



Oconee County Connections Employee Newsletter

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2020 Oconee County Employee Holiday Luncheon

With the holiday season fast approaching, it's time for our annual luncheon. Just like everything else in 2020, we must plan things out differently than we traditionally would. This year the Board of Commissioners will be bringing the appreciation to you! Boxed lunches will be delivered directly to departments by the following schedule:

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| Tuesday, December 8th: | 11:00am-Public Works/Roads/Sanitation
11:45am-Annex
12:30pm-Courthouse & Elections |
| Wednesday, December 9th: | 12:00pm-Animal Control, Fire, EMA, and
Sheriff's Office (2nd shift time TBD) |
| Thursday, December 10th: | 11:00am-Fleet
11:45am-Parks & Recreation, Senior Center
12:30pm-Civic Center |

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!

Civic Center

Ansley Nedza 12/04/2015

Finance

Susan Gibson 12/30/2019

Jail

Julio Soto 12/20/2004

Extension

Kelle Ashley 12/01/2014

Law Enforcement

Paul Maxey 12/11/1989

Dylan Pulliam 12/18/2016

Collin Worsham 12/17/2018

Operations-Facilities/Maintenance

Artie Kerns 12/03/2001

Tim Dutton 12/10/2007

Parks & Recreation

Chase Dunagan 12/10/2018

Property Appraisal

Greg Hayes 12/10/2007

Public Safety

Shawn Corbin 12/05/2005

Public Works

William Lowe 12/01/2017

Alex Davis 12/27/2018

Tax Commissioner

Debra Watson 12/10/2012

Tourism

Kristy Curtis 12/09/2019

Water Resources

Adam Layfield 12/08/2014

Welcome!

We want to extend a warm welcome to our newest colleagues - we are so glad you have joined us!

Jail

Matthew James

Law Enforcement

Kevin Parker

Parks & Recreation

Amber Helphenstine & Madison Ogletree

Probate

Tiffany Norton

Public Safety

Lisa Park

Water Resources

Timothy Rice



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!

LaToya Woods	12/01
Ryan Osment	12/02
David Gueth	12/03
William Lowe	12/03
Nicole Bates	12/05
Makenna White	12/05
Sunny Wallace-Burchett	12/06
Trent Crawford	12/08
Tammy Gilstrap	12/08
Allen Skinner	12/08
Vicky Feener	12/09
Monte Stephens	12/09
Paul Helphenstine	12/12
John Mobley	12/12
Joan Postero	12/12
Javan Winston	12/15
Lesia Weaber	12/19
Alan Hamachek	12/20
Cheryl Newell	12/21
Shayne Stone	12/22
Benjamin Barron	12/24
Merry Howard	12/24
CJ Blevins	12/25
James Wooster	12/29
Julio Soto	12/30
Mandi Ellis	12/31



Notes from IT

Two Simple Steps You Can Take to Help Prevent Cybercrime

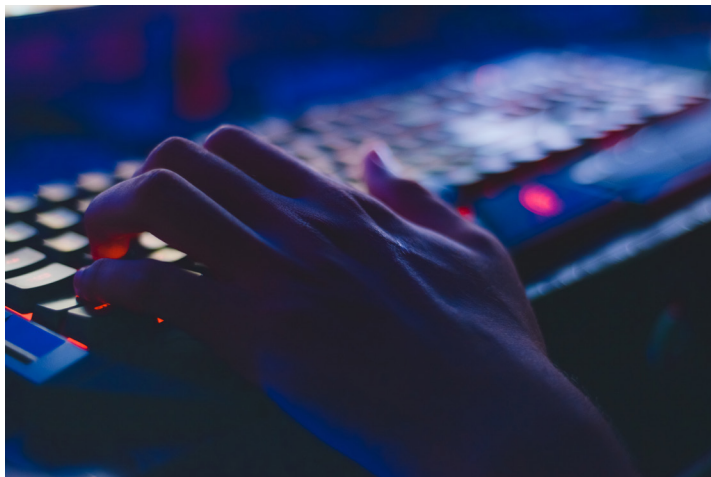
Make sure you are doing everything you can to prevent cybercrime in our workplace! Here are two quick and easy things you can do to enhance security:

Step One: Use a strong password

Our passwords for our systems at the county must include at least three of the following:

- a) capital letter
- b) lower case letter
- c) number
- d) special character (!, @, #, ?)

Strong passwords consist of a mix of words with symbols used to substitute letters. Suggestion: use @ instead of the letter a, or use the number zero (0) instead of the letter O.



Step Two: Don't use your work email for personal use

Using your work email for personal use puts our county at risk. If your email credentials are compromised, the county could fall victim to cybercrime. Do not use your work email for your personal social media accounts. Keeping a private, anonymous email address is the best way to keep your work life and your personal life separate.

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