



The Sheriff's Star

Of Coosa County

Happy President's Day!

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Romans 12:9: Love must be sincere.
Hate what is evil; cling to what is
good.

Colossians 3:14: And over all these
virtues put on love, which binds them
all together in perfect unity.

Ephesians 4:2: Be completely
humble and gentle; be patient, bearing
with one another in love.

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Help us welcome our new Deputies

The Coosa County Sherriff's Office would like to welcome Deputy John Hall. Deputy Hall has been in law enforcement for 23 years and has an extensive background in different areas. He has served in many different capacities in his career, from K-9 to Narcotics and Investigations. He has also served on many task forces ranging from Major Crimes to ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) and an Elder Abuse Task Force. He graduated from The University of Tennessee's FBI Outdoor Recovery class (also known as The Body Farm) in 2023. He states, "I am happy to be here in Coosa County under Sheriff Howell. I hope that my training and experience proves to be an asset for the community we serve." Deputy Hall, We are so happy to have you on our team and we have no doubt you will prove to be a great asset!



**Deputy
John Hall**

The Coosa County Sherriff's Office would like to welcome Deputy Slade Williams. Slade is no stranger to The Coosa County Sheriff's Office. He was previously a Corrections Officer with the Coosa County Jail. He resides in Chilton County and is happily married. He loves everything Agriculture! We are excited to start this journey with you!!!

**Welcome to Coosa County Sheriff's
Office Slade and John!!!**

Coosa County appreciates you!!



**Deputy
Slade Williams**



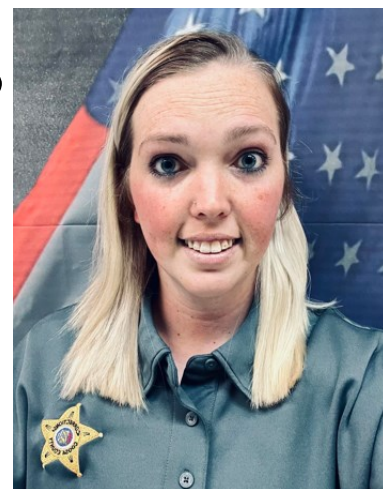
Help us welcome our new Corrections Officers

The Coosa County Sherriff's Office would like to welcome Officer Jessica Lemaster. Jessica joins us from Kentucky and has been employed with The Coosa County Jail since September of 2023. She was employed as a nurses aid but wanted a life change and she chose Corrections. She enjoys Kayaking and everything outdoors. Welcome to Coosa County Jessica. We are excited to start this journey with you!



**Officer
Jessica Lemaster**

The Coosa County Sherriff's Office would like to welcome Officer Ashley Davis. Ashley joins us from Florida and has been employed with The Coosa County Jail since August of 2023. She has been in Corrections since 2012. She enjoys spending time with her family in her spare time. Welcome to Coosa County Jessica. We are excited to start this journey with you!



**Officer
Ashley Davis**

**Welcome to Coosa County Sheriff's Office Jessica
and Ashley!!!**

Coosa County appreciates you!!

Knowledge of the Law

By: Chaplain Matthew Reams



Chaplain Matthew Reams

I have always had a need for adrenaline. The thrill of going fast and feeling the wind through my hair has always been something that intrigued me. As a boy I would ride my bike up and down the country roads where I lived, looking forward to getting to the peak of a hill so I could fly down the other side. If I was lucky enough and got up enough speed, I could make it to the crest of the next hill to start the process all over again. I remember going to a friend's house who had a go-cart. I couldn't wait for my turn to ride. As soon as I hopped on, the first thing I did was put the gas pedal all the way to the floor. Unfortunately that ride didn't last long thanks to the crosstie that held up his mom's flower bed. As I grew into my teenage years I will have to admit, that need for speed carried over into my vehicle driving. I remember going down the road and thinking to myself that the speed limits were set way lower than they should have been. Of course that mentality led me to my first speeding ticket on North Central Road in Alex City. Even though I thought the limit for that road was set lower than it should have been, I had the knowledge that the actual law said I could only go 35 mph. I am reminded of what Paul says in Romans 5:13 (ESV), "for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law". If the speed limit of the road didn't exist, then I would have been able to freely travel up and down as fast as I wanted. But since there was a law that stated the limit, then when I went above that limit, I deserved the punishment that came with that trespass, in this case it was a written financial reminder and an increase in my vehicle insurance premium. In reality, that law was placed for the protection of myself and others.

