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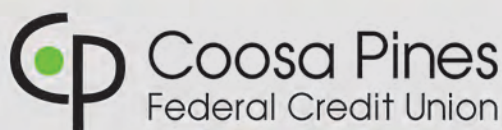
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ON THE COVER: The summer boating season has returned to Logan Martin Lake. Photo by Bob Crisp.

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From the Editor

A riverside conversation with an award-winning communicator

"I love to feel the sun warming the wooden planks of a pier," Sarah Moreman remarked as she watched the Coosa River flow serenely by.

"How long did you live on the river?" I asked.

"Eleven years. I miss it. I miss waking up to see the fog embracing the river. I miss that ethereal feel of foggy mornings as I was daily reminded that I should go outside, that life is much more than the house I lived in."

"You seem to have a definite affinity for being by the water."

"I certainly do. I still come to the lake to visit family and friends. Being by the water reminds me of how 'it is well with my soul' and 'this too shall pass' due to the way water cleanses away the daily living stress. Water has its soothing qualities which inspire me to flex my creative writing skills."

Sarah's skills have been on display in recent issues of Lakeside Living. Regular readers have no doubt enjoyed her series of

features about life on the river during each of the changing seasons. I've been proud to have her as a contributor to our publication, not only for her descriptive, reflective perspectives but also because professionally she's Dr. Sarah Elizabeth Moreman, an award-winning authority on interpersonal communication.

Recently, she was named a Spear Hero Honoree during the 2021 Vulcans Community Awards presentation to recognize civic pride, leadership, accomplishment, and progress in the seven-county Birmingham region, which includes the Logan Martin Lake area. The good doctor was one of 10 award recipients this year, earning recognition for her efforts to promote disability awareness and accommodation and inspire others to become more effective and inclusive communicators.

"Being recognized reveals to me the reality of how much we need each other to gain better insight about connecting and communicating with each other," she said. "Born profoundly bisensorineurally hearing impaired, I grew up learning how to communicate effectively with others. Being deaf does not equal expertise in sign language. As any individual, I have my own communications strategy of adapting to each situation and with another person. The older I get, the more acutely aware I am about the importance of giving

others attention by adjusting to the way they communicate."

"That's probably something most of us could be more aware of," I said after a moment's thought.

"More often than not, people do not think about connecting while communicating," Sarah replied. "Communication is more than exchanging words verbally. Communication is shared through various communications strategies such as body language, facial expressions, inflections, writing, reading, and laughter. I believe in truly connecting. Stubborn is the first word that any of my close friends and family would use to describe me. I do not let a conversation go unfinished until all angles have been covered. I do not believe in incomplete thoughts, sentences, and tasks. Unfinished work needs to be finished."

It is our hope that you will enjoy the finished work we have to share with you in this month's issue. From a visit to a waterfront cabin to a sailing regatta to coverage of some recent and upcoming events, we're pleased that you've chosen to spend another month with Lakeside Living, Logan Martin's original and premier magazine.

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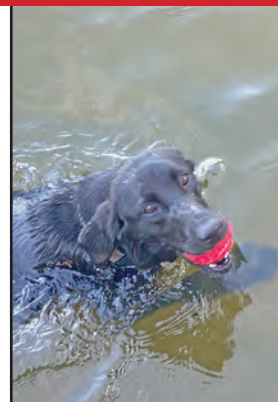


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June is the perfect time for reeling in panfish

GREETINGS FROM THE MIGHTY COOSA RIVER!

June marks the beginning phases for many changes in predatory fish behavior. With these changes come many opportunities for anglers to catch large numbers of predatory fish species.

For the bass fisherman, try to focus on offshore brush and ledges directly on the main river. June is a great time



to find loads of bass stacked (aka schooled) up. Fast moving crank baits such as the Strike King 6XD are my baits of choice. If you enjoy fishing at a slower pace, your standard Shakey Head will coax the bass also.

Look for bluegills and redears (both are species of panfish referred to commonly as bream) in the shallow pockets off of the main river. A good pair of sunglasses will aid in finding the basketball-sized beds that the bream make.

The end of May and the whole month of June is the primary spawning time for these sought-after panfish. It's a great time to take the kids and truly have a blast. All you'll need is a small ultralight rod and reel setup along with a cork, small #2 panfish hook, and (my personal favorite live bait) crickets.

Don't be afraid to go old school and break out the cane pole for these big bluegills either. Have fun and don't forget to wear sunscreen!

Tight Lines and Strong Hooksets,
CJ Knight

CJ Knight is a fishing guide, tournament fisherman, environmental science major from Auburn University, and lifelong lover of Logan Martin Lake and the Coosa River.



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June 12	Red	Poor	Evening
June 13	Red	Poor	Evening
June 14	Yellow	Fair	Evening
June 15	Red	Poor	Evening
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SUDDENLY SUSAN

(Editor's note: Join writer Susan Cook as she embarks on this summer series, sharing her experiences of attending lakeside community events for the first time. For her initial outing, it's Logan Martin's signature event.)



'Fabulous!'

The Logan Martin LakeFest & Boat Show is back -- and it's better than ever!



Written by SUSAN COOK
Photographed by BOB CRISP

I'm standing in the broad middle aisle at LakeFest, slurping down the icy sweetness of a coffee-flavored snow cone, when a tiny flash of pink rushes by me.

The hot pink blur is a little girl in a ruffled sundress, maybe 5 or 6, her sunkissed curls streaming behind her as she runs towards one of the boats for sale, calling out, "Look



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at this sparkly boat, mama! It's got glitter on it!"

I smile, not caring if the shaved ice syrup has turned my tongue and teeth a scary color. I can't help myself. I look around, and people everywhere are laughing as they scramble up the ladders into the glistening new boats, leaning back into the cushy leather seats, imagining themselves on this boat at the lake every Saturday, cold drink or fishing rod in hand, living the dream. Another group grins while they admire the row of gleaming GMCs lined up like shiny soldiers down by the lake, practically blinding you with their newness.

The feeling is everywhere—under the colorful canopies of the vendors, in the line for Golden Rule BBQ—it's pure joy. Maybe even a hint of relief. You can almost see the live spark forking through the crowd like summer lightning. LakeFest is back, and it truly is better than ever.


Just ask Justin Hogeland, one of the event's key organizers. That is, if you can catch him. In be-





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tween directing vendor traffic and casually riffing jokes with fellow organizer and emcee Eric Housh during the hourly raffle giveaways, Justin finds a moment to share his thoughts about this year's event.

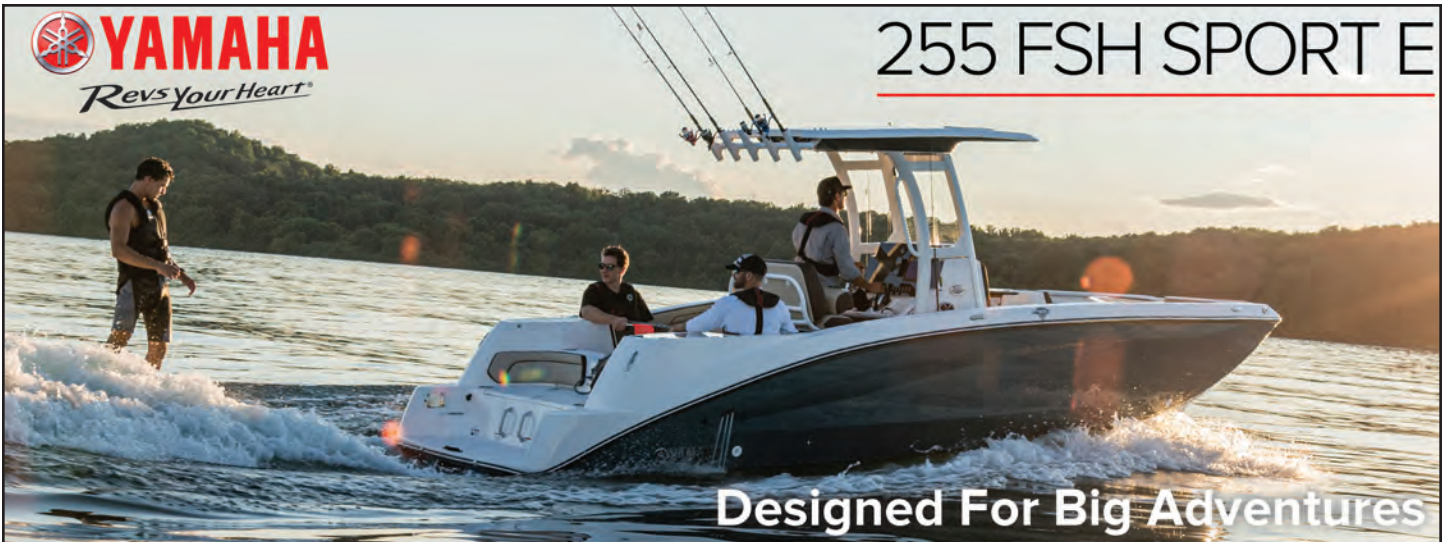
"How does it feel to be back after having to cancel last year?" I ask, watching a smile spread across his sun-tanned face. "Fabulous." The word lingers in the air for a moment while we nod and laugh. "I wish I had better words, but you know, we think everybody was just ready to get out, as you can see by the crowds."

