

News & Encouragement from the Coosa County Sheriff's Office



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"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

(John 15:13)

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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 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM Worship

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Point of View Those

Moments

Have you recently had a moment which could only be explained as a moment of experiencing the greatness and grandeur of God?

- It might be while mowing the lawn.
- It might come during a time of prayer.
- It might be an awareness of something more to life than the mundane, everydayness of rushing here and there...

Recently I received this message from a member:

"I was returning...and suddenly had an enormous presence of God. All I could do was say over and over, 'Holy, holy, holy, oh God, of God.' My heart was too full for words. I was driving, had to

pay attention to the road, couldn't pull over. You've had those experiences, or similar ones. Neat for God to do that!"

Oh, yes, I have had those moments...

Those moments have come unbidding, unexpectedly:

In a deer stand.

While counting the head of cattle in the fifty-acre green pasture.

On the banks of my favorite fishing hole.

In a crowded mall.

While sitting in traffic on I-20 in Atlanta



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You have, too. Where were you? What was the moment like?

For me it may have been the sight of a budding dogwood tree in the middle of a five mile hike; as I was listening to a song on the

radio; or mediating on scripture. The moment has fallen upon me while working out, during a worship experience, or a doctor's office.

I have learned to embrace the moment, breathe deeply of the presence of God and lift up my hands and say,



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"Holy is the Lord Almighty!"

David shares moments like that. One such moment for him in the Psalms was during a moment of great pain and suffering. He was being dogged by King Saul, he was hiding in fear for his life, and his heart was torn and deeply bruised. He writes:

"The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord ridicules them. Then He speaks to them in His anger and terrifies them in His wrath: 'I have consecrated My King on Zion, My holy mountain.' I will declare the LORD's decree: He said to Me, 'You are My Son; today I have become Your Father. Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your inheritance and the ends of the earth Your possession. You will break them with a rod of iron; You will shatter them like pottery.' So now, kings, be wise; receive instruction, you judges of the earth. Serve the LORD with reverential awe and rejoice with trembling. Pay homage to the Son or He will be angry and you will perish in your rebellion, for His anger may ignite at any moment. All those who take refuge in Him are happy."

Psalm 2:4-12 (HCSB)

Allow the Spirit of God to point you to the Father in those moments which can only be explained as a strong presence of God. Let Him wash over you and do His molding and cleansing within your heart, your life. He is speaking so He might get your attention, focus on His greatness. It might be for the present time or a future time when you need to focus on Him. Enjoy the moment and worship Him!

He loves you and desires an intimate relationship with you! You are precious to Him! You are His trophy of Grace!

Savor the moment; embrace it!

Until next time...



The good, the bad,

the beautiful,

The ugly, the inspiring,

the not-so-glamorous moments.

THANK GOD through it all.

May's

Sheriff's Office Featured Article

An Arrest Made In A 15 Year Old Cold Case

By: Sheriff Wilson

On Sunday, July 27, 2003, at 9:54 p.m., an emergency 911 call was placed to the Coosa County Sheriff's Office requesting medical assistance for a young child that had fallen and was unresponsive. Medical personnel responded to a mobile home located at 1038 Coosa County Road 98 in Equality, Alabama.

At 10:14 p.m., medics arrived and located Alexxys Wright lying in the floor on her back, she was 2 years and 9 months old. She was transported to the Russell Medical Center Emergency Room in Alexander City, Alabama. Upon arrival, she was unconscious and suffering with severe head injuries.

Due to her critical condition, she was transported by helicopter to the Columbus Georgia Medical Trauma Center. Physicians there noted that her injuries were consistent with being violently shaken. On July 31, 2003, Alexxys was pronounced dead.

An autopsy revealed multiple blunt force injuries to the head, chest, abdomen, back and upper/lower extremities. Due to the medical findings



ALEXXYS TAYANTHA WRIGHT

Date of Birth – November 6, 2000 Date of Incident – July 27, 2003 Date of Death – July 31, 2003 Charge – Capital Murder Suspect – Sonya Alesia Wright Arrested – April 26, 2018 the cause of death was ruled a Homicide.

Five years ago, I formed a Cold Case Task Force consisting of my Chief Deputy, lead Investigator and three Reserve Deputies to study, review and investigate our cold cases. This unit working with the Alabama State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) Cold Case Investigators, conducted numerous performed interviews and comprehensive review of the evidence. Their findings were provided to the 40th Judicial Circuit District Attorney's Office for presentation to the Coosa County Grand Jury. On April 20, 2018, the child's aunt, Sonya Alesia Wright was indicted for Capital Murder.

