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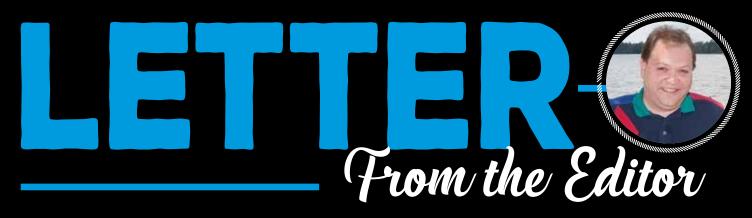
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'Tis the season for kitchen conversations

ver the course of several visits with the Hathorns (such as last month's, if you were with us for our November issue), I've grown accustomed to hearing statements of an unusual nature. Such as Chasidy confessing to being a serial reuser of holiday decorations. Or Abby outlining her plan for dressing to reflect what a pumpkin spice latte tastes like.

But I wasn't prepared to hear something as bleak as what Chasidy said while she and Stan and I were standing in their newly remodeled kitchen.

"I tell you, it almost killed our spirit."

Stan nodded solemnly as Chasidy finished preparing a mug of coffee for herself. I'd declined her offer to make one for me, as I remain convinced that there is no such thing of a good cup of coffee (which Chasidy knows, but she's always too polite not to offer me one anyway).

"Surely it wasn't that bad," I replied, even though I wasn't yet sure what the topic was.

"Well, it was not awful, but it was not so great either," she said after the inaugural sip. "Charming, lots of potential, and the bones were excellent. But it was still a time capsule in desperate need of attention and

love."

"Light mauve counters, floating cabinets that blocked the view, white tiles with fruit impressions and a large awkward space where nothing existed," Stan said, gesturing to the former awkward space with his mug. The kitchen we were standing in looked nothing like the one he described.

"It was big enough to land a helicopter," Chasidy said, "so we knew an island was the perfect solution."

"And you obviously found it," I said, indicating the handsome structure the three of us stood by.

"Oh, we didn't find it," Chasidy quickly replied. "That's what almost killed our spirit."

"You didn't find it?"

"Not that we didn't go looking. How hard could it be for really picky people to locate the perfect piece of furniture on an unreasonably low budget, right?"

"Unreasonably is such a judging word," Stan said over his mug.

"The budget was set by the hubby," Chasidy explained, "who thinks everything is overpriced. And I do mean everything. And after countless hours of shopping, our ideal island was not found. We had no

choice. We had to make it ourselves. And Stan was very sweet to design it with all my requests and more."

"What was one of your requests?" I asked.

"I absolutely hate looking at trash cans. They gross me out. Out of sight, out of mind. My number-one request for my island was for it to house the trash bin. But it had to be easy to get out so I could scrub it and disinfect it often."

"So you built an island for your trash can."

"Not just. I also wanted a place to chop vegetables. And use a piece of vintage marble that I bought many moons ago. Stan accomplished that and added wine bottle storage. Although truth be known, I use it to store my 2-liter Diet Pepsi bottles."

I was pleased to see that a copy of Lakeside Living also resided on the Hathorns' new island, and I hope this issue will also find a spot there. In its pages, you'll find informative and entertaining features about seasonal shopping and recipes, St. Clair County's new tourism coordinator and a visit to the festivelydecorated lake home of Kathy and Vic Hall.

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Five reasons to try winter fishing

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1. The pressure is virtually gone.

This has to be one of the best reasons to take your boat out when the water has cooled. You may find yourself alone on the water most days this time of year.

2. You keep cool.

Those 100-degree days of summer seem like a distant memory. While early mornings can be cool, you can end up with some extremely mild afternoons in the winter. Dress in layers and stay comfortable throughout the day.

3. Bait, bait, bait.

In most parts of the country, vegetation has fallen back for the winter and fish will be deep. Rather than searching all over the lake to find a pattern, your best bet is to spend time on your electronics and find that bait. Odds are, once you find a school of bait, you can start catching them. Shad often get very active in the morning, so find them, pick up your favorite blade bait or spoon, and hold on.

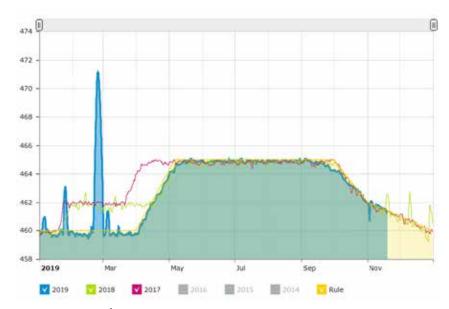
4. Diversify your catch.

While many may be chasing bass, winter is the time of year to test your skills on other species. Don't be afraid to go a little smaller in your presentation and see what else is down there. Most tournament trails are over, so enjoy fishing whatever bites for a change.

5. This is the time to scout.

Just like hunting, you don't want to spend time scouting while season is in, so do a little exploring during winter that you wouldn't do during tournament season or the spawn.

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FIVE STUPENDOUS IDEAS FOR

This Year's Holiday Table Add style and sophistication

to your Christmas meal with easy gourmet-style recipes

Staff Report Submitted Photos

or all the emphasis placed on shopping and gift-giving during the holiday season, food is an equally important part of any Christmas celebration.

This year, impress your guests (whether they're family or friends) with these tasty delights – courtesy of Gourmet Food World – that are sure to be a hit

on your lakeside holiday table.

And don't worry - just because they may be described as gourmet, the recipes are neither difficult to prepare nor straining on the budget. Enjoy the sophistication the following appetizer, main dish, side and dessert will bring to your Christmas meal.



Prosciutto, pear and burrata appetizer **Ingredients**

- 3 pears, washed and cut into six lengthwise wedges
- 3 tbsps. honey
- 1 tbsp. aged balsamic vinegar
- 18 slices prosciutto di Parma
- 2 mozzarella burrata balls
- 4 tbsps. crème fraiche
- salt and pepper to taste
- fresh rosemary

Directions

- 1. Turn the oven to 375 degrees.
- 2. Mix the honey and balsamic vinegar in a bowl and toss with the pears to coat.
- 3. Arrange in a baking sheet and bake for about 25 minutes or until tender, turning once. Let cool out of the oven.
- 4. Cut the burratta into slices. The slices should be about as wide as the slice of prosciutto.

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•REPOWER CENTER SALES SERVICE STORAGE 5. To assemble, place a slice of prosciutto flat on a board and brush with crème fraiche. Add salt and pepper. Place a wedge of pear and a slice of burrata at one end, leaving about ½ inch of prosciutto overlapping. Roll into a tight bundle, then skewer with a stem of rosemary to hold the shape.



Glazed ham

Ingredients

- 1 pre-cooked ham 11 lbs.
- 1/3 cup whole cloves
- ½ cup honey
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp. strong mustard
- Juice of 3 oranges
- Juice of 3 lemons
- 1 ½ cup port or red wine
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- hot water as needed

Directions

- 1. Heat oven to 375 degrees.
- 2. Cut the surface of the ham in a diamond pattern with a sharp knife and put a clove in each corner.
- 3. Mix the honey, sugar, brown sugar, mustard, and orange and lemon juice and boil for 3 minutes over high heat in a small pan. Remove the pan from heat and add the wine and vinegar and mix.
- 4. Place the ham in a roasting pan, pour the glaze and roast for 60 to 90 minutes, basting with the glaze every 10-15 minutes and adding water as needed to prevent drying.
- 5. Once done, remove from oven and carve while hot or at room temperature. Serve the liquid as a sauce or discard.
- 6. Can be frozen cold, thaw at room temperature



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Smoked salmon and avocado lime deviled eggs Ingredients

- 6 extra large eggs, hard boiled and shelled
- 1 whole Hass avocado, minced
- 4 oz. smoked salmon, minced
- 1 ½ teaspoons fresh dill, minced
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon lime juice
- 2 oz of salmon or trout roe
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Directions

1. Take each egg and determine which half of the egg the yolk falls toward, and cut about 1/3 off of the egg where the yolk lies. Remove the yolk carefully so as not to break the white. Slice off a small piece of the white on the opposite side of the egg this helps the egg to stand straight. Reserve hollowed eggs.

2. Finely mince the remaining white and yolks and mix in a bowl with avocado, smoked salmon, fresh dill, lime juice and mayonnaise. Stir until fully incorporated, then season with salt and pepper to taste.
3. Using a piping bag with a star tip, pipe the egg mixture into the hollowed eggs,

up to 1 inch above the top. Garnish with 1/4

teaspoon of roe and fresh dill. **Zucchini cheddar biscuits**

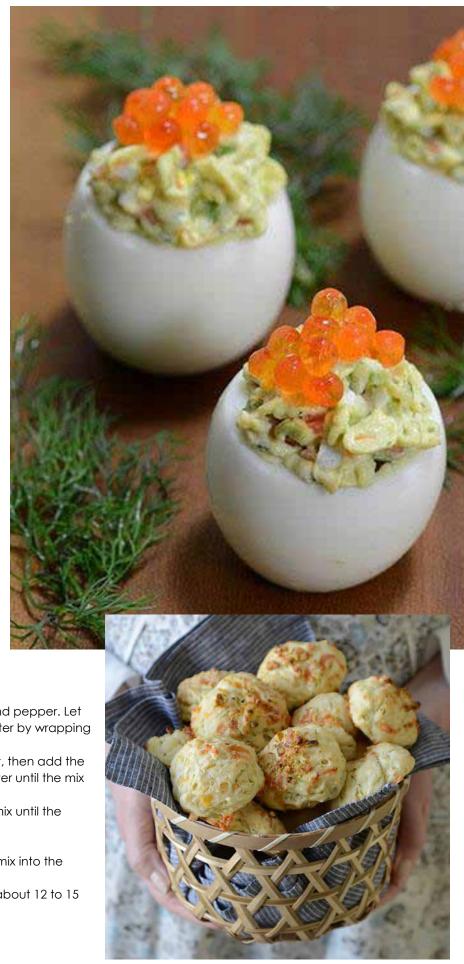
- ¾ cup grated zucchini
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- ½ tbsp. instant-rise yeast
- 3.5 oz. butter, cubed and chilled
- 1 cup whole milk
- 1 tsp. salt

