



Oconee County Connections Employee Newsletter

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Notes from IT: Why You Need Software to Protect You from Cyber Attacks

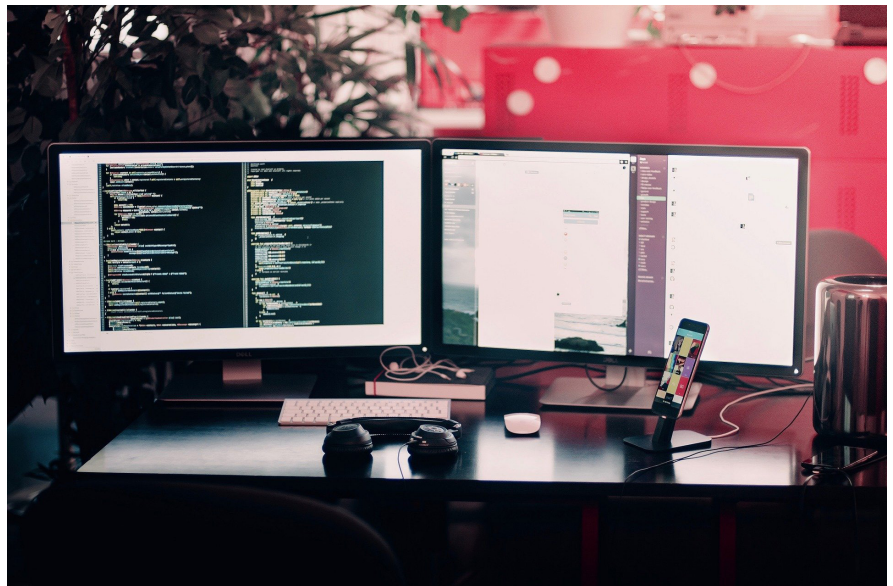
Approximately 350,000 new pieces of malware are registered every day. Antivirus software will scan your devices for viruses, malware, and other cyber threats. If the software detects anything malicious, it will quarantine and remove the file.

We use Webroot and Malwarebytes as protection for our computers on our Oconee County network. These programs run in the middle of the night to scan your computer. This is one reason why we ask you to leave your computers turned on all the time.

You can run Webroot to scan your computer anytime you want. From your task bar, open your hidden icons (far right side of task bar), right click on the Webroot icon and select scan.

Thank you for working with IT to keep our computers and network safe!

Paula Nedza
Information Technology Director



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

Edwyna Arey	09/05/2017
Shawn Wheeler	09/07/1993

Clerk of Courts

Carrie Hayes	09/16/2014
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Extension Office

Daniel Queen	09/08/2020
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Jail

David Knowles Jr.	09/09/2016
Danial White	09/23/2019

Law Enforcement

Jeremy Wasdin	09/15/2008
Sonyia Wallace-Burchett	09/15/2015
Stan Swisher	09/25/2017

Parks & Recreation

Janine Lynn	09/16/1997
Lisa Davol	09/27/2004
Pat Sebring	09/11/2017
Ally Holloway	09/05/2018
Jacob Barnhart	09/03/2019

Planning/Code Enforcement

Linda Patterson	09/16/1985
Kyle Stephens	09/04/2018

Public Works

Will Parks	09/21/1998
Amy Morrison	09/27/2004
Randy Dillard Jr.	09/27/2004
Alan Breedlove	09/12/2018
Rolland Ebright	09/09/2020

Senior Center

Angela Helwig	09/07/1999
Pat Anderson	09/17/2018

Superior Court

Tommy Hewell	09/08/2009
Edward Brumby	09/25/2017

Water Resources

Jenanne White	09/06/2005
Eddie Fouche Jr.	09/04/2007
Nick Hensley	09/26/2012

Welcome!

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

Parks & Recreation

Jillian Scelsi
Lofton Tidwell
Patrick Whitehead
Katie Galbreath

Property Appraisal

Daniel Murray

Around the County

Costco is Coming to Oconee

A new shopping destination will be coming to the Epps Bridge area, as Costco begins construction on a 155,146-square-foot store at 5550 Parkway Boulevard that is scheduled to open in mid 2022.

“We are excited to be able to bring such desirable shopping choices to the residents of Oconee County and the surrounding areas,” said John Daniell, Chair of the Oconee County Board of Commissioners. “Oconee County is a premier regional commercial and retail hub, and Costco will be a great addition to our mix of offerings. This new Costco will generate quality employment opportunities and revenue for years to come.”

“We are excited to be joining the Oconee community,” shared a Costco spokesperson. “Many individuals in this community, over the course of many years, played a pivotal role in helping us get to this point. We would like to thank everyone for the opportunity and look forward to a long and successful partnership in Oconee County.”



Eagle Tavern Repairs Complete



The newly-restored Eagle Tavern Museum will soon be open to the public again. The Museum was closed for renovations and repairs to the historic structure, including repairs to the foundation.

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!

Leigh Anne Aaron	09/02
James Seagraves	09/02
Yashica West	09/02
Doc Hudson	09/03
Stephen Richwine	09/03
Brian Bray	09/04
Amy Brewer	09/05
Dylan Pulliam	09/05
Craig Bryant	09/06
Janine Lynn	09/07
Donna Fee	09/08
Lance Raines	09/09
Ryan Meeler	09/11
Sandy Maxwell	09/12
John Donnelly	09/15
Greg Hayes	09/15
Jenanne White	09/15
Patrick Holl	09/15
Sarah Groves	09/16
Shirley Finch	09/18
John Jackson	09/18
Crystal Berisko	09/19
Joseph Berryman	09/19
Jerry Marshall	09/20
Joan White	09/20
Andrew Bishop	09/24
Brandy Ervin	09/25

Joel Allen	09/26
Ruth Watson	09/26
Richard Connelly Jr.	09/27
Chuck Horton	09/27
Diane Horvath	09/27
George Kull	09/27
Joshua Warren	09/28
Harold Haggard	09/29
Alexis Barnhart	09/30



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