On Thursday, April 26, 2018, the Coosa County Cold Case Task Force, along with the US Marshals and SBI Cold Case Investigators, arrested Ms. Wright in Montgomery. She was transported to the Coosa County Jail where she bonded out on a \$100,000 bond.

Today, we feel a measure of justice has been achieved for Alexxys and her



Sonya Alesia Wright

Race/Sex	Black/Female
Charge	Capital Murder
Bond	\$100,000
Status	Out on Bond

mother, Tanya Johnson. Words can't express my appreciation for the hard work the Sheriff's Cold Case Task Force and the SBI Cold Case Investigators put forth to bring closure to this family.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." Matthew 5:9

CCSO Participates in Family Festival

The Family Festival was held at Central High School in Hanover on Saturday, April 21, 2018. The Festival was a fun-filled day of family enrichment activities open to all. There were displays featuring the services offered to families by area agencies and free health screenings. Activities were available to children of all ages. The Coosa County Sheriff's Office had a booth on the Dangers of Drinking and Driving and Drugs. They also had the ATV available for experimenting with the Drunk Goggles. This simulates the feeling of driving under the influence of alcohol with a level of .2 to .07 depending on which glasses are worn. This festival was a joint venture of the Coosa County Children's Policy Council, Coosa County Schools, Coosa County Extension, Coosa Pride and many others.



SRO Cpl. Brad Moon along with Reserve Deputies Rusti Mascarri and Jack Brewer manned the booth inside providing information and handed out items to families.





Chief Davidson had the Coosa County ATV available with the "Drunk Goggles" for individuals to learn the dangers of driving while impaired in a controlled environment, Even Dr. Wagg tried his hand on the ATV.

News from the Sheriff's Ress from the Sheriff's

Check the Facts

"The only reason you stopped me was because of my out of state tag!" Those were the irate words I heard from the driver we had stopped on Highway 280. Today it appears much of the public believes there is an underlying bias associated with every police action. I dare say there is hardly ever a newscast that does not contain a story of someone who has been done wrong by law enforcement based on their ethnicity, race or social status. While I understand there are folks who are wronged by members of



law enforcement, I believe to try and claim this occurs on every encounter is quite a stretch.

According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS), the most common reason for contact with the police is being a driver in a traffic stop. In their survey, an estimated 42% of face-to-face contacts that U.S. residents had with police occurred for this reason. About half of all traffic stops resulted in a traffic ticket. Approximately 3% of all stopped drivers were searched by police during a traffic stop. These findings are based on the Police-Public Contact Survey (PPCS), a BJS survey that interviews U.S. residents about their contacts with police during the previous 12 months. The PPCS has been conducted about every three years since 1996. A summary of the surveys' findings reveals that 12% of the nation's 212 million drivers were pulled over in a traffic stop with speeding being the most common reason for the stop. Interestingly, 80% of the drivers felt they had been stopped for a legitimate reason.

In the traffic stop referenced above, the driver was arrested for driving under the influence and for going 83mph in a 65mph zone. The passenger was arrested for possession of marijuana in the second degree. When it was apparent these arrests were imminent, the driver became quite belligerent. Stating our county wasn't even a spit on the map and reiterating the only reason

we had stopped her was due to the out of state tag on her car. While I was sure I would not be able to change her mind, I assured her I had not spotted her out of state tag from the other side of the four-lane highway at midnight. The next time you hear someone claim they have been wronged try to look at the totality of the circumstances.

By
Joel D. Glover
Coosa County Sheriff's Office Reserve Unit

Reserves Meeting: May 7, 2018 At 8:00 AM at E911 building

Top 5 Reserve Deputy Hours April

James Ward 54.5 hrs.
Bill Embry 54 hrs.
Don Hodge 53 hrs.
Jesse Yarbrough ... 49 hrs.

Jack Brewer 35 hrs.