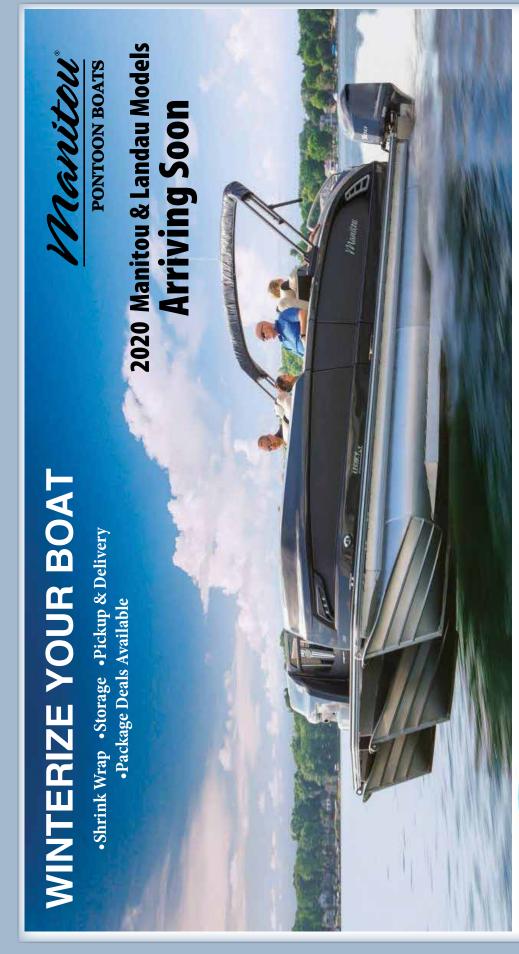
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pepper to taste

Directions

- 1. Turn the oven to 450 degrees.
- 2. In a bowl, mix the zucchini with the salt and pepper. Let rest for about 10 minutes, then strain the water by wrapping in a clean kitchen towel.
- 3. In a large bowl, sift the flour and the yeast, then add the butter and mix with a fork, breaking the butter until the mix forms a cornmeal-like texture.
- 4. Add the milk, zucchini and cheese, and mix until the ingredients are just combined.
- 5. Cover a baking sheet with wax paper.
- 6. Using a spoon, drop small portions of the mix into the baking sheet.
- 7. Turn the oven down to 400 and bake for about 12 to 15 minutes until golden.
- 8. Serve warm.











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Ingredients

For crepes

- 2 cups flour
- 2 tbps. sunflower oil
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 cup water (use extra if needed)

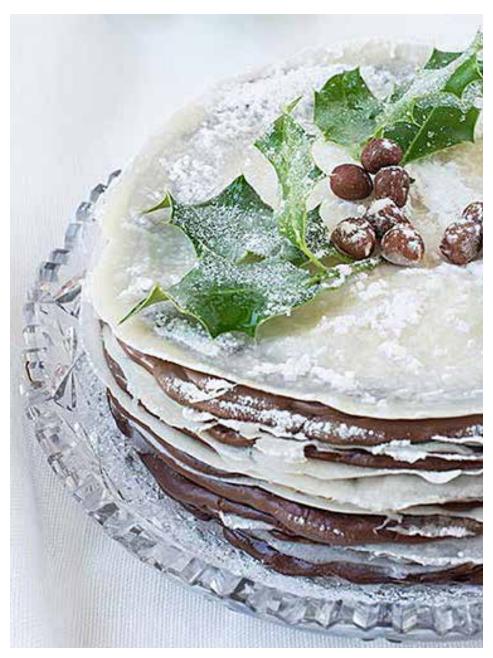
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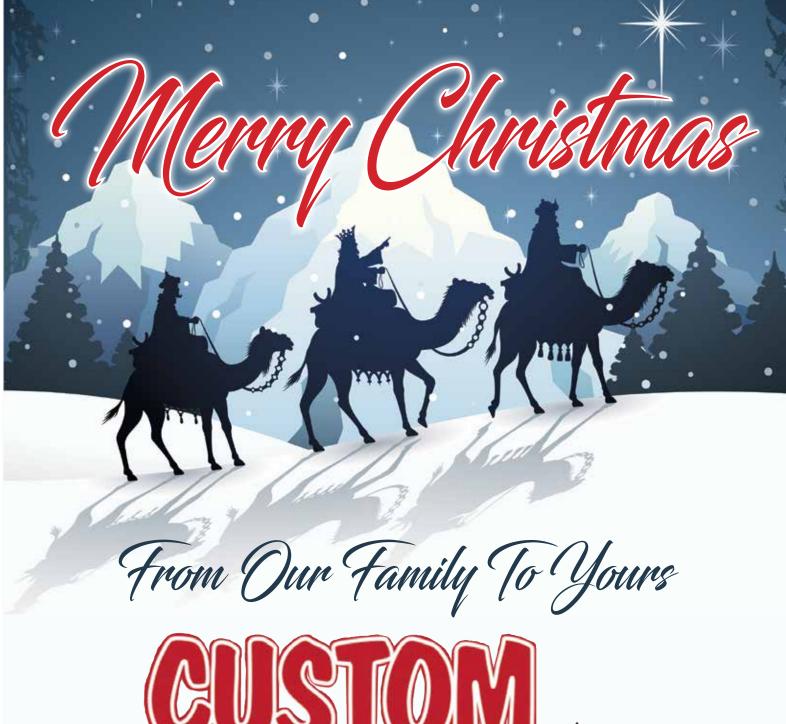
- 17 oz. Nutella at room temperature
- 1.7 oz. butter, melted
- 8 tbsp. powdered sugar
- 1 egg white, lightly beaten
- 5 tbsps. white sugar
- 3 tbsps. whole hazelnuts
- 4 or 6 mistletoe sprigs

Directions

- 1. In a bowl place the flour, oil and salt. Add the water and mix with a wire whisk, adding more water if necessary, as this is a thick and runny mix.
- 2. Transfer the mix to a blender and blend until it's smooth and no lumps remain.
- 3. Heat a small non-stick or crepe pan at low temperature. Using a wide brush (about 2 inches), brush the pan with the crepe mix, starting from the edges first and finishing with the center. You want a thin layer, and if you get any holes, just brush again as needed.
- 4. Cook until the edges are dry and the crepe turns white. Lift with the tips of your fingers and place on a platter or cutting board to cool. Repeat to make 24 crepes.
- 5. Center one crepe in your prettiest plate, platter or tray. Brush with the melted butter (use very little), then sprinkle about ½ tbsp. of powdered sugar. Cover with another crepe and repeat brushing with butter and sprinkling with sugar.
- 6. Fill up your piping sleeve with Nutella,

- and pipe the Nutella over the crepe in concentric circles (use as much or as little Nutella as you prefer).
- 7. Top with two crepes, brushing each with butter and sprinkling with sugar, then repeat piping the Nutella.
- 8. Repeat until all crepes are stacked and the top of the "cake" is a layer of crepes.
- 9. Sprinkle the final cake with a good amount of powdered sugar.
- 10. For the mistletoe garnish, carefully wash and dry the sprigs. Brush them with egg and sprinkle with plain sugar for the "snowy" look. Arrange over the cake with the hazelnuts.
- 11. Slice with a sharp knife, as this is a very delicate cake.





Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke 2:14





Make the Season Merry and Bright

with gifts from lakeside retailers this Christmas



Written by VALLEAN JACKSON, JIMMY CREED AND
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or shoppers in search of the perfect holiday gifts – whether their lists include jewelry, sporting equipment or even new vehicles – lakeside area retailers can help take the stress out of the Christmas season, as a sampling of recommendations from local merchants attests.

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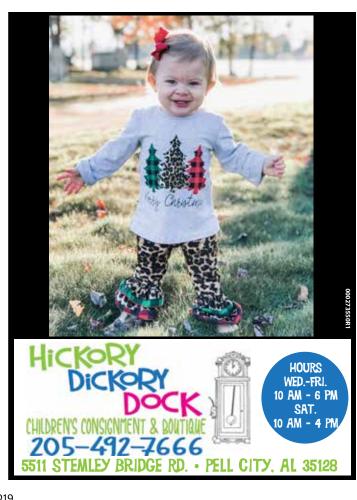


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Above: Gloria Nix displays a fine piece of metalware from the Beatriz Ball Collection, available at Griffins Jewelers.

At right: With locations in Pell City and Talladega, Griffins has been a purveyor of quality heirloom gifts for more than six decades.

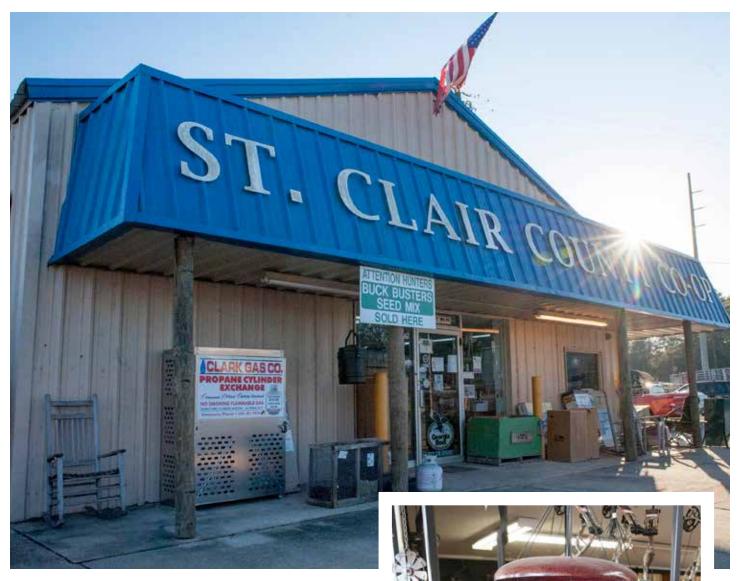
including stackable rings. They are available in white, yellow and rose gold with diamonds or color gemstones and can be individualized to suit each customer's style.

