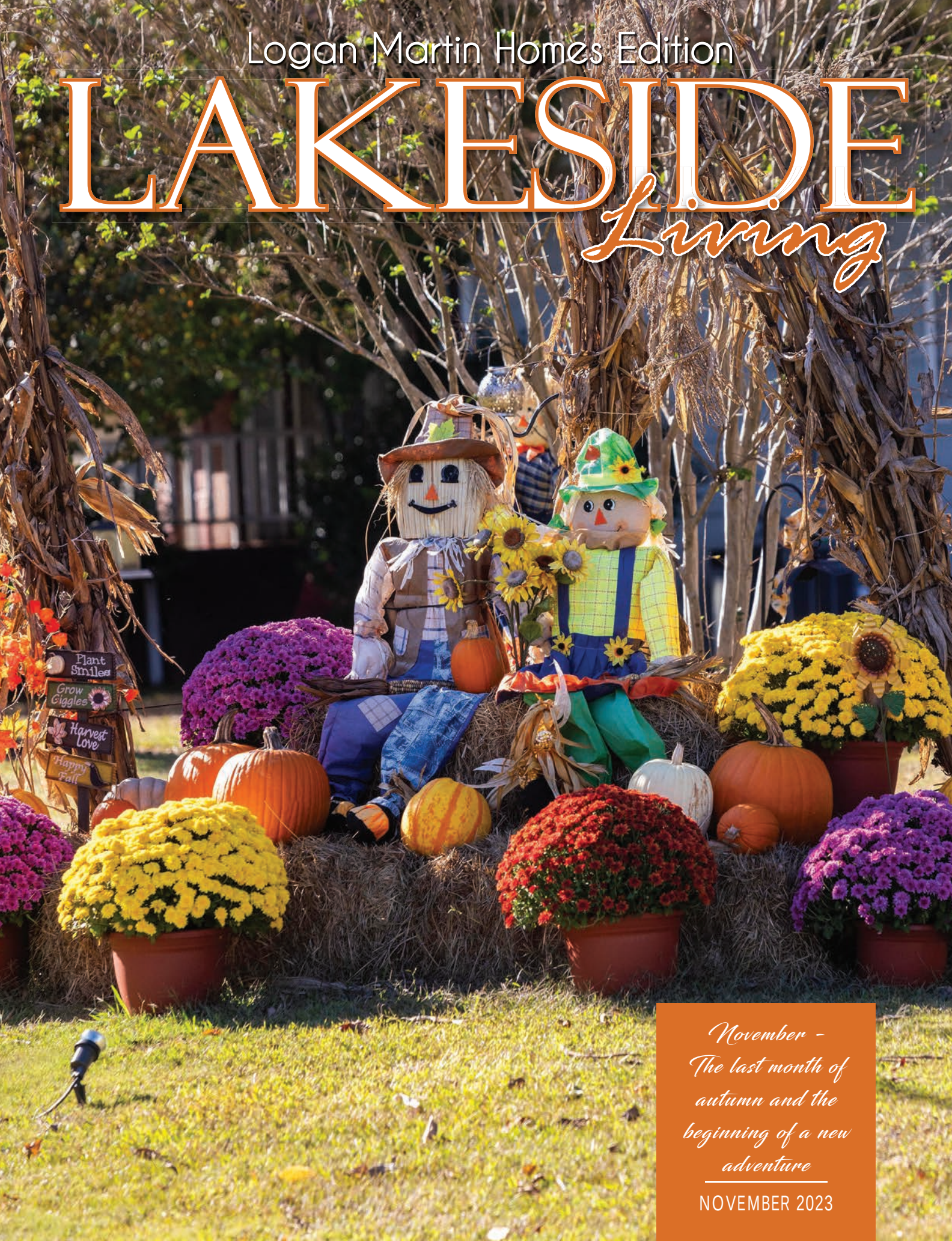


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Editors Note

Another partnership brings benefits to the lakeside community

Lance corporal Daniel Centilli, USMC, was serving in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom when the high-mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicle he occupied was hit by an improvised explosive device. He returned home to Pell City in 2012 with a traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder, which eventually led to his death four years ago.

