



Plogging on Mars Hill Road with KOCBC April 18

Have you heard of plogging? A fun mashup of jogging and picking up litter, it's a great way to get exercise while beautifying the community.

In celebration of Earth Day, Keep Oconee County Beautiful, along with Keep Georgia Beautiful affiliates across the state, will host a special plogging event to clean up litter on three miles of Mars Hill Road on Saturday, April 18.

This section of Mars Hill Road features the recent tree planting beautification project, and spring is a great time to check out all the new growth. Take advantage of the sidewalks that line the road while you get your steps in!

Everyone is invited, and you don't even have to jog! Walkers and bicyclists are welcome, in addition to runners and joggers. Come out and enjoy the camaraderie at this great community event!



This plogging activity is just one of the diverse array of events that KOCBC will feature during the annual spring Great American Cleanup, which takes place from March 19 through June 20! Interested in learning more or getting involved? Check out KOCBC's page on our website or email Cindy Pritchard at kocbc@oconee.ga.us.

Employee Birthdays

Happy Birthday to everyone in the Oconee County Government Family celebrating a birthday this month! You have our best wishes for a wonderful day, and we hope it's the start of a fantastic year!

Tracye Bailey	03/02
Eddie Fouche	03/02
Kandy Marchman	03/02
Scott Willoughby	03/02
Vic Green	03/03
Jenna Waters	03/04
Tracy Metcalf	03/05
Mehran Ahmadipour	03/06
Will Parks	03/06
Angie Elder-Johnson	03/07
Randall White	03/07
Brittany Anderson	03/08
Mike McKeel	03/08
Mark Saxon	03/08
Bobby Chesnutt	03/10
Angela Helwig	03/10
Hallie Adams	03/11
Chris Higginbotham	03/11
Stephen Shaffer	03/11
Nathan Williams	03/11
Gail Burgess	03/13
Thatcher White	03/13
Lee Hicks	03/14
Amanda Trimble	03/15
Nic Jarrells	03/16



Todd Jackson	03/18
Jim Luke	03/18
Kleo Wilkerson	03/18
William Dix	03/19
David Lewis	03/20
Chris Cotton	03/21
Mark Thomas	03/21
Brenda Cotter	03/23
Adam Thrower	03/23
Bryce Colvin	03/24
James Hale	03/25
Mark Bowman	03/26
Marsha Jordan	03/28
Tony Lathrup	03/28
Candeda Ayers	03/29
Jim Parker	03/29
Doug Hammond	03/30

News From HR

Ask Cigna Day March 18

A representative from Cigna will be here on Wednesday, March 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the BOC Chambers, to answer all your health insurance questions.

Employment Anniversaries

Congratulations to everyone on our team celebrating another year of service to the residents of Oconee County! Thank you for making our organization an outstanding place to work and for your dedication to our community! We appreciate all that you do!

Law Enforcement

Tammy Gilstrap	03/11/1991
David Burchett	03/14/2005
Lee Weems	03/01/2009
Marla Brown	03/07/2011
Travis Wooster	03/17/2014
Golden Sanders	03/31/2014

Operations - Facilities/Maintenance

Eddie Collins	03/26/1997
Jim Parker	03/25/2013
Casey Smith	03/07/2016

Parks & Recreation

Ryan Payne	03/19/2012
David Compton	03/19/2018

Property Appraisal

John Mobley	03/06/2019
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Superior Court

Yvonne Feener	03/11/2018
James Seagraves	03/12/2018

Water Resources

Sandy Maxwell	03/31/2008
Mark Von Kutzleben	03/10/2014
Randall Bolton	03/14/2016

Welcome!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest colleagues - we are so glad you have joined us, and we look forward to getting to know you!!

Board of Elections & Registration

Brenda Lord
Charles Lord
Sharon Freese
William Dix
Julie Glenn
Charlotte Dillard
Amy Carroll
Hallie Adams

Parks and Recreation

Daniel Clark
Alia Hiller
Madalyn Kountz
Jenna Waters
Nathan Williams

Public Works

Richard Moore
Ryan Osmet

Senior Center

Brady Gilley

Tourism & Visitors Bureau

Joann Hubert

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