word. Life becomes less about ourselves and more about loving those around us

We notice what a difficult job that really is, and we pray and ask God for help. Hopelessness around us, struggles and heartaches, problems in our world tend to drive us to pray. Seeking God for the answers.

People around us notice the changes, and our relationships with others are impacted by God’s love coming through us. While others take note of the changes, you see that sanctification is the process of becoming more like Jesus. Those changes ripple out to impact all areas of our life and following Jesus becomes more than what we do on Sunday.

“The one who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, will have streams of living water flow from deep within him.” **John 7:38 (HCSB)**

Until next time...

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2021 STATS

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Calls to Service/Activities	1112	837	892	722	898	949	931	801	816	1104	958	1127
Daily Jail Inmate Average	23	28	36	34	32	34	35	42	37	41	44	37
Prisoner Transports Made	9	7	9	9	13	19	10	12	7	8	11	7
Incident & Offense Police Reports	67	51	63	43	57	78	64	62	66	55	65	54
Arrests Made	26	34	37	31	30	52	37	32	27	34	47	29
Warrants Served	33	34	43	70	37	57	30	34	27	34	71	34
Traffic Stops	183	61	126	86	208	175	100	125	138	180	213	243
Patrol Miles Driven	30,737	24,174	23,797	26,904	30,898	34,966	31,105					
Civil Papers Served	30	36	26	31	89	34	51	80	33	65	67	6
Pistol Permits Issued	89	135	135	95	96	84	120	96	92	84	64	77
DUI Arrests	5	2	3	1	1	3	3	2	1	1	2	2
Drug Arrests	7	5	2	0	11	9	14	8	7	9	13	6
Sex Offenders Register	15	11	20	8	11	25	15	12	18	18	13	22

January's

Sheriff's Office

Featured Article

End of Year Review

On December 16, 2021 Sheriff Michael Howell hosted the annual Coosa County Sheriff's Office Christmas Meeting/Dinner. During this event Lt. Chuck Ebert was awarded the Employee of the Year Award. Deputy Travis Ward was awarded the Deputy of the Year Award. Deputy William Bradberry and Deputy Travis Ward were pinned with their SWAT trident. The Coosa County Jail Ministry Team,



as well as Chaplain Jeff Fuller, were presented with Certificates of Appreciation. All Coosa County Reserve Deputies were honored for their willingness to serve the residents of Coosa County. Retired Reserve Deputies were honored with their years of service. Joe Camp-48 years of service, Blake Kelley-12 years of service, Jonathan Rogers-7 years of service, Craig Thornton-12 years of service, and Bill Embry-5 years of service were all honored due to their many years of service to the Coosa County Reserve Unit. Sheriff Michael Howell states, "This year has been a very successful year. I appreciate all the hard work from all the Coosa County Reserves, Jail Ministry Team, and Coosa County Sheriff's Office staff. This has definitely been a group effort, made by all employees, to make this year a successful year. I look forward to the continued progress of the Coosa County Sheriff's Office". The following accomplishments were shared by Sheriff Howell at the meeting:

- ⇒ K-9 Archi Thunder was certified with Deputy Bradberry
- ⇒ Deputy Deandre Scott graduated Police Academy
- ⇒ Less Lethal Training for the jail. Pepper ball equipment utilized in the jail.
- ⇒ Investigator Fenn became an ASP Baton Instructor
- ⇒ Sheriff Michael Howell attended the FBI National Command Course 1st class (Only representative from state of

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Alabama)

- ⇒ Started working towards placing mile markers on Hatchett Creek (Hatchett Creek Marking Project)
- ⇒ Arrested subjects for catalytic converter thefts (Andrew Jones, Brandon Broaderway)
- ⇒ Assisted courthouse personnel with remodeling of courtroom
- ⇒ Began development of practices to use technology for courtroom hearings opposed to transporting inmates to court.
- ⇒ Approved 2021 -2022 budget with a \$0.25 pay increase for all Sheriff's Office staff. Health insurance went up but this increase was absorbed by the County Commission.
- ⇒ Hosted first ever 2-week Jury Trial. All cases resolved.
- ⇒ Helene Johnson pled guilty to murder.
- ⇒ Responded to first murder of the year. Solved within first few hours.
- ⇒ Attended several advanced trainings for all personnel
- ⇒ Continued to utilize Zoom hearings for court proceedings
- ⇒ Hosted Successful County Wide Community Exercise
- ⇒ Successful start to school year



LT. C Ebert receiving the Correction Employee of the Year award.



Deputy Ward receiving the Deputy Employee of the Year award.



SWAT members pictured with Sheriff Michael Howell and Chief Long

- ⇒ Fed Football Team
- ⇒ Participated in Parade at School
- ⇒ Conducted Search on David Lee Mann residence and made 5 arrests
- ⇒ Solved Several burglaries on County Road 70 (Arrested David Lee Butler)
- ⇒ Purchased New Appliances for Kitchen
- ⇒ Installed New Camera System
- ⇒ Separated Pistol Permits from Administration Office
- ⇒ Reinstated jail commissary with a 68% profit VS 10%
- ⇒ Established Video Visitation for jail
- ⇒ Eliminated Inmate movement from beyond SC2
- ⇒ Established Inmate attorney room with no face-to-face contact
- ⇒ Established video court from jail to courtroom.
- ⇒ Transitioned to FirstNet phones
- ⇒ Submitted grant for new tasers
- ⇒ Received funding for in car cameras and new body cameras.
- ⇒ Arrested Gregory Chase Owens for trafficking.
- ⇒ Arrested Sean Michael Ewbanks.
- ⇒ Federally indicted Johnathan Harrell.
- ⇒ Saved the county budget over \$30,000 in 2021.
- ⇒ Graduated 2 more deputies from SWAT school



Retired Reserve Deputies honored with their years of service.
Joe Camp-48 years of service



Retired Reserve Deputies honored with their years of service.
Bill Embry-5 years



Retired Reserve Deputies honored with their years of service.
Blake Kelley-12 years of service



Sheriff Michael Howell presented certificates of Appreciation to Chaplain Jeff Fuller and the Jail Ministry Team: Jan Morris, Dana & Lee Wilder, Steve Dyess, (Not Present were: Tim Wilcox & Dawn Guy)



“Shop with the Sheriff”

On December 21, 2021 the Coosa County Sheriff’s Office participated in the first ever “Shop with the Sheriff”. This event was developed in order to help families with children during Christmas. Pictured are Sheriff Michael Howell and Corporal Brad Moon with the Coosa County Sheriff’s Office. Sheriff Michael Howell states, “I am overwhelmed with all the support we received during Christmas. Through donations received from the public, we were able to bless 16 children from Coosa County this Christmas. I would like to personally thank each and every person who donated to make this event possible. Without you and without your support this would not have been possible. Thank you all for your generosity during Christmas”.