To honor her son's memory and help other U.S. military veterans transition back to civilian life, Alana Centilli has founded Dovetail Landing, a 50-acre facility at 11534 Stemley Road in Lincoln where veterans can "find peace and serenity while working their way back into society as they knew it before the military."

Described as a "reverse boot camp" for returning veterans, the nonprofit center has the goal of being a single location providing all the resources veterans might need without not having to worry about where they will live or eat while getting the care they need when returning home.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held late last year, and just a few weeks ago Dovetail Landing and Central Alabama Community College (CACC) announced a new partnership between their two organizations.

"Our alliance with CACC is a significant stride towards providing veterans with robust, industry-relevant training that paves the way for successful careers post-service," said Alana Centilli, who serves as Dovetail Landing's president. "Together, we are crafting a future where our veterans are well equipped with skills and acknowledged and valued in the workforce."

The partnership involves "a mutual commitment

to serving and uplifting veterans, providing them comprehensive workforce training and educational programs to enhance their credentials and skills." CACC makes available its resources and connections to provide training and career guidance for veterans, and Dovetail Landing will promote CACC as the preferred provider of such programs.



Alana Centilli, president of Dovetail Landing, with Jeff Lynn, president of Central Alabama Community College

"This exemplifies CACC's commitment to serving our veterans," said college president Jeff Lynn. "By combining our educational and training expertise with Dovetail Landing's programs, we aim to empower our veterans with the skills, credentials, and opportunities they need to thrive in their post-military careers. At CACC, we believe in creating opportunities that have a lasting impact. This collaboration is not just about providing education and training. It's about creating sustainable career pathways for our veterans

and ensuring they have the support and resources they need to succeed in their endeavors."

More details will become available later, but news of the partnership is another example of individuals and organizations working together for the benefit of the lakeside community. We're happy to include it in this issue of Lakeside Living. Keep turning or scrolling and you can also read about what the Coosa Riverkeeper is doing to protect our local waters, some recent events hosted by Lakeside Park, some seasonal recipes for memorable November meals, and how a local couple has found paradise on the shores of Logan Martin.

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The month of November can be great for bass fishing on Logan Martin. Water temperatures are cooling, and the bass are feeding. Major feeding windows will present themselves as the days become shorter. There is no better time of the year than fall for fishing. Spotted bass, largemouth bass, and striped bass will actively feed in preparation for the winter. This is a great time to throw a jerkbait for hard reaction strikes.

Jerkbait is exactly what it's called: a bait that jerks and has erratic action. This is especially important in the mid-to-late fall because baitfish will act very erratic. This is also because the shad are under constant stress from gamefish attacking them. The jerkbait is perfect for the situation. Some of my favorite jerkbaits are the KVD 200 and Spro McStick. I opt for the smaller, 2-hook models in November. Pair these lures with a medium bait cast rod and bait cast reel. You can also use medium spinning reels for this setup. Line of choice will be 10-12-pound fluorocarbon, but monofilament will work as well.

When targeting these bass in November, I always start at the creek mouths. Small cuts and pockets off the main river will hold bass and baitfish as well. If you can find the baitfish, you will find the bass. Always keep an eye out for schooling fish. Busting action on top of the water is a dead giveaway. When using the jerkbait, I like to reel the bait down a couple of cranks and then start jerking the rod on slack line. This will make the jerkbait move erratically from side to side. This reaction will cause the bass to smash the lure. Hold on tight, the big spots will rip the rod out of your hand.

As always, I'm here for any help or advice you might need. Feel free to contact me at csk0010@auburn.edu.

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Third annual Lakeside Live brings the Logan Martin community together through music and fellowship



Written by **LACI BRASWELL**
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Despite a threat of severe weather, the third annual Lakeside Live music festival brought together a crowd of all ages to Pell City's Lakeside Park.

Event organizer Casey Cambron said he was extremely pleased with this year's turnout. "We almost didn't have enough parking this year. I'm very proud of how many people came out to support us, even if we had a chance of bad weather."