Quality gifts for the home from Beatriz Ball – unique pieces perfect for entertaining at any festive gathering are also available at Griffins.

"Our friendly, knowledgeable staff is focused on giving our customers a unique personal experience," said Abernathy. "We encourage you to shop local, and let us help you get exactly what you want or imagine. Every piece of jewelry has a story. Griffins Jewelers wants your story to begin with us."







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If you need something special for the outdoors type in your family this holiday season, St. Clair Farmers Co-op offers a wide range of gift ideas.

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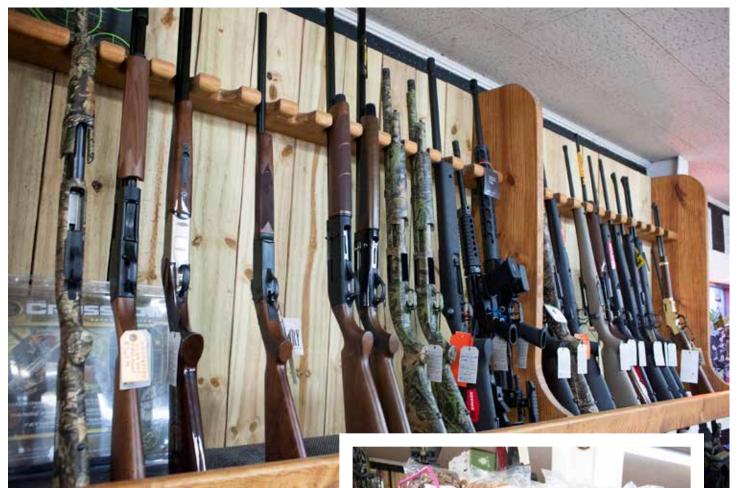
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The St. Clair County Farmer's Co-Op offers a variety of hunting rifles and supplies (above), as well as a selection of Alabama-produced pecans (at right), perfect for holiday snacking.

baking needs, the co-op offers a large assortment of pecans from King Brothers Pecan Co. in Notasulga. A one-pound bag of candied pecans like turtles, pralines or sweet Georgia heat sells for \$10.99, and a 10-pound bag of cracked pecans costs \$23.99.

"If you're looking for something for the outdoors type or really anyone in your family, we are a great place to start," assistant manager Robert Golden said.





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For those who already own their dream vehicle, Town & County offers an extensive line

of accessories to enhance it in many ways. Allweather floor mats, mud flaps, bug guards and car-cleaning equipment are things any vehicle owner would be thrilled to find under the tree.

Or you could really go all out and add something like an off-road package to the truck of someone who loves the outdoors. That package includes a lift kit for the truck complete with the big wheels and tires that make them so eye-catching.

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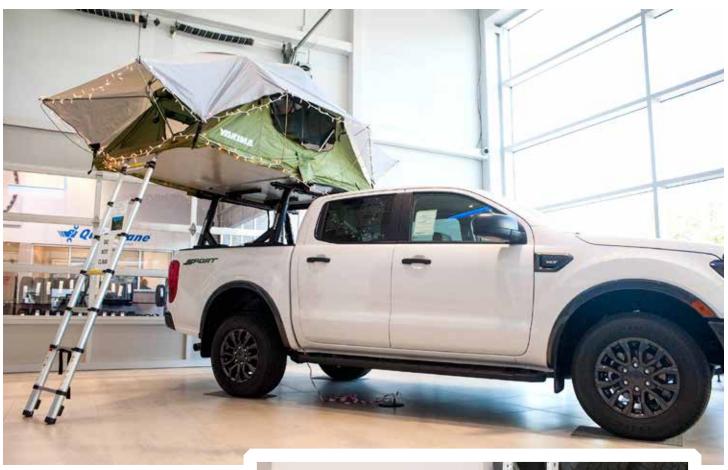
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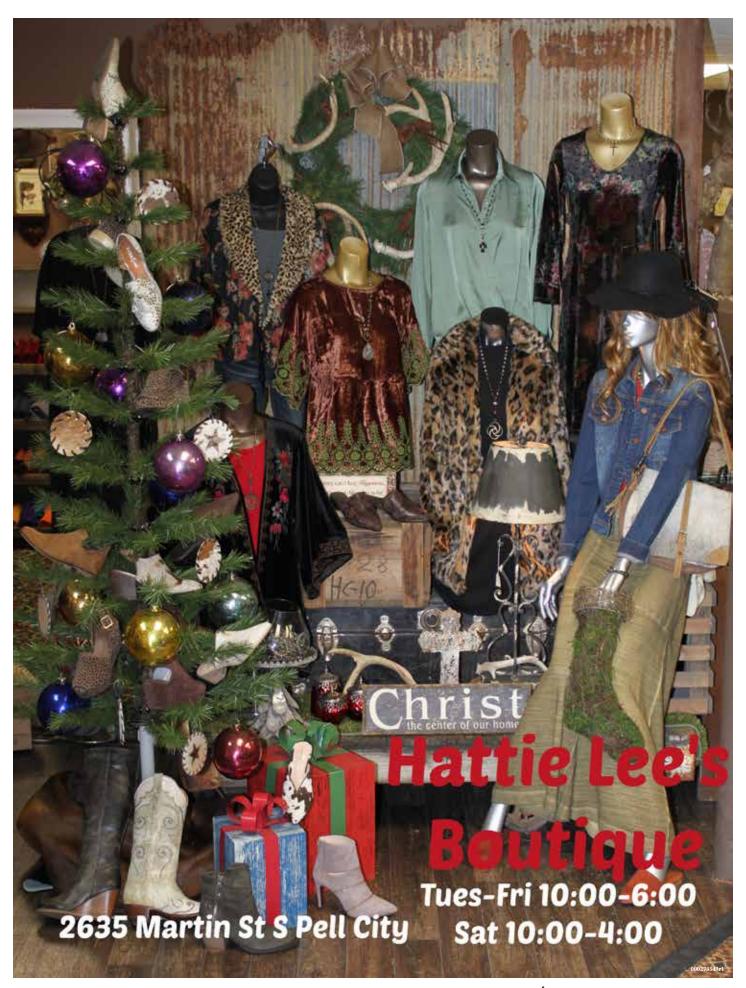


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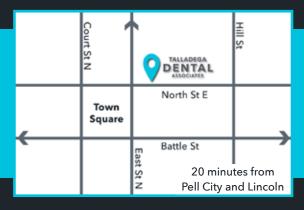
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A: Talladega Dental Associates has a rich history of serving the communities of Talladega, St. Clair and Calhoun County dating back to the 1950s. The office is located just off the historic downtown square, and is only 20 minutes from Pell City and Lincoln. Dr. Price and his team provide comprehensive dental care including regular cleanings and x-rays, fillings, crown & bridge, periodontal gum treatment, complete and partial dentures, extractions, root canals, dental implants, teeth whitening, clear braces and more.

Q: What are healthy dental habits people should practice as it pertains to wellness.

A: The mouth is the gateway to one's overall health so it's important to have good home oral hygiene. This includes brushing your teeth after each meal or at least twice a day for two minutes, and flossing your teeth. Having regularly scheduled dental exams are also a critical part of preventive care to help minimize treatment and avoid dental emergencies. Additional tips include chewing sugar free gum, drinking more water and limiting acidic foods and beverages.

Q: What happens at a 6-month dental exam?

A: Dr. Price and his team focus on personalized care for each patient in a comfortable environment. During a dental exam, we provide a thorough dental cleaning and take x-rays if needed. We check the health of your teeth, gums and joint function as well as conduct an oral cancer screening. If any concerns are identified during the exam, Dr. Price will provide recommendations on best next steps for your health.

Q: Do you accept insurance?

A: At Talladega Dental Associates, it is our priority to provide exceptional dental care at an affordable price. One way we accomplish this is by accepting many major insurance providers such as BCBS, Delta Dental, Southland and GEHA to name a few. For those who do not have insurance we work one-onone with each patient to ensure the best course of treatment that is most cost effective.

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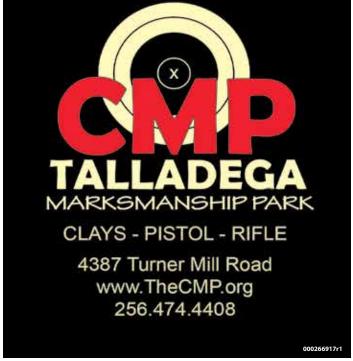
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animal baskets, which feature carnations and other flowers designed as a cat, dog or even a unicorn.

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Pell City Players treat lakeside community to enjoyable dinner theater event



hort days and cold nights on Logan Martin Lake tend to keep most residents inside, and it's typical to spend a Saturday evening at home on the couch watching Netflix and eating leftovers. Binge watching television and microwaving day-old meatloaf can quickly become the standard for entertainment during the winter months.

But this season's dinner theater production of "Southern Fried Murder" by the Pell City Players at Talladega Bottling Works raised the bar by offering an evening of entertainment, a delicious meal in a beautiful, historic venue and a more cultured experience.

And because it was my first dinner theater experience, it offered something new.

The venue, Talladega Bottling Works, is part of Talladega's Courthouse Square Historic District and was recently renovated to offer local communities a place to hold performances and attend events like this one.

Doors opened 30 minutes before dinner, allowing the audience time to socialize and find seating at one of the large, round tables in front of the stage. Some tables were reserved for parties of eight, including many from Pell City who were there to support family and friends, but I was able to find a seat at a front table near the stage. I was soon joined by a couple from Cookeville, Tennessee, and

two more people from Heflin.

The Tennessee couple introduced themselves as Russ and Mary Michaels, and they were there to support their long-time family friend, Theresa Coshatt, who was portraying Maggie St. Lawrence in the play.