Total Reserve Deputy Hours

423 hours

Police: *knock knock"
Me: Who is it?
Police: Police!
Me: wat do u want?
Police: to talk
Me: How many r u?
Police: 2
Me: talk to each other



Officer Down Memorial Page

REMEMBERING ALL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT'S HEROES

Total Officers Down = 49
As of April 31, 2018

Month: Type Of Death:

January: 9 911 Related: 3
February: 13 Assault: 1
March: 13 Auto Crash: 12
April: 14 Drowned: 1
Gunfire: 26

Heat attack: 2 Struck by Vehicle: 1 Vehicle Pursuit: 1 Vehicular Assault: 2



- On April 2nd Corporal Moon arrested Dave Collier Landers Jr. from Rockford, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Speeding. He was processed and released on a \$ 1000 bond to await trial.
- On April 2nd Chief Davidson arrested Terrell Lamar Lykes from Goodwater, AL. on the charge of Sex Offender Registration Notification Act (SORNA). He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$5000 bond to await trial.
- On April 2nd Capt. Hammond arrested Thomas Leroy Chapple Jr. from Equality, AL. on the charge of Sexual Abuse of a Child Less than 12 Years Old. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$50,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 3rd Deputy Jones arrested Jessie Walter Pearson from Alexander City, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Obstructing Governmental Operations. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 1000 bond to await trial.
- On April 4th Chief Davidson arrested Edward Franklin Weldon from Wetumpka, AL. on the charges of Public Intoxication and Possession of a Controlled Substance. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 30,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 4th Lt. Keel arrested Terry Robin Ogilvie from Alexander City, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Public Intoxication. She was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$1000 bond to await trial.
- On April 4th Chief Davidson arrested Jim H. Girdner from Equality, AL. on the charges of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia 1st and Distribution of a Controlled Substance. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 35,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 5th Lt. Burke arrested Matthew Cameron Jones from Stewartville, AL. on the charge of Possession of Marijuana 2nd. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 2000 bond to await trial.
- On April 5th Deputy Richardson arrested Otis NMN Carvin Jr. from Equality, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving Under the Influence. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 1000 bond to await trial.
- On April 7th Deputy Lipscomb arrested Edward Earl Johnson from Alexander City, AL. on warrants for Failure to Appear/Speeding and Driving While Suspended. He was processed and released on a \$ 2000 bond to await trial.
- On April 8th Deputy Jones arrested Printess Oneal Riley from Theodore, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Burglary 3rd. He was processed and placed in the County Jail without bond to await trial.
- On April 10th Deputy Richardson arrested Broderick Lashaun Odem from Goodwater, AL. on the charge of Possession of Marijuana 2nd. He was processed and released on a \$ 2000 bond to await trial.
- On April 11th Chief Davidson arrested Carl Oscar Fastnacht III from Weogufka, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Pay/Public Intoxication. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$1000 bond to await trial.

- On April 14th Deputy Richardson arrested Stardidra Lekehonta Edwards from Kellyton, AL on warrants for Failure to Appear/ No Child Restraint and Altered Tag. She was processed and released on a \$ 2000 bond to await trial.
- On April 15th Deputy Rudd arrested Terry Olen Teague from Sylacauga, AL. on the charges of Giving False Identification to Law Enforcement and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia 1st. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 2500 bond to await trial.
- On April 15th Deputy Richardson arrested Peggy Ann Cosby McDaniel from Anniston, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/ Passing in a No Passing Zone. She was processed and released on a \$ 1000 bond to await trial.
- On April 18th Deputy Richardson arrested Thomas Fred Vandergrift from Sylacauga, AL. on warrants for Failure to Appear / Failure to Register Vehicle, Improper Lights, Failure to Display Insurance and No Driver's License. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 4000 bond to await trial.
- On April 21st Deputy Jones arrested Anthony Lornell Jennings from Dadeville, AL. on the charge of Driving Under the Influence. He was processed and released on a \$ 2000 bond to await trial.
- On April 24th Lt. Burke arrested Lew Jack Handley from Rockford; AL. on the charge of Assault 2nd.He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$10,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 24th Capt. Hammond arrested Phillip Dwain Ryals from Enterprise, AL. on the charge of Possession of a Controlled Substance. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$5,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 24th Lt. Keel arrested Stephan Bradley Quintanilla from Marrero, LA. On a Grand Jury Indictment for Interfering with Child Custody. He was processed and released on a \$ 25,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 24th Deputy Richardson arrested Christopher Ray Thornton from Goodwater, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Speeding. He was processed and released on a \$ 1,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 24th Deputy Rudd arrested Eddie Samuel Turner from Sylacauga, AL. on warrants for Failure to Appear/Driving under the Influence and No Driver's License. He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 2,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 25th Deputy Rudd arrested Dustin Lee Hardy from Dadeville, AL. on Grand Jury Indictments for Theft of Property 1st and Burglary 3rd. He was processed and released on a \$45,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 25th Lt. Keel arrested Davis Franklin Kelley from Alexander City, AL. on warrants for Failure to Appear/Driving under the Influence x 2, and Driving while Suspended, Failing to Display Insurance .He was processed and placed in the County Jail on a \$ 4000 bond to await trial.
- On April 25th Deputy Davenport arrested Henry Joseph Wall from Goodwater, AL. on the charge
 of Domestic Violence / Menacing. He was processed and released on a \$ 2,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 26th Capt. Hammond arrested Sonya Alesia Wright from Montgomery, AL. on a Grand Jury Indictment for Capital Murder. She was processed and released on a \$ 100,000 bond to await trial.
- On April 29th Deputy Rudd arrested Kristi Scoggins Knox from Verbena, AL. on a warrant for Failure to Appear/ Violation of a State Management Area Rule. She was processed and released on a \$ 1000 bond to await trial.

