

Woody Gap Back to School Bash

The Woody Gap Student Council would like to invite everyone to the 16th annual Back To School Bash on Thursday evening, August 9th. We will have a hotdog cookout and games to celebrate our students and the beginning of a great school year at Woody Gap School. This will be an opportunity for parents, faculty, students and community to get together and for everyone to join in the fun. The celebration will begin around 6 p.m. with the hotdog cookout followed by games and fellowship. For more information please contact Student Council Advisor, Mrs. Althea Cantrell at 706-747-2401 Ext 1619.

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Union County Contested Races

Primary Election July 31, 2012 • Votes By Precinct*

Candidate	Blairsville	Coosa	Choestoe	Jones Creek	Owltown	Ivy Log	Suches	Trackrock	Dooley	Gumlog	Pat Colwell	Absentee	Advance	TOTALS	Percentage
Union County Probate Judge															
Dwain Brackett	259	251	184	263	198	186	131	140	151	164	206	80	1220	3,433	71.87%
Barry Weinstein	81	85	74	76	56	108	35	43	77	50	92	28	539	1,344	28.13%
U.S. Representative, District 9 - REP															
Doug Collins	97	110	74	112	72	99	42	56	90	60	97	36	544	1,489	49.29%
Roger D. Fitzpatrick	16	20	14	16	16	23	11	14	25	6	22	5	113	301	9.96%
Martha Zoller	63	77	107	83	53	83	50	53	60	39	89	28	446	1,231	40.75%
TSPLOST - Georgia Mountains District															
YES	82	63	34	63	45	68	43	41	33	44	55	22	428	1,021	20.49%
NO	271	284	239	285	216	248	133	156	204	172	258	85	1410	3,961	79.51%

Flower Show at Civic Center

The Union County Farmers Market will hold its 4th annual Community Flower Show on August 10th (9 a.m. until 3 p.m.) and August 11th (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.) at the Haralson Memorial Civic Center in Blairsville. The show is open to the public with no entry or admission fees.

Look in your flower garden and snip unblemished, single blooms to exhibit in the show. Bring a container plant to share with the community. Entries will be received in the Auditorium at the Civic Center on Wednesday, August 8th from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday, August 9th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

There is a Youth Division for children and youth to exhibit their plants and flowers. If you are interested in exhibiting in the Design Division, please contact Stephanie at 706-745-3714 or email stephg@windstream.net.

The Union County Farmer's Market Community Flower Show is sponsored by the Farmer's Market Committee, the Union County Commissioner's Office, the Union County Extension Office, local garden clubs and the Towns-Union Master Gardener Group. A complete list of Flower Show rules and divisions can be picked up at the County Extension Office, the Chamber of Commerce Office or the Commissioner's Office or you may contact Jo Anne Allen at (706) 400-8139 or Barbara Baumgardner at (706) 835-2812. Questions can be emailed to UCFlowerShow@aol.com. N(Aug8,21)4gg

Union County Primary

Democrat Primary

Superior Court Clerk	Judy L. Odom (I)	1,435	100%
Sheriff	Scott D. Stephens (I)	1,259	100%
Tax Commissioner	Larry Truelove	1,260	100%
Coroner	Benny Brookshire	1,144	100%
Sole Commissioner	Lamar F. Paris (I)	1,308	100%
Board of Education, D1	Gary Davenport (I)	1,256	100%
Board of Education, D3	Carlton Collins (I)	1,186	100%

Republican Primary

Sheriff	Mack Mason	2,348	100%
Tax Commissioner	Lee Knight	2,414	100%
Coroner	Benny Erwin (I)	2,386	100%
Sole Commissioner	Charles F. Rich	1,973	100%
Board of Education, D1	Patricia Bertuna	2,066	100%
Board of Education, D3	Cynthia Byers	2,192	100%

Statewide Races (Union County Totals Only)

Public Service Commission (R)	Chuck Eaton (I)	1,613	56.52%
	Matt Reid	1,241	43.48%
Public Service Commission (D)	Stephen Oppenheimer	1,031	100%
Public Service Commission (R)	Pam Davidson	1,330	47.52%
	Stan Wise (I)	1,469	52.48%
US Representative (REP)	Doug Collins	1,489	49.29%
	Roger Fitzpatrick	301	9.96%
	Martha Zoller	1,231	40.75%
US Representative (DEM)	Jody Cooley	1,015	100%
State Senator (REP)	Steve Gooch (I)	2,600	100%
State Representative (REP)	Steven Allison (I)	2,447	100%
State Representative (DEM)	Jana Hill	1,021	100%

Nonpartisan Primary

Supreme Court Justice	Carol W. Hunstein (I)	3,471	99.63%
	Write-In	13	0.37%
Supreme Court Justice	Harold D. Melton (I)	3,397	99.82%
	Write-In	6	0.18%
Supreme Court Justice	Hugh P. Thompson (I)	3,403	99.85%
	Write-In	5	0.15%
Appeals Court Judge	Michael P. Boggs (I)	3,365	99.88%
	Write-In	4	0.12%
Appeals Court Judge	Stephen Dillard (I)	3,363	99.88%
	Write-In	4	0.12%
Appeals Court Judge	John Ellington (I)	3,340	99.91%
	Write-In	3	0.09%
Appeals Court Judge	M. Yvette Miller (I)	3,292	99.88%
	Write-In	4	0.12%
Appeals Court Judge	Herbert Phipps (I)	3,304	99.97%
	Write-In	1	0.03%
Superior Court Judge	Murphy C. Miller (I)	3,465	99.63%
	Write-In	13	0.37%
Probate Judge	Dwain Brackett (I)	3,433	71.87%
	Barry Weinstein	1,344	28.13%
	Write-In	0	0.00%
Magistrate Court	Johnie M. Garmon (I)	3,704	99.73%
	Write-In	10	0.27%
TSPLOST	YES	1,021	20.49%
Georgia Mtn. District	NO	3,961	79.51%

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the endorsement of former Republican Presidential candidate Rick Santorum. She also has endorsements from former Republican Presidential hopefuls Herman Cain and Newt Gingrich.

Collins is endorsed by former U.S. Sen. Zell Miller, also a former Georgia governor, and Georgia House Speaker David Ralston.

In a personal news release last week, Zoller called Collins an "establishment-backed" candidate who had "all the money, all the advantages, and all the powerful insiders behind him."

With Palin, Santorum, Cain, Gingrich and FOX News endorsements behind her, that doesn't look like the case.

"My opponent thinks she can influence this election with outside supporters who have no idea what makes North Georgia so great," Collins said. "We saw her campaign strategy of 'celebrity over substance' during the primary."

"I'm here to tell her she can't hide behind her big name friends, and voters in the 9th District are going to prove that once again on August 21st," Collins said. "We are the 9th District - it has become the rally cry for our campaign. We hope you'll stand with us and let our true North Georgia conservative voices be heard on election night."

Zoller's campaign flyers say she is ready to take on Washington and the political establishment, and bring about the real change that the American people so desperately desire and deserve.

She calls Collins a professional politician who just doesn't get it or understand the voices of Northeast Georgia.

Further, Zoller promises to bring a "megaphone" to Washington if elected as Georgia's next member of



Doug Collins

Congress from the 9th District, to ensure that the voices of her constituents are always heard.

What some Congressional candidates seem to forget is that they are one of 435 voices in the U.S. House



Martha Zoller

of Representatives.

The difference in this election is which candidate's supporters turn out to vote in the runoff.

Our assessment - it's too close to call.