They said they had attended several dinner theaters in larger cities and were "pleasantly surprised" to find one in a smaller community. They said the "ambience and flavor and character" of the building was something that larger cities tried to replicate, and not many smaller cities could afford renovations like this one. "It is wonderful to see this here," Mary said. They attend dinner theaters for the opportunities to socialize. "You never know who you will be sitting with, and it's a great way to meet new people," Russ said.

In keeping with the Southern theme, dinner was a heapin' helping of smoked pork tenderloin with a side of cheddar grits, collard greens, Southern caviar, fried green tomatoes and cornbread. The food was provided by Boswell's Wings and served on china with a magnolia pattern, a reference to the play's main character, Magnolia Capote. Sweet iced tea, lemonade and water were served in Mason jars, and dessert was a melt-in-your-mouth peach cobbler with vanilla ice cream.





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My dinner companions raved about the food. We discussed our childhood memories of good ole Southern cooking, and we all had similar recollections and favorite dishes. We all loved fried green tomatoes, and we agreed that these were some of the best we ever had from a restaurant. They were crispy, not soggy, like many tend to be after they have plated for awhile.

In addition to tea and lemonade, cocktails made with top shelf brands of whiskey, vodka, rum and other spirits could be purchased at the cash bar.

And when the lights dimmed, I was immediately caught up in the action as a man walked by my table and asked, "You want to see a real show? I wrestle alligators later on tonight." My immediate thought was that I needed to go to that show and write about it!

Then he made his way onto the stage, and it became clear that the play was in progress, and I was transported with him and the rest of the cast to a room in a fancy hotel called the Towering Oaks somewhere New Orleans.

And I experienced something personal and special as I watched this ensemble cast of local performers give their all on that stage. Sure, there were little flaws here and there, but this was not a Broadway performance with a Broadway budget, nor did I expect it to be. It was a fun time with some great people in a beautiful place where everyone on the stage gave their best effort to tell me a story and even include me in some of it. Now, that's entertainment.

And the actors often get a similar thrill when they watch from the sidelines or from behind the curtain on the stage.

"When you, as an actor, have been playing a part for months and months with other actors who have been playing their parts... and when I'm standing in the side wings, and I'm crying because they are giving their best performance... that's it. That's what I love about community theater, and when it all comes together at the same time, that's magic, and you can't make that happen, it just does." Coshatt said.

The lakeside community is fortunate to have the Pell

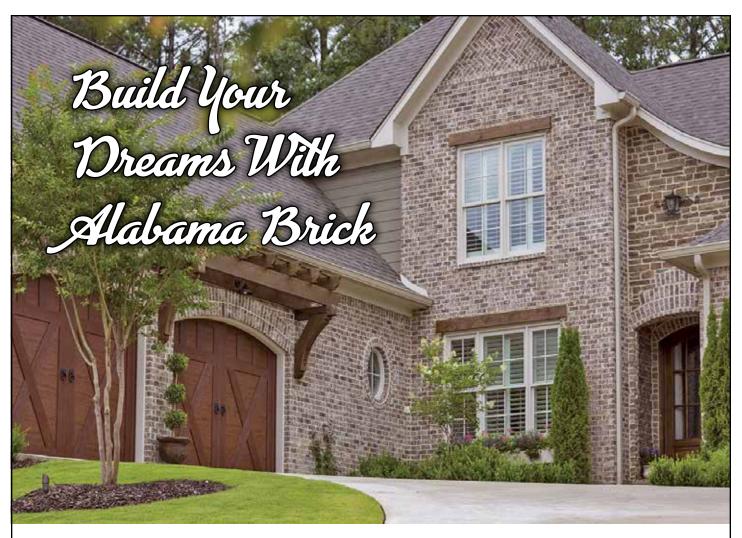




City Players, and I now have an appreciation for community theater and those who support it.

So get up off the couch and audition for the next play. Or contribute your time and energy, or make a financial donation to support them. And by all means, go see a show! Join the Pell City Players public group on Facebook for updates about where you can see them next.





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In Style



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athy Hall has been ready for

Christmas since the beginning of

November. An avid lover of the

holiday season, she and her husband Vic make

decorating their Logan Martin home every year a

top priority. "Our grandchildren came over recently and they were like, 'Why do you have your tree up already?' and I told them, 'Because it's Christmas not that far away!'"

Over the years, the Halls have made sure to





Kathy and Vic Hall enjoy decorating their lakeside home for the holidays.

keep their decorations up to date and visible from the main road. It's something, Kathy says, she enjoys doing every holiday season. She does not, however, go too overboard. "It's fun. Sometimes you can put up too much and it be too tacky but I try not to do that. I just think lights are pretty," she says. "I don't put much on the lakeside, which I should but I'm on a main road so the front side of my house is where I put most of my decorations. I actually thought about draping some lights around

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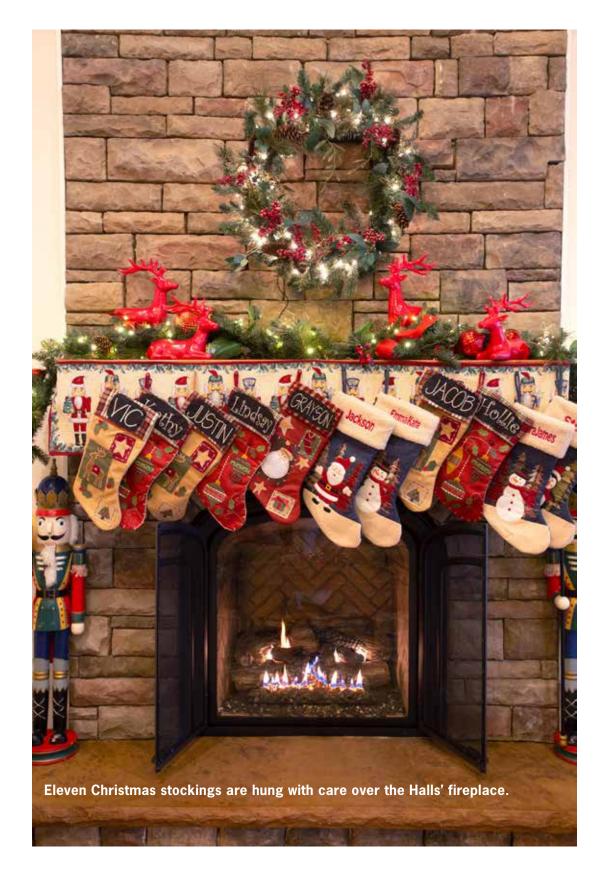
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the porch this year on the back."

Her usual decorations include a more
"traditional" style such as white lights around the front
yard bushes, a Santa that warmly greets people from

the driveway, a few light-up deer, two Nutcracker soldiers, wreaths on the windows and a Nativity scene in which she takes particular pride. "I got the Nativity figures from Hobby Lobby, and a friend of mine who



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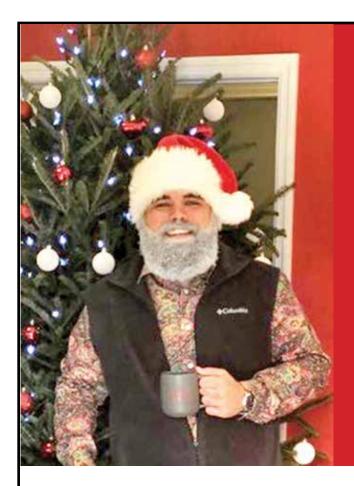
Festive expressions of the family's love for the holidays are to be seen throughout the home.

actually helped us finish this house built a manger, so it looks really nice."

Kathy, a retired teacher, and Vic, owner of Auto City in Anniston, say they have loved their lakeside home since construction was completed. They came to the lake five years earlier, when they bought a home in Eureka Shores.

"We redid it, it was an older home, and we had that home for like five years. Well, as time goes on, our children went to school at Auburn and graduated and they started to move out, so we decided that we would should just come down





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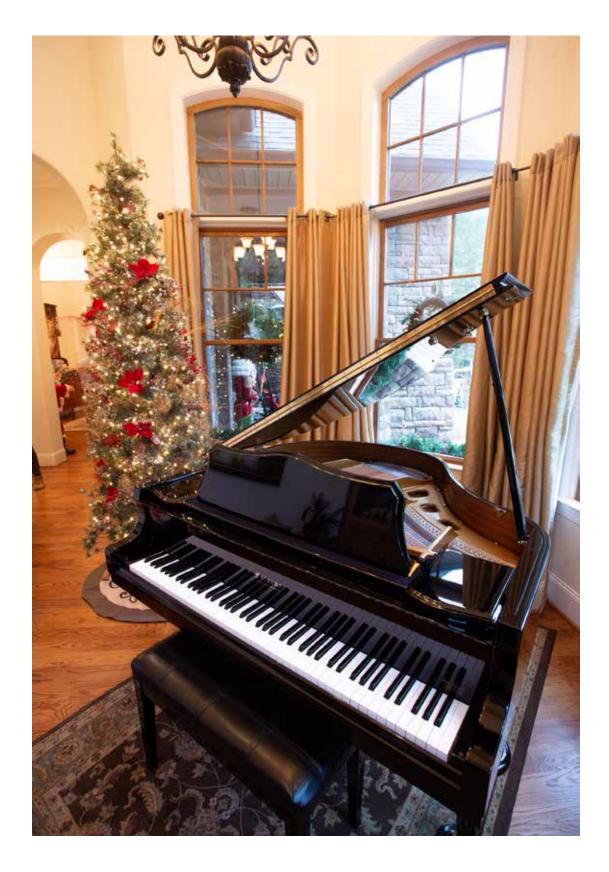
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here and live permanently."