The all-day festival included hundreds of vendors, food, and, of course, a jam-packed lineup of live music.



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"We started at 10 a.m. and went until 6 p.m.," Cambron said.

This year's lineup included The Highway 77 Band, The Coosa Phat Katz, Erica Ryleigh, The WingNuts, The Leverton Brothers Band, Deputy 5, and The Ryan Waters Band.

Always a popular attraction, the festival also included a classic car show.

Cambron said more than 120 vehicles entered this year. Various awards were given, including for best car, best truck, and best motorcycle.

Perhaps the biggest crowd-pleaser is the festival's annual Battle of the Badges contest between Pell City's police and fire departments. The competition includes a tug-of-war and various obstacle courses.

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to know the community,” Cambron said. “I’m really proud of the relationship between the community and its law enforcement and first responders, but it’s always good to remember they are people just like us.”

Cambron noted he got the inspiration to start the festival growing up in Columbus, Georgia. “I knew I wanted to recreate something similar to their River Fest. It was something I always loved going to as a kid.”

Proceeds from the festival benefit The Five16 Foundation, which gives back to various Pell City and community organizations each year.

“We were able to raise \$10,000 this year,” Cambron



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said. “None of this would have been possible without our many sponsors, vendors and volunteers. Admission and parking has always been free, all thanks to them.”

Cambron said plans are already being made for next year’s festival. “We are hoping to have it the third Saturday in September each year. It’s been a good weekend for us.”

For more information about the festival, visit www.lakesideliveshow.com, and to learn more about The Five16 Foundation, visit www.five16.org.



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Logan Martin Lake comes down with a case of Saturday Night Fever

Black Jacket Symphony returns to the shoreline to celebrate the 1970s



Written by **LACI BRASWELL**

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Despite saying goodbye to summer, many locals had disco inferno coursing through their veins on a recent weekend, thanks to The Black Jacket Symphony and Pell City's Center for Education and Performing Arts.

I was among them.

It wasn't the first time I had seen The Black Jacket Symphony, and I don't intend on it being my last. It was, however, my first time attending Live at Logan Martin. This year – the fourth annual show – the symphony performed "Saturday Night Fever," the soundtrack to the 1977 film that popularized disco and propelled John Travolta to stardom.

Before attending the show, I

debated if I should watch the movie. I consider myself to be quite the pop culture aficionado, so I was somewhat ashamed to admit that I have never seen such a cinematic classic. I decided it would be more fun to let the music be a surprise and just enjoy the unknown.

The weather was absolutely perfect, and I was thankful the storms from Hurricane Idalia had

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subsided. Navigating to the designated venue at the park was a breeze, thanks to CEPA staff, who used golf carts to shuttle attendees to the concert area.

A Black Jacket Symphony show is more than a concert. It's an experience.

Jay Willoughby, one of the band's founders, describes its shows as "note-for-note representations of classic rock albums." To date, the Black Jacket Symphony has created live shows based around more than 40 classic albums, including "Hotel California" by The Eagles, "The Dark Side of the Moon" by Pink Floyd; "Purple Rain" by Prince; "A Night at the Opera" by Queen; and "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" by The Beatles.

The band selects the musicians specifically to fit each show. With



such an operation, it is able to rotate and travel with multiple shows at once, expanding its audience and musical catalog.

As the sun began to set over Logan Martin Lake, the evening was just heating up.

"I can't imagine a better way to spend the holiday weekend," I thought to myself.

My boyfriend and I found the perfect spot near the back of the crowd but still close to the water, where a fleet of boats had already docked.

After checking the Alabama score one last time, I was ready to time travel back to the 1970s.

The Black Jacket Symphony kicked the show off with vigor,



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giving an organic performance of “Stayin’ Alive” by The Bee Gees. I was immediately impressed with the vocalist being able to match the famous falsetto of the brothers Gibb.

The band transitioned right into another Bee Gees classic, “How Deep is Your Love,” which sounded fantastic.