The good news didn't stop there. "Some years, we've had a hassle with some of the vendors moving in, but this year, everybody was gracious, much more patient. Every sponsor has already committed for next year," he reveals, "and we have another big sponsor who wants to be involved."





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Justin and fellow organizers Eric Housh, Lee Holmes, Mark Hildebrant, and Judy Carr are already looking to make 2022 another standout year.

Before he turns to wade back into the thick of the festivities, I ask, "What do you love most about this event?"

He pauses a moment. "The ability to give back to the community. To see the growth of the event—it's been unprecedented. You know, the first year we did it, we were only able to give back roughly \$2,000 to the community and charity organizations, which I was honored to even do that, but on average now, we're probably looking at giving



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back \$45-50,000 just this year. It's the 10th year of LakeFest, and we've been able to give back a quarter of a million dollars."

On that final note, he waves goodbye, heading back towards the stage, and I turn right, heading towards the mouth-watering smell of barbecue and fresh crab cakes. Swimsuit season may be upon us, but that doesn't stop me from savoring every last perfectly seasoned bite of the crab cake sandwich from Tiki Island Concessions served with crisp lettuce and a thick, red-ripe slice of tomato.

At nearby picnic tables, couples and families chow down on slow-cooked, hickory-smoked pork sandwiches drizzled with classic Golden Rule BBQ sauce while some indulge in toasted sandwiches and chili cheese fries from Traffic Jam, a food truck you don't mind having parked right





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Needing to make room for some Dippin' Dots for dessert, I stroll from vendor to vendor, starting near the Magnanimous Beard & Body Oil, finally ending up at Allen Norris's YakShak, pining over a decked-out kayak. Along the way, I sign up for every giveaway under the sun. Of course, I'll be happy and surprised if I win anything, but I may even be more surprised as to what I might win. With so many prizes, it's hard to keep track of it all—gift cards, gift baskets, a Cutco knife, Oakley sunglasses, a Tracker 300 ATV worth \$5,000...

LakeFest is one of those rare events where you not only make memories during these three days, but you get to invest in more. I've shopped, made new friends






and connections, eaten like a kid just set free from school for the summer, and almost stopped to get my face painted.

Like Justin, I'm already looking forward to next year. Maybe I'll wear a LakeFest t-shirt or a happy pink sundress as I visit the vendors, marveling at the latest glittery boats and vehicles, all while gleefully numbing my tongue with yet another snow cone.

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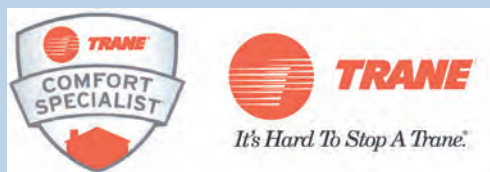

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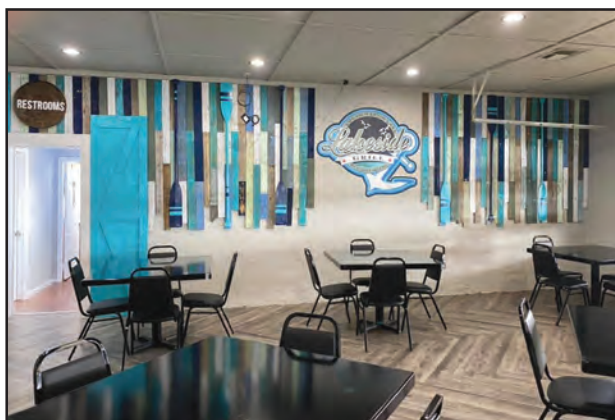


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ANTE UP!

It's time for the 12th annual Riverside Poker Run



Written by SUSAN COOK
Photography by BOB CRISP and TUCKER WEBB

Start those pontoon engines and polish up on your card skills for the 12th Annual Riverside Poker Run.

Hosted by the Riverside Beautification Organization (RBO), the poker run is scheduled for Saturday, June 19. Registration opens at Riverside Landing on Depot Street between 4 and 7 p.m. Friday, June 18, and registrants are encouraged to sign up then to avoid long lines when the event begins the following morning. Each participant packet is \$15.

The poker run wraps up at 2 p.m., with participants returning to The Landing to claim their prizes. To avoid too many boats docking at The Landing,



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Inside each participant packet is a map pinpointing the 8 docks along Riverside's banks where players go to pick up the cards to make up their poker hands. To heighten the thrill, each dock -- all owned by Riverside residents -- also offers prizes that participants can bid on using the poker chips provided in the packet.

The Landing is Dock 1, but there will be a Mystery Dock not included on the map. If you can discover it, more cards can be obtained there for \$5 each to potentially better your poker hand, maybe giving you a needed ace-up-your-sleeve.

The prizes awarded to the three best poker hands will be \$300, \$200 and \$100. A \$50 consolation prize will also be presented. Hands must be turned in by 2 p.m. to be eligible for the prizes. Prizes will be given to participants

who use Mystery Dock cards as well as those don't, bringing the total amount of prize money to \$1,200.

"This year, we will have a professional sound system so you can hear the awards and listen to some good music while you wait," said Julie Pounders of the RBO. "We have added a raffle this year of a paddle board and paddle. Tickets are \$5, and you can buy tickets from any RBO member, by calling 205-812-9459, or see Buck and Delores at Bucks BBQ, where the board will



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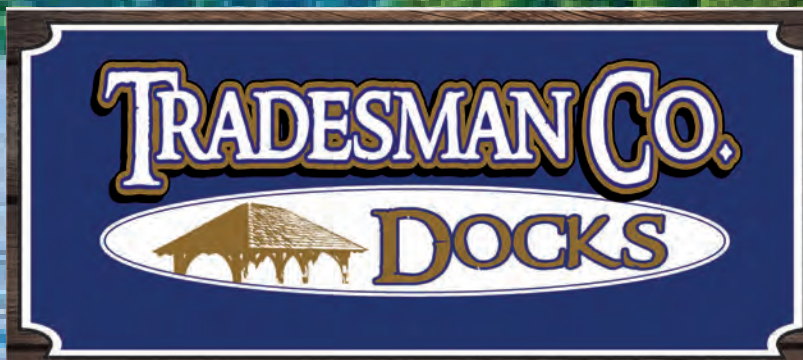
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"The poker run is the RBO's main fundraiser, which accounts for our operating budget and supports our projects: planting pots, flowers, bushes and trees around city buildings and the city park, providing the nativity and lit snowflakes along Main Street at Christmas," Pounders said.

The event also supports paying for signage, sponsoring an Earth Day roadside cleanup, the annual community Soup Supper, helping with the Riverside Fire Department's Fall Festival, and organizing the poker run, in addition to planning for the new playground.