They decided to build their current house on Logan Martin seven years ago and in the meantime lived on their Eureka Shores property

while it was being built. It was a decision, Kathy says, that has thoroughly enriched their life. "Our goal was to be on the water and enjoy it, and I can't say that I miss my old house at all," she says

Merry Christmas













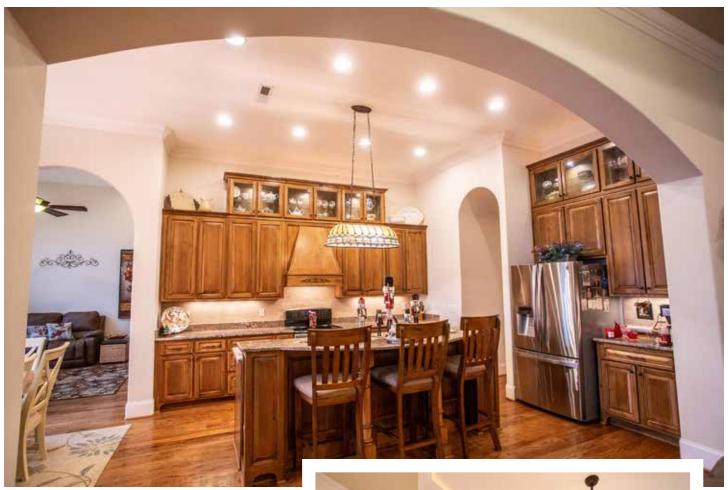


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Above: The spacious kitchen

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with a laugh. "We're just happy. We love the lake. I don't fish that much, but there's just something calming about the water and peaceful – and it's not hectic. Life is slower. We just absolutely love it."

Coming from a larger family (six brothers and sisters), Kathy says Christmas was always a time for family to be together and enjoy





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each other's company. Now having two children and five grandchildren of her own, the tradition continues.

In addition to her outside decorations, Kathy has 11 stockings hanging from her mantle, one for each family member staying for the holidays.

"Homes are about family to me – and people.

Making them feel at home and welcome. It's a home for our family and extended family. They know it's theirs to use," she says.

With the holidays fast approaching, Kathy is more excited about being able to make people smile with her decorations and bring people together. She shows an outward modesty when it comes to her decorations,

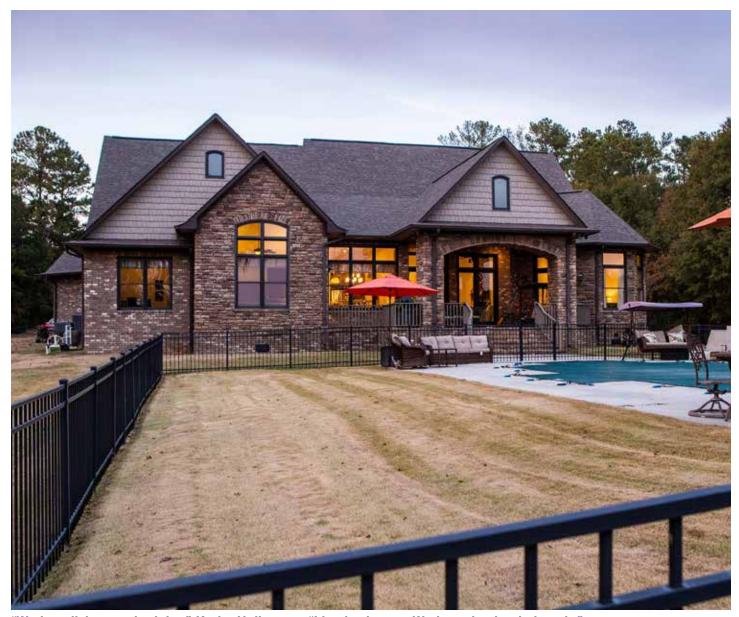




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"We love living on the lake," Kathy Hall says. "Live is slower. We just absolutely love it."

often saying they aren't "anything fancy," but there is a beam of pride that shows in her smile when she talks of how they bring people joy.

"I'm just me. I'm not trying to impress anybody. I'm just me. People will come in and be like, 'Can we see your house?' and of course we say, 'Come on in!' We've made more friends that way, I tell you. We just love people.

"I just do it because I like for people to enjoy the holidays and I love to do something that lets other people enjoy it and my grandchildren enjoy it. I like when people come by the house and say, 'Oh we love your lights.' That's how I get into Christmas. It's all about family and people, and I'm a people person."



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Don Smith, executive director of the St. Clair Economic Development Council, with tourism coordinator Blair Goodgame.

St. Clair County launches new long-term economic development initiative

New tourism coordinator encourages attendance at local holiday, year-round events

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s lakeside residents plan their holiday outings, St.

Clair County's new tourism coordinator encourages them not to forget about seasonal events taking place in their own backyards.

And Blair Goodgame hopes that mindset will continue throughout the new year.

"Almost everyone knows about the different activities and beauty of Logan Martin Lake, but not everyone knows about the other gems we have in our county," she said. "Gems such as music festivals at Horse Pens 40, Homestead Hollow Arts and Crafts Festival, Oktoberfest in Moody, kayaking in Ashville and all the other festivals that are going on across the county throughout the year. I want to make sure everyone is aware of the opportunities we have in

St. Clair County, including those happening this holiday season."

As a lifelong St. Clair resident, local business owner and heavily involved in promoting events on Logan Martin Lake, Goodgame's efforts to promote the county are part of the St. Clair Economic Development Council (EDC)'s five-year plan focusing on tourism.

According to executive director Don Smith, the 5-Year Plan was created last year with the input of hundreds of community leaders, business owners and elected officials.

"The question has been asked, 'Why is the EDC getting involved in tourism? That's not economic development,'" Smith said. "But it absolutely is. When folks come here, they will buy things and spend money before they leave.

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Christmas parades are favorite annual events in many lakeside area communities.

And the more people come to St.

Clair County, the greater the chance they're going to fall in love with it – like we all have – and want to move here for good."

Goodgame's role, he added, involves making sure people – including those who are already St.

Clair residents – become aware of special events and places the county has to offer. "There are so many things taking place that folks just don't know about. There are so many events that have stopped happening because attendance was low or never happened at all because they didn't get enough exposure to get them off the ground."

Connecting communities,
Goodgame said, is the key to
changing that. "The people of St.
Clair County are happy to engage
and support community activities,
but often they're not aware of what's
going on in communities outside of
those they live in. Connecting the
communities within the county is

where we start. If we can't get the locals informed about what's going on here, we won't get anyone else excited about it."

Logan Martin Lake, she added, will continue to play a major role in St. Clair tourism. "A lot of people come here for the lake, and what's more fun than being out on the lake with family and friends? But the idea is to showcase what else we have that people may not know about, and we hope that everyone on the lake will join us in promoting local tourism."

The county and its various communities play host to several holiday-themed events and activities this month, such as those following. While the events are primarily promoted by their sponsoring organizations, the EDC "certainly encourages attendance," Goodgame said.

December 1-January 1
Lights in the Park
Lakeside Park, 2801 Stemley

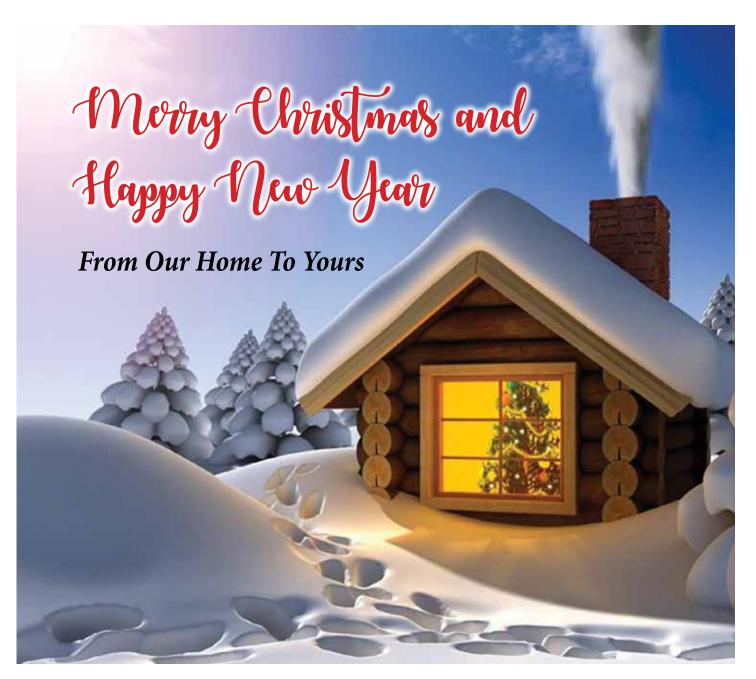
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This event is a tradition that shows support for one another within our community. All local companies, non-profit organizations, schools, churches as well as individuals may participate. Thousands drive through the park to view the family-friendly holiday-themed displays.

December 6 Toys for Kids Luncheon Moody Civic Center, 200 Civic Center Drive

For more than 30 years, Toys for Kids has been a tradition and mission for the Moody Fire Department. This year's fundraising luncheon to benefit children and families going through difficult times begins at 11:30 a.m. The event features lunch, entertainment, a live auction and door prizes donated by local businesses.

December 6
Christmas Tree Lighting Festival
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"I have always had a passion for St. Clair County, and promoting the area is something I really enjoy," Goodgame said while attending the Homestead Hollow Christmas in the Country Arts & Crafts Festival in Springville.

Cogswell Avenue

The St. Clair County Courthouse in Pell City hosts this community event for the second consecutive year. Music from local school choirs, the Pell City Line Dancers, Christmas decorations, arts, crafts and food will highlight the festival, which begins at 6 p.m.

Christmas Parades Pell City: 7 p.m. Dec. 12 Leeds: 7 p.m. Dec. 13 Springville: 6 p.m. Dec. 14 Ashville: 7 p.m. Dec. 14

December 12-14

December 12-15 **Spotlight Kids Program presents** A Christmas Carol, The Musical Pell City Center for Education and the Performing Arts, 25 Williamson Drive

The Spotlight Kids Program at CEPA presents the seasonal musical as its 2019 holiday production. This show, adapted by Sister Marcella Holloway with music by Mary Ann Joyce-Walter, begins at 7 p.m. Dec. 12-14 and 2 p.m. Dec. 15. Jared Shiver, Pell City High School's choir instructor, makes his directorial debut with the show, bringing with him not only musical knowledge and experience but a lot of enthusiasm.