As the night went on, I was surprised by how many disco hits I knew and loved. Perhaps what impressed me most at this Black Jacket show was how smooth the brass ensemble sounded. These additions might seem small, but they truly set the group apart from being just another cover band. Black Jacket musicians always pay attention to every detail in an album, and it shows.

Not to my surprise, several people throughout the evening stood up and danced, showing off their best disco moves. Black Jacket always has this effect on crowds.

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Although I enjoyed every song, my favorites from the “Saturday Night Fever” soundtrack were “If I Can’t Have You” by Yvonne Elliman; “Open Sesame” by Kool & The Gang, and “You Should Be Dancing” by The Bee Gees. The first set concluded with a showstopping performance of “Disco Inferno,” by The Trammps.

During a brief intermission, crowds flocked to the Let’s Go Tacos food truck.

I was tempted but still full from the dinner I had before the show, so I passed. Maybe next time.

Each Black Jacket Symphony show is unique, but one thing is always the same—the second half of the show is more of a party, a greatest hits-style setlist. Some of these instant mood boosters included “Celebration”



by Kool & The Gang; “I will Survive” by Gloria Gaynor, and “Le Freak” by Chic.

Leaving the show, I knew I would have several of those

songs in my head for weeks to come – and that I had to add “Saturday Night Fever” to my watch list.



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Local waterways have a staunch ally and advocate in the Coosa Riverkeeper

Written by **BUDDY ROBERTS**

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Justinn Overton and I exchanged waves upon my arrival at Lincoln's Landing, where she was at the helm of the Coosa Riverkeeper's boat tied to the dock.

"Does this vessel have a name?" I asked as a settled onboard.

"Its name is the Olive II, and there's a great story behind it, which I'll tell you later," she replied, having untied the craft and begun steering it in a half-circle away from the landing, headed north.

The executive director of the Coosa Riverkeeper – a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to protecting, restoring, and promoting the Coosa River and its tributaries – was on the water that morning to patrol a portion of the waterway and collect some water samples for testing.

"We serve as the voice of the Coosa River," Justinn said when I asked her to explain what the riverkeeper does. "We monitor the river and the more than 1,000 pollution permit holders in the Coosa Valley. We investigate pollution reports, respond to citizen complaints, conduct research, and educate the public. Our work is all about protecting public health and public waterways."

For someone who grew up enjoying the outdoors and especially the water, she's the ideal person to take the lead in advocating for waterways in central Alabama.

"Coming to Logan Martin Lake was a huge part of my childhood," she said. "I got involved with advocacy in high school and got my degree in environmental advocacy at the University of Alabama. Our state offers so many great

opportunities for exploring the outdoors, and I am very rooted in what it means to be an Alabamian. Our natural resources are important to us, and when we protect them, they protect us."

Justinn's organization is responsible for 220 miles of the Coosa River and its tributaries, from Gadsden to Wetumpka. "It's a large area, but what happens in Gadsden can affect Logan Martin, and so on down. Our waterways are all connected."

I asked her to identify the biggest challenge the Coosa Riverkeeper faces.

"Two things," she said, "and they're somewhat related. First is funding, meaning that we are a nonprofit organization and there are a lot of other worthy causes that people can give to. So over time, as we continue to build value with our services and our programs, we hope it won't remain nearly as much of a challenge as it still is.

"The second is the social and systemic thing







that keeps me up at night: the ways in which our state agencies are captured by industry. The idea, for example, that an average person with a construction site could get fined more than a multi-million-dollar corporation that's doing something that's arguably much more hazardous to public health is disturbing. We're going to have to change the system so that it's more fair for everyone who uses this river. And everyone should be held accountable. It shouldn't matter if the business has a lot of jobs that it offers. There shouldn't be a choice between the economy and the environment. Our political structure makes it seem like there has to be."

"You mean the idea that if, say, a person is concerned about the environment they don't care about the economy at all?" I ventured.