Two Arrested For Felony Drug Charges

Two men, one from Equality and one from Wetumpka, were arrested in two separate drug-related cases in Equality.

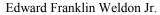
On April 4, the Sheriff's Office received a complaint of a suspicious vehicle on County Road 98 in Equality. Chief Deputy Joseph Davidson arrived on the scene and located the subject on County Road 98. The individual was identified as 29-year-old Edward Franklin Weldon Jr. of Wetumpka.

While checking into Weldon as a follow-up to the complaint received, it was discovered that Weldon was under the influence of a controlled substance. Additionally, it was also discovered that he had a significant amount of methamphetamine on his person. Weldon was arrested the same day for possession of a controlled substance and public intoxication. He was transported without incident to the Coosa County Jail in Rockford. His bond was set at \$30,000, and as of press time he remained in custody at the county jail awaiting trial.

While investigating the "suspicious person" call, the investigation led to a residence on County Road 98. During this investigation, 49-year-old Jim H. Girdner of Equality was arrested April 4 at his residence and charged with distribution of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. The controlled substance was reported to be methamphetamine. His bond was set at a total of \$35,000. As of press time he remained in custody awaiting trial.

A distribution of a controlled substance charge can be the act of someone selling it, or possessing a large enough amount of the controlled substance to be more than just for personal use.







Jim H. Girdner

Man Arrested for SORNA Violation

A man was arrested early last week when it was discovered that he had violated the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, or SORNA.

On April 2, Chief Deputy Joseph Davidson arrested 27-year-old Terrell Lamar Lykes for a SORNA violation.

He reported that Lykes was supposed to live at 3165 Coosa County Road 93 in the Cottage Grove community. Lykes came in to register with the Coosa County Sheriff's Office as a registered sex offender on March 23 and listed that as his residence. However, it was discovered that he did not spend one night at his registered residence.

He was then arrested last Monday, April 2, for this SORNA violation of not staying at his listed address, with Davidson reporting that he was also not staying in that community. As of press time Lykes was being held in the Coosa County Jail awaiting trial. His bond was set at \$5,000.



Terrell Lamar Lykes

PRIMARY ELECTION, JUNE 5, 2018

On Tuesday, June 5, 2018, Alabama will hold primary elections for the Democrat and Republican political parties. The Primary Election is a step to select candidates for the offices that will be on the 2018 General Election ballot in November. In the Primary Election, only offices with more than one qualified candidate running within the respective party will be listed on the ballot. If there is only one qualified candidate within the party for a particular office, that candidate will be the party's candidate and will <u>only</u> appear on the November 6, 2018, General Election ballot. For all offices affecting Coosa County with multiple candidates within either the Democrat or Republican parties for the 2018 Primary Election, the sample ballots are on the next page.



The Primary Election is a "party election." To participate in the 2018 Primary on June 5, a voter must declare and vote either Democrat Party ballot or Republican Party ballot. There can be no split-party voting in the Primary Election. Any voter voting in the Primary must also vote the same party in the Primary Runoff. Any voter <u>not voting</u> in the Primary may declare/ select either party in the Primary Runoff. In the November 6, 2018, General Election, there will be one ballot, and voters may vote for anyone on the ballot regardless of party affiliation. If you have any questions regarding the 2018 Primary, please call the Probate Office at 256-377-4919 x225 or e-mail us at CoosaCountyProbate@outlook.com.