December 15 **Lessons and Carols** St. Simon Peter Episcopal Church 3702 Mays Bend Road, Pell City

Beginning at 4 p.m., St. Simon Peter Episcopal Church's Lessons and Carols is truly a community event. Guest choir members will be from many different area churches, joining St. Simon Peter choir members to create a magnificent worship service and begin the Advent season. The public is invited, and a reception will follow the service in the parish hall.









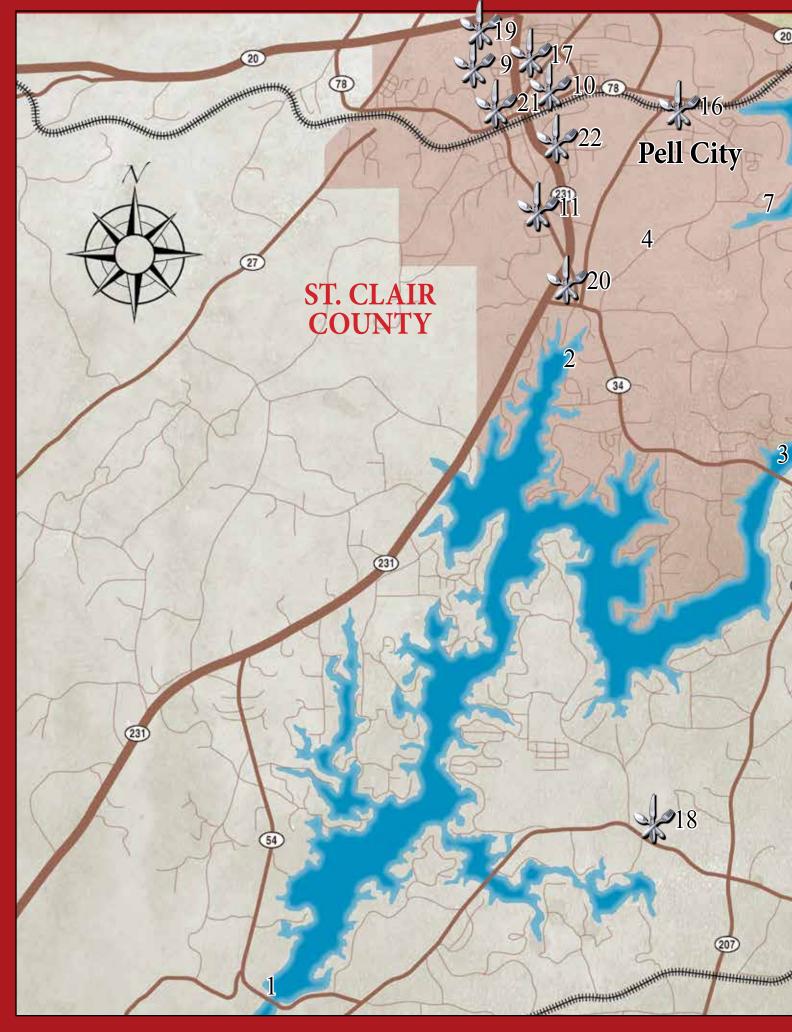


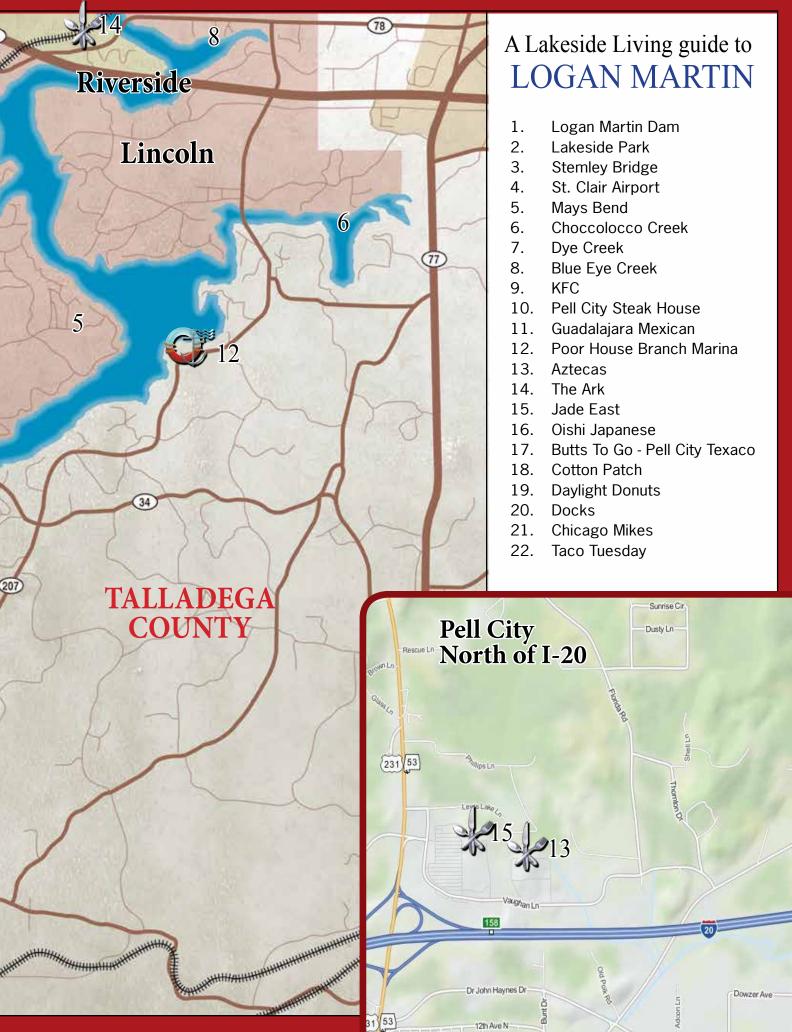
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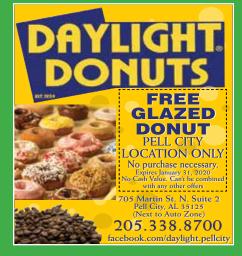
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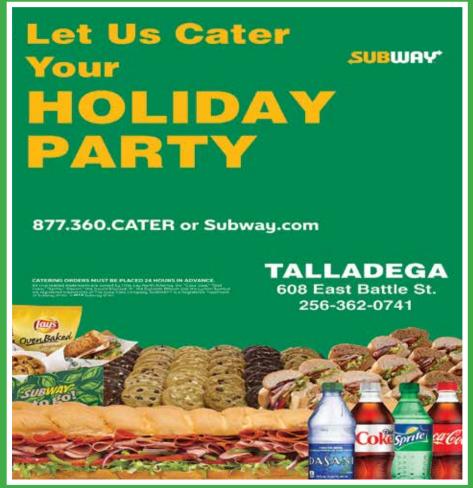
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MONDAY

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TALLADEGA CHRISTMAS PARADE

Beginning at 6 p.m., this year's theme is "An Old Fashioned Christmas." The parade will be led by the Talladega College Marching Band, and the college's president, Dr. Billy Harris, will serve as grand marshal. The route begins at the intersection of Battle and Haynes streets, travels around the square and concludes at Battle and Spring streets.

THURSDAY

LINCOLN CHRISTMAS PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING

The 11th annual event beings at 6:30 p.m., organized by the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department. The tree lighting will follow the parade at Randolph Park in Oldtown Lincoln.

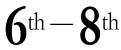
THURSDAY

SYLACAUGA CHRISTMAS PARADE

The 41st annual holiday event begins at 6 p.m. in downtown Sylacauga. Beginning at Sylacauga High School, the route turns right at North Broadway onto West Fort Williams and onto Norton before returning to the high school.

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FRIDAY-SUNDAY



CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE

Talladega's new holiday tradition continues with this fourth annual event. Festivities are scheduled for 6-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7; and noon-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. Immerse yourself in Christmas shopping from a host of vendors, enjoy the offerings of food trucks parked along the Historic Courthouse Square and enjoy the activities for families and children, including the Christmas tree light show.

SUNDAY

CHRISTMAS: A TREASURED ANTHOLOGY

The holiday cantata begins at 6 p.m. at Bemiston Baptist Church, 300 James Street in Talladega.

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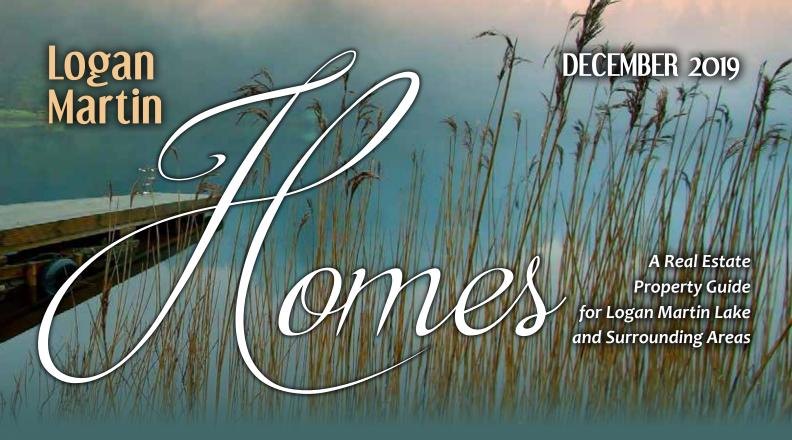
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Pell City home is perfect for enjoying family living on Logan Martin

Written by BUDDY ROBERTS
Photographed by BOB CRISP

rospective buyers seeking a spacious family home in a spectacular lakeside setting will want to see the property at 410 Turner Road in Pell City.

Situated on two acres with more than 300 feet of shore line, the 3,255-square foot brick home contains four bedrooms, two full bathrooms, two partial baths and a marble-floored foyer. The living room features a brick fireplace and large windows that afford plenty of natural light. A standout feature of the dining room is an enchanting crystal chandelier. A second fireplace is a fixture of the massive den.