K-9 Archi Thunder

turned 2 years old in December.

Please help Sheriff Michael Howell, K-9 Handler Deputy Bradberry, and the entire Coosa County Sheriff's Office wish Archi a Happy Birthday!!!



Employee Birthdays:

Butch Buttram - 11/17

Dep. Bradberry - 12/1

Officer Higginbotham - 12/9

Officer Lamberth - 12/15

Officer Holley - 12/19

LT. Ebert - 1/11

Chaplain Fuller - 1/18

Inv. Hodge - 1/27

It's Feeling A lot Like Christmas...

Coosa County's Sheriff's Office was in full swing to prepare for this holiday season. To start us off in the right Christmas Spirit, Office Manager, Shelia Thomas, was a busy elf and decorated the Sheriff's Office. To continue with the Christmas preparations, the Sheriff's Office staff and volunteers were very busy this year in preparing and building this years Christmas float. This is a fun time for the office to pull together to show their Christmas spirit to the community by participating in the Christmas parades. The office traditionally participates in Goodwater, Rockford, and Alex City communities' parades. This years float theme was Main Street Christmas. The Sheriff's Office won:



Sheriff's Office Outside Decorations painted by Megan Jones.

- 1st Place in Rockford Office Decorating Contest,
- 1st Place in Goodwater Parade,
- 1st Place in Alexander City Parade, and
- 2nd Place in Rockford Parade.

To continue with the Christmas spirit festivities, the Sheriff's Office hosted the 11th Annual Christmas End of the Year Review Meeting. Employees, spouses, reserves and reserve spouses all enjoyed the delicious feast with over 100 participants attending our meeting to learn about all the staff has done this year. Thank you to those attendees as well as the little elves that helped decorate and make it possible. Everyone looks forward to seeing the surprise fun activity the Sheriff showcases every year at this meeting.

Another way the Coosa County Sheriff's Office participates in the sharing of its Christmas spirit is by coordinating with the area Church's to feed County's inmates a Christmas meal. This tradition of ministering to the Inmates is a thought worthy way for Coosa County Citizens to show their spirit of encouragement to boost the spirits of the inmates during this holiday time. Sheriff Michael Howell states, "I appreciate their love and kindness shared during Christmas. Thank you to all who helped make this possible. Praying God blesses each one of you. Merry Christmas!!!"



Christmas Tree Out in Front of Sheriff's Office



Main Street Christmas Float



Team that feed inmates for Christmas!

10 *Other Sheriff's Office News:*



Thank you

to the Hill's for there generous donations of food complements of Triple R to feed the Law Enforcement Personnel for all of our service to the citizen's of Coosa County. We also had an anonymous donation of food from Good Ole Boys as well. Thank you citizen's of Coosa County for appreciating what we do.

It's Dirty Out There

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office is excited about our newest hire- Officer Bill Smith the new Litter Abatement Officer has already been busy on Coosa County Road 4 this Monday, January 3, 2022 picking up litter and cleaning up our county. He has also been out this week on Tar Bucket Rd and CR 18 picking up litter. On January 12, we received a call of some excess trash on CR 64 and on Five Star Plantation Rd. Officer Smith and some inmates cleaned this area up as well. If you see excess litter or dumping, please report it to 256-377-4922.



2022 Calendar's now available:

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office has its 2022 Sheriff's Office calendar's available in the lobby for anyone who would like one. We would like to take the time to thank our supporters.

- A1 Freedom Bail Bonding
- Armour's Memorial Funeral Home
- Wright's Funeral Home
- Downtown Body Shop
- Quality Food Mart & Package Store
- Serra Car Dealerships
- Triple R Café
- IndusTREE POLE & PILIMG/Central
- Alabama Wood Products
- Thomas Auto Parts
- Spookeay Automotive
- Mallory B Whitley Law, LLC
- Alabama Paper & Supply
- Big Mac's Towing & Recovery
- Alfa Insurance/Tasha Howell, Agent

- Bice Motors INC
- Curtis & Son Funeral Home
- Varner & Associates
- Richard Dean, Judge of Probate
- Coosa Family Dentistry
- A&E Metal Roofing Supply
- Radney Funeral Home
- Unique Bar-B- Que
- G. Daniel Brown
- King's Mattress Outlet
- Kellyton Texaco
- Ogletree's Garage
- John K Johnson, Attorney At Law
- Dr. Chris M. Salmon DMD
- Forbus Auto Sales



- Radney-Smith Funeral Home
- Goodwater Pharmacy
- Griffin's Outdoor Power Equipment Sales and Service
- Wingfield Engineering Company
- Allen Co/ Betty Ruth's Market Café
- Express Yourself, LLC
- Hometown Publishing
- Suicide Prevention Hotline



Working Together for a Safe School Environment



David W. Stover
Superintendent

On January 7, 2022, the Coosa County Sheriff’s Office in conjunction with the Coosa County Superintendent of Education conducted a drug and weapons sweep of the Central High School classrooms and student parking lot. This sweep was a joint operation with surrounding area canine police officers. Three arrests were made during the sweep of the student parking area resulting from marijuana evidence in vehicles. Those students will receive disciplinary action from both law enforcement and the board of education. No drugs nor weapons were found by the canine units in the Central High School building. The superintendent values the partnership between the Coosa County sheriff’s department and Coosa County school system to maintain a safe and drug free learning environment. Sheriff Michael Howell and the superintendent agree on a proactive approach to conducting these sweeps on a regular basis as a deterrent against drug use.

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CENTRAL COOSA

*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

SOFTBALL

GAMES AT HOME UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

DATE	OPPONENT/LOCATION	TIME
02.18.2022	vs Verbena (JV DH)	4:30/6:00
02.22.2022	@ BB Comer (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
02.24.2022	@ Winterboro (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
02.25.2022	@ Verbena Tournament	TBA
02.26.2022	@ Verbena Tournament	TBA
03.01.2022	vs.Dadeville (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
03.03.2022	vs. Vincent (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
03.04.2022	@ BB Comer Tournament	TBA
03.05.2022	@ BB Comer Tournament	TBA
03.10.2022	@ Fayetteville (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
03.12.2022	Coosa Round Robin Tourn	9:00
03.15.2022	vs. Verbena (V)	5:00
03.16.2022	vs.Reeltown(JV/V)	4:30/6:00
03.29.2022	@Dadeville (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
03.31.2022	vs.BB Comer(V)	4:30/6:00
04.01.2022	vs. Horseshoe Bend(V)	1:00
04.05.2022	@Vincent(JV/V)	4:30/6:00
04.06.2022	@Verbena(V)	5:00
04.14.2022	@Reeltown (JV/V)	4:30/6:00
04.21.2022	vs.Winterboro(JV/V)	4:30/6:00
04.22.2022	@Horseshoe Bend(V)	1:00
04.26.2022	vs. Fayetteville(JV/V)	4:30/6:00