In God's word He has established laws as well. The most notable of those laws are known as the 10 commandments. These commandments were set in place to help us understand what it takes to live up to God's standard. What happens if we break God's law? Well, we see in Romans 3:23 that we "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God". The punishment for breaking God's law is much more severe than the speeding ticket that I received as a teenager. Romans 6:23 tells us that "the wages of sin is death". That is a depressing thing to think about. Let's be honest with ourselves, no matter how good of a person we try to be, every one of us has fallen short of the standard set by God. So, what do we do? Well, thankfully there is a second part to Romans 6:23. It says that "the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord". Jesus tells us that he didn't come to do away with the law, but He came to complete the law. He paid the penalty for our sin and extends to us access to the Holy God if we repent and turn away from those sins and follow Him. I pray that each and every one of us will think about our current standing when it comes to the law of God, and if you haven't made the decision to follow Jesus Christ, that today would be the day of your salvation.



November's
Sheriff's Office
Featured Article
(Re-Run due to importance)



Online Dating

February is the month for love because so many are celebrating Valentine's Day. The one's who don't have a significant other could possibly be feeling lonely and rushed to fill that void. Times have changed. You typically don't meet someone in today's times like you did years ago. More than 40 million Americans use online dating services or dating apps. As is the case when meeting someone new, whether online or offline, it's wise to keep a few safety precautions in mind. Remember, dating apps don't conduct criminal background checks on users, so it's up to each user to determine if they are comfortable meeting up with someone.

Also remember, scammers will ask for money, gifts or your banking or credit card details. They may also ask you to send pictures or videos of yourself, possibly of an intimate nature. Be careful!

So.... You've met that special someone online and now you are ready to meet them in person! Below are some steps you can take to increase your safety when finally meeting them!

When Meeting in Person

Video chat before you meet up in person. Once you have matched with a potential date and chatted, consider scheduling a video chat with them before meeting up in-person for the first time. This can be a good way to help ensure your match is who they claim to be in their profile. If they strongly resist a video call, that could be a sign of suspicious activity.

Tell a friend where you're going. Take a screenshot of your date's profile and send it to a friend. Let at least one friend know where and when you plan to go on your date. If you continue your date in another place you hadn't planned on, text a friend to let them know your new location. It may also be helpful to arrange to text or call a friend partway through the date or when you get home to check in.



Meet in a public place. For your first date, avoid meeting someone you don't know well yet in your home, apartment, or workplace. It may make both you and your date feel more comfortable to meet in a coffee shop, restaurant, or bar with plenty of other people around. Avoid meeting in public parks and other isolated locations for first dates.

Don't rely on your date for transportation. It's important that you are in control of your own transportation to and from the date so that you can leave whenever you want and do not have to rely on your date in case you start feeling uncomfortable. Even if the person you're meeting volunteers to pick you up, avoid getting into a vehicle with someone you don't know and trust, especially if it's the first meeting.

Stick to what you're most comfortable with. There's nothing wrong with having a few drinks on a date. Try to keep your limits in mind and do not feel pressured to drink just because your date is drinking.

Enlist the help of a bartender or waiter. If you feel uncomfortable in a situation, it can help to find an advocate nearby. You can enlist the help of a waiter or bartender to help you create a distraction, call the police, or get a safe ride home.

Trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable, trust your instincts and feel free to leave a date or cut off communication with whoever is making you feel unsafe. Do not worry about feeling rude—your safety is most important, and your date should understand that.

If you felt uncomfortable or unsafe during the date, remember you can always un-match, block, or report your match after meeting up in person which will keep them from being able to access your profile in the future.

Always remember, you can call 911 or The Coosa County Sheriff's Office if you ever feel uncomfortable or unsafe at 256-377-4922





Everyone could use a good laugh!!!

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



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YOU COULD BLAME THE POLICE



**OR YOU COULD LEARN TO BE RESPONSIBLE AND
ACCOUNTABLE FOR YOUR ACTIONS AND DECISIONS
BUT THAT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS**

Tell It, Kermit!!!!!!!

The police pulled me over
and asked me 'you know
how fast you were
going?' I said

obviously not
fast enough
because

you caught me.



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**I just saw three police cars
going in reverse on my street.
Somebody must have called
for backup.**



Put on Love

Ever wonder why some relationships are strengthened through trials and tragedy; yet, others collapse? There's no simple explanation.

Past challenges and restoration might give strength when needed most. Repeated heartaches might break fragile connections. We're

often reminded of help found through strong support systems. All are strengthened by the love and support of family, cherished friends and a compassionate church family. Our support remains steady when built upon a foundation of love. Relationships firmly planted in God's family have love in their root system.

