



EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

March
2025

March*

FUN FACTS AND DATES

Women's History Month

National Reading Month

March 1 - World Compliment Day

March 2 - Dr. Seuss's Birthday

March 3 thru 9 - Chocolate Chip Cookie Week

March 9 - Daylight Savings Time

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

March 20 - International Day of Happiness

Employee Spotlight



Emily McCullars

Police Captain

18 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

In my off time, I like to read, bake with my kids, paint, draw, and drink coffee with my husband.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I think the thing I enjoy most about the job is that it is always changing. You never know what the day is going to hold and there is something exciting about that.



Jason Brown

Fire Marshall/Asst. Fire Chief

16 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

In my off time I like to hunt, fish and work on my land.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

What I like most about my job is interacting with the citizens of Anniston and working to make our City safe to do business in.



Paul Young

Operator II

29 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

I love to go deer hunting.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

My favorite part of my job is driving the sweeper. I enjoy the people I work with.



Nikita Wood

CDBG Coordinator

2 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

Being with my FAMILY doing all the things that make me happy....laughing, eating, cooking, shopping, watching movies, anything that involves them, I'm a fan of. They make me WHOLE.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Just being able to serve the families in our community, and assist with seeing the greater of our City as it continues to grow. Giving back. Being a support to those that may need it. Just being a helping hand with a smiling face. I love people!



Patricia Pickens

Recreation Center Director

6 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

I love to travel and journal.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I love being able to make a difference in our community when it comes to the kids. I also enjoy being able to bring new activities to our community through the community centers.



Derwin Perry

Recreation Leader

5 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

I train kids baseball and softball lessons and I love to go fishing.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I get a lot of enjoyment from our After School program at Carver Center, you never know what might come out of their mouth.



Ray Jones

Custodial Worker

3 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

I work on houses and sit around. I work on side jobs like painting.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

The people are my favorite part of my job. This is a nice place to work. I like buffing the floors and keeping everything.



Tony Canevaro

Museum Maintenance

5 Years

What do you like to do in your off time?

My hobby is woodcarving.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

The people I work with are my favorite part of my job.



Kristen Stewart

Accounts Receivable Clerk

6 Months

What do you like to do in your off time?

I love spending quality time with my kids and family, creating special moments together. I also enjoy making crafts, using my creativity to bring different projects to life. Whether it's DIY projects, or handmade gifts, crafting allows me to relax and express myself while sometimes making fun things for my family. Balancing family time and creativity makes my time off both fulfilling and enjoyable.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I enjoy being able to work with all of the departments and I am also lucky to work daily with a great team of coworkers in Finance who are supportive, collaborative, and make the workplace enjoyable. Their teamwork and positive energy make even the busiest days more manageable and rewarding.