"Exactly, but listen – there is economic value with all the fishing tournaments this river hosts. It's a place for ecotourism. People come here to rent houses. People come here to buy houses. Nobody wants to do any of those things in waters that are polluted. It loses its value. So the question is, how can we as an organization continue to educate the public and build wealth while also holding the people that are

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build wealth while also holding the people that are violating the law accountable? That's a really big job."

"What are some of the challenges to water quality in the river?"

"A huge problem in growing places like Pell City is turbidity," she said. "A way to think about turbidity is what a creek looks like after rain. Have you ever noticed how after a rain event, a lot of our waterways and creeks are very, very muddy? That does a couple of things.

"First, E. coli likes to hitchhike on on dirt particles.

So if there's a high concentration of turbidity, that can be an indicator that there might be a high concentration of E. coli. The other thing is that the critters that live in our waterways, their habitat gets altered. So if a muscle, for instance, really likes a rocky bottom and there's a construction site upstream and that construction site has a lot of sediment entering the waterway, those muscles will likely have a problem with population.

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going to be costly for our water systems, and also it's illegal?"

I was curious about why turbidity is a problem in a place like Pell City.

"It's a growing city," Justinn explained. "There's just a lot of construction going on, and agencies are very limited in their inspection. But Pell City, compared to a lot of other places, has done a fantastic job of locally staying on top of their construction sites. I've actually have had a really great working relationship with city manager, and he wants to make sure that development is done responsibly, but not everybody has leaders in positions of power like that, that will hold people accountable."

"What keeps you going?" I asked.

She smiled. "I get a lot of energy from people who have the same enthusiasm for this voice that I do. I have met some of the most interesting and lovely people through that process. Some real characters Yeah, some real characters. River people are awesome."

As she steered the boat back to Lincoln's Landing, I reminded her that she still hadn't told the story behind the Olive II.

"Right," she said. "So our very first patrol boat was named the Olive. It was a really old shabby, flat-bottom boat, nothing special about it. It was we could afford – a board member leased it to us for like a dollar, and we named it the Olive because the creator of Popeye the Sailor Man was from Gadsden. And his idea originally was that the setting for Popeye was going to be inspired by the Coosa River. But he was told that he needed to make it more accessible, so he changed it to a salty sea instead of a river. Our boat was a green one, so we named it the Olive after Popeye's girlfriend, and then when we got the funding to upgrade our patrol boat, I decided let's get a green and name it the Olive II. It's an homage to Popeye the Sailor Man and an example of one of the ways the Coosa River system has inspired culture."

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Autumn Harvest Pizza

A riot of joyous fall flavors and colors come together in this easy autumn recipe that's perfect for any weeknight or weekend meal. Start by prepping your own pizza dough (it's easier than you think) and then pile it with cheese and the bounty of such seasonal veggies as squash, eggplant, and spinach. A topping of bacon gives it a boost of flavor, but you can easily edit that out if you want to keep it vegetarian (and if you want to make this recipe vegan, sub the cheese for your favorite non-dairy alternative or coconut oil).

Prep Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

Cook Time: 40 minutes

Yield: 1 large or 4 small pizzas

INGREDIENTS FOR PIZZA

- 1 ¼ tsp active dry yeast
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1 cup lukewarm water
- 1 ½ cups white flour
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 3 to 4 tbsp olive oil and 1 or 2 tbsp. more to roll the dough or as needed.
- 1 tsp salt







Cheddar and bacon buttermilk biscuits

FOR THE TOPPINGS

- 1 carrot, cut in rounds
- 1 cup cubed squash
- 1 eggplant cubed
- 1 red onion cut in wedges
- 1 red bell pepper in julienne
- 3 tbsp honey
- ½ tsp ground cumin
- 2 tbsp olive oil plus 1 tbsp more to finish
- salt and black pepper
- 6 oz. grated mozzarella, goat cheese or blue cheese
- 4 slices cooked bacon, chopped
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- zest of 1 lemon
- zest of 1 orange
- 1 tbsp. sesame seeds
- 4 tbsp roughly chopped almonds
- 1 bunch baby spinach leaves

DIRECTIONS

1. In a bowl, combine the dry yeast with sugar and water. Add the flour next, then pour 4 tbsp. of olive oil and combine using your hands, working it into a dough. Add more oil if the mix is too dry. The dough should be sticky and moist but also easily formed into a ball.