“Therefore, God’s chosen ones, holy and loved, put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, accepting one another and forgiving one another if anyone has a complaint against another. Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive.

\Above all, put on love—the perfect bond of unity. And let the peace of the Messiah, to which you were also called in one body, control your hearts. Be thankful. Let the message about the Messiah dwell richly among you, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, and singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him (Colossians 3:12-17 HCSB).”

*Needing support? Offering your support?
“Above all, put on love (Colossians 3:14a).”*

Scripture Encouragement

***“Now these three remain:
faith, hope, and love.***

But the greatest of these is love.”

1 Corinthians 13:13 HCSB



Pam Ford Davis



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Sheriff's January 2024 Arrest Report



ARRESTS

On January 4th, Sgt. Rudd arrested Matthew Lon Marler, a citizen of Vincent, Alabama, on the charges of Failure to Appear in Court X 2. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.

On January 5th, Deputy Ward arrested Andrew Lin Joiner, a citizen of Rockford, Alabama, on a charge of Theft of Property 1st. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$20,000 bond.

On January 6th, Deputy Payton arrested Jeffrey Chase Downs, a citizen of Rockford, Alabama, on a charge of Failure to Appear in Court. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$500 bond.

On January 9th, Investigator Ward arrested Morgan Elaine Whetstone, a citizen of Sylacauga, Alabama, on the charge of Theft of Property 1st. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$15,000 bond.

On January 9th, Investigator Ward arrested Tony Randall Higgins, a citizen of Gadsden, Alabama, on the charges of Theft of Property 1st, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Stolen Property, and Possession of a Controlled Substance. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$37,500 bond.

On January 10th, Deputy Overton arrested William Joseph Wells, a citizen of Rockford, Alabama, on the charge of Domestic Violence by Strangulation. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$5000 bond.

On January 11th, Deputy Reed arrested Terry Lawrence Chambers, a citizen of Sylacauga, Alabama, on the charge of Failure to Pay. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$372.40 cash bond.

On January 12th, Investigator Ward arrested Donald Cameron Hodnett, a citizen of Talladega, Alabama, on the charge of Probation Violation. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.

On January 14th, Deputy Overton arrested Deunate Tarez Jews, a citizen of Childersburg, Alabama, on the charge of Failure to Appear in Court. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$1,200 purge.

On January 19th, Investigator Ward arrested Hunter Lafayette Saffold, a citizen of Goodwater, Alabama, on a warrant for Drug Court Sanction. He was placed in the Coosa County Jail on a 5 day sanction.

On January 19th, Investigator Ward arrested Brian Todd Roberson, a citizen of Childersburg, Alabama, on the charge of Theft of Property 1st. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$39,000 bond.

On January 22nd, Deputy Overton arrested James Lewis Pressey, a citizen of Talladega, Alabama, on the charges of Failure to Appear in Court X 3. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$1,500 bond.

On January 23rd, Deputy Reed arrested Timothy Ray Dupriest, a citizen of Sylacauga, Alabama, on the charges of Failure to Appear in Court X 2. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$1,000 bond.

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ARRESTS CONTINUED

On January 23rd, Sergeant Ward arrested Angelo Michael Pearson, a citizen of Alexander City, Alabama, on the charge of Theft of Property 1st. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$5,000 bond.

On January 24th, Sergeant Rudd arrested Kandy Hutcherson Smith, a citizen of Phoenix city, Alabama, on the charge of Harassment. She was processed into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2,500 cash bond.

On January 26th, Chief Hammond arrested Thomas David Rice, a citizen of Kellyton, Alabama, on the charges of Failure to Appear in Court X 2. He was processed into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

MARBLE VALLEY

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 5 after receiving a report of Trespassing. No contact was made with the subject and no report was wanted/needed.

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to Peoples Lane after receiving a report of Burglary. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 10th, Deputies were dispatched to Holly Springs Road after receiving reports of Criminal Mischief. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Peoples Lane after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was needed or wanted.

On January 27th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 56 after receiving reports of Assault. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was needed or wanted.

STEWARTVILLE

On January 1st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 53 after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Negative contact was made with said vehicle and no report was wanted/needed.

On January 1st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 53 after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Negative contact was made with said vehicle and no report was wanted/needed.

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving a report of a suspicious person. Deputy gave the citizen a ride to a nearby residence without incident.

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 150 after receiving a report of a runaway juvenile. Deputies were able to locate the juvenile; no report was taken.