Currently Coosa County has three State Representative districts. This will change in 2019 and affects the 2018 election cycle. Beginning in 2019, Coosa County will have only two State Representative Districts (District 33: Northern portion of Coosa County, and District 81: Southern portion of Coosa County. District 35 will no longer represent any portion of Coosa County). Those voters affected by this redistricting should receive Voter Notification Postcards within the next week. If your district number is not changing, you will not receive the postcards. If any voter has any questions, he/she may contact the Coosa County Board of Registrars at 256-377-2418.

As a reminder, all Coosa County Polling Places are handicap accessible and have all the required voting equipment to assist voters with the voting process. Any voter may bring someone to assist the voter in casting a ballot or ask any person (except an employer or union representative) the voter desires to assist the voter with casting a ballot. Please note, curbside voting in the State of Alabama is not authorized, all voting must be accomplished in the polling facility.

Absentee voting is now open in Coosa County. A voter may apply by mail or come to the Circuit Clerk and Absentee Election Manager Jeff Wood's office to obtain and/or cast an absentee ballot. For more information regarding absentee voting, please call 256-377-2678.

Lists of voters, polling places, and voting officers will be published as required by law on specific dates in future issues of the Coosa County News.

Richard M. Dean

SAMPLE BALLOT

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OFFICIAL BALLOT

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION COOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA

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REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION	B COOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA	C JUNE 5, 2018
INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER TO VOTE YOU MUST BLACKEN THE OVAL () COMPLETELY! DO NOT MAKE AN X OR .	FOR COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)	FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES (Vote for One)
IF YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT, DO NOT ERASE, BUT ASK FOR A	CHRISTY OLINGER EDWARDS	TRACY "T.O." CRANE
NEW BALLOT.	O PAT THETFORD	GERALD DIAL
FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	MICHELLE MANLEY THOMASON	CECIL MURPHY
	FOR COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 2	C RICK PATE
COMMY BATTLE	(Vote for One)	FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, PLACE NO. 1
SCOTT DAWSON	CHAD HANSON	(Vote for One)
BILL HIGHTOWER	TERRI WILLINGHAM THOMAS	JIM BONNER
C KAY IVEY	FOR COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 1	JEREMY H. ODEN
MICHAEL MCALLISTER	(Vote for One)	FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, PLACE NO. 2 (Vote for One)
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	C RICHARD MINOR	(Vote for One)
	C RIGGS WALKER	CHRIS "Chip" BEEKER JR.
WILL AINSWORTH	FOR COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 2 (Vote for One)	O ROBIN LITAKER
TWINKLE ANDRESS CAVANAUGH	(Vote for Ône)	FOR MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
RUSTY GLOVER	C RICH ANDERSON	DISTRICT NO. 2 (Vote for One)
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for One)	CHRIS McCOOL	MELANIE HILL
	O DENNIS O'DELL	SYBIL LITTLE
CHESS BEDSOLE	FOR COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 3	O JOHN TAYLOR
TROY KING	APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 3 (Vote for One)	TRACIE WEST
STEVE MARSHALL	O DONNA BEAULIEU	FOR CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, 40TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PLACE NO. 1
ALICE MARTIN	O BILL COLE	(Vote for One)
FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO.	FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for One)	O DAVID LAW
(Vote for One)		O JOHN KEITH WARREN
	MICHAEL JOHNSON	FOR MEMBER, COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION,
	JOHN H. MERRILL	DISTRICT NO. (Vote for One)
FOR CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT (Vote for One)	FOR STATE TREASURER (Vote for One)	
O TOM PARKER	O DAVID L. BLACK	
C LYN STUART	STEPHEN D. EVANS	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 1	JOHN McMILLAN	FOR COOSA COUNTY SHERIFF
SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)	FOR STATE AUDITOR (Vote for One)	(Vote for One)
O DEBRA JONES		EDDIE BURKE
BRAD MENDHEIM	STAN COOKE	O JOSEPH W. DAVIDSON
SARAH HICKS STEWART	C ELLIOTT LIPINSKY	JAMES "Jimmy" HALE
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 4	JIM ZEIGLER	MICHAEL HOWELL
SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 4 (Vote for One)		MIKE RUDD
JOHN BAHAKEL		
JAY MITCHELL		

This is a common ballot, however, these offices will appear only in certain precincts which will apply to your districts.

