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CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON BALDWIN COUNTY'S FIRST ROUNDABOUT



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Stembridge and Kings Road Roundabout Construction Begins



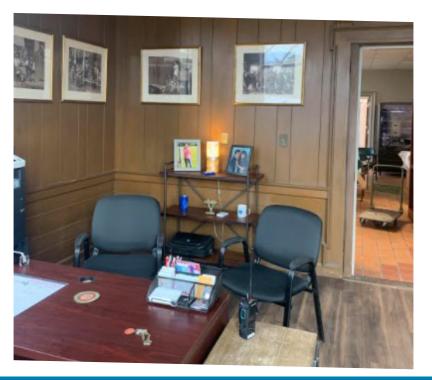
Construction has begun on the Kings Road SE and Stembridge Road SE roundabout. The roundabout should be completed by January 31, 2022.

This is the first roundabout to be constructed in Baldwin County!

Old DPH Building Tranformed into New Emergency Services Building

The old Department of Public Health Building has been recently renovated! The building has been transformed to house Emergency Management and Emergency Operations for Baldwin County.

Pictured to the right is Coroner John Gonzalez's new office.



Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson Selected for ACCG Defined Benefit Board



Baldwin County Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson was recently selected to the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia's (ACCG) Defined Benefit Board of Trustees.

The Defined Benefit Program is managed by a ninemember Board of Trustees appointed by the ACCG Board of Managers, and is comprised of county elected and appointed officials. We congratulate Dawn on this prestigious honor.

Dawn Hudson has been the Assistant County Manager since late 2017. Prior to her promotion, she was the Finance Director for Baldwin County from 2013-2017.

Ms. Hudson joined the County in April 2003 as an Internal Auditor. Prior to joining Baldwin County, she worked for the Georgia Department of Audits as a staff auditor. Ms. Hudson holds a BBA in Accounting from Georgia College and State University. She has received certification as a government finance officer from the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government and a certificate in public financial management from Georgia State University, Center for State and Local Finance. Ms Hudson is a member of the Government Finance Officers Association, and the Georgia Government Finance Officers Association.



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Baldwin County Fire Rescue & GMC Partnership Offers New Scholarship to Community

A beloved "Santa," a man of faith and service, and friend to all, Dwayne Morgan will live on in the hearts of all who knew him; and now, future Georgia Military College-Milledgeville students will learn of his legacy through The GMC 801 Fire Rescue Scholarship.

Dwayne Morgan worked with the Baldwin County Fire Rescue West Baldwin Station for many years as a volunteer firefighter and Station Officer. He started his career on July 21, 1994 and retired on March 31, 2017. Dwayne was a very dependable volunteer who could always be relied on when a call



dispatched. His badge number was 801 in which Baldwin County Fire Rescue is retiring in his honor. A new GMC 801 Fire Rescue scholarship is also being recognized in his name.

In memory and honor of Dwayne's life of service, the Georgia Military College Main Campus and the Baldwin County Fire Rescue present this scholarship to give perspective first responders/firefighters the ability to earn an associate degree at no personal cost.

This scholarship includes tuition, fees, and books after Federal and State Aid is applied. Applicants must be a first-time in-seat student at the GMC Main Campus in Milledgeville and sign an agreement to serve as a first responder/firefighter for a minimum of two years with the Baldwin County Fire Rescue. GMC's next term is Quarter 3 beginning January 12, 2022, followed by Quarter 4 beginning on March 21, and Summer Term beginning June 6.

Georgia Military College believes in Duty, Honor, Country and Character Above All; Dwayne Morgan exemplified all of these values. This partnership between Baldwin County Fire Rescue and GMC present a wonderful opportunity to members of the community to commemorate Dwayne's life. For more information, please contact email admissionsinfo@gmc.edu.

Baldwin County Airport Honored with Georgia County Excellence Award



Baldwin County's Regional Airport was presented with a 2021 Georgia County Excellence Award at the recent Reconnect Conference. Hosted jointly by the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) and Georgia Trend magazine, the awards program honors the innovative and cost-effective work of county governments. This year, the theme for the program was community investment, and counties submitted applications for a variety of projects. Submissions focused on programs ranging from accountability courts, cyber education, and senior services to transportation projects. Recognized for its Regional Airport, Baldwin County is one of five award recipients.

As an economic generator for the County, the Baldwin County Regional Airport implemented an exciting program, the Center for Aviation Promotion and Flight Instruction (CAPFI), in 2020 to promote its value to the area and to advance the aviation industry well into the future. CAPFI not only focuses on the instructional aspect of aviation, but it also promotes the comprehensive value of aviation, trains the next generation of aviation professionals at large, and increases access to aviation training to people in rural areas, women, and people of color. The airport partnered with minority-and woman-owned business Faithful Guardian to see CAPFI to fruition. Since September 2020, CAPFI's flight training program at the airport has grown from zero participants to more than 20. The program currently has six female students, accounting for 35% of total enrollment, and 50% of current participants are in minority groups.

JANUARY 2022

Baldwin Lodge 159 of Free and Accepted Prince Hall Masons Celebrate 100 Years in Baldwin County



Baldwin Lodge 159 of Free and Accepted Masons, Jurisdiction of Georgia, Prince Hall Affiliated, was established in Milledgeville/Baldwin County, Georgia on June 22, 1921 by the 9th Most Worshipful Grand Master of Georgia, H.R. Butler.

The Lodge honors Veterans, visits community churches quarterly, presents scholarships to deserving high school seniors, conducts voter registration drives, blood donation drives, visits local nursing homes, schools, participates in the Relay for Life, and donates food and other resources to needy families.

Free and Accepted Prince Hall Masons are the largest fraternal organization collectively within the state of Georgia with a rich history of over 150 years practicing benevolence, intellectual development and mutual respect. Prince Hall Masons seek to unite men of differing races, beliefs, and backgrounds into a harmonious and productive community through the application of moral values and the practice of Brotherly Love, Faith, and Charity.

City of Milledgeville Police Department Officer Jalen Webb and Baldwin County Fire & Rescue Lieutenant Darien Alexander recently rescued a citizen from a burning house.

At the December 21st BOC meeting the first responders were recognized and honored for their heroism.