The Riverside Poker Run is a fun and festive way to raise money for the RBO, all while enjoying a family-friendly Saturday in the summer sun and fresh air on the lake. And who knows? It might just be your lucky day to reel in a jackpot.



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Written by SUSAN COOK

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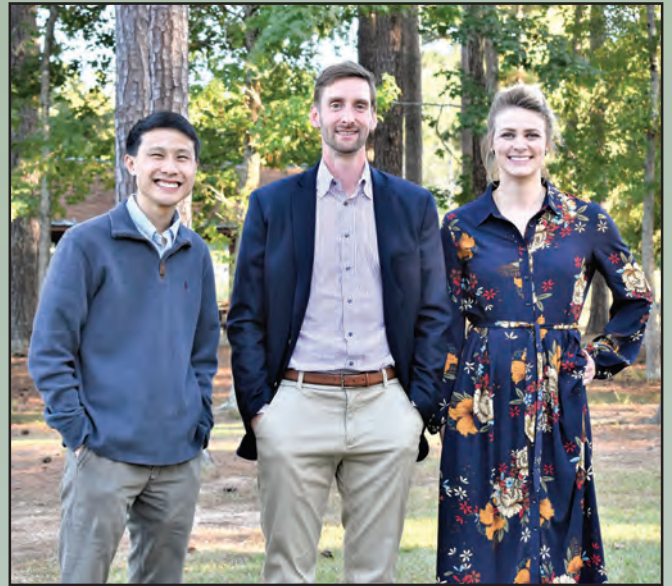
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Seeing the crisp white sails with occasional pops of vivid red and blue is a regular occurrence at the lake on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons as members of the Logan Martin-based Birmingham Club participate in their weekly racing programs. It is a wonderful and strangely mesmerizing sight to see a fleet of triangular sails racing by, as if geometry somehow sprang off the page and learned to glide across a lake of blue.

We hope you will find inspiration and even a little escapism in these photographs taken during a recent Sunday afternoon race and in the insightful thoughts that accompany them.



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Shakespeare in the Park -- and at the lake

Logan Martin Lake hosts performance of classic comedy play



Written by SUSAN COOK

"I know a bank where the wild thyme blows,
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A Midsummer Night's Dream, Act 2 Scene 1





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I know a place where the boats glide to and fro, where herons roam where the long grasses grow, and under the leafy canopy of the Chapel in the Pines, the words of Shakespeare echo to the sky.

Before I get too carried away, let me explain.

On a cloudless Saturday afternoon, I've come to Lakeside Park to see a performance of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, sponsored by Alpha Psi Omega and the JSU Department of Theatre and Film in partnership with The Shakespeare Project.

I take a seat on one of the wooden benches, trying to lean into the least bit of shade. Looking around, I see others doing the same, but despite the heat, they stay. We may live in a world obsessed with binge-watching the latest Netflix series or content to sit glued to a smartphone scrolling through social media feeds, but Shakespeare can still draw a crowd. Even 421 years later, the original master of the sitcom is still making us laugh.

In its original performances in the early 17th century, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was performed during daylight hours on the simple stage of an Elizabethan playhouse. No elaborate scenery was necessary. The actors used only a few props, with a bit of music and costumes to create a fantastical world of young love, mischievous fairies, and unfortunate play-actors. If it weren't for the random airplane or two buzzing overhead, I'd almost believe I'd time-traveled back to Shakespeare's England with the Thames rather than Logan Martin rippling in the background.

Spread out on a sky-blue blanket next to the stage is an array of colorful props. While some of the actors complete their pre-show checks, two others take the stage to fill the air with the soft thrummings of the stringed guitar. Once the play begins, this cast of eight actors relies on



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simple costume changes to play the roles of 20 characters. While that might seem like it would lead to mass confusion, surprisingly, it doesn't. It's incredible what the simple change of color or the addition of a pair of woodland or homespun fairy wings can do to create the illusion of a different character.

It's not long into the play before the audience laughs at the antics of the versatile actor Trey Gresham, who portrays the characters of both Lysander and Bottom. The laughter bounces across the lake, and in the distance, I notice people on their boats pausing with curiosity, turning to look our way. Perhaps one of the most magical aspects of a live theatrical performance may be causing a group of strangers to share a laugh as if on cue.

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may not get the joke, but that doesn't mean they're not enjoying the amusing physical comedy of it all. Shakespeare can be a tough read, no matter how old you are. He did, after all, introduce almost 3,000 words to the English language. But, he's also one of the most quoted writers in English, after the Bible.

Do the quotes, "The course of true love never did run smooth" or "Love looks not with the eyes, but with the mind" sound familiar? Both are from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Some of that language and dialogue can fly right over your head like those buzzing planes, but seeing it acted out is a genuine treat. The centuries fade, and we find we have more in common with those people of yore than we might think.

I wonder...421 years from now, what will be the latest craze? Maybe we'll all be actors in our own miniseries, or perhaps we'll be spending our Saturday afternoons on Mars. But the one thing I wouldn't be surprised by in this far-flung future is if people are still going to see a Shakespeare play and enjoying an afternoon at the lake.



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June calendar of events

June 5

HOMETOWN BLOCK PARTY

A lakeside community summer tradition, this popular event is back and better than ever. The block party is organized and hosted by the Pell City Chamber of Commerce from 3-9 p.m. in the city's downtown district. This year, it will feature three stages for live music, as well as food, vendors, children's activities, a car show, and more. For more information, call 205-338-3377.

June 6

BIRMINGHAM SAILING CLUB RACES

Colorful sailboats can be observed gracefully navigating the waters of Logan Martin Lake throughout the month of June. Sunday races are scheduled on June 6 and 13, and the club's late spring series has an event scheduled for June 9. Its summer night series begins June 30.

June 9-13

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CMP Park in Talladega hosts this three-day event, a series of rifle and pistol events commemorating the anniversary of the Allied Forces landing at Normandy Beach in France during World War II. The weekend will feature a Garand/Springfield/vintage military rifle match, a 1911 as-issued pistol match, a military and police pistol match, an M1 maintenance clinic, and a GSM New Shooter Clinic with live fire. For shotgun enthusiasts, a sporting clay field and five-stand field will be open for use. To register online, visit www.thecmp.org.

June 12

SECOND SATURDAY

Talladega's Historic Courthouse Square hosts this monthly community festival featuring live music, arts and crafts vendors, cornhole tournaments, food trucks, and a cruise-in. The event is organized by Talladega Bottling Works.



June 12

BORN TO RIDE

Registration for the third annual benefit motorcycle ride begins at 8:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Oak Grove, 40190 Highway 280. Kickstands will go up at 10 a.m. Entry fees are \$20 for riders and \$10 for passengers. The ride benefits Coosa Valley Resources for Women. For more information, visit www.resources4women.com.

June 19

SUMMER MUSIC CELEBRATION

Homestead Hollow at 1161 Murphrees Valley Road in Springville hosts Legends in Concert: A Live Tribute Show beginning at 3 p.m. Performers will include Deputy 5, Journey tribute band Departure, and Lynryd Skynyrd tribute band Shootin' You Straight. Tickets are \$20 presale and \$25 at the gate. To order tickets and for more information, visit www.homesteadhollow.com.

June 25

SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

Selwood Farms hosts this event, sponsored by Young Business Leaders Birmingham, from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. For more information and registration details, visit ybl.org/birmingham.

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'It's the best thing we ever did'



Logan Martin couple has no regrets about moving to the lake

Written by MICHELLE LOVE

Photographed by BOB CRISP

It doesn't take much to get Elise and Michael Johnson to tell you how much they love their life on the lake. The first thing Elise says during our interview is, "We love living here. It's the best thing we ever did." "We should have done it sooner," says Michael. "But our girls were in school and there was just a lot going on."

Both Michael and Elise love the peaceful serenity of lakeside living. The two both exude a relaxed jovial attitude that's contagious to those around them. As they both stand on their back porch overlooking the lake, they tell me about the wildlife they see on a regular basis (everything from blue egrets to a hawk flying by with a chipmunk in its clutches), how comfortable the fire pit has been with the cooler spring nights, and how they weren't looking for a pool but weren't disappointed when they ended up with one.