PURCHASE GAME DAY TICKETS ON GOFAN.CO

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CENTRAL COOSA

*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

BASEBALL

GAMES AT HOME UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

DATE	OPPONENT/LOCATION	TIME
02.17.2022	vs. Winterboro (V/JV)	4:00/6:00
02.19.2022	@ Winterboro (V/JV)	11:00/1:00
02.22.2022	vs. Indian Springs(V)	4:30
02.25.2022	vs. Verbena(V)	5:00
03.01.2022	vs. Horseshoe Bend(V/JV)	4:00/6:00
03.04.2022	@ Verbena(V)	2:00
03.08.2022	@ Billingsley(JV)	6:00
03.10.2022	@ Indian Springs (V)	4:30
03.11.2022	vs. Billingsley(V)	1:00/3:00
03.14.2022	vs. Horseshoe Bend(JV)	4:30/6:00
03.18.2022	@ Horseshoe Bend(V/JV)	1:00/3:30
03.29.2022	vs.Fayetteville(V)	4:00
03.31.2022	@Fayetteville(V)	4:00/6:00
04.05.2022	@BB Comer(V)	4:00
04.07.2022	vs. BB Comer(V)	4:00/6:00
04.12.2022	@Vincent(V)	4:00
04.14.2022	vs.Vincent(V)	4:00/6:00

*Senior Night Ceremony post-game

PURCHASE GAME DAY TICKETS ON GOFAN.CO

*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

News from the Sheriff's



Reserves

2021 In The Rearview Mirror

When we look back on 2021 from a law enforcement point view the word challenging comes to mind. Policing in the midst of a pandemic brought many challenges. How do you perform law enforcement duties without touching offenders and victims? At various times through the year the jail wasn't accepting prisoners. Another challenge was the fact that during many parts of the year the majority of people were wearing masks. You know that used to be reserved for bad guys! I still find it extremely ironic that there is a sign on the door of the bank that wants everyone to wear a mask. Talk about things spinning around 180 degrees!



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Another major challenge during the past year was the assault on law enforcement. Although it wasn't prevalent here, the constant demands around the country to defund the police affect law enforcement everywhere. I know of few places where law enforcement agencies are not struggling to hire officers and support personnel. Being shorthanded adds to the stress felt by officers. The Sheriff's Reserve Unit saw its numbers drop during the last year. In an effort to turn that trend around, the unit voted to create a Reserve Recruitment Coordinator. This officer will facilitate the process of those seeking to join the reserve unit. In addition to this position, a more formal probationary period with training and attendance requirements was put in place. Hopefully, these changes will help the reserve unit recruit well qualified individuals who will receive more in-depth training allowing them to better serve the citizens of Coosa County.

While there will always be turnover in the reserve unit, it is worth noting that¹³ at the recent Sheriff's Office end of year review meeting, Reserve Officer Joe Camp was recognized for his 48 years of service to the Coosa County Sheriff's Office. That is quite an accomplishment and the citizens of Coosa County owe Bro. Joe a debt of gratitude.

There was no doubt that the past year was one filled with challenges and a heavy stress load. As we look forward, the latest Covid variant is raging. Calls for service are high and we are just getting started. I've heard it said the more things change, the more they stay the same. There is some truth in that. However, with all the ills in society, there are also many blessings we enjoy each day. I hope and pray the blessings will continue during this new year. I pray that the Lord will see our officers safely through another year. Please pray for our law enforcement officers and first responders. We need it and appreciate it.

By: Joel D. Glover

Coosa County Sheriff's Reserve Unit



Reserves Meeting:

2nd Tuesday evening of every month
At 6:00 PM in The Reserve Room



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Sheriff's Arrest Report:

November and December



- On November 2nd Chief Deputy Long arrested Chastity Nicole Brown of Alexander City, AL for Trespassing. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond
- On November 2nd, Deputy Mitchell arrested Nathan Warren Fisk-McClure of Prattville, AL for Failure to Appear on Receiving Stolen Property. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On November 3rd, Deputy Scott arrested Bradley Dewayne Travelstead of Goodwater, AL for Failure to Appear on Domestic Violence. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$788.40 cash bond.
- On November 4th, Deputy Keel arrested Cedric Jermaine Holley of Alexander City for Fraudulent Use Of A Credit Card x 7. He was arrested and processed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$35,000 bond.
- On November 5th, Deputy Scott arrested Jennifer Hammel Kendall of Birmingham, AL for Leaving The Scene Of An Accident. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on \$5,000 bond.
- On November 5th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Timothy Olander Wilson of Sylacauga, AL for DUI and Open Container Violation. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,500 bond.
- On November 6th, Deputy Keel arrested Danielle Casey Johnson of Carrollton, Ga for Failure To Appear On Reckless Driving. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$1,000 bond.
- On November 7th, Deputy Ward arrested Gregory Chase Owens of Sylacauga, AL for Ex-Felon In Possession Of Pistol, Possession Of Marijuana, Trafficking Meth Amphetamines, And Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On November 7th, Deputy Ward arrested Magen Leigh Fowler of Harpersville, AL for Possession Of Pistol Without A Permit, Possession Of Marijuana, Trafficking Meth Amphetamines, And Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On November 9th, Deputy Mitchell arrested Brenda Elaine Harris of Kellyton, AL for Failure to Appear On A Traffic Violation. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$400 cash bond.
- On November 9th, Deputy Scott arrested Katlyn Simone Leonard of Eclectic, AL for Possession of Marijuana, Open Container Violation, And Tampering With Evidence. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$5,300 bond.