On January 6th, Deputies were dispatched to Oakcrest Drive after receiving a report of vehicle accident. Vehicle was in a pond, unoccupied, on private property. No report was needed.

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a suspicious person. Negative contact was made; no report needed.

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 68 after receiving reports of Domestic Violence. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.



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CALLS FOR SERVICE



STEWARTVILLE CONTINUED

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to Live Oaks Lane after receiving a request for a welfare check. The subject was okay; no report needed.

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 74 after a 911 call was disconnected. Deputies advised it was an accidental call; no report needed.

On January 13th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Deputies advised the vehicle was towed.

On January 15th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. Deputies were able to resolve the dispute without incident; no report needed.

On January 15th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 35 after receiving reports of an Assault. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 15th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of Criminal Mischief. After investigation, the call was transferred to the Coosa County Game Warden.

On January 16th, Deputies and Coosa 22 EMS were dispatched to a vehicle accident on US Highway 280. Driver was transported to Coosa Valley Medical Center and scene was turned over to ALEA.

On January 16th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of Trespassing. The scene was turned over to the Coosa County Game Warden.

On January 17th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of a residential burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 20th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 150 after receiving reports of a suspicious person. Negative contact was made with any person.

On January 20th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a mental patient requiring assistance. The subject was transported to the hospital and a report was taken.

On January 22nd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 181 after receiving reports of an abandoned vehicle. Big Mac Towing was called and the vehicle was removed from the roadway and towed away.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 68 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was needed or wanted.

On January 26th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a suspicious vehicle. Deputies advised the situation was ok.

On January 27th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of a commercial burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

WEOGUFKA

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 29 after receiving a report of a domestic dispute. Deputies were able to resolve the situation and no report was wanted.

CALLS FOR SERVICE



WEOGUFKA CONTINUED

On January 4th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 29 after receiving a report of an unwanted person. Deputies were able to resolve the incident and no report was wanted.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 56 after receiving reports of an animal situation. Deputies advised cows have returned to their property; no report needed.

On January 28th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 29 after receiving reports of a domestic dispute. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

HANOVER

On January 5th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving a report of a disabled motorist. Deputies were able to assist the motorist without incident.

On January 6th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa Central High School after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. The vehicle was unoccupied and no report was needed.

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 49 after receiving reports of a vehicle accident. No report was wanted or needed.

On January 12th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Deputies assisted the motorist.

On January 14th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving a request from a resident for assistance in unlocking their residence. Deputies were able to unlock the caller's residence.

On January 16th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Rd 34 after receiving reports of a residential burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 17th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving a request from a disabled motorist. Deputies assisted the citizen without incident.

On January 24th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 75 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Deputies advised the subject was back on the road; no report needed.

On January 24th, Deputies were dispatched to Payne Road after receiving a request for a welfare check. Negative contact was made.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Payne Road after receiving a request for a welfare check. Deputies advised the subject is good and no report was wanted or needed.

GOODWATER

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 52 after receiving a report of a vehicle accident. Goodwater EMS assessed injuries and scene was turned over to ALEA.

KELLYTON

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to Lightwood Drive after receiving a report of a suspicious person. Deputies requested Kellyton EMS evaluate subject; subject was taken to a local hospital.



CALLS FOR SERVICE



KELLYTON CONTINUED

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to McClellan Parkway after receiving a report of a commercial business alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 50 after receiving a report of a vehicle accident. Subject was transported to a local hospital and scene was turned over to ALEA.

On January 4th, Deputies were dispatched to McClellan Road after receiving a report of Theft of Property. A report of the incident was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 1st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 53 after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Negative contact was made with said vehicle; no report was wanted/needed.

On January 5th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving a report of an unresponsive person. Kellyton EMS and Coosa County Coroner determined the subject was deceased of natural causes; a report was taken.

On January 8th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 40 after receiving reports of Trespassing. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 9th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 85 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.

On January 12th, Deputies were dispatched to Trailer Park Road after receiving reports of lost property. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 13th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 65 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.

On January 14th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 85 after receiving reports of an unwanted person. Deputies determined it was a civil matter and advised the caller of next steps.

On January 14th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 50 after receiving reports of a suspicious vehicle. Deputies spoke with the driver and issued a verbal warning.

On January 15th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving a request from a disabled motorist. Deputies assisted the citizen without incident.

On January 17th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 50 after receiving reports of a suspicious person. Deputies spoke with the subject and determined everything to be OK; no report wanted/needed.