"I don't really like the water," Elise laughs. "It took me four years, but I finally managed to get in the lake last summer. I had on two life jackets and three adults with me, but I did it."



They lived in the Bluff Park area of Hoover for 30 years, raising their children and living the typical suburban life of work, school, and home. When their children grew up, Michael and Elise began reevaluating their space.

"We had a four-bedroom, three-bath, 3,000-square-foot house, and the girls graduated and moved out, and we realized we really didn't need that space anymore," Michael says. After talking it over, they began their search for a new home.

Michael says they were looking for a "fixer-upper" house. They loved going camping, so they wanted something that was reminiscent of





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"We looked and looked, we even looked at this one twice," says Elise. "It was originally out of our price range."

The house dropped in price, and Elise had her heart set on the cabin-style home. Their luck, however, kept dropping in and out. The house sold twice to two different buyers over the course of several months, and Elise says she "gave up looking for a while" out of discouragement. "I was like, 'That was my house!'" she says with a smile. While Michael was out of town on a business trip, Elise got the call from their Realtor that the latest buyer



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"The realtor asked, 'Do you still want it?' and I practically shouted, 'Yes!'" she recalls. They acted quickly, doing the paperwork with Michael on the phone, and the rest is history. The house has been through several changes in their five years there and today shows no inclination of its real age.

"It's old, but it cleans up good," says Michael.

Though Michael and Elise frequently refer to their home as "a work in progress," the amount of work they've put into the home has already made a monumental difference. They've completely repainted the exterior, built a new fire pit closer to the water's edge, and replaced the windows, which Michael says were originally single-paned aluminum that rattled when

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the wind blew.

They've even placed a dog-house replica of the house outside for their four dogs. The biggest transformation -- and Elise's pride and joy -- has to be the front yard garden. Before we even begin the interview, Michael gives me a tour of the beautiful space Elise has created. "Before you ask us what our favorite thing is about living at the lake, I can go ahead and tell you my wife is going to say her garden," he says.

What was once "nothing but woods" is now a thriving eden of various flowers, herbs,

and other plants. A border of rocks snakes through the garden guiding guests throughout the many pockets of greenery. Elise says she spends the majority of her time in the garden. It's her stress reliever. Even the neighbors have contributed.

"I love all these rocks," Elise says. "Most of the rocks I dug up when I was starting the garden but a lot of them are from the neighbors. They bring me their old bricks and rocks and I just get so excited. Bring me all the rocks!"

The house hasn't been the only thing to go through renovations. Elise and Michael say the

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neighborhood itself has drastically changed over the past five years. "When we first moved here, most of our neighbors were weekenders," Elise says. "And the house across the way wasn't there, it was all woods. And they're building another house across the lake that's supposed to be a really big house. So there have been a lot of changes."

The view from the house is what sealed the deal. From the dining room windows, there is a stellar view of almost the entire lake. Elise and Michael spend many hours either on their back porch, down by the fire pit, or on the boat enjoying the scenery. While most people rave about the sunset and the sunrise, Elise and Michael have a different

picturesque favorite.

"The moon at night is just beautiful," Elise says. "It's so big and it reflects on the water and I'm all about that stuff. I need to get a telescope so I can see the planets and stars more clearly, but oh yes, the moon is just beautiful."

Whether they're working in the yard or enjoying a cold beers on the back deck, the Johnsons are so grateful for the home they've built together on Logan Martin. They say they have a long list of things they want to accomplish or update but until then, they're priorities are to enjoy life, enjoy each other, and enjoy their home.

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THE MYSTERIOUS AND COMPLEX GREEN HERON

Written by **SUSAN COOK**

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Ask most people who live near the lake if they've ever seen a green heron, and the average response is, "I've never even heard of them."

One reason you may not have noticed these hunched, stocky herons is due to how still they stand. Like lawn ornaments lining the grasses of the lakeshore, these shy, secretive birds sport built-in camouflage. Green herons may look like they've just clothed themselves in the latest foliage fashion designs from Bass Pro Shops, but Nature has done the job for them. The iridescent feathers on their back and cap glow a velvet-soft forest green, contrasting with the charcoal-chestnut hue of their neck and chests.

Baby green herons are a little harder to

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pinpoint because they're not green at all. Clothed in a soft down of brown and gray feathers, they practically vanish into the tree branches where you may only detect their orange beaks or the marigold yellow of their curious, bright eyes.

Hidden in the tangle of leaves and trees at the water's edge, green herons wait. Their taller, more recognizable blue heron relatives may wade the waters on long stilt legs, but green herons have devised a better plan to make up for their short stature. They make fishing lures. As one of the few tool-using bird species, these crafty herons entice fish and other prey to the surface of the water using twigs, feathers, insects, and even bread crumbs as bait. Once they drop their lure, they stand—motionless—then swiftly strike by snatching their prize from the surface with their long, dagger-shaped bills.

There's much about these mysterious herons we still don't know, like why a few have turned up as far away as England and France while the majority stay close to home here in the Americas. But the more we discover about these lure-making birds, the more being called "bird-brained" might actually be a compliment.



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Meet Me by the Patria Gatson



Written and photographed
by **BUDDY ROBERTS**

"I am at peace when I am in nature," Patria Gatson said as she strolled through the yellow wildflowers by the shoreline at Logan Martin Dam Park. It was an early spring day, and a slight breeze was blowing across the calm lake.

"It makes me so happy to see the trees. I would much rather be in a place like this, calm and green, than around big buildings. Experiencing and enjoying nature is the best."

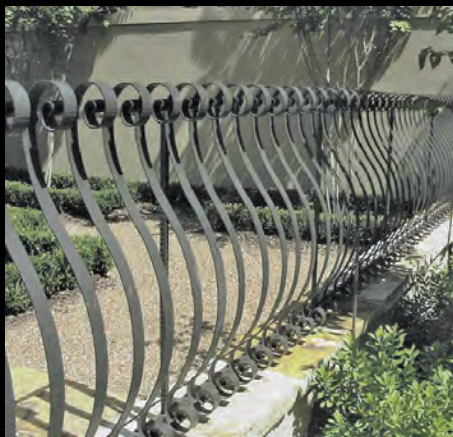
Patria would in a few days graduate from Talladega College and was taking time to enjoy an afternoon of quiet reflection. A biology pre-med major with a double minor in psychology and sociology, she has also had a special

opportunity to represent her college and other Historic Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) during the past year, which she was happy to discuss.

Representing her alma mater: Patria is Miss Talladega College 2020-2021 and Miss National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame 2020-2021. She will hold the titles until new titleholders are named in the fall.

"Serving in these capacities has given me the opportunity to learn a lot about myself and grow as a person. I couldn't have learned these things if it wasn't for my institution and HBCUs. I appreciate the opportunity to be an advocate for both. The experience has also taught me to adapt, still prosper, and make a difference, even during a pandemic. Instead of using the pandemic as an excuse to do less, I





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want to make the most of my reign by instilling hope in anyone who hears the message of my platform and wants to reach their full potential."

Her platform: Aspire to Inspire. "Its purpose is to inspire and encourage people to be hopeful and aim high despite the current situation. Inspiration is important because before you can do something, you have to believe you can do it. Aspire means to direct one's hopes toward achieving something. Inspire means to fill someone with the urge or ability to do something creative. Everyone has the ability to go after their dreams in their own creative way and with their own unique flair. We're all different, and we each define our own creativity. We all see, think, walk, and behave in our own unique way. The pandemic has made us all feel stuck to a certain extent. It's been a difficult time for everyone. Finding a way to express ourselves creatively can help us navigate it better. And you don't have to be an artist to be creative. Just be yourself and find something you enjoy doing. Whatever that is, embrace it, embrace yourself, and embrace the creativity in your own life."

The best advice she ever received: "Oh, I get a lot of good advice. Probably the best is to treat others the way you want to be treated, and to remember that being mistreated is not an excuse for you to mistreat others."