- On November 9th, Deputy Scott arrested Madison Marie Morrow of Alexandria, AL for¹⁵ Possession of Marijuana And Open Container Violation.
- On November 9th, Deputy Scott arrested Sasha Minnette Pettway of Selma, AL for Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Controlled Substance, And Possession Of A Pistol Without A Permit. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$10,000 bond.
- On November 9th, Deputy Scott arrested Chaz Anthony McDickinson of Weogufka, AL for Possession of Marijuana. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On November 11th, Deputy Ward arrested Jason Micah Scroggins of Sylacauga, AL for Failure to Appear On Traffic Violations. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$3,000 bond.
- On November 13th, Deputy Scott arrested Lanoris Derill Singleton of Anniston, AL for Driving Under The Influence. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On November 14th, Deputy Scott arrested Daryl Bryan Hosey of Sylacauga, AL for Failure to Appear On Traffic Violations. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 property bond and \$941 case bond.
- On November 15th, Deputy Ward arrested Roosevelt Strown of Talladega, AL for Failure To Appear In Court For Speeding And No Driver's License. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On November 16th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Kayla Williams Cantrell of Auburn, AL for Possession of Controlled Substance X3. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$15,000 bond.
- On November 16th, Chief Deputy George Long arrested Sean Michael Ewbank of Equality, AL for Drug Trafficking, Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia, Public Intoxication, And Probation Revocation. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond
- On November 16th, Deputy Ward arrested Kimberly Denise Patton of Sylacauga, AL for Domestic Violence Harassment. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$1000 bond.
- On November 16^h, Deputy Mitchell arrested Lonnie Earl Grogan of Goodwater, AL for Possession of Controlled Substance And Theft Of Property. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$20,000 bond.
- On November 19th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Michael Bernard McCain of Talladega, AL for Possession Of Marijuana 1st. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$5,000 bond.
- On November 22nd, Deputy Scott arrested Thomas Cornelius Glenn of Alexander City, AL for Domestic Violence and Interference With A Domestic Violence Emergency Call. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,500 bond.
- On November 28th, Deputy Ward arrested Nicholas Ontario Heard of Dadeville, AL for Theft of Property. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$20,000 bond.
- On November 29th, Captain Hammond arrested Alonzo Blackmon of Alexander City, AL for Failure to Pay/SORNA Violation. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail without bond.
- On November 30th, Deputy Scott arrested Josie Michele East of Goodwater, AL for two counts of Harassment. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$1,000 bond.
- On November 30th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Christopher Adam Grantham for Failure



- to Pay/Assault 3rd. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$1000 bond.
- On December 5th, Deputy Ward arrested Jeremy Lamont Ragland of Talladega, AL for Failure to Appear/Speeding, Possession of Marijuana 1st, and Possession of a Controlled Substance. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$11,000 bond.
 - On December 7th, Captain Hammond arrested Thomas Michael Lawson of Roanoke, AL for Theft of Property 2nd. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$5,000 bond.
 - On December 8th, Deputy Ward arrested Kimberly Jo Palmer of Sylacauga, AL for Distribution of Controlled Substance, Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia, And Failure To Appear On Traffic Citations. She was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$13,000 bond.
 - On December 8th, Coosa County Investigators along with State Fire Marshall arrested Amy Dawn Jones of Sylacauga, AL for Insurance Fraud 1st. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.
 - On December 9th, Deputy Ward arrested Matthew Cameron Jones of Sylacauga, AL for Trespassing, Criminal Mischief And Reckless Endangerment. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$7,000 bond.
 - On December 9th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Odis Todd Plier of Weogufka, AL for Failure To Pay Fines On Traffic Citations. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
 - On December 9th, Deputy Ward arrested Misty Shavon Thornton of Sylacauga, AL for Failure To Pay Fines On Traffic Citations. She was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$1000 bond.
 - On December 12th, Deputy Scott arrested Matthew Jackson Childress of Rockford, AL for Failure To Appear On Fishing Without A Residential License. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.
 - On December 15th, Corporal Rudd arrested Dwayne Alexander Bratcher of Clanton, AL for Possession of Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$7,000 bond.
 - On December 15th, Corporal Rudd arrested Joshua Craig Smith of Clanton, AL for Possession of Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$7,000 bond.
 - On December 15th, Captain Hammond arrested Kelly Watkins Johnson of LaFayette, AL for Trespassing. She was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.
 - On December 15th, Deputy Ward arrested Emmanuel Lewis Ford of Alexander City, AL for Possession Of A Pistol Without A permit. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
 - On December 17th, Deputy Ward arrested Kevin Ray Gooden Jr. of Weogufka, AL for Possession of Marijuana 2nd, Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia, Attempting To Elude, And Failure To Appear On Driving While Revoked. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$6,500 bond.
 - On December 17th, Deputy Bradberry arrested Octavious Lejune Edwards of Alexander City, AL for Attempting To Elude, Possession Of Marijuana 1st, Trafficking Cocaine, Possession Of Controlled Substance X2 And Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$85,000 bond.
 - On December 20th, Corporal Rudd arrested Tori Cheryl Jennings of Alexander City, AL for Obstructing Governmental Operations. She was placed in the Coosa County Jail on

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a \$500 bond.

- On December 20th, Deputy Fenn arrested Jatavius Marcel Nelson of Alexander City, AL for Failure to Appear x 4 On Traffic Violations. She was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.
- On December 20th, Corporal Rudd arrested Sidney Lamar Fomby of Lincoln, AL for Probation Violation. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$1,000 bond.
- On December 21st, Deputy Scott arrested Terry Lawrence Chambers of Goodwater, AL for Failure To Appear On Traffic Violations. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$1,000 bond.
- On December 22nd Deputy Fenn arrested Casey Lee Driver of Clanton, AL for Theft of Property. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.
- On December 22nd, Deputy Fenn arrested Markeeves Antwan Neely of Alexander City, AL for driving under the influence. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On December 25th, Deputy Scott arrested Proceso Dominguez for Driving under the influence. He was processed into the Coosa County jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On December 27th, Deputy Ward arrested Asberry Scott of Kellyton, AL for Domestic Violence. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.
- On December 28th, Deputy Ward arrested Roger Lee Cheatham Jr. of Goodwater, AL for Domestic Violence, Resisting Arrest, Criminal Mischief. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$3,500 bond.
- On December 28th, Deputy Fenn arrested Tommy Juan Baggett of Alexander City, AL for Theft of Property 1st. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$2,500 bond.
- On December 29th, Deputy Scott arrested Jeremy Wayne Duke of Valley, AL for theft of property 4th. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.
- On December 30th, Deputy Mitchell arrested Henry Lavar Deminkee Banks of Kellyton, AL for Criminal trespass. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail on a \$500 bond.

Burglary Prevention Tips



- 1** Install **motion lights** around your residence.
- 2** **Stop mail delivery** to your home and request an extra watch from your nearest police station.
- 3** **Identify** all electronics in your home by copying the serial number and model number. If a burglary occurs you can report the numbers to law enforcement. **Photograph** the items for added protection, including jewelry.
- 4** **Don't post** your vacation plans or photos on social media while you are away from your residence.
- 5** Consider joining or starting a **Neighborhood Watch** group in your area.
- 6** Consider installing an **alarm system** or camera monitoring system.
- 7** Install **deadbolts** on your front and back doors.



Recent News

Weogufka Area Man Arrested in Connection to Burglary



A man from the Weogufka area was arrested on a charge in connection to a burglary. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that on October 18 his office received a report of burglary in the area of County Road 41 between Weogufka and Stewartville.

Deputies responded and began investigating the case. That investigation led to them developing 35-year-old Brandon

Brandon Scott Acklin Scott Acklin, who also lived in the area, as a suspect.