On January 18th, Deputies and Kellyton EMS were dispatched to Coosa County Road 85 after receiving a medical call. The subject was found to be deceased on arrival; the scene was turned over to the Coosa County Coroner.

On January 23rd, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 22 for a property found and recovered call. Deputies advised the stolen property was recovered.

On January 23rd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 50 after receiving reports of a suspicious person. . After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was wanted or needed.

CALLS FOR SERVICE



KELLYTON CONTINUED

On January 24th, Deputies were dispatched to McClellan Road after receiving reports of property damage. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 321 after receiving reports of Fraud. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 28th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 280 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Big Mac Towing was called and the vehicle was removed from the roadway and towed away.

On January 28th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 119 after receiving a request for a citizen's assist. Deputies advised they assisted the citizen; no report was wanted or needed.

RICHVILLE

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 29 after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Negative contact was made with said vehicle; no report was wanted/needed.

On January 8th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 112 after receiving a request for a civil service. Deputies assisted with a civil standby.

On January 13th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 19 after receiving reports of Criminal Mischief. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 13th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 105 after receiving reports of an unwanted person. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.

On January 14th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 105 after receiving reports of Trespassing. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to River Road after receiving reports of a residential burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 27th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 37 after receiving reports of an unwanted person. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was wanted or needed.

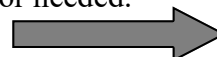
ROCKFORD

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving a report of a commercial burglar alarm. Deputies searched the perimeter of the building and reported everything to be OK; no report needed.

On January 3rd, Deputies were dispatched to Circle Drive after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Vehicle was found to be unoccupied and the building to be secured; no report needed.

On January 8th, Deputies were dispatched to Circle Drive after receiving reports of Harassment. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 9th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 42 after receiving reports of Trespassing. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.



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CALLS FOR SERVICE



ROCKFORD CONTINUED

On January 9th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Deputies advised the vehicle was towed.

On January 9th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 85 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.

On January 9th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a commercial burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 10th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 145 after receiving reports of Fraud. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 12th, Deputies were dispatched to Ferguson Road after receiving a request for a citizens assist. Deputies assisted the subject.

On January 17th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 118 after receiving reports of an unwanted person. No subject was found at the residence and no report was taken.

On January 18th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a suspicious vehicle. Negative contact was made with the vehicle.

On January 18th, Deputies were dispatched to Hill Street after receiving a request from a motorist for assistance in unlocking their car doors. Deputies assisted the motorist without incident.

On January 19th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a residential burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 22nd, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 22 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. No report was wanted or needed.

On January 26th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving reports of a commercial burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

SPEED

On January 4th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 231 after receiving a report of Theft of Property. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 22nd, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 304 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was wanted or needed.

COTTAGE GROVE

On January 16th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 30 after receiving reports of a commercial burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

EQUALITY

On January 4th, Deputies were dispatched to AL Highway 9 after receiving a report of a suspicious vehicle. Deputies made contact with the vehicle, the vehicle was disabled and the driver had help on the way.

On January 5th, Deputies were dispatched to Webb Road after receiving a report of Identity Theft. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

CALLS FOR SERVICE



EQUALITY CONTINUED

On January 5th, Deputies were dispatched to Hancel Road after receiving a report of a residential burglar alarm. Deputies found the residence to be secure and no report was needed.

On January 8th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 61 after receiving reports of Theft of Property. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 11th, Deputies were dispatched to AL Highway 259 after receiving reports of a civil dispute. After deputies arrived, it was determined a report was not wanted or needed.

On January 17th, Deputies were dispatched to Sweet Gum Lane after receiving reports of a suspicious vehicle. Deputies spoke with the subject and determined everything to be OK.

On January 24th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 98 after receiving reports of Criminal Mischief. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to AL Highway 9 after receiving a request for a citizen assist. Deputies advised everything is good and no report was wanted or needed.

RAY

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to AL Highway 22 after receiving a report of a mental patient. Subject refused ambulance transport and no report was wanted.

On January 6th, Deputies were dispatched to AL Highway 259 after receiving a report of property damage. Deputies spoke with the owner and no report was wanted.

On January 10th, Deputies were dispatched to US Highway 22 after receiving reports of a disabled motorist. Deputies assisted the motorist with a tire change.

On January 10th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 119 after receiving reports of a residential burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to be false; no report needed.

On January 14th, Deputies were dispatched to a vehicle accident call on Coosa County Rd 71. Scene was turned over to ALEA.