THESE OFFICES RUN BY DISTRICT

FOR MEMBER, COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT NO. 4 (Vote for One)			
0	RONNIE JOINER		
0	JODI McDADE		
0	CAREY D. PHILLIPS		
0	SCOTT WHITE		
со	FOR MEMBER, OSA COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT NO. 5 (Vote for One)		
0	TODD ADAMS		
0	DENNIS HILL		

FO	R STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. 33 (Vote for One)
0	RON JOHNSON
0	BEN ROBBINS
FO	R STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. 81 (Vote for One)
0	DERRICK BLYTHE
0	DERRICK BLYTHE JOYFUL "Joy" JOHNS
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SAMPLE BALL

By casting this ballot, I do pledge myself to abide by the result of this Primary Election and to aid and support all the Nominees thereof in the ensuing General Election.

This is a common ballot, however, these offices will appear only in certain precincts which will apply to your districts.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION COOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA **OFFICIAL BALLOT** DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION B COOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER TO VOTE YOU MUST BLACKEN THE OVAL () COMPLETELY! DO NOT MAKE AN X OR ✓. IF YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT, DO NOT ERASE, BUT ASK FOR A NEW BALLOT. FOR GOVERNOR SUE BELL COBB CHRISTOPHER A. COUNTRYMAN JAMES C. FIELDS, JR. ○ WALT MADDOX DOUG "New Blue" SMITH ANTHONY WHITE FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL CHRIS CHRISTIE O JOSEPH SIEGELMAN FOR SECRETARY OF STATE LULA ALBERT "SGM Ret" HEATHER MILAM FOR STATE DEMOCRATIC
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FEMALE),
DISTRICT NO. 81
(Vote for One) LLOYD MARIE BRYANT REBECCA MARION

END OF BALLOT

THIS OFFICE **RUNS BY DISTRICT** and MALE or FEMALE

STATE OF ALABAMA	2
COUNTY OF COOSA)	

RESOLUTION COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION COOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, the COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION as the County governing body, shall designate the places for holding elections in the precincts established, as provided by Section 17-6-4, Code of Alabama, 1975; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a change in the places for holding elections in certain precincts located in the County will benefit the voters therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has entered into leases with various owners of real property for use as a voting place;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coosa County Commission hereby designates the following locations as the new voting places for the precincts stated herein, to begin with the next election which occurs on June 5, 2018 and continuing thereafter for each subsequent election unless changed by this Commission:

	PRECINCT:	CURRENT VOTING PLACE:	NEW VOTING PLACE:
1.	0108 and 0111	Equality Fire Department 530 AL. Hwy. 9 Equality, AL 36026	Equality United Methodist Church New Fellowship Hall 281 AL. Hwy. 259 Equality, Alabama 36026
2.	1909	Cottage Grove Day Care Center 1723 Coosa County Road 30 Kellyton, Alabama 35089	Community Life Center of Coosa County, Incorporated Community Life Center 188 Coosa County Road 30 Kellyton, Alabama 35089
3.	0302 and 0306	Kellyton Fire Department Community Building 377 Firehouse Road Kellyton, Alabama 35089	Town of Kellyton, Alabama Kellyton Civic Complex Cafeteria 179 Church Street Kellyton, Alabama 35089
4.	0401 and 0404	Old Railroad Depot 59 Depot Circle Goodwater, Alabama 35072	City of Goodwater, Alabama Goodwater Community Center 22012 AL. Highway 9 Goodwater, Alabama 35072

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is hereby directed to file a copy of this Resolution with the Judge of Probate and with the Board of Registrars for said county and shall also post the list of voting places at the County Courthouse.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 13th day of February, 2018.

ATTEST:	COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION:
/s/ Bridget H. Graham	by: /s/ Todd J. Adams
Bridget H. Graham, County Administrator	Todd J. Adams, Chairman

Coosa County Sheriff's Office National Police Week & Public Safety Telecommunicators / Corrections Officer Week

Join us in honoring **National Police** Week, Public Safety Telecommunicators, Corrections Officer Week. As of May 14, 2018, we have lost 53 in total line of duty deaths. Two of these officers were from Alabama. Please show your appreciation to all officers who put their lives on the line to keep us safe.