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BIRTHDAYS

AARON VAUGHN

ABBY STEPHENS

ALLAN RAY

CHARLES FENDER

DAVID ROLLINS

FLOYD WHITE

FRANKIE OWENS

HANNAH RHODES

HAYDEN HEARD

HERBERT BROWN

JAMES DORROH

MATTHEW SPATH

NICHOLAS MAGUIRE

ROGER NOWLAND

RUSSELL MONTGOMERY

SEAN GOODMAN

TIMOTHY MCCURRY

VIVIAN HILL

March

Work Anniversaries

Matthew Caballero 21 Years

Jodie Trapp 20 Years

Brett Lloyd 16 Years

Shawn Morehead 16 Years

Nathan Jackson 15 Years

Matthew Wright 10 Years

Sean Goodman 5 Years

Chantz Anders 4 Years

Corey Otinger 4 Years

Karla Eden 4 Years

Timothy McCurry 3 Years

Aaron Vaughn 2 Years

Cameron Bearden 2 Years

James Dorroh 2 Years

Shane Denman 2 Years

John Stanfield 1 Year

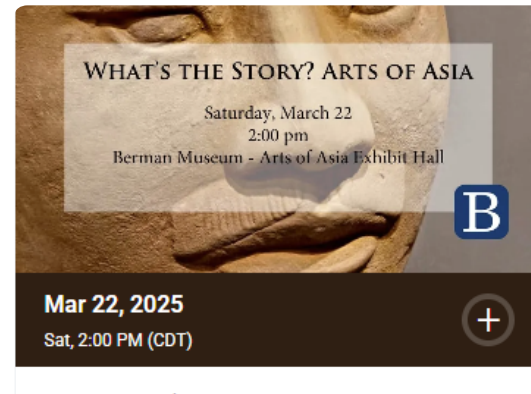
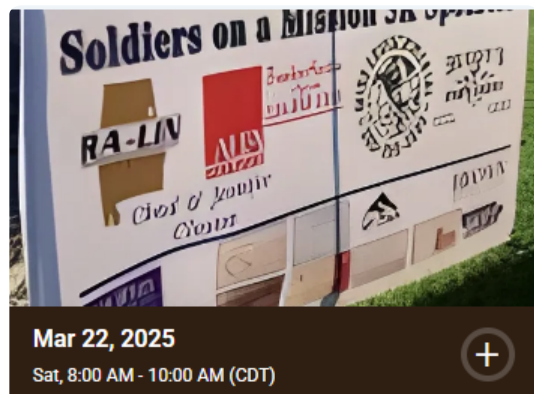
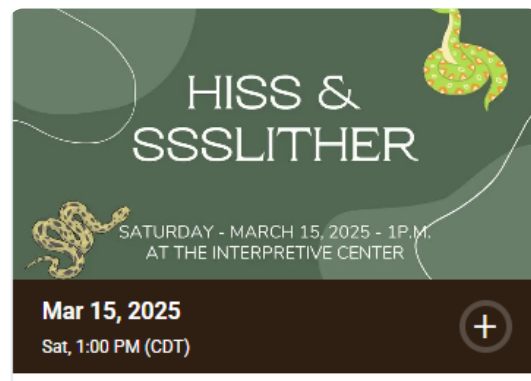
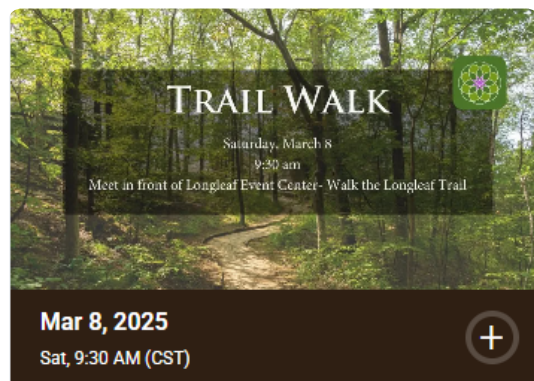
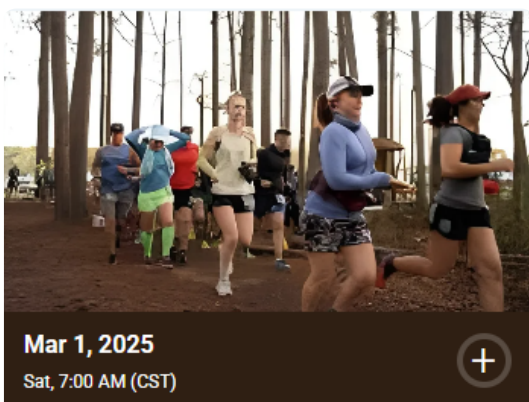
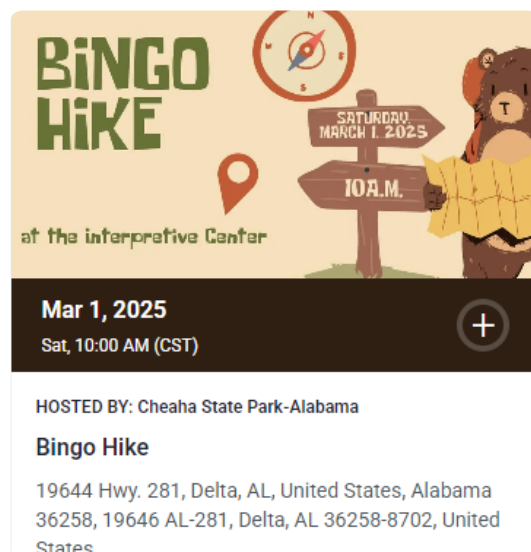
Chloe Cross 1 Year

Jonathan Jones 1 Year

H A P P Y *Anniversary*

ANNISTON & SURROUNDING AREAS

UPCOMING EVENTS



HOSTED BY: Anniston Museums and Gardens

What's the Story? Arts of Asia

Museum Dr, Anniston, AL, United States, Alabama 36206, 800 Museum Dr, Anniston, AL 36206-2813, United States



5k SHAMROCKIN' COLOR RUN

Lace up your running shoes and join Main Street Anniston for the Shamrockin 5K Color Run! This exciting event takes runners through Anniston's beautiful historic district on our USTAF certified course and raises funds for our annual spring beautification efforts.