On January 22nd, Deputies were dispatched to Sunny Pine Drive after receiving a request for a welfare check. The subject was okay and no report was wanted or needed.

On January 24th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 155 after receiving a request for a welfare check. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 25th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 91 after receiving reports of Theft of Property. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 26th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 73 after receiving reports of Harassment. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 26th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 73 for the 2nd time after receiving reports of Harassment. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

On January 26th, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 73 after receiving reports of animal situation. After Deputies arrived and assessed the situation, no report was wanted or needed.



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CALLS FOR SERVICE



LAKE MARTIN

On January 2nd, Deputies were dispatched to Grandview Lane after receiving a report of a residential burglar alarm. The residence was found to be secure and no report was needed.

On January 10th, Deputies were dispatched to Woodvine Road after receiving reports of Fraud. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

SMYRNA

On December 31st, Deputies were dispatched to Coosa County Road 77 after receiving a report of Trespassing. Deputies spoke with the property owner and no report was wanted.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Stop by and support Equality Volunteer Fire Department with their Monthly Fundraiser. The 1st Saturday of every month they have a bake sale with several goody options to choose from. They also sell hamburgers and hot dogs. Bake Sale kicks off at 7 a.m. Hamburgers and hot dogs are available beginning at 10 a.m. through 1 p.m. They also have a yard sale!!!



The West Coosa Senior Center will host breakfast on the Fourth Saturday of each month from 7-10 a.m. at the senior center, located at the old Stewartville school, located at 47 Coosa County RD 70, Sylacauga 35151. Plates will be available for \$6 each with choices of ham, bacon, sausage, eggs, gravies, and more! Dine in or call ahead to 256-249-2024 to carry out. Donations are appreciated!

THE TOWN OF ROCKFORD
in collaboration with BRIDGEWAYS,
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A VALENTINE'S Family Dance

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024
6 PM TO 8:30 PM AT THE ROCKFORD EVENT CENTER
SCHOOL STREET

Join us for an evening of
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Dress as fancy or casual as you like.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

RSVP to Town Hall at 256-377-1076

GOODWATER YOUTH DEVELOPMENT & RECREATION CENTER

GOODWATER BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

FEB 22 2024	GOODWATER AUDITORIUM	6:30 PM
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166 HARRIS ST.,
GOODWATER, AL 35072

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (256)-743-1252

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



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Located at

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Rockford, AL 35136

Phone : 256-377-9002

Across from Triple R Café in the same
Building as Alta Pointe Health Systems
and the Coosa County Health Department

**After months of renovations, Accordia Health and
Coosa County Health Department are now open and
ready to serve residents.**



Monday – Friday, 8 am – 4:30 pm

Coosa County

9518 U.S. Hwy 231

Rockford, Alabama 35136

(256) 377-8008



Coosa County Health Department

9518-C U.S. Highway 231 N

Rockford, Alabama 35136

Office: (256) 377-1068

Fax: (256) 377-1067

The Coosa Health Department offers WIC, environmental, and clinical services to the public. Clinical services include STD testing and treatment, family planning, and childhood and other vaccines. Certified copies of birth, death, marriage, and divorce certificates may also be obtained from this health department.

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

8 a.m - 4:30 p.m , closed 12:00—1:00 for lunch



OFFICER DOWN MEMORIAL PAGE

REMEMBERING ALL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT'S HEROES

FATALITY STATISTICS YEAR 2024

Total	6	-14%	↓
Gunfire	2	0%	↑
Auto	3	300%	↑
Medical	1	-75%	↓
Other	0	-100%	↓

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RECENTLY FALLEN K9s



K9 Nyx

Rockford Police Department, IL

EOW: Sunday, January 28, 2024

Cause: Gunfire

**** This occurred in Rockford, Illinois, NOT Rockford, Alabama****

K9 Nyx was shot and killed while tracking a suspect involved in a domestic incident.

Officers were investigating a domestic situation and searching for the suspect. When K9 Nyx tracked the suspect to the 2900 Block of 11th Street in Rockford, gunfire ensued. K9 Nyx was shot and killed.

The suspect sustained a non-life-threatening wound and was apprehended.

Nyx served with the Rockford Police Department for over five years. She was trained in narcotics detection, evidence recovery, human tracking, and apprehension.

When a police officer is killed, it's not an agency that loses an officer, it's an entire nation.