Howell said that ultimately Acklin was arrested on October 19 and charged with first-degree receiving stolen property. He explained that Acklin has only been arrested on that charge so far because he was in possession of numerous items that had been stolen from the residence. Acklin's bond was set at \$30,000.



Man, Woman Arrested For Drug Trafficking

A Weogufka man and a Harpersville woman were arrested on multiple drug-related charges, including drug trafficking, following a routine traffic stop. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that on November 7 Deputy Ward conducted a traffic stop on County Road 41 in the Weogufka area. He issued some citations and further proceeded to conduct a search of the vehicle.

During the search Ward and Reserve Deputy Payton located a large bag of methamphetamine, a glass pipe used for smoking meth, rolling papers, and marijuana. Additionally, in the vehicle they also found a 9-millimeter pistol and more than \$11,000 in cash. Sheriff Howell reported that the bag found in the vehicle contained a total of 110 grams of methamphetamine.

The driver, 37-year-old Gregory Chase Owens of Weogufka, was arrested and charged with drug trafficking, first-degree possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a pistol by a violent felon.

The woman with him, 34-year-old Magan Fowler of Harpersville, was arrested on the same charges, except for a change in the marijuana charge. She was charged with drug trafficking, second-degree possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a pistol by a violent felon.

Upon that arrest, the Sheriff's Office got a warrant to search Owens' house. There, Howell reported they found numerous firearms, including long guns, and more meth. Owens was then arrested on November 9 for the additional charges of possession of a controlled substance, being a felon in possession of a firearm and second-degree receiving stolen property relating to having a firearm that was stolen from Shelby County.



Owens' total bond for all seven charges from those two days has been set at \$405,000. Fowler's total bond for all four charges from November 7 has been set at \$57,500.



Magan Fowler



Gregory Chase Owens

Photo : Items seized from Owens' vehicle included a bag containing 110 grams of meth, more than \$11,000 in cash, a pistol, and a glass pipe, with more items discovered at his residence.

Kellyton Man Arrested For Card Use

A Kellyton man was arrested on multiple charges related to fraudulent use of a debit or credit card. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that Cedric Holley, 41 years old, was employed with a company outside of Coosa County. His employer filed a report regarding fraudulent use of the company's debit or credit card.



Cedric Holley

Howell said that all charges on the card were made in Coosa County. During the investigation, it was discovered that Holley had allegedly used the company's card without permission.

On November 4 he was arrested and charged with seven counts of fraudulent use of a debit card. His bond was set at \$35,000, and he has since been released on bond to await trial.

Birmingham Woman Indicted For Leaving Scene of Hit, Run

A Birmingham woman was arrested in connection to a hit and run that occurred in Coosa County in June. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that 29-year-old Jennifer Kendall was arrested November 5 on a Grand Jury indictment for leaving the scene of an accident.



Jennifer Kendall

The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, which handled the wreck, reported in June that the wreck occurred at approximately 10:23 p.m. June 5. It claimed the life of a Sylacauga man, 43-year-old Marcaus Odem. The initial report was that Odem was walking in the roadway when a vehicle that was unknown struck him, causing fatal injuries. Odem was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The crash occurred on U.S. Highway 280 near the 52-mile marker, approximately 4 miles northwest of Goodwater. ALEA sent a follow-up release the following day stating that the vehicle involved in the fatality crash was believed to be a blue or gray 2016-2018 Hyundai Tuscan. Anyone with information was asked to contact ALEA.

Kendall had since been arrested in connection with the hit and run, which ultimately led to her recent indictment for leaving the scene of an accident. Her bond was set at \$5,000, and she has since been released from the Coosa County Jail to await trial.

Selma Woman Arrested on Drug Charges

A Selma woman was arrested month on multiple drug-related charges during a routine traffic stop.

Sheriff Michael Howell reported that on November 9 deputies Scott and Mitchell were on patrol in the area of Ray community when they conducted a traffic stop. Upon approaching, deputies smelled the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle.

The deputies searched the vehicle and found a 9-millimeter firearm, a bag of marijuana and a glass container used for smoking methamphetamine. Howell reported that the glass container also contained meth.

As a result of those discoveries, the driver, 34-year-old Sasha Pettway, was arrested the same day and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of a concealed weapon without a permit, second-degree possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her total bond was set at \$10,000. She has since been released on bond to await trial.



Sasha Pettway

Auburn Woman Arrested on Drug Charges

A routine traffic stop resulted in the felony arrest of an Auburn woman on multiple drug-related charges. According to Sheriff Michael Howell, Deputy Bradberry was on patrol in the Hanover area last Tuesday when he conducted a traffic stop. The vehicle was driven by 34-year-old Kayla Cantrell of Auburn.

Cantrell had a firearm in her vehicle, for which she had a permit. Bradberry asked her if she had anything illegal in the vehicle, and she reportedly told him that she had drug paraphernalia in the car.

Bradberry conducted a vehicle search and located the paraphernalia. Additionally, Cantrell was reportedly found to have marijuana and methamphetamine on her person, as well as a Xanax.

Cantrell was arrested November 16 and charged with three counts of possession of a controlled substance, second-degree possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her total bond for all charges was set at \$15,000. She has since been released on bond to await trial.



Kayla Cantrell

Talladega Man Arrested on Drug Charges

A Talladega man was arrested on two drug-related charges after a routine traffic stop. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that Deputy Ward conducted a traffic stop at U.S. Highway 231 and County Road 68 in the Stewartville area. Ward smelled the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle.

He proceeded to conduct a search of the vehicle and found marijuana and four pills. Ragland was arrested and charged with first-degree possession of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance for the four pills, which were Percocet and Oxycodone.

Ragland's marijuana charge was escalated to first degree because he had a prior conviction for second-degree possession of marijuana. His total bond was set at \$11,000. He has since been released on bond to await trial.



Jeremy Ragland

Equality Man Arrested for Drug Trafficking

An Equality man was arrested in Kellyton for drug trafficking and other related charges. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that he and Chief Deputy George Long were patrolling the Kellyton area when they stopped at Dollar General. There they found a man passed out in a vehicle in the store parking lot.

They made contact with the driver, 29-year-old Sean Michael Ewbank, and discovered that he was under the influence of a narcotic. After conducting a search of Ewbank, Howell said they found a large amount of methamphetamine on him. The exact amount was later determined to be 28.9 grams of meth.

Because of the amount, Ewbank was charged with drug trafficking. He was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication. His total bond for those three charges was set at \$12,500.



Sean Michael Ewbank

Man Arrested for Attempted Murder of State Trooper

Special to the News

At approximately 9 p.m. Saturday, November 20, Randy Lee Wade, 57, of Sumter County, was arrested without incident in Sumter County.

