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## A message from Congressman Austin Scott

It is with a heavy heart that I join our state in mourning the loss of Augusta University student Laken Riley, who was killed while jogging on UGA's campus last week. I am praying for her family and community in Athens.

Two years ago this past weekend, Russia launched their full-scale invasion of Ukraine. President Biden's decision not to enforce sanctions has allowed Russia to rebuild their economy and military-industrial complex. I pray for the liberation of the freedom-loving people of Ukraine, and I honor the brave sacrifices of Ukrainians defending their homeland.

February is Black History Month, and understanding the contributions of Black Americans is essential to understanding our state's history. You can learn more at these museums right here in Georgia:

- The Jack Hadley Black History Museum in Thomasville
- The Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins - Featuring exhibits on the Tuskegee Airmen and the achievements of African Americans in aviation.
- The Tubman Museum in Macon

As always, my staff and I are here to help. If you need assistance with a federal agency or have comments or concerns to share with me, please do not hesitate to call my Warner Robins, Tifton, or Washington, D.C. offices.

Sincerely,

Austin Scott  
Member of Congress



Attending the YMCA Backpack Giveaway

Part of ensuring that all students get a quality education is making sure that they have the right supplies.

I joined the YMCA afterschool program at the Anthony Bateman Youth Center in Tifton while they gave students ages 5-12 backpacks with school supplies. Our district is home to some incredible young minds, and it was great to get to know them.



Breaking Ground on the New USDA Research Facility in Tifton

I was honored to join the USDA Agricultural Research Service for the groundbreaking ceremony of their new research facility in Tifton!

The new research facility will contain the Southeast Watershed Research Laboratory and the Crop Genetics and Breeding Research Unit.

Agriculture is Georgia's number one industry, and it is great that the USDA is working with UGA to conduct advanced research in the heart of South Georgia.

## Lanier County Sheriff's Office Report

• **February 20**, 1430 hours. **Johnnie Lee Sirmans** (60) charged with Driving without insurance - 1st offense, and Suspended registration - 1st offense. Housed for: Ware County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Josh Luke. Property/Cash Bond: \$2,000.00/none listed.

• **February 21**, 0843 hours. **Brian Matthew Manning** (42) charged with Driving with no license/unlicensed, and Speeding 16 to 20 miles over 55 MPH zone. Housed for: Ware County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Benjamin Terrell. Property/Cash Bond: \$1,400.00/none listed.

• **February 22**, 1510 hours. **Herbie Junior Aho** (44) charged with Probation violation (when probation terms are altered) for finger printable charge. Housed for: Ware County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Anthony Lawrence. Property/Cash Bond: NO BOND.

• **February 23**, 0823 hours. **Pamela Katrina Copeland** (23) charged with Driving with no license on person, Knowingly driving motor vehicle on suspended, canceled, or revokes registration, and Speeding 21 to 24 miles over 55 MPH zone. Housed for: Ware County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier

County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Joseph Pruitt. Property/Cash Bond: \$1,420.00/none listed.

• **February 23**, 1700 hours. **Jonathan Daniel Brett** (32) charged with Criminal use of an article with altered ID mark (other than motor vehicle). Housed for: Cook County Sheriff's Office. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Derrik McLeod. Property/Cash Bond: none listed/none listed.

• **February 23**, 1800 hours. **Larry Jackson Harrison** (55) charged with Weekender. Housed for: Cook County Sheriff's Office. Arresting Officer: Derrik McLeod. Property/Cash Bond: none listed/none listed.

• **February 25**, 0900 hours. **Robert Lee Miller** (62) charged with Probation violation (when probation terms are altered) for finger printable charge. Housed for: Coffee County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Amanda Giddens. Property/Cash Bond: none listed/none listed.

• **February 25**, 1147 hours. **Angelique Marie York** (25) charged with Probation violation (when probation terms are altered) for finger printable charges (4 Charges). Housed for: Coffee County Jail. Arrested by: Lanier County Sheriff's Office. Arresting officer: Amanda Giddens. Property/Cash Bond: none listed/none listed.

## Lakeland Police Department Report

• **February 16**, 1602 hours. Sergeant Sumner was dispatched to North Lakeshore Drive in reference to a theft. Offender's name: not listed. Incident type: Not listed. Reporting Officer: James Sumner. Property type: not listed.

• **February 17**, 1150 hours. Sergeant Sumner was dispatched to South Valdosta Highway [Piggly Wiggly] in reference to a theft. Offender's name: listed as OFFENDER 1. [no other name]. Incident type: Theft by taking. Reporting Officer: James Sumner. Property type: Currency, Notes, Etc. \$1.00.

• **February 22**, 1922 hours. No narrative included with Incident

Report. **Offender's name: A'nia McCullough.** Incident type: Theft by taking auto. Reporting Officer: Terry Grant. Property type: not listed.

• **February 23**, 1853 hours. Lakeland City Police Units were flagged down on East Howell Drive in reference to wreck. Offender's name: not listed. Incident type: not listed. Reporting Officer: Kevin Christian. Property type: not listed.

• **February 25**, 0025 hours. Lakeland Police Department was dispatched to South Valdosta Road in reference to a wreck. Offender's name: not listed. Incident type: not listed. Reporting Officer: Zachary Benka. Property type: not listed.

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