A New, New Year's Workout Commitment

Approximately 38-years ago, I joined my first fitness center. I was no longer in my 20s, but I was also no longer in a 32 in the waist. The length of my pants was still the same. Actually, I had not been in a 32 for a while, but they still hung in the back of my closet... you know, just in case. I had always been active and for the most in good shape. I had played tennis off-and-on since I was a teenager. When I looked at myself in the mirror, it appeared to me that hickory-smoked pork with sweet barbecue sauce and fried onion rings might be winning out over tennis. So, I decided I needed to do something more. I lived in Marietta, Georgia, at the time. There was a fitness center a few miles down the road and several members of our church worked out there, so I joined. My new club had one racquetball court, and I had one friend at church that played there. He talked me into playing. During my college days, at Samford University, I had watched people play handball and racquetball, but I had never played either. I said I was not going to like it. I said I would rather play tennis. I played one time. The next week I played twice. I've played, on average, three-times each week since then, until about two-years ago. About that time, I switched from racquetball to pickleball. You might think, as did I, that I would never have a heart problem.



Bro. Bill King Columnist

I have belonged to a fitness center, with racquetball courts, ever since those days 38-years ago. Periodically, through the years, on the days I didn't play, I worked out. Honestly, playing a game was much more fun to me than working out, and eating whatever I wanted to eat was more fun than either. I often said, "I play racquetball so I can eat whatever." That way of thinking almost cost me my life.

As each year came to a close, I knew I needed to change my habits. Every year, several other club members and I made fresh commitments to do better in the coming year. I made resolutions to eat healthier and exercise more consistently. Some years I even made it way on into February before I began to slide.

Well, January has come and February is here. Guess who is back in there working out. I'm not playing racquetball or pickleball right now. I'm in a different kind of fitness center this time and for a different reason. I'm still a member of the Opelika Sportsplex, and The Opelika Pickleball Club, but now I am also working out three-times each week at East Alabama Medical Center...in the Cardiac Rehab Unit. There's about ten people in my group, who have all had some kind of cardiac surgery or issue. We aren't exercising just to lose a few pounds, or so we can eat that hamburger and fries, or to ward off a heart attack. We aren't doing preventative workouts...we are doing recovery workouts.

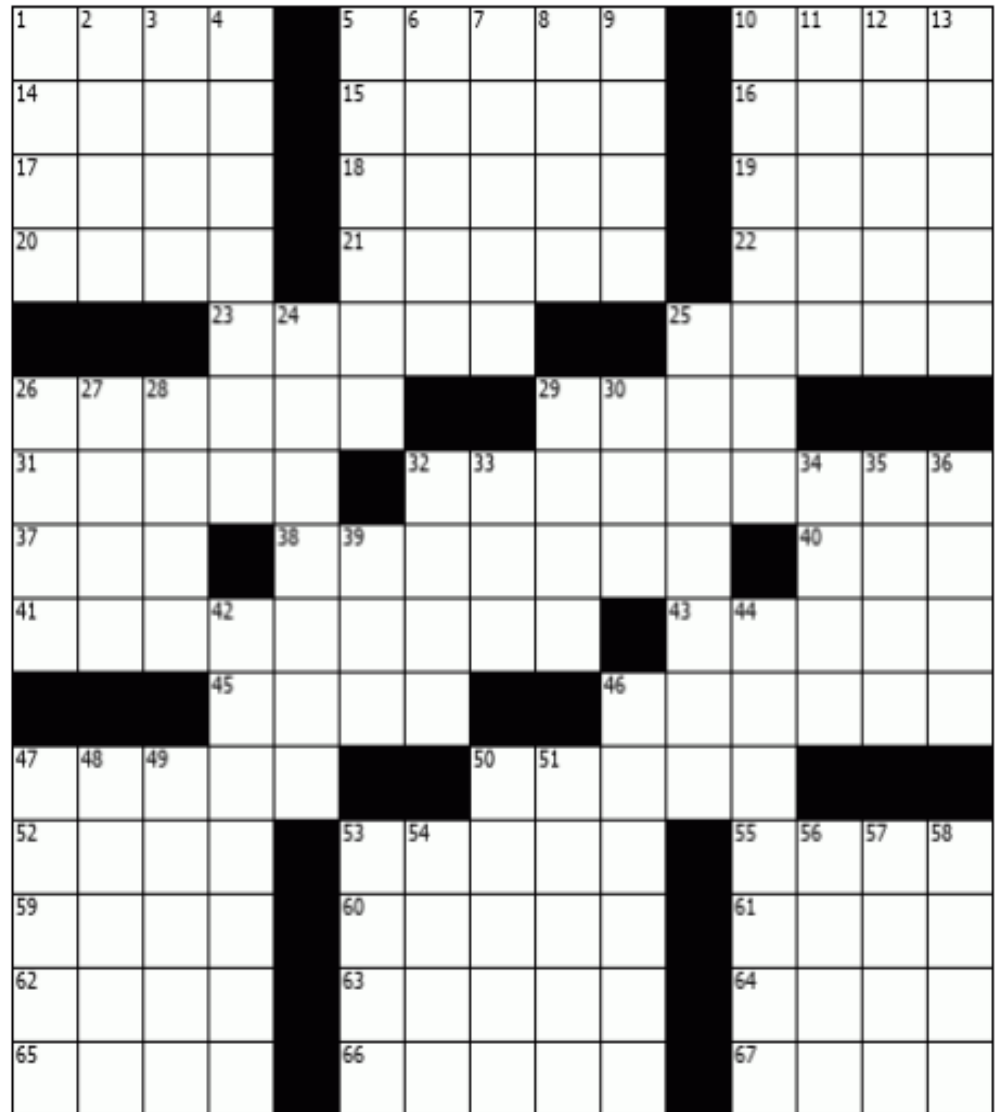
I've come to realize sometimes we can take care of ourselves before it happens, or we might find ourselves working out in a different kind of gym. No one in my new group is playing pickleball or racquetball, but I know at least one of us that eventually will be, but that's not the only thing I'll do. I'm not going to say I'll never eat another barbecued rib or fried chicken, I will, but a thick slab of grilled salmon tastes pretty awesome...and it may cost a lot less in the long run!