Advice she often gives to others: "Seek the greater meaning. Don't try to know everything, but try to understand what you know. Knowledge is good, but I've learned that the real value is in understanding it, making it mean something to you. Even if it involves something that you don't completely agree with, try to understand why other people do agree with it."

More encouragement she enjoys sharing with others: "There is no one else like you. There is no replacement for you, and there is no remake. You're like no other. Without you, the world is incomplete. Don't compare yourself to others. If you want to reach your goals, you will do it. Be patient, don't make comparisons, and make no excuses for yourself. You are capable of anything you put your mind to."

How she describes herself: "Down to earth. I'm not that flashy, and I hope I'm easy to talk to. I would also say that I'm ambitious and an overachiever, and I can be stubborn, which are all probably related. I'm not afraid of the unknown. I embrace it. And I consider

myself an earthy girl. I like walking on soft grass, and I appreciate herbs and anything organic that comes from the earth."

The food she could eat every day: "That's hard to narrow down, because I like food. Seriously. I have a great relationship with food. But for everyday eating, probably chicken alfredo."

The food she hopes to never eat again: "Squash. And I don't like green beans or peas."

Keeping it simple: "That's my focus right now. I like painting and poetry, and I've developed a new passion for cooking. Whether it's working out, doing my hair, or just walking in nature, I am embracing the little things in life."





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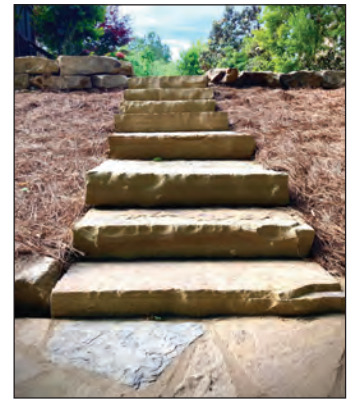
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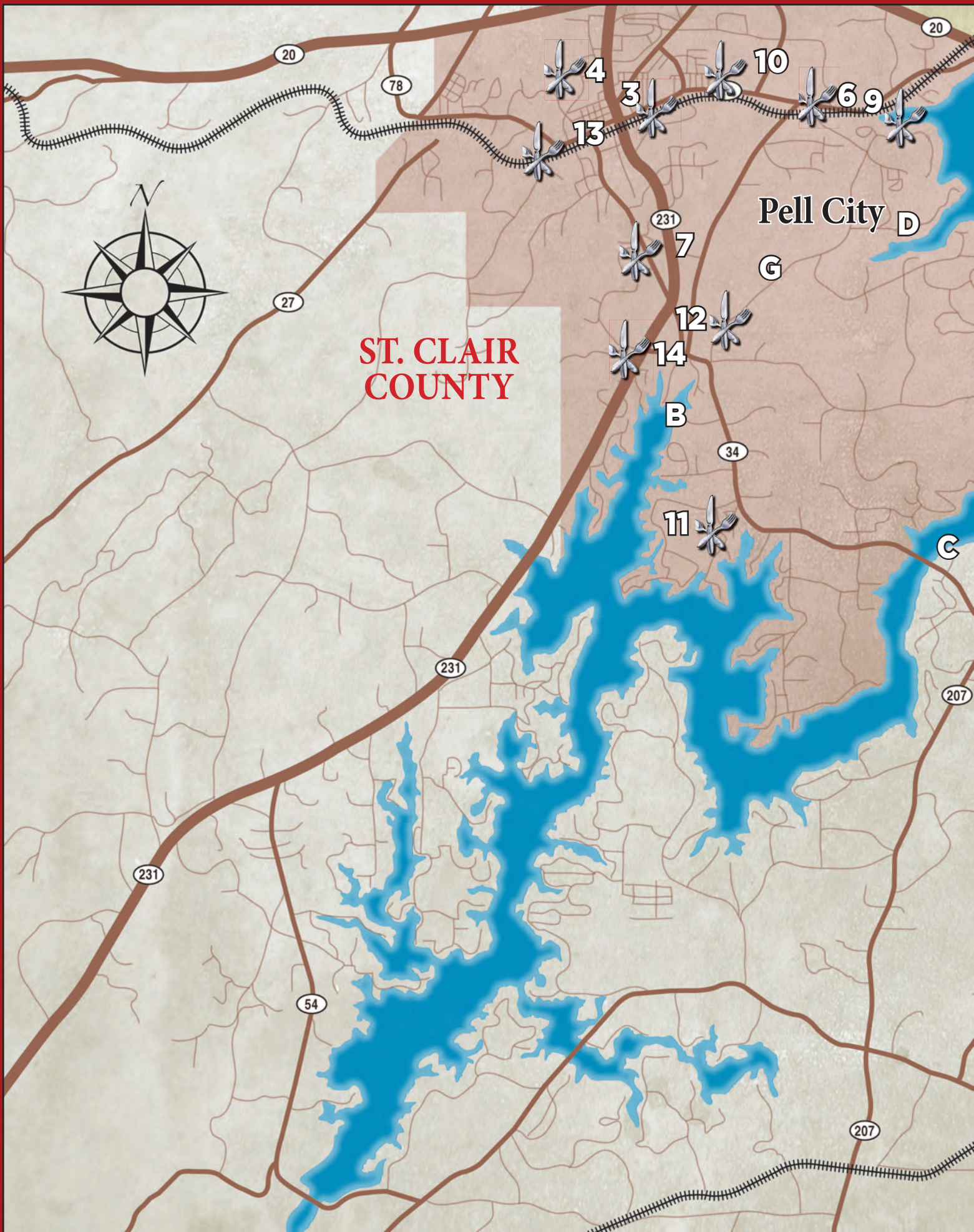
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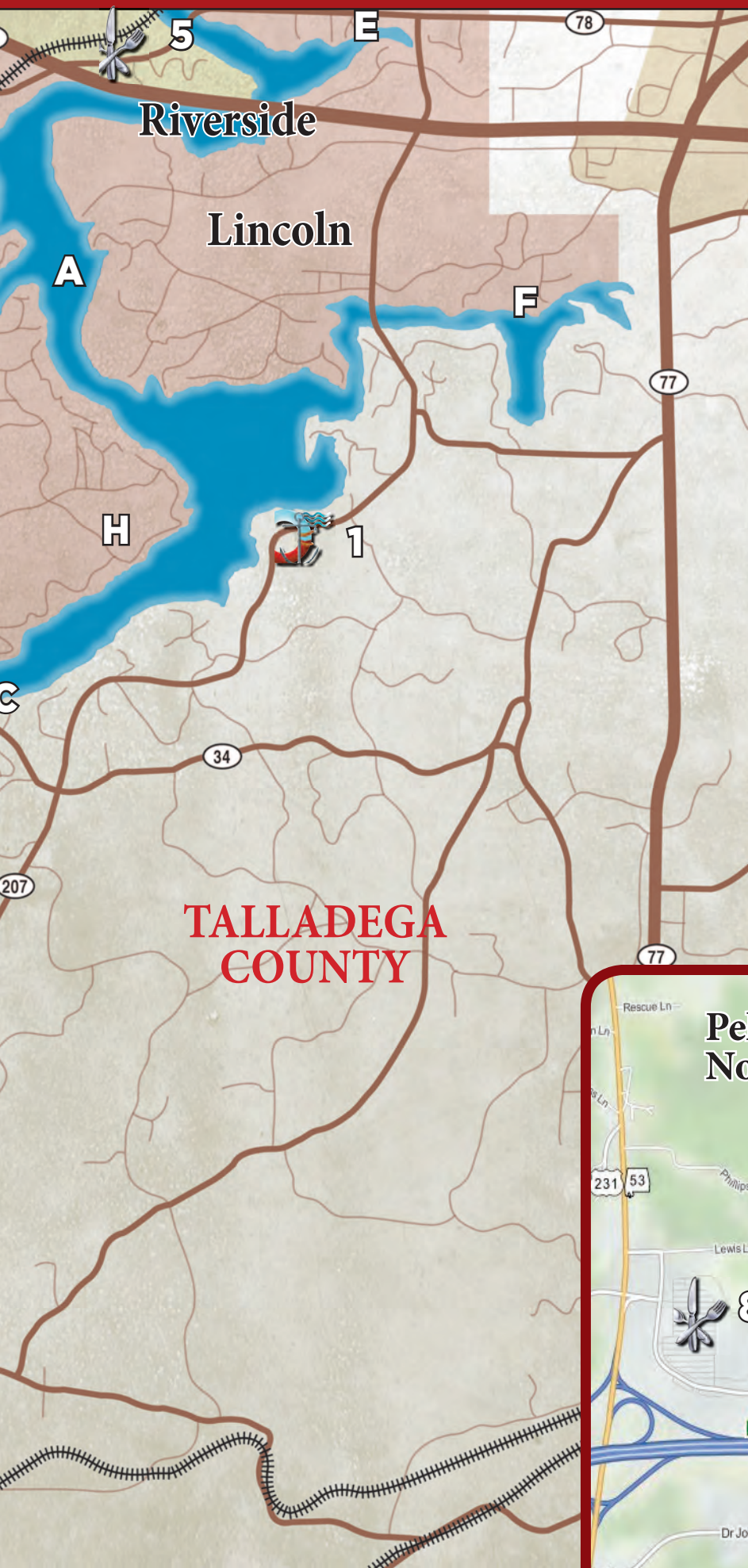
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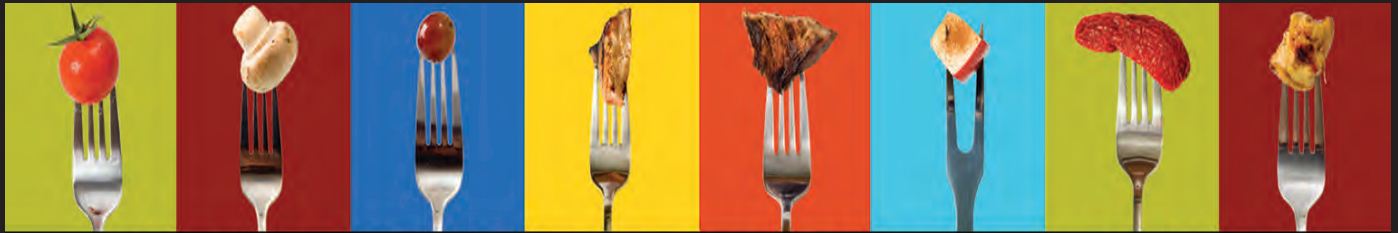
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Written by **VALLEAN JACKSON**
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Prospective buyers looking for a cozy weekend home near the lake that offers plenty of acreage for outdoors activities will want to see the property at 55 Walkers Crossing Road in Pell City. It offers all the privacy and serenity of country living while still being in close proximity to town.