The kitchen includes an eating area, pantry, electric

cooktop, double oven, built-in dishwasher and ample storage space. One half-bath and the laundry room are situated off the kitchen. A breakfast area is located in the dining room.

Exterior amenities include a large patio (ideal for watching lakeside fireworks displays), a back porch, spacious level yard, circle driveway and single-car garage. The pier, seawall, boat launch and year-round water contribute to the enjoyment of lakeside living.

The property lists at \$650,000. For more information, call Caran Wilbanks of ERA King Real Estate in Pell City.

Logan Martin real estate in demand year-round, lakeside agent says

Written by DANIEL DODSON Photo Submitted

In 2011, Lisa Gaither reevaluated her priorities in life and made the decision to become a real estate agent.

"It is just something I have always wanted to do and never took the plunge to do it," Gaither said.

Gaither, who previously served as executive director of the Greater Pell City Chamber of Commerce, is a sales associate with Fields Gossett Realty in Pell City. She has a passion for working with clients and finding the perfect home for them.

"It's most rewarding when we truly find a match," Gaither said. "Especially after working with them for months - when a home connects, it truly connects."

A lot of people face difficulty when buying or selling a home for the first time. Gaither strives to bridge that gap and make the process easy and seamless.

"The first thing I would tell (a first-time buyer) is to make sure they are pre-approved so they can get a clear picture of what kind of budget they have," she said. "Next is to be patient and know that the right fit will come along and to trust that their Realtor that they will do everything they can."

According to Gaither, there is high demand for property around Logan Martin Lake.

"It holds value very well. During the recession it was only down about 5 percent," Gaither said.

For those thinking that the winter months may not be the best time to buy or sell a lake property, Gaither says that may not be true anymore. Recent real estate trends around Logan Martin Lake are showing that transactions are taking place year-round.



Lisa Gaither

"It is a misconception to think there are only buyers in the springtime, so they sit on their houses till past the holidays and wait to sell," Gaither said. "There will be less competition in the winter."

With sales not exclusive to the spring and summer months, Gaither advises potential sellers to consider putting their house on the market as soon as they are ready to sell.

"I have spent a lot of time on the lake. I am a former lake property owner, but I am still a lake lover," she said. "A lot of memories can be made on the lake."

With enough activities for everyone, buying a lake home creates an entry point for recreation and peaceful living according to Gaither.

"It brings quality of life, it is fun and there is a peace that comes with living on the lake."



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1030 Images Sq., Cropwell, AL 35054 4 BR, 3 1/2 BA - 3,662 sq ft

This 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath jewel house will blow you away, with its high ceilings, huge kitchen that has granite, stainless appls, island, breakfast area, work desk & lots of cabinets. A formal dining room with coffered ceilings is the perfect spot for family meals. The lakeside den has amazing lake views & a stacked stone, wood burning fireplace with gas starter. The covered porches & private boat dock invite you to enjoy the lake views & activity! The large master suite offers space for both with its own private, lakeside deck. The 2nd bedroom has its own bath while the 3rd & 4th spacious bedrooms share a large hallway bath. The upstairs loft area & second kitchen add a space for relaxing and convenience for making that first cup of coffee, without having to go downstairs. The 2 car garage offers additional storage space. The community pool is only steps away from your front door, MLS #818955



This well maintained, one level living home in Hillstone fills the need. The formal dining room with large windows, soaring 2 story ceilings and gleaming hardwood floors welcome you inside. Cozy living room with gas fireplace, the spacious kitchen, breakfast area and covered deck. The large master suite has a jacuzzi tub, orer, double vanity and laundry room access. The 2nd oms have designer colors, large closets, and share a d. The finished basement has a den, a full bath with wer and additional space for an office, work out or hobby oom! Storage space is abundant and the huge garage has space work shop. MLS #865290

285 Hillstone Dr., Pell City, AL 35125 3BR, 2BA 2,015 Sq. Ft.

\$214,000





10 Cherry Tree Lane, Cropwell, AL 35054 3BR, 2BA, 2,220 sq. ft.

This one level, 4 sided brick beauty has been updated with refinished hardwood floors, neutral interior paint, light fixtures & ceiling fans, cedar shutters, new kitchen cabinets and granite countertops! The open concept living, dining, kitchen & breakfast area with high ceilings, large windows and see through gas fireplaces is perfect for entertaining large groups! The huge master suite offers a sitting area, large double vanities, a jetted tub & separate shower. Spacious 2nd & 3rd bedrooms share a Jack&Jill hall bath with separate vanities. The large fenced back yard has a covered patio and porch allowing you to enjoy the outdoors, rain or shine! The main level 2 car garage with storage closet & pull down attic gives you easy access to the laundry room, panty & kitchen. This home sits on a half acre corner lot with 2 cul de sacs in Cherry Tree Park. Only minutes from Logan Martin Lake. MLS #863680





1104 East St., S., Talladega, AL 35160 3BR, 2 1/2BA 2,821 Sq. Ft. 1.06 acre lot \$179,500

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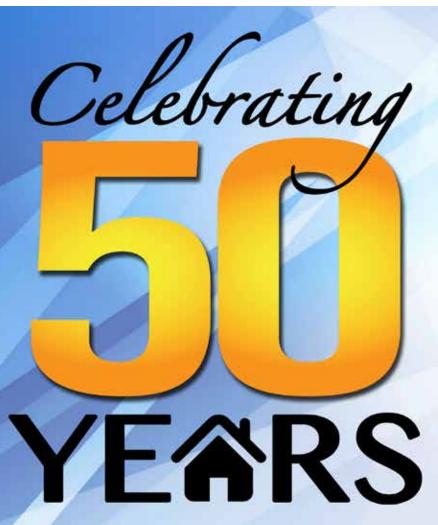
This precious, one level 3 bedroom/2 bath home in Eden is ready for its new family! It sits on a 1.5 acre level lot with a large storage building perfect for hobbies or a playhouse. This home has a new roof, new interior paint, light fixtures and landscaping. Gas logs in the living room is the perfect spot to cozy up to with the family on those cold nights. Hardwood floors throughout. The spacious bedrooms and closet space will shock you! Don't wait! This square footage and lot size will not last! MLS #862044



unit, hot water heater & adde orkshop. The open concept great room and full basement den are perfect for entertaining. 2 full barns that have large tile showers, a loft bedroom & additional basement space being used as guest bedrooms, which makes a total of 5. The outdoors offer as much with an open deck, a covered deck & patio & 2 covered boat docks that are a gentle walk down the sidewalk from the home. NO STEPS! MLS #862945

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410 Turner Rd, Pell City, \$650,000. Over 300 feet of shore line! Gorgeous Brick Home on Logan Martin Lake. Large fover with marble floors. Living room with brick fireplace and large windows for beautiful natural light. Formal Dining room with enchanting crystal chandelier. Fantastic kitchen, tons of storage space, pantry, double oven, eat in space for cozy meals. Half bath and laundry off the kitchen. Single car garage. Four Bedrooms and two full and two half baths. The massive den with a fireplace has room for the whole gang. Large patio, back porch and spacious level vard. Circle driveway. Pier, seawall and boat launch, and year round water. MLS# 855904.



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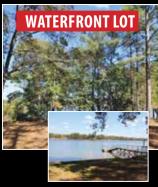




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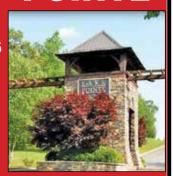
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223 Viewpoint Cir., Pell City AL 35128 4 Bd 5 Ba **\$369,900** MLS #852545

Southern style home with great view of lake from front porch with water access and boat launch. The family room has cathedral ceilings, built in bookcases, open stairway and abundance of windows. Detailed crown moulding, beautiful hardwood floors throughout main level and boast 10 ft. ceilings. The master suite features 8 ft. Doors, 2 separate his/her baths and closets. The large kitchen has, beautiful white cabinets, new glass backsplach, new large refrigerator, island and desk. Off kitchen is 1/2 ba and the laundry room which has abundance of cabinets and built in sink. The laundry room exits to a 2 car garage that also has 2 lge storage closets. Privacy fence, beautiful landscaped yard with green lawn. Interior has been painted, gutters added, new carpet in family room upstairs, many new light fixtures.



501 26TH St N Pell City, AL 35125 2 Bd, 1 Ba **\$105,000** MLS# 866243

This lovely home has been totally remodeled. Everything is brand new. That includes the flooring, HVAC, Kitchen Appliances, and the Bath fixtures. New siding and metal roof. Lot is corner lot that extends up in the back to the ally. Some trees in yard. There is a patio being built in the back. There are 2 bedrooms and 1 bath, a family den area with an open kitchen. laundry is in the closet in the kitchen.



185 Sherwood Pl., Pell City AL 35128 4 Bd 2/5 Ba ^{\$}229,999 MLS #839376

Large custom home in Archers Bend subdivision in Pell City! Main level features an open floor plan with 18' ceilings in the foyer and great room. The dining room has decorative beams, ceramic tile and bay window. The kitchen features hardwood floors, granite counter tops, spacious cabinetry, pantry, large island and bay window. The focal point of the great room is the rough-cut cedar front fireplace and custom built in shelving. Also on the main level you'll find the laundry room, powder room, and master bedroom with plantation shutters. The master bathroom features cathedral ceilings, granite countertops, jetted tub, large shower, linen closet and master closet. Upstairs is three bedrooms, sitting room/playroom attached to second bedroom, and a full bathroom. New carper installed in all bedrooms 2018. Home also has large partially finished basement, stubbed for bath. Plenty of storage and fenced yard.



5003 Thomason St, Pell City, AL 35128 4.5 acres lot \$45,000 MLS # 867415

Vacant land in Pine Harbor. It is zoned R-A and can be used as a horse farm. Land is in an L shape.



0 S. 18th St. Lot 0, Pell City, AL 35128 7.7 acres **\$234,000** MLS #852476

Vacant land with two access roads, Hardwick Rd. and 18th St. S. Close to Shopping, schools, Doctors offices and apartments. Planned Residential.