Captain Mike Mu

Coosa County Sheriff's Office Correctional Officers/Dispatchers

NATIONAL Telecommunicators / CORRECTIONS OFFICER WEEK



































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Sheriff's Café Sets New Record

The successful annual Sheriff's Café, a fundraiser for Cancer Outreach and Community Hope, has now set a new record.

The Sheriff's Office hosted the event, April 19. Sheriff Terry Wilson dubbed it a "resounding success."

Guests turned out in great numbers to enjoy lunch plates of smoked half chickens, two sides, bread, and dessert. Demand was so great, in fact, that the Sheriff's Office even sold out of plates as they ran out of chicken. Wilson said he was happy to announce that they sold a total of 567 plates during the café. After expenses were deducted, he expressed his excitement that they were able to deposit \$3,378.79 into the C.O.A.C.H. fundraising account from the Sheriff's Café event.

With these numbers taken into account, Wilson said they were able to beat last year's record, with last year's event being a tremendous success, as well.

"We want to thank all of the citizens for coming out and supporting us, as well as for supporting this great cause," Wilson commented. "We certainly appreciate it."

Funds donated to C.O.A.C.H. go directly to assist cancer patients and their families in Coosa County. For more information, visit www.coachcoosa.org.



Photos 1-3: Diners filled the sally port and outside seating areas as numerous guests came out to support the Sheriff's Café and C.O.A.C.H. Photo submitted





2018 THE YEAR TO Raise your Professional Value

2018 Monthly Stats

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Calls to Service/ Activities	728	643	693	775									2389
Daily Jail Inmate Average	39	27	29	32									32
Prisoner Transports Made	24	9	14	11									58
Incident & Offense Police Reports	48	39	28	51									166
Arrests Made	35	36	23	33									127
Warrants Served	40	41	33	35									149
Tickets Issued	8	26	15	20									69
Patrol Miles Driven	17,742	19,078	18,529	22,827									78,176
Civil Papers Served	79	52	65	99									295
Pistol Permits Issued	124	125	161	93									503
DUI Arrests	0	1	1	1									3
Drug Arrests	0	5	3	6									14
Sex Offenders Register	20	11	26	22									79

We Bought A School

Can you imagine a small church buying a fifty-four year old, vacant 118,000 square feet school building, on eighteen acres of land? How would they pay for such an enormous building and then what would they do with it?

In the movie "We Bought a Zoo," Benjamin Mee (played by Matt Damon) bought a closed eighteen acre zoo – complete with animals. About the same time that movie showed, Pastor Steffan Carr and Christ Memorial Church, in Westernport, Maryland, bought a school. Unlike the zoo, the school did not come with animals, students, or church members. Bruce High School closed its doors in 1987. Westmar Middle School occupied the building until 2007. For the next six years the colossal complex sat vacant. In 2011, Allegany County put the building up for bids. The leadership of the church encouraged Pastor Carr to submit a bid. Because of his reluctance, he submitted a bid that was so low he



Bro Bill King Columnist

felt sure they would laugh. Instead, they accepted his bid of \$50,000. Then the county turned around and gave them \$20,000 for capital improvements. Pastor Carr had served Christ Church for seventeen years. In 2011, with the blessings of the church, he led thirty members to assume the school mortgage from the church. The next year, they launched their ministries there and Bruce High School became Bruce Outreach Center. The school auditorium became the worship center for a new church, but this massive building would become much more than a church.

Five years after their beginning, they now have five times as many active church members. Four of the school rooms house a clothing ministry where needy families can shop for clothes – for free. A four armed food ministry operates out of the building. This includes: 1). A stocked pantry for those needing food immediately. 2). A ministry for children who risk going to bed hungry. These children receive free lunches at school, but the church provides backpacks filled with food for their weekends. 3). Twenty-five pounds of food each month for \$5.00. Sixty to eighty families currently use this ministry. 4). A one day food distribution day that gives away 6000 pounds of food monthly to approximately 150 families.

Under the supervision of co-pastor, David Cowan, the church is currently building three, two bedroom cycle-breaking apartments inside the building. Families receiving welfare support may live there for up to three years. During that time they are mentored in budgeting and family relationships, learn a trade, secure a job, and attend church. The goal is that they leave financially independent of government support.