Wade is the suspect regarding the attempted murder of a trooper assigned to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division, which occurred on Friday, November 19. The trooper stopped



Randy Lee Wade

Wade for a traffic violation and was in the process of arresting him for six warrants at which time Wade attempted²¹ to murder the trooper and fled the scene.

A statewide “Blue Alert” was issued by the Alabama Fusion Center (AFC) at the request of ALEA’s State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) to assist in locating Wade. Wade has been charged with attempted murder, first-degree escape and second-degree theft of property and is currently in the Sumter County Jail. The arrest was executed by the United States Marshal Services’ Fugitive Task Force, the 17th Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force, along with the Sumter County Sheriff’s Office. Nothing further is available as the investigation is ongoing. Once complete, the findings will be turned over to the Sumter County District Attorney’s Office.

Goodwater Man Arrested for Meth

A Goodwater man was arrested on a drug-related charge while being served an indictment.

On November 18, deputies were serving 45-year-old Lonnie Grogan a grand jury indictment for first-degree theft of property at his residence in Goodwater. They made contact with Grogan at his house, and Sheriff Michael Howell stated that in plain view there was methamphetamine inside his residence.

Grogan was then arrested and charged with possession of controlled substance for the methamphetamine, as well as his indictment for theft of property.

His total bond for both was set at \$20,000. He has since been released on bond to await trial.



Lonnie Grogan

Talladega Man Arrested For Marijuana

A Talladega man was arrested on a marijuana charge following a routine traffic stop. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that Deputy Bradberry and Reserve Deputy Davis were patrolling the Rockford area heading south on U.S. Highway 231 around County Road 40 when they stopped a vehicle.

The law enforcement officers made contact with the driver, 48-year-old Michael McCain of Talladega, and smelled marijuana coming from the vehicle. They conducted a search and located marijuana inside McCain’s vehicle.

He was arrested on November 19 and charged with first-degree possession of marijuana. His was a first-degree charge because he has a prior conviction of second-degree possession of marijuana, which escalated this new charge to a felony.

McCain’s bond was set at \$5,000, and he has since been released on bond to await trial.



Michael McCain

Clanton Men Arrested on Drug Charges

Two men from Clanton were arrested on drug-related charges after it was discovered that one of them had warrants. On December 15, Cpl. Mike Rudd was on patrol on County Road 56 in the Weogufka area when he conducted a traffic stop. Upon making contact, he discovered that the driver, 43-year-old Joshua Craig Smith, had warrants through Chilton County.

Sheriff Michael Howell reported that a search of the vehicle led to finding narcotics, specifically methamphetamine, and three syringes inside the vehicle.

Both Smith and his passenger, 30-year-old Dwayne Batcher, were arrested. Both men were charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.



Joshua Craig Smith



Dwayne Bratcher

Eluding Leads To Drug Trafficking Arrest

An Alexander City man was arrested for drug trafficking and other drug-related charges after he attempted to elude police. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that on December 17 Deputy Bradberry and Reserve Deputy Davis were on routine patrol on County Road 150 in the Stewartville area. They observed a vehicle speeding, reportedly being driven more than 90 mph, and attempted to stop the vehicle.

However, the driver eluded them, leading to a vehicle chase. Deputy Ward and Cpl. Rudd were called on to assist with the pursuit.

Howell reported that the vehicle finally stopped off of County Road 75 in the Hanover community, near the Coosa County schools.

Law enforcement detected the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle, and K9 Archie was deployed to assist Deputy Bradberry. Archie alerted on the vehicle, and deputies proceeded to conduct a search.

That search of the vehicle led to discovering 117 grams of marijuana, 34.44 grams of cocaine, 11.34 ounces of liquid codeine, and nine ecstasy pills. Additionally, a set of scales, 10 hookah bongs and 20 bottles of sparkling wine were also found in the vehicle.

The driver, 40-year-old Octavious L. Edwards, was arrested December 17 and charged with drug trafficking of cocaine, attempting to elude law enforcement, first-degree possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and two counts of possession of a controlled substance for the ecstasy and codeine.

Edwards' total bond for all six charges was set at \$85,000. On December 20 he was released on bond to await trial.

Anyone who observes or suspects illegal activity is encouraged to report it to the Coosa County Sheriff's Office at 256-377-4922 or online at www.coosacountyso.org. Anonymous tips are also welcome.



Octavious L. Edwards



Deputy Bradberry and K9 Archie with the marijuana, cocaine, codeine, and other items found in Octavious Edwards' vehicle.

Traffic Stop Leads to Distribution Arrest

A Sylacauga woman was arrested on drug-related charges following a routine traffic stop. Sheriff Michael Howell reported that Deputy Travis Ward was on routine patrol on County Road 511 near County Road 49 when he conducted a traffic stop. He discovered that the driver, Kimberly Jo Palmer, had a warrant for child support.

Upon conducting a search of the vehicle for inventorying, Ward found a black box containing 19 grams of a crystal-like substance found to be methamphetamine, as well as drug paraphernalia.

Palmer, 31 years old, was arrested December 8 on the charges of distribution of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and writ of arrest for child support. Palmer's total bond was set at \$13,000.



Kimberly Jo Palmer

Daviston Man Arrested for Theft

A Daviston man was arrested on a theft charge the day after a report was filed regarding the incident.

Sheriff Michael Howell reported that on December 6, a report of theft in the Rockford area was filed. The victim reportedly had numerous items stolen from their residence. The investigation determined that 33-year-old Thomas Michael Lawson was responsible for the theft.

Lawson was arrested December 7 and charged with second-degree theft of property. His bond was set at \$5,000, and he has since been released on bond to await trial.