0001 Shady Grove Ln. Lot 14, Talladega 35161 1 acres MLS #852475 \$4,000

Vacant lot in Country Club Estates. The HOA gives you access to the boat launch, the pool and the picnic area. Mobile homes can not go on this property.

0000 Shady Grove Ln., Talladega 35161 1.5 acres MLS #852474

Vacant lot in Country Club Estates. The size is 150ft. road frontage and 200 ft. deep. With the HOA you get use of the boat launch, picnic area and the pool.

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149 Valley View Cir. Pell City, AL 35128 MLS 857892

^{\$}585,000

Enjoy the beauty of year round water from the balcony of this AUTHENTIC CHARLESTON STYLE LAKEFRONT HOME! This home was once featured in Southern Living Magazine. This is a smart home featuring Nest products and has been recently painted. 3 large bedrooms each with their own en suite bathroom. The master suite is very spacious with a marble fireplace, garden tub, separate shower, huge walk in closet and its own private balcony overlooking the lake. Inside this home are hardwood floors throughout, crown moulding, and three fireplaces with gas logs. Outside there are four decks/verandas on the house for relaxing and enjoying the gorgeous views. This property contains a very nice double decker pier/boathouse as well as a separate boathouse with its very own boat launch. The boat house contains a separate room that could be used as a workshop.



30917 Hwy. 231
Ashville, AL 35953
Unit 15.5 acres of land
\$118,900 MLS #858978



9317 Cedar Hill Rd. Warrior, AL 35180 Unit 14.4 acres of land \$30,000 MLS #865575



830 Pine Harbor Rd.
Pell City, AL 35128
3-4 bedrooms, 2 full baths
\$649,900 MLS #854349



388 Hodgens Drive Pell City, AL 35125 4-5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths \$259.900 MLS 861245



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115 Southbend Drive Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 86526

^{\$}269,900

This stunning brick home is located In the South Bend Subdivision and zoned for Lincoln School District. It features Corian countertops, new hardwood floors, tile, large master bedroom and bathroom. This home also features a partial basement (not pictured) with a

partial basement (not pictured) with a garage and a garage on the main level. It has a room perfect for playroom/study. The best part is the STUNNING Pool!!! No money was spared on this outdoor oasis! Pool area with lighted stone columns, an outdoor kitchen/bar for entertaining, color changing lights in the pool, and more! This home also features maintenance free decking around the back of the house leading down to the pool. This home is also on a very large corner lot. If you like to entertain guest, this is the home for you! This home features lots of storage and parking to fit all your vehicles, boats etc. This house is A MUST SEE at a GREAT PRICE! Do not let this home get away!***New Roof was installed in 2019***



475 River Forest Lane, Unit 4330 Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 864803

\$197,900

This 3 BR, 2 BA condo located on the 3rd floor has a BREATHTAKING view of Logan Martin Lake! This condo is being sold FULLY FURNISHED! It has stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops in kitchen and kitchen island and also features a large balcony. This condo is Move In Ready, so you can enjoy the Lake Life! Amenities include: community pool, community boat dock, board walk. All buildings have an elevator for your convenience!



475 River Forest Lane, Unit 2330 Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 86339

^{\$}194,900

LAKE FRONT

This 3 BR, 2 BA condo located on the 3rd floor has a breathtaking view of Logan Martin Lake! This FULLY furnished condo features granite counter tops in the kitchen, kitchen island, stainless steel appliances, and a large balcony. This condo is MOVE IN READY, so you can enjoy the lake life! Amenities include; community pool, community boat dock, and boardwalk. All buildings have an elevator for your convenience!



100 Bayou Ridge Lane Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 965655 **249,000**

Lake home at a GREAT PRICE! This property has a boat launch and boat dock. It features an open floor plan, hard wood floors, full basement with workshop area. This property also features a separate cabin with a bedroom, kitchen and living area and a bathroom. It also has RV hook up on the property. This property has a lot to offer for a great price!







45 Hunter Ridge Lane, Pell City, AL 35125 MLS# 854212

REDUCED

\$339,000

This brick home with full basement sits on almost 3 acres. This home features BEAUTIFULLY HANDCRAFTED Detail! No Detail was spared on this home located in the Eagle Pointe subdivision! Handcrafted oak cabinets, detailed crown molding in every room, oak floors in living area, marble floors half bath and master bathroom, tile floors in kitchen and additional bathrooms. Handcrafted rod iron staircase and handcrafted rod iron outdoor balcony. Porcelain style floor on front door walkway. Two driveways. One driveway going into the basement garage and a circular driveway for convenient parking, Soap Stone mantle, recessed lighting, and much more. Do not let this home getaway! Roof is 6 years old, new HVA units: one unit is 1 year old and the other unit replaced in 2019. Home has tankless water heater, sprinkler system, new commercial GE refrigerators, built in Keurig system. The subdivision has lake access to Logan Martin Lake, community pool, clubhouse, tennis court and boat launch.



1402 Spring Hill Rd. Talladega, AL 35160 MLS#866940

^{\$}198,500

This home is a MUST SEE! This home sits on 4 acres of beautiful property wit a heated 30x79 four car garage. This home has so much to offer with an open floor plan with newly updated wood floors, large kitchen with stainless steel appliances. It also features large Master bedroom and Master bathroom. This home has a man cave in the garage with a living area and full bathroom which is heated and cooled. It has an outdoor entertainment area with pergola and newly added decking and hot tube for all your entertainment needs. Also as an added bonus there is a secondary RV/Recreation hook up. METAL ROOF is approximately 5 years old. Average power bill in the summer \$200/ winter \$150.



475 River Forest Lane #1330 Talladega, AL 35160 # 860092

197,900

This 3 BR, 2 BA would have a ske has been recently updated with new wood floors through the mas granite kitchen condo freshly part of the mas granite kitchen counters, kitchen island, stainless steel appliances and large balcony. Condo has been professionally decorated and owner is open to selling it furnished (minus master bed and sentimental items. Includes community pool, boat dock and board walk.



2296 Holly Hills Road Lincoln, Al 35096 MLS# 862698

\$89,900

This manufactured home has been recently updated! New laminate wood floors in the living area, new carpet in the bedrooms, and the bathrooms have been remodeled as well. It docation is convenient to 1-20 and downtown Lincoln. Home features an open floor plan and much more. 1 acre of land with a large front and back yard. It also features a storage shed. Per the seller, this manufactured home is on a permanent foundation.



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TALLADEGA \$749,000. GORGEOUS LOGAN MARTIN LAKE HOME WITH 400 FT SHORELINE, DEEP YEAR-ROUND WATER ON 2 ACRE +/- POINT LOT. 2 BOAT LAUNCHES, SEAWALL, PAVILLION, BOAT PORT W/2 SLIPS LIFTS & PIER, 2 SEA-DOO PORTS. BEAUTIFUL INGROUND POOL, ROCK BBQ PIT, SEC. & SPRINKLER SYSTEMS, OUTDOOR LIGHTING, FLAGSTONE WALK WAYS & PROFESSIONALLY LANDSCAPED. DETACHED GARAGE FITS PONTOON. COVERED RV SHED WITH POWER. 2 PRIVATE MASTERS WITH VIEWS, WRAP AROUND PORCH. FABULOUS VIEWS BUT TUCKED AWAY ON A COVE. MLS#859977





TALLADEGA \$374,500. LOGAN MARTIN PRIME LAKE POINT WITH AMAZING WATERFRONTAGE, OPEN FLOOR PLAN, 4BR/2.5BA, HUGE KITCHEN, TONS OF CABINETS. BONUS OR 5TH BR. VIEWS WILL TAKE YOUR BREATH AWAY. FENCED YARD. TONS OF UPDATES, AWESOME MASTER WITH PRIVATE DECK TO ENJOY VIEW. MAIN LEVEL LIVING. SOME FURNISHINGS REMAIN. WONDERFUL DOCK ALREADY IN PLACE: SOME RIP RAP SEAWALL, 2 LOTS, ROOM FOR BOAT & RV OR ADD A GARAGE. HOW LAKE LIFE SHOULD BE!!! MLS#857071





PELL CITY \$299,500. LOGAN MARTIN LAKE WEEKEND CHALET WITH GREAT VIEW! 3BRS, MOVE IN READY IN MAYS BEND. CUTE UPSTAIRS LOFT W/BATH & BR WITH ROOM FOR BUNKS. COVERED & UNCOVERED DECKS, FOR MANY TO ENJOY. COVERED DOCK WITH LIFT & SEAWALL ALSO IN PLACE. MLS#811827



LINCOLN \$110,000. NICE WATERFRONT LOT ON LOGAN MARTIN, APPROX. 2.5 ACRES. MLS#830913





TALLADEGA \$589,000. GORGEOUS COUNTRY STYLE 4BR/3.5BA WITH APPROX. 19 ACRES, DETACHED GARAGE W/LIFT & 3 DOORS. 5 STALL BARN, FENCING, RIDING RING FOR HORSES. SPACIOUS KITCHEN, SUNROOM OVERLOOKING 20X40 POOL, FORMAL DINING, HUGE MASTER W/SITTING ROOM & FP. GREATROOM WITH STONE FP, REC ROOM WITH POOL TABLE, 2 WELLS ON PROPERTY PLUS CITY WATER AVAILABLE. LOTS OF BASEMENT SPACE OR EXPANSION ROOM! ADDITIONAL 43 ACRES AVAILABLE THAT BORDER TALLADEGA CREEK ARE PRESENTLY LEASED FOR CROPS.MLS#858057



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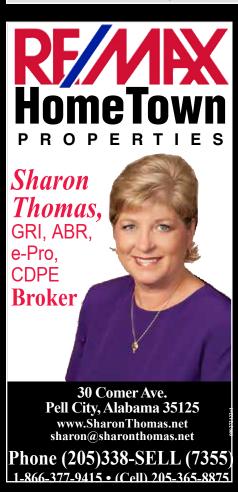






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