Early Bird Registration: \$30.00 (January 30 - February 14, 2025)

Standard Registration: \$35.00 (February 15 - March 12, 2025)

Race Day Registration: \$40.00 (March 15, 2025)

City of Anniston employees use code: **GOANNISTON**
for a discount on registration

The first 50 registrants are guaranteed a Shamrockin 5K t-shirt!

SATURDAY
MARCH 15, 2025
START 08.00 AM

CITY MARKET

114 WEST 11TH STREET, ANNISTON

LIVE MUSIC

DOORPRIZES

**MEDALS FOR
1ST, 2ND, 3RD**

FOR INFORMATION VISIT MAINSTREET ANNISTON ON FACEBOOK

RAPTOR RUN 5K & DINO DASH FUN RUN



SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

ANNISTON MUSEUM OF
NATURAL HISTORY

Raptor Run 5K 8:00 am / \$30
Dino Dash Fun Run 9:30 am / \$15

AM&G Members receive \$5 discount

Lace up your running shoes and dash through the picturesque grounds of the Anniston Museums and Gardens. Embrace the harmony of exercise and nature as you sprint, jog, or walk along the beautifully landscaped gardens, promoting health and appreciation for the natural world.

**COA employees can use code COA25
to receive \$5 off registration**



ANNISTON MUSEUMS
and GARDENS



RunSignUp



www.ExploreAMAG.org

noble street festival

**APRIL
5th**



**FREE
EVENT!**

The Noble Street Festival & Sunny King Criterium return on April 5, 2025 from 11:00 AM CT to 7:00 PM CT!

Join us for live music, food trucks, professional USA Cycling races, a free KidZone, and more exciting attractions!

Main Street Anniston's Noble Street Festival is a large-scale, community event that anticipates bringing together nearly 7,500-10,000 attendees from all over the state of Alabama!

FREE FAMILY FUN!



www.noblestreetfestival.com

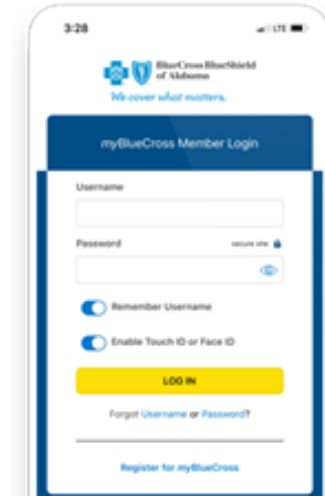
SOURCES FROM HUMAN RESOURCES



Remember you can login to KRONOS at anytime and update your contact information such as your phone number, email and mailing address, emergency contact, direct deposit and withholdings forms.



We cover what matters.



Please know that you can access your cards, claims, benefits/coverage information and other must have tools at [myBlueCross](#).

FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES TEAM

Big thanks to everyone who participated in the Employee Spotlight! We're grateful for your time and effort in joining us for this, and we're excited to involve even more folks in the future. Thanks for doing a great job representing your departments and being such valuable members of the City of Anniston team.

*Thank
you!*

Bersheba Austin, HR Director

LaKea Bailey, HR Generalist

Amanda East, HR Clerk

IT'S FAST AND EASY TO CHOOSE A PROVIDER

With Our Online Provider Directory

With our vision insurance, you have access to advanced vision technology at many independent and retail providers, including popular national chains and regional favorites, as well as online retailers. That way, you receive vision care and services when and where it's convenient for you.

- ① Go to **MutualofOmaha.com/vision**
- ② In the **Extensive Network** section, click on the **Locate a Provider** link.
- ③ Enter a **ZIP code** or click on **Use My Location** to see providers in your area.