The church has also opened a capacity filled daycare center for children. Rec league basketball is housed in the gymnasium. A community room is available for birthday parties and other events. The church youth minister, Brian Hogan, and his family live in an apartment inside the school. How will they ever pay for all this? Well, the building is paid off. For the first three years, the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention partnered with the church financially.

Then a lady in Monroe, Louisiana read about the center and its ministries. She sent a personal check for \$100,000! The extra money from her is helping to build the apartments. Church members give and others partner with the ministry to send donations.

Last week a mission team from Tuskegee Lee Baptist Association, in Opelika, and Lake Pointe Baptist Church, in Dadeville, volunteered a week of our time to help. We hung sheetrock in the apartments and sorted and stocked donated clothing. I also had the privilege of sharing some of my humor and music with the church on Wednesday evening. Thank you, Bruce Outreach Center, for making a difference and for allowing us to be part of your ministries.



Devotional

Risk Taken

By Pam Ford Davis

A game show hosted by Alex Trebek...

What is Jeopardy?

I don't have to be a game show contestant to find myself in jeopardy. For that matter, you don't either. We take our chances; place our lives in risk every day. We could slip and fall getting out of bed, the shower or going out the front door. We place our lives in danger driving or commuting by mass transit.

Life is a risky business.

I'm no Evel Knievel; for the life of me, I cannot explain his feats or his folly.

Did he seek notoriety? He did make his name a household word.

The names of Jesus disciples are widely known. They once found their lives in jeopardy.

"Now it happened, on a certain day, that He got into a boat with His disciples. And He said to them, 'Let us cross over to the other side of the lake.' And they launched out. But as they sailed He fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water, and were in jeopardy. And they came to Him and awoke Him, saying, 'Master, Master, we are perishing (Luke 8:22-24 NKJV)!"

The Master rescued them; then He rebuked them for their lack of faith. As Master of creation, Jesus rescued them. He rescues 'the perishing!'

Scripture Encouragement

"Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles."

(Romans 16:3-4 NKJV)

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





May

3 rd	All Day	National Day Of Prayer
3 rd	6 pm	Academic Awards for Coosa Central High School
4 th	6 pm	Ribs, Rhythm & Remembrance COACH
4 th	10-2	Rockford Market Day
12 th	10-2	Local and State Candidates Fair in Rockford, AL
13 th	All Day	MOTHER'S DAY
$13^{th} - 19^{th}$	All Day	National Police Week
19-20 th	All Day	Hatchet Creek Float Festival
22 nd	7 pm	Coosa Central High School Graduation
24 th	½ Day	Coosa Students ½ day of school- Last Day
28 th	All Day	Memorial Day (State/County Holiday)
TBA	TBA	Coosa Athletic Awards Program

June

1 st	10-2	Rockford Market Day
4th	All Day	Jefferson Davis Birthday – State Holiday
5 th	7-7	Election Day
7^{th}	6:00	COACH Meeting at Stewartville VFD
14 th	All Day	Flag Day
17 th	All Day	Father's Day

July

4 th	All Day	Independence Day (State/County Holiday)
6 th	10-2	Rockford Market Day
17th	7-7	Election Day Run-Off

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	. 256-377-4922
Dispatch	256-377-2211
Office	256-377-1803
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 Extension Office	. 256-377-4713
Coosa County School Board Central Elementary School Central Middle School Central High School Science and Technology	. 256-377-1456 . 256-377-1490 . 256-377-4384
County Highway Department	. 256-377-2602
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
Goodwater Health Care	256-839-5900
Juvenile Probation Officer	256-377-2687
Probate Judge's Office	256-377-4919
Revenue Commissioner's Office	256-377-4916
Rockford Family Health	.256-377-4366
Rockford Post Office	. 256-377-4698
Rockford Town Hall	. 256-377-4911
Tag Office	256-377-4910
Triple R Restaurant	256-377-1333

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 Wilson says this is another way we will live up to out motto, "To Serve and Protect" and he is extremely proud to offer this great service to Coosa County!

<u>Neighborhood Watch Program</u>

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.

• May 3 - 6:30 PM - Richville

• May 7 - 6:00 PM - Union Square

• May 14 - 6:30 PM - Smyrna

• May 19 - 6:30 PM - Weogufka