Thomas Michael Lawson

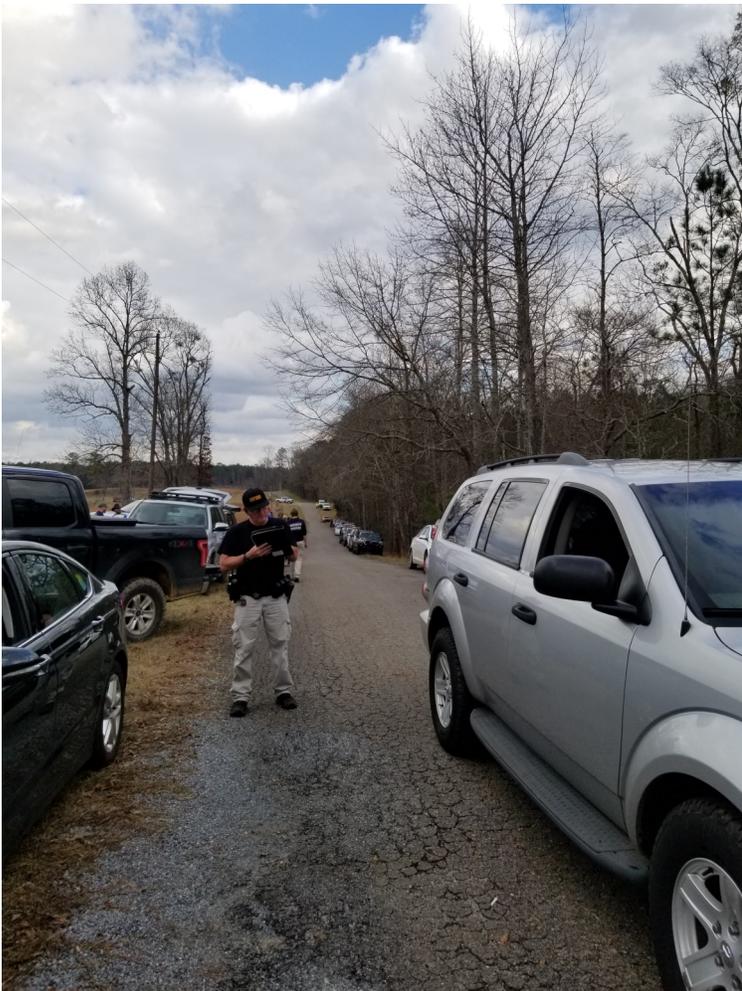
Deputies Quickly Solve Burglary Case

On January 6, 2022 the Coosa County Sheriff's Office responded to a reported burglary of a residence. During the course of the burglary several guns, jewelry, and the victims vehicle was stolen. Within 1 hour of receiving the report of the burglary, the offender was located off of HWY 22 in the Ray Community area. Sheriff Michael Howell would like to thank the Alabama State Troopers, the Coosa County Sheriff's Office Investigators and Deputies for their hard work in this case by solving the case so quickly and recovering the victims stolen property.



Missing Juvenile Was Located Safely

On January 1, 2022 the Coosa County Sheriff's Office was notified of a missing juvenile located in the Equality community. Sheriff Michael Howell was notified and a search team was dispatched to the area. Around 1:30 p.m. Sheriff Michael Howell located the missing juvenile just off of HWY 9 in Equality. He states there were several volunteers who helped bring the juvenile home safely. He would like to thank all of our volunteer fire departments in Coosa County, Rescue Squads from surrounding counties, Red Mountain Search Dog Association, ALEA, and the citizens of Coosa County for their hard work and dedication in locating the missing juvenile. Sheriff Howell states, "I appreciate all agencies within the county as well as outside agencies. I would like to also thank the residents of the state of Alabama for helping us during our search. I'm am thankful he was located safely"



Three County Chase Ends in Dadeville

Cliff Williams / The Outlook Cliff Williams is a staff writer for Tallapoosa Publishers.

A chase that started miles away ended in Dadeville Monday night. A suspect wanted by the Childersburg Police Department driving a Ford Focus with a Macon County license plate did not stop for deputies with the Coosa County Sheriff's Office. The chase went down U.S. Highway 280 to Dadeville where the suspect turned around and started to head back. Deputies with the Tallapoosa County Sheriff's Department, officers with Dadeville and Camp Hill police departments assisted in stopping the suspect. The suspect vehicle hit at least three Coosa County Sheriff's Office vehicles and possibly others.



Willie Mabson

Law enforcement started pursuit of Willie Mabson of Tuskegee in Talladega County but authorities say Mabson didn't stop until Dadeville.

Coosa County Sheriff Michael Howell said the Coosa County Sheriff's Office had received reports to be on the lookout for a gold Ford Focus that was seen in Talladega County.

"Our deputies saw a vehicle matching the description speeding [on U.S. Highway 280]," Howell said. "They attempted a traffic stop." The pursuit passed through Alexander City across the River Bridge. The pursuit continued to Dadeville where Mabson was met by officers from the Dadeville and Camp Hill police departments.

The Tallapoosa County Sheriff's Department was also involved in the pursuit. Social media reports had Mabson turning around on U.S. Highway 280 returning westbound. Some reports had the vehicle with flat tires. The pursuit ended in the westbound lanes of U.S. Highway 280 just west of Highway 49 North. The incident had one lane of traffic blocked.

Howell said Mabson hit three Coosa County Sheriff's Office vehicles in the pursuit. Both Howell and Tallapoosa County sheriff Jimmy Abbett said no one was injured in the incident.

Mabson, 31, Tuskegee was charged with three counts of second-degree assault, driving under the influence, reckless endangerment and attempting to elude by Tallapoosa County Sheriff's Department. Abbett said Dadeville had charges against Mabson and that Mabson faces charges in Coosa County. "He will face attempting to elude law enforcement and several traffic violations at the least," Howell said.



It is unknown what Mabson might be charged with in Talladega County. Currently, Mabson is in the Tallapoosa County Jail with no bond available to him as there has not been a 72-hour hearing yet.

Mabson did speak before he was put into a patrol vehicle. "I'm sorry," Mabson said, handcuffed, lying on the ground. "I'm not that person. I don't do that type stuff."

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I am now officially retired. My last day with Tuskegee Lee Baptist Association was the last day of the year. The last time I didn't have get up and go somewhere every weekday morning was when I was six years old. That was the year I began first grade. It has been school or work, and often both, ever since.

I thought that I might lay around the house all week and do nothing for my first week of retirement. I did that on the first day, if you count watching college football as doing nothing. I watched about 12-hours of bowl games. I did take time out to eat. You know, you get three timeouts in each half!

On Sunday, I used a time out to go to church. I wasn't speaking anywhere, so I went to my home church and listened to my pastor. After we had lunch out, I went back home and did nothing.

Since Jean didn't have to go back to work until Wednesday, she and I got up and headed out of town Monday. We headed North to Clanton to visit an old friend and his wife and see their place of business. Since I had run our A/C the day before, I never dreamed we would be driving into a snow storm. Okay, it wasn't exactly a storm, but we did see some snow flurries. We spent the day visiting our friends, and antique stores.

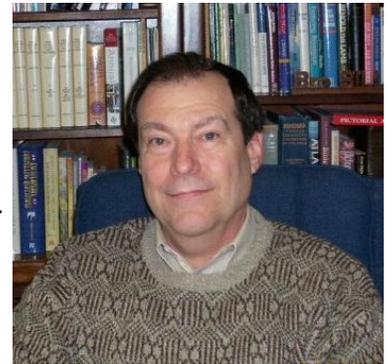
On Tuesday, we got up and headed in the opposite direction. We drove over to Columbus, Georgia, where we met our daughter and her family. We found some more antique stores where I found some great pieces of oak to use in my woodshop. Of course, we found somewhere for lunch.

On Wednesday, Jean headed back to work, so I headed out to the woodshop. I had new wood! I cut out and glued up a cutting board, with alternating strips of oak and walnut. I also hit the fitness center for some racquetball.