If you have questions or need additional assistance during business hours, contact our service team at **(833) 279-4358**.



Download the EyeMed Members app on your iPhone, iPad or Android to view benefit information and ID card.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - EAP

When life's a little much, reach out and get in touch.

Let's be real: life can be tough. When your responsibilities start to feel overwhelming and showing up each day with a smile on your face seems difficult, it's important to reach out for help. You can lean on your free and confidential Employee Assistance Program (EAP) for support.

We've got your back.

A free benefit from your workplace, the EAP can help you or anyone in your household:

- Be more present and productive at work
- Receive support when you don't feel like yourself
- Get help with responsibilities that are distracting or stressful
- Grow personal and career skills
- Be a caring, loving friend or family member
- Receive care after a traumatic event or diagnosis
- Make healthy lifestyle choices
- Improve and inspire daily life

We're here for you, always.

Life happens, regardless of the day or time. That's why we make ourselves available 24/7, even on holidays. So whenever you need to reach out, we're here for you.



Support Line
Call anytime
800-624-5544



Mobile app
Search for New
Directions EAP



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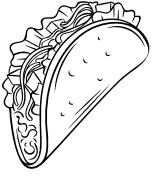
SERVICES

- ✓ **Counseling**
- ✓ **Consultation on**
 - Finances
 - Legal needs
 - Managing employees
 - Life
- ✓ **Crisis support**
- ✓ **Coaching**
- ✓ **Adult and child care resources**
- ✓ **Personal and professional training**
- ✓ **Digital behavioral health tools**

eap.ndbh.com
800-624-5544

Services are free and your employer will not know you reached out.
Flip this sheet over to see some common reasons people use EAP.

BEST TACO CASSEROLE



INGREDIENTS:

1 POUND LEAN GROUND BEEF
2 CUPS SALSA
1 (16 OUNCE) CAN CHILI BEANS, DRAINED
3 CUPS TORTILLA CHIPS, CRUSHED
2 CUPS SOUR CREAM
1 (2 OUNCE) CAN SLICED BLACK OLIVES, DRAINED
½ CUP CHOPPED GREEN ONION
½ CUP CHOPPED FRESH TOMATO
2 CUPS SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE

DIRECTIONS:

PREHEAT THE OVEN TO 350 DEGREES F (175 DEGREES C). SPRAY A 9X13-BAKING DISH WITH COOKING SPRAY.

HEAT A LARGE SKILLET OVER MEDIUM-HIGH HEAT. COOK AND STIR GROUND BEEF IN THE HOT SKILLET UNTIL BROWNEED AND CRUMBLY, 8 TO 10 MINUTES.

STIR IN SALSA, REDUCE HEAT, AND SIMMER UNTIL LIQUID IS ABSORBED, ABOUT 20 MINUTES. STIR IN BEANS; COOK UNTIL HEATED THROUGH.

SPREAD CRUSHED TORTILLA CHIPS OVER THE BOTTOM OF THE BAKING DISH; SPOON BEEF MIXTURE ON TOP. SPREAD SOUR CREAM OVER BEEF, THEN SPRINKLE OLIVES, GREEN ONION, AND TOMATOES ON TOP. COVER WITH CHEDDAR CHEESE.

BAKE IN THE PREHEATED OVEN UNTIL HOT AND BUBBLY, ABOUT 30 MINUTES.

SERVE AND ENJOY!

St. Patrick's **PUNCH** Day

Ingredients

- ½ gallon container Lime Sherbet
- One 2 liter Lemon Lime Soda
- One 2 liter Ginger Ale
- 1 Frozen Concentrate Limeade Mix
- 3 Limes (optional)
- 3 drops Green Food Coloring (optional)
- add Green Sugar Sprinkles (optional)



Instructions

1. In large Punch Bowl Mix together Lemon Lime Soda, Ginger Ale and Limeade Mix.
2. Add 2-3 Drops Food Coloring to make the green color "pop".
3. Scoop Sherbet in mixing slightly but leaving semi-solid to float in punch and keep cool until time to serve.
4. Slice Limes into slices and run along rim of punch glasses.
5. Dip each glass rim into green sugar sprinkles for garnish.