The home, constructed in 2010 and situated on 10.67 acres, has one bedroom and one full bathroom within its 850-square-foot interior. The front room is spacious, featuring hardwood flooring, a double window, and a tiled ceiling. A small granite countertop island separates the front room from the kitchen.

The kitchen has a ceiling fan, cabinet storage space, and comes with such appliances as a dishwasher, electric stove and double sided refrigerator.

Formerly a commercial property, the converted home is ideal for pet lovers, and the property includes a separate manufactured home. Exterior amenities include a large storage shed, workshop, deck, and carport.

The property lists at \$179,000. For more information, call Maria Price of RE/MAX Southern Homes at 205-812-4921.



'I want the best for all my clients' **Relocated Briton loves selling Logan Martin properties**

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Shirley Kujan believes her passion, dedication, and love of community led her to a career that's been perfect for her.

"I am originally from England, and when I came to Alabama I landed in Pell City," The Realty Pros Realtor said. "I fell in love with it, decided to make it my home, and realized almost instantly that I wanted to give back and get involved in the local community. Real estate seemed to be the perfect fit for me. The Realtor that helped me find my home gave me some direction on becoming an agent, and it's been smooth sailing since."

Kujan now has 30 years of experience in her field and is dedicated to

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"There is a lot that goes into the house-buying process, and having a good Realtor is really essential," she said. "It is important that buyers give the process ample time for the transaction to take place, trust their agent and, foremost, have patience. For sellers, I recommend patience as well. It's important to take the time to make their home look as good as possible. Even if they have to rent a storage unit to declutter their home, doing this will make the home easily accessible and more appealing to buyers for showings."

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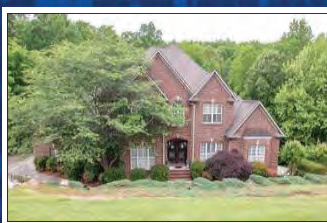
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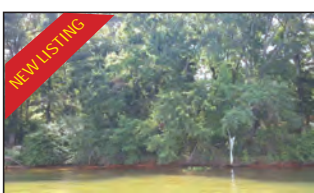
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\$343,000



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COMMERCIAL
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Pell City, AL 35128

MLS #1271900

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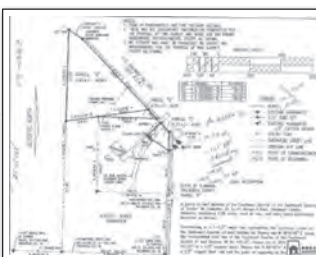
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LOT 2 - MLS #892839

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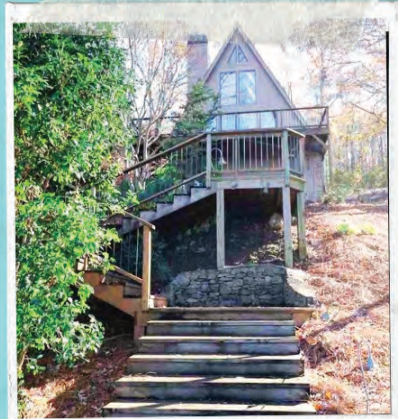
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\$799,900 - 4814 Masters Rd. - TRUE SOUTHER LIVING FARMHOUSE with this 4 bedroom, 3 full and 2 half bath 1.5 story home that features living room with wood beams and brick fireplace, foyer with tongue and groove ceilings and master bedroom overlooking the lake with vaulted tongue and groove ceilings. Upstairs features 3 of the bedrooms, 2 baths, den and oversized bonus room, 3-car garage and, boat dock with 2 boat slips. INCREDIBLE VIEWS! MLS# 1276262 Call Blair 205 812-5377



\$269,000 - 298 River Bend Cir. - COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES - Great community with pool, tennis court, club house and boat launch. Home features 2 bedrooms and 2 bath located on gently sloping lot with pier and rip rap shoreline. Quiet area with abundance of wild life and perfect to get away from the busy world. MLS #891946 Call Karen 205/473-4613



\$312,000 - 705 Bowman Circle - BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SETTING with this 1.5 story 3 or 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home. Home features living room with fireplace, dining room, master bedroom and master bath on main level. In addition to the two bedroom upstairs, there is a bonus room that can be bedroom or office and private bath. 2-car attached garage and 2-car detached with workshop. Approx 4.3 Acres, pond and conveniently located. MLS 1284338. Call Brenda 205/812-4141.



\$429,900 - 780 Treasure Island Rd. - FIRST TIME ON THE MARKET with this unique custom built A-frame that is located on large wooded waterfront gently sloping lot. The home features nice family room with vaulted ceiling and rock fireplace, ample windows to enjoy the views of the lake. 2 bedrooms located on main level with private master bedroom upstairs with full bath and loft area. Covered dock for entertaining and enclosed boathouse, all ready for summer enjoyment. MLS #1280067. Call Blair 205/812-5377.