On Thursday, I was like Willie...on the road again. My alter ego, Bro Billy Bob, did not retire. I did a concert of stories and songs for the Senior Adult Luncheon of Butler Baptist Association, in Greenville. I knew I would pass directly in front of Priester's Pecans, but I didn't know that I would be running late and not have time to stop. Our host pastor, told me about a shortcut back to I-65. I think it may have been divine guidance that my shortened route took me directly by the entrance to Priester's! Well, it would have taken me by it, had I not pulled in. I wasn't hungry after that huge potluck lunch they had fed me, but I never let a little problem like that stop me from pecan logs and brittle!

Jean doesn't work on Fridays, so headed to Fort Payne. We visited a sawmill and woodstore in downtown Lebanon. I got a little more wood, hickory this time. We drove on up to Mentone for lunch. We visited an antique mall in the old W.B. Davis Hosiery Mill, in Fort Payne. I bought some table legs.

The next morning, we visited a lifelong friend and his wife, then headed to my brother's house for a past-due family get together. We headed on home afterwards, so I could speak at a church in Opelika for their morning and evening services. Other than that, I didn't do much of anything during my first week of retirement. I think I'll be able to find something to do, but if you think of something, let me know.



Bro. Bill King Columnist



Devotional

Zilch, Nada By Pam Ford Davis



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Let's start the new year off right. Trust God.

It's so easy to limit the LORD; we put him in a box and hinder his power to work in our circumstances and problems.

Our lips confess that all is possible through him but our faith is small. Our confidence in His help diminishes as troubles mount.

He still heals the sick, restores marriages, and provides deliverance from debt. Yes, God does intervene and He does so much more.

We believe but do we believe He will?

Too often, we don't have crucial needs met. Why? Here's the bottom line; we don't ask for His help.

"You do not have because you do not ask (James 4:2b HCSB)."

He wants to help us.

"Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching, and you will find. Keep knocking, and the door will be opened to you (Matthew 7:7 HCSB)."

Is anything too difficult for God? Zilch, nada!

"Oh, Lord GOD! You Yourself made the heavens and earth by Your great power and with Your outstretched arm. Nothing is too difficult for You (Jeremiah 32:17 HCSB)!"

Nothing is impossible; the LORD can do far and above my wildest dreams and desires.

Scripture Encouragement

"Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us— to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20-21 HCSB)

Smart Phone App

To download the app.

- Go to your app store
- Search and download the Mobile Patrol app
- Open the app and select Alabama
- Under Agency select Coosa



Some information in the app includes the Jail Population (Detention), Outstanding Warrants, Crime Tips and the Most Wanted in Coosa County as well as general contact information

Happy New Year

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Riddle:

What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, has a bed but never sleeps?

Important

Contact Information you may need!

Take this page and post near your phone or computer for future use.



Coosa County Sheriff's Office

Emergency Calls 9-1-1—All other calls	256-377-4922
Dispatch	Option 1
Pistol Permits	Option 3
Office	Option 4
Board of Registrar's Office.....	256-377-2418
Central Alabama Electric Cooperative	256-377-2498
Circuit Clerk's Office.....	256-377-4988
Commissioners' Office	256-377-2420
Coosa County E911 Office	256-377-1911
Coosa County Extension Office	256-377-4713
Coosa County Emergency Management	256-935-9484
Coosa County School Board	256-377-4913
Central Elementary School.....	256-377-1456
Central High School	256-377-4384
Alabama Forestry Commission	256-377-4638
County Highway Department	256-377-2261
Department of Human Resources	256-377-2000
District Judge's Office.....	256-377-4957
First Bank in Rockford.....	256-377-1000
Goodwater Town Hall	256-839-6301
Health Partners of Goodwater	256-743-1300
Juvenile Probation Officer	256-377-2687
Probate Judge's Office.....	256-377-4919
Revenue Commissioner's Office.....	256-377-4916
Rockford Post Office	256-377-4698
Rockford Town Hall	256-377-4911
Tag Office	256-377-4910
Water Authorities	
Kellyton Water Authority	256-234-4784
Stewartville Water Authority	256-245-0214
Ray Water Authority	256-215-3546
Rockford Water Authority	256-377-4911



Programs Offered by...



Coosa County Sheriff's Office



The Yellow Dot Program

The "Yellow Dot" program is designed to assist Alabama citizens and first responders in the event of an automobile crash or other medical emergency involving the participant's vehicle. The program can help save lives during the critical "Golden Hour" by improving communication at a time when accident victims may be unable to communicate for themselves. Pick up a "Yellow Dot" folder here at the Sheriff's Office, have your photo taken and printed.

A "Yellow Dot" decal on the driver's side rear window of a vehicle alerts first responders to check in the glove compartment for the corresponding "Yellow Dot" folder. Having this information following a crash helps first responders positively identify the person, get in touch with family or emergency contacts and ensures that the person's current medications and pre-existing medical conditions are considered when treatment is administered for injuries.



Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver is a radio transmission system designed to assist law enforcement and rescue agencies in locating lost or missing persons who have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's, Autism, Dementia, or other disorders that may prohibit them from communicating personal information such as who they are or where they live. Project Lifesaver can help provide peace of mind to caregivers. However, it does not replace the need for supervised care.

The transmitter is a small circular radio device on a wristband, approximately the size of a wristwatch. The transmitters and wristbands are worn 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are difficult to remove without the appropriate tools. If the participant becomes lost or missing, the Sheriff's Office and emergency response services have specialized tracking equipment to help isolate the location of the transmitter the participant is wearing. The search will start from the last known location of the participant and work outward until the transmission signal is obtained. The goal is to determine the location of the signal in a quick, timely manner, minimizing the risk of harm to the loved one.

CCSO is proud to participate, along with the other agencies in Alabama, in this very worthy and worthwhile program; Sheriff Howell says this is another way we will live up to our motto, "To Serve and Protect" and he is extremely proud to offer this great service to Coosa County!



Neighborhood Watch Program

A citizen's involvement program where citizens, in cooperation with their local law enforcement agency, directly participate in the detection and prevention of crime. These citizens keep well informed about their neighborhood and of any suspicious, criminal or dangerous activities that may be occurring. Coosa County has five communities that participate with the CCSO in this program. Their meetings are scheduled every month, the dates and times are indicated.

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| • First Monday of every Month | - | 6:00 PM | - | Union Square |
| • Canceled | - | 6:30 PM | - | Richville |
| • Canceled | - | 6:30 PM | - | Smyrna |
| • Third Tuesday of every Quarter | - | 6:30 PM | - | Hanover |
| • Third Thursday of every Month | - | 6:30 PM | - | Weogufka |
| • Every Other Month on 4th Thursday | - | 6:30 PM | - | Equality |