CROSSWORD

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Across

1. Related
5. Midwest airport
10. Fable
14. Oxford, e.g.
15. Fray
16. Mideast nation
17. Tablet
18. Entreaties
19. Breath freshener
20. Flatfish
21. Crowd
22. Tempo
23. Browned bread
25. ____ beam
26. Serious
29. Family group
31. Entertain
32. Most snobbish
37. "Cry ____ River" (2 wds.)
38. Permit
40. Paddle's kin
41. Count
43. Beatle beatkeeper
45. Article
46. Small hound
47. Garb
50. Witch's charm
52. Congers
53. Following
55. Woeful cry
59. Send out
60. Angry
61. Ensuing
62. Tick's kin
63. Rent again
64. Valley
65. Recipe instruction
66. Prophets
67. Gush forth



Down

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| 1. Recipe abbr. | 24. Egg dishes | 42. Blunder |
| 2. Toledo's state | 25. Type of football pass | 44. Oahu and Maui |
| 3. Recline lazily | 26. Identical | 46. French caps |
| 4. Erases | 27. Warning sign | 47. Believes |
| 5. Parentless child | 28. Hawaiian feast | 48. Send payment |
| 6. Angels' headwear | 29. Traffic barrier | 49. Upper class |
| 7. Turn aside | 30. ____ Angeles | 50. Not fresh |
| 8. ____ between the lines | 32. Fraudulent scheme | 51. ____ Pan |
| 9. Alternative word | 33. Butterfly catcher | 53. Ventilates |
| 10. Big drums | 34. Many years | 54. Costing nothing |
| 11. Opera tunes | 35. Wise man | 56. Jump |
| 12. Spear | 36. Horse's gait | 57. Wheel shaft |
| 13. Door sign | 39. Indignation | 58. Brood |



Happy Valentine's Day

Word Search



Search for the hidden words going up, down, left or right.



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FLOWERS
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Important

Contact Information you may need!

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



Coosa County Sheriff's Office

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Dispatch	Option 1
Pistol Permits	Option 3
Office	Option 4
Accordia.....	256-377-8008
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 Health Department.....	256-377-1068
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
Alabama One 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	256-935-4004

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Comprehensive Eye Exam: \$20

(If You Need Glasses: \$40-\$60)



Includes Diabetes Eye Exam

A retinal eye exam can help detect eye disease at an early stage and help prevent vision loss or permanent blindness for people with Diabetes or pre diabetes.

Dates:

Thursday, February 29, 2024

**Coosa County Health Department
9130 US-231 • Rockford, AL 35136**

Schedule Your Appointment Today!

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256-377-1068**



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Monthly Weather - Rockford, AL

FEBRUARY 2024

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Weather is subject to change



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



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 |
| • First Thursday of every Month | - | 6:30 PM | -Richville |
| • Third Tuesday of every Quarter | - | 6:30 PM | -Hanover |
| • Third Thursday of every Month | - | 6:30 PM | -Weogufka |
| • Fourth Thursday of every month | - | 6:30 PM | -Equality |