\$549,000 - 1180 Images Square - Exquisite design with this 2-story Southern Style Home that offers 3 large porches with view of the lake and pool. Home features 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, living room and den with fireplaces, dining room and kitchen with keeping room for great gatherings. Master suite has sitting room and private balcony with wonderful lake view. Lot of amenities with this home with lake access, lake view, community boat launch and swimming pool and boat slip available. MLS #892752 Call Karen 205/473-4613



\$437,000 - 285 Grandview Cir. - BREATH TAKING SUNSETS and GENTLE SLOPING LOT ON YEAR ROUND WATER with this 4 bedroom, 3 bath home that features large den with fireplace and sunroom, the entire length of the house. The walk out basement includes a second kitchen, large den with fireplace, storm shelter and large storage area. Year round water with floating pier, boat launch and seawall, RV covered parking and two outbuildings. MLS #899724 Call Karen 205/473-4613



\$192,000 - 514 Fox Run Ln. - GREAT OPEN CONCEPT PLAN with this 2-story 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home that features living room, spacious kitchen and dining area, large bedrooms and sizable closets. It is an energy efficient home with a fenced yard and located in neighborhood with a community pool. Convenient location to I-20, shopping and restaurants and Logan Martin Lake. MLS #1277614 Call Carey 205/901-0652



\$279,000 - 4024 Wellington Way - BEAUTIFUL all brick 4 bedroom 2 bath home with family room with fireplace, dining room with 2-car garage. This home is all one level except for one bedroom located upstairs and move in ready, convenient to shopping, schools, churches, restaurants and I-20. MLS #1270338 Call Laurie 205/365-3639



\$99,900 - 127 Riddle Rd., LARGE FENCED LOT with this one level 3 bedroom 2 bath home that features living room, dining room, sunroom and den with fireplace. MLS #1280313. Call Adam 205/369-2704.



\$118,900 - 121 Wolf Creek Rd. - NICELY UPDATED 2 bedroom, 2 bath home located on large, fenced corner lot convenient to town and I-20. Home has living room, eat-in kitchen and 2-car carport. Call Blair 205/812-5377



\$90,000 - 37 9th St. - COMPLETELY REMODELED cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath home that is a great starter home or perfect for empty nesters. The home features large plank floors throughout and one room that could be used as a bedroom or office that has laminate flooring. MLS #1281620. Call Misty 205/368-9490.



\$332,000 - 5108 Thomason St. - the home features 4 bedrooms (2 are Master bedrooms), eat in kitchen, great room with fireplace and 2-car garage. Salt water personal pool. Convenient to town and I-20. MLS 1284501. Call Laurie. 205/365-3639



\$194,500 - 475 River Forest Lane - LAKE LIVING WITH GREAT AMENITIES! This condo features 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, living /dining room, office/study, kitchen and bathrooms with granite counter tops. Condo amenities include boat and jet ski slips, peaceful strolls along the boardwalk that meanders along the lake and a nice sized community pool and recreation area. MLS #1281484 Call Karen 205/473-4613.

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PELL CITY, AL
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475 RIVER FOREST LANE
LINCOLN, AL
MLS#1281484 **\$194,500**



0 RIVER RANCH RD., RAGLAND
MLS #1283820
 One acre, 150 ft. waterfront, camper with septic and power pole **\$175,000**



UNDER CONTRACT
5737 SEDDON SHORES DR., PELL CITY
MLS#1281950 **\$599,000**



UNDER CONTRACT
4900 THOMASON ST., PELL CITY
MLS#1283794 **\$249,900**



UNDER CONTRACT
47 HOLIDAY ESTATES DR., CROPWELL
MLS#1284077 **\$425,000**



UNDER CONTRACT
286 RIVER BEND CIR., TALLADEGA
MLS#891946 **\$239,900**



UNDER CONTRACT
98 CENTER STAR RD., PELL CITY
MLS#1285170 **\$149,900**



UNDER CONTRACT
314 OLD WAGON RD., PELL CITY
MLS#1282816 **\$115,000**



UNDER CONTRACT
127 RIDDLE RD., TALLADEGA
MLS#1289313 **\$99,900**

LOTS

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- 0 LAKE POINT DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096
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- 0 WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096
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- 0 OVERLOOK RIDGE, LINCOLN, AL 35096
MLS: 860643 \$39,500
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MLS: 860639 \$39,900
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4 parcels. One parcel on Hwy 231 (Cogswell Ave) and is .7 acres. The other 3 are behind this parcel and can be accessed from the first parcel or by Williams Ave. Parcel 2 is 1.3 acre, Parcel 3 is 1.9 acres and Parcel 4 is 5.2 acres. (per tax record).

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PROPERTY FOR SALE

LINCOLN \$9,300. Nice sloping lot, downtown Lincoln, ready to build on. MLS#829155



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LAY LAKE



**330 County Rd. 739
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4 BR, 2 BA, .5 BA
MLS#1279765

\$266,750

LAY LAKE



**17886 Hwy. 42
Shelby**

5 BR, 4 BA
MLS #1279612

\$750,000

LAY LAKE



**Paint Creek Overlook
Sylacauga**

Lot #35
MLS#881440

\$52,000

LAY LAKE



**15 Sehoya Trail
Clanton**

Lot 15
MLS#900272

\$65,000

LAY LAKE



**0 Soldiers Memorial Dr.
Sylacauga**

Lot #96
MLS#843533

\$68,000

LAY LAKE



**Soldiers Memorial Dr.
Sylacauga**

Lot #92
MLS#1273579

\$76,000

LAY LAKE



**Shore Side Lane
Sylacauga**

Lot #138
MLS #873447

\$88,000

LAY LAKE



**Stillwaters Trl.
Sylacauga**

Lot #163
MLS #1276929

\$89,500

LAY LAKE



WATER ACCESS

**Boathouse Cir.
Talladega**

Lot #218
MLS #1276830

\$38,500

LAY LAKE



WATER ACCESS

**208 Waterford Dr.
Sylacauga**

Lot #52
MLS #891683

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Pell City**
3 BR, 2 BA
MLS#1271789
\$125,000

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**271 Fish Trap Rd.
Cropwell**
3 BR, 2 BA
MLS#1282314
\$275,000

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**21 River Oaks Dr.
Cropwell**
4 BR, 3.5 BA
MLS#1283986
\$585,000

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**309 Charter Lane
Pell City**
Water Access
MLS #1274856
\$49,950



**814 3rd Ave.
Ragland**
3 BR, 1 BA
MLS#1271488
\$35,000

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**Centuries Cir.
Talladega**
Lots 6 & 7
MLS#898616
\$19,900

UNDER CONTRACT



**3113 7th Ave. N.
Pell City**
3 BR, 2 BA
MLS#1273744
\$143,500

UNDER CONTRACT



**51095 Hwy. 78
Lincoln**
3 BR, 2 BA
MLS#1278843
\$165,000



**56 Wedgewood Ln.
Odenville**
Lot
MLS#887959
\$19,900



**6839 Valley Rd.
Ragland**
Acreage
MLS #897705
\$80,000



**0 Waites Rd.
Talladega**
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**565 Blue River Drive
Lincoln, AL 35096
MLS #1278641**

\$525,000

FABULOUS 4 BR, 2.5 BA WATERFRONT HOME with GORGEOUS SUNSET VIEWS!! This home has been recently updated with new granite countertops, custom tile shower in master suite, and more!! The main level includes spacious eat-in kitchen with island pantry, 1st BA w/double vanity & tile shower, laundry room. Upstairs features 2 large BRs and another nicely updated full BA. There is a 1st floor master suite in the basement that can be used as 5th BR or family room/ mancave. Fabulous covered porch on the main level and lower level covered patio overlooking the lake! Nice level lot! Approx. 17 ft waterfront. New dock with 2 boat slips and lift! Hitting the market just in time for you to move in before summer! Don't Miss Out!!

SOLD

LAKE ACCESS



**433 Eagle Pointe Dr.
Pell City, AL 35128
MLS #1278437**

\$389,900

THIS BEAUTIFUL 4 BR, 3.5 BATH HOME LOCATED IN EAGLE POINTE IS A MUST SEE! You will not believe the space in this home! Perfect for a large family! Spacious eat-in kitchen w/island, granite countertops and stainless appliances. Formal DR, large LR. Master BR and master BA are located on the main level along with a 1/2 BA and spacious laundry room. Upstairs features 3 BRs w/walk-in closets, a huge family room and 2 full BAs. Community amenities include inground pool, tennis courts and community boat launch. Call to schedule your showing to see it before it's gone!



