

## Notes from IT Don't Be the Weakest Link!

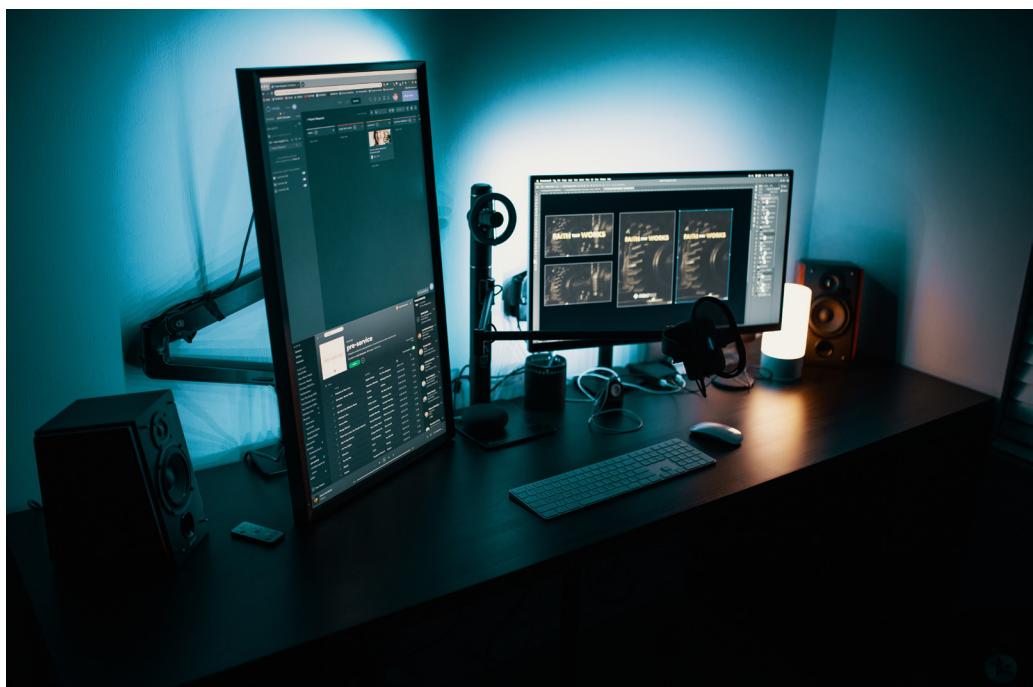
Our county government has many protections in place to prevent “bad actors” from infiltrating our network. We have a firewall which has rules set in place to monitor and control the network traffic that comes in and out of our organization. We also have an email filter which blocks emails that could possibly bring harm to our network. Each computer has anti-virus and anti-malware software running as another form of security.

With all of those security protections in place, something bad can still happen if YOU are the weakest link. Before you open the wrong email attachment, click on the wrong link, or go to the wrong website...

### STOP, LOOK & THINK

Every employee who uses a computer should complete the security awareness training. Each year, IT sends out a refresher course, too. Those emails are going out now to sign up for training with KnowBe4.

Don't forget your Phish Alert button in Outlook if you are suspicious of an email. Please contact IT if there is a possible issue.



# Welcome!

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

## Facilities

Fabian Huizar

## Tax Commissioner

Carol McGrath

## 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!

### Animal Services

Kayla McAllister	02/13/2017
Jessica Burnley	02/16/2017

### Law Enforcement

James Hale	02/15/2000
Scott Underwood	02/18/2002
Bradley Vaughn	02/22/2017

### Board of Elections

Teresa Wallace	02/02/2016
Rebecca Anglin	02/02/2016

### Parks & Recreation

Daniel Cochran	02/24/2014
Andy Dunston	02/12/2018
Nico Carter	02/13/2019
McKenzie Hudgins	02/28/2020
Charles Massey	02/28/2020

### Clerk of Courts

Lesia Weaber	02/15/2000
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### Planning & Code Enforcement

Liz Smith	02/20/2013
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### E911/Communications

Deanna Smith	02/18/2008
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### Property Appraisal

Carol Gurley	02/01/1999
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### Finance

Donna Norton	02/15/1999
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### Public Works

Debbie Smith	02/08/1999
Scott Willoughby	02/02/2016
Jody Woodall	02/19/2019
Doc Hudson	02/25/2019
Ryan Osmet	02/24/2020

### Human Resources

Beth Armstrong	02/03/2020
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### Senior Center

Merry Howard	02/03/2014
Allison Burns	02/17/2015

### Jail

Candeda Ayers	02/18/2010
Lucas Peck	02/18/2013

# 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!

Lauren Truluck	02/02
Andy Corbin	02/05
Danny Cottar	02/08
Robert Elder	02/08
Lucas Peck	02/10
Edwyna Arey	02/13
Andrew Henderson	02/13
Jonathan Sturm	02/13
Stacy Carson	02/14
John Joiner	02/14
Pat Sebring	02/14
Amanda Mauldin	02/19
Golden Sanders	02/20
Kim Mitchell	02/21
Linda Patterson	02/21
Donna Norton	02/22
Tyler Hartzog	02/23
Christopher Thompson	02/23
John Ogle	02/24
Diane Baggett	02/26
Nickey Brooks	02/26
Deanna Smith	02/28



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