**150 Bellbrook Dr.
Cropwell, AL, 35054
MLS #1278437**

\$389,900

SOLD

1.2 acre lot

This Beautiful Brick Home Is Located On Over 2 Acres On Logan Martin Lake! 3 Bedrooms and 2.5 Baths On The Main Level and a Fully Finished Basement With A Living Area, Bonus/Rec Room, Bedroom, and Full Bathroom. Large Windows With A Beautiful View Of The Lake. Has A Daylight Basement Perfect For Creating A Wonderful Entertainment Area. The HVAC Units and Septic tank were recently replaced. The back deck has been recently updated as well.

ACREAGE



**0 Blue Ridge Drive
Talladega, AL 35160
MLS #1275299**

\$64,900

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Looking for PRIVACY? Secluded yet close to town! This BEAUTIFUL 8+ acres would be a Great Location to build your Dream Home!!!



NEW LISTING

**53 Lakeside Drive
Cropwell, AL 35054
MLS # 1280504**

\$297,900



COMPLETELY REMODELED! This Gorgeous 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home on Logan Martin Lake is a MUST SEE! Open Concept Floor Plan! Beautiful kitchen with granite countertops, stainless appliances, abundance of cabinets, pantry and recess lighting. New laminate wood flooring throughout with tile flooring in baths. The Master Suite includes tray ceilings, his/her walk in closets, granite double vanities, soaker tub and separate shower. Wood-burning Fireplace. Washer/Dryer to remain. HUGE new deck overlooking the lake offering stunning Sunrise Views. Large storage building (approx. 16x35) to remain. If you have been considering Lake Life, now is the time.



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**1500 Broken Arrow Creek Rd.
Riverside, AL 35135**

MLS #1275883 \$849,900

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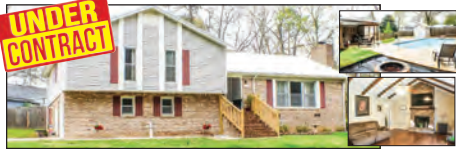


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MLS #1274369**

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UNDER CONTRACT

**316 Thomas Ave.
Talladega, AL 35160
MLS# 1277904
\$194,900**

SUPER CUTE 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath Home with a POOL! Just in time for summer! Bring the family and check out this Beautiful Home! This home is so much larger than it looks!! Main level features an Spacious Floor Plan with Exposed Beams in the Living Room. Kitchen with Eat-in area and Office. Upstairs you will find the large Master Bedroom and Master Bath with double vanities, his/hers walk in closets, and tile flooring. Three additional Bedrooms and Full Bath complete the upper level. Downstairs you will find a Huge Family Room, Laundry Closet and 2-car Garage. The outdoor space is PERFECT for entertaining with Beautiful Inground Pool and Covered Patio. There are 2 storage buildings that remain so you have plenty of space for storing your pool supplies/toys, etc. This home won't last long!! **Owner is having New Pool Liner Installed & Pool Stairs Resurfaced Once Weather Permits****



**3173 Cahaba Park Drive
Trussville, AL 35173
MLS# 1279318
\$379,900**

SOLD

You won't want to miss this Beautiful Home located in a highly sought after community. Spacious floor plan with hardwood floors throughout the main level. Nice kitchen with eat-in area & pantry. Master Bedroom and Master Bath with double vanities, soaker tub & separate shower. Upstairs you will find 3 bedrooms and a full bath. The finished basement includes a spacious family room/mancave and 3rd full bath. Private backyard with sparkling in-ground pool and a nice covered patio area. Great place for entertaining family and friends with summer just around the corner! New Roof 2017. New AC/Furnace 2015. New Pool Liner 2019. Schedule your showing today!



**884 Barclay Road
Alpine, AL 35014
MLS# 1284986
\$159,900**

INVESTOR OPPORTUNITY!! 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, sits on 4 +/- beautiful acres!! New roof! New septic tank! New HVAC! Carport was enclosed and is now a Huge Bonus Room that could be used as a game room/rec room or mancave! Just needs some TLC.



**723 North St E.
Talladega, AL 35160
MLS #1281827
\$159,900**

Own your own little piece of history!! Charming 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home! Formal Living Room and Dining Room with hardwood floors. Two spacious bedrooms on the main level, one bedroom upstairs. Two full baths with single vanities and tub/shower combos. Large Den. Laundry room with wood flooring. Lots of storage space in this home. Recently installed Vinyl Windows and Metal Roof. Custom Storm Doors on front. Vinyl and cedar shake siding. HVAC installed 2013. Enjoy picking fresh fruit from the pear and plum trees in the back! 2 carports.



**COMMERCIAL 4850 Stemley Rd. Talladega 35160
MLS# 889577
\$949,000**

LOCATION! LOCATION! There are 6 metal buildings with large bay doors, perfect for mechanic shop, heavy equipment storage, etc. There is a 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide that could be used for office space and a 28x26 storage building located on the property that is currently rented. Additionally, there are 4 billboards on the property that earn approximately \$1600/month rental income. The property produces a total monthly income of approximately \$6900/mo. Plenty of space available to add more metal buildings for additional rental revenue.

UNDER CONTRACT

**195 Fox Run Lane
Pell City, AL 35125
MLS #1282813
\$179,900**

Nice 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home located in Fox Hollow. The home features a spacious floor plan including great room with vaulted ceilings and crown molding. Kitchen with eat-in area, includes all appliances and laundry closet. Cozy covered patio, 2 car garage and large backyard! Neighborhood amenities include sidewalks, beautiful inground pool and clubhouse. Conveniently located to I-20 and local shopping. Schedule your appointment to see it today!



**410 Talladega Avenue
Talladega, AL 35160
MLS# 1279077
\$119,900**

This ADORABLE 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home is super cute and move-in ready! The home features freshly painted interior with a LARGE updated kitchen, open floor plan, with large spacious bedrooms. Home also features GORGEOUS hardwoods, tall ceilings, and much more! Enjoy your morning coffee while sitting in your beautiful sunroom. Home features a large back deck and a fenced in yard. Home has recently installed sewer lines. Plumbing company will be putting out grass seed and straw once weather permits where sewer lines were replaced. Great neighborhood. At this price, it WILL NOT LAST LONG! DON'T MISS OUT! Call to schedule your showing today!



**150 Killough Lane
Talladega, AL 35160
MLS# 883530
\$366,900**

****Now Listed With 10 Acres**** Come and see everything this amazing home has to offer that sits on 10 ACRES! Plenty of PRIVACY and SPACE! Hardwood flooring, NATURAL lighting, TREY ceilings and MORE! This BRICK home has plenty of room for the whole family to spread out with 3 BEDROOMS on main level plus a HUGE Living ROOM and spare BEDROOM downstairs! OPEN floor concept makes this home perfect for entertaining! Go step on your back deck and fire up the grill while enjoying the view of your HUGE BACKYARD! Plenty of land to put horses and other animals on! Let the kids run free and enjoy the good old outdoors! This home will not last long! Home recently had new HVAC installed.

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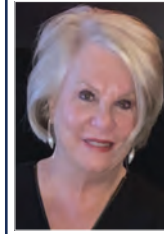
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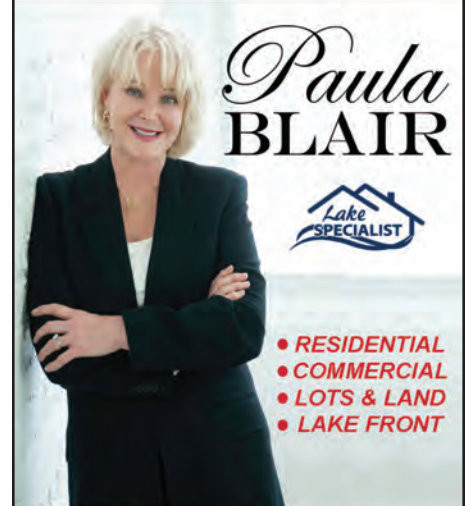


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