2. After about 4 minutes you should be able to form a ball. Place in a Ziplock bag and leave to rise someplace warm for about 1 hour.

3. For the pizza topping, combine the carrots, squash, eggplants, onion, and the red bell pepper with the honey, the cumin powder, and olive oil, then season with salt and black pepper to taste, tossing to fully coat. Transfer to a baking sheet and bake at 350 degrees until golden. Reserve warm.

4. Take the leavened dough and roll it out directly on a pizza pan with fingers moist with olive oil. This will yield 4 small pizzas or 1 large one. Brush with olive oil and bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes or until golden.

5. Remove from oven, top with cheese, fall harvest

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vegetables, the bacon, and finally more cheese. Bake for another 4 minutes until the cheese is melted, then finish with oregano, thyme, the lemon and orange zest, the sesame seeds and the roughly chopped almonds, the baby spinach leaves, and a drizzle of olive oil.

Cheddar and Bacon Buttermilk Biscuits

Serve these buttery biscuits with the main dish at lunch or dinner.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 25 minutes

Yield: about 1 dozen biscuits

INGREDIENTS

- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups cold flour
- 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoons baking powder
- 2 tablespoons white sugar
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoons baking soda
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup (1 stick) unsalted very cold butter cut in cubes
- 1 cup cold buttermilk
- 6 ounces grated cheddar cheese
- 6 ounces chopped bacon, sautéed
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chopped chives
- 1 tablespoon melted butter
- 1 teaspoon sea salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter at room temperature
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup maple syrup
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon cinnamon

DIRECTIONS

1. In a big bowl, combine the flour with the baking powder, the sugar, and baking soda.
2. With 2 forks or a pastry cutter, cut the cold butter into the flour mixture until it looks like breadcrumbs.
3. Add the cold buttermilk, the cheese, the bacon, and the chives and fold over until the dough separates from the walls of the bowl. Do not to overmix .
4. Put the dough onto a flat surface and roll the dough with a wooden rolling pin to get the dough about 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches thick.
5. Cut using 2 1/2 inch cookie cutter. Place them on a baking pan covered with unbuttered baking paper. Brush the biscuits with melted butter and sprinkle with sea salt.
6. Bake for 12-15 minutes or until golden brown.



7. Let cool for 4 to 6 minutes and serve

8. For the maple butter: place the butter in a bowl, add the maple syrup and the cinnamon, and whisk vigorously with a wire whisk until fluffy.

Turkey and Stuffing Brie Leftover Sandwich with Cranberry Jam

Everyone knows leftovers are the best part of a turkey dinner, and here's a great way to revamp Thanksgiving leftovers with a succulent turkey sandwich recipe that works for lunch or a snack.

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Yield: 4 Sandwiches

INGREDIENTS

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cups sugar
- 2 cups orange juice
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup dried cranberries
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup dried strawberries
- 4 ciabatta bread
- 4 tsp whole grain Dijon Mustard
- 1 lb. brie cheese sliced thinly
- 3 cups leftover turkey
- 6 to 8 tbsp Thanksgiving stuffing
- sea salt and pepper

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1. Put the sugar, the orange juice, the cranberries, and the strawberries in a small cooking pot. Bring to a boil, then lower heat and continue cooking until the dried fruit is tender and thickens into a jam. Mix and reserve to cool. Skip this step if you choose to use leftover cranberry sauce instead.

2. Cut the bread lengthwise and spread Dijon on one side. Layer slices of turkey, a tablespoon of the cranberry-strawberry jam, slices of brie, a tablespoon or two of stuffing and close. Warm in a toaster oven so the brie melts.

Best Caramel Apple Upside Down Cake

If you're looking for the perfect fall dessert, look no further than the Best Caramel Apple Upside Down Cake. Sweet, sugary caramel pairs with the tart crispness of apples in this wonderful treat.

Prep Time: 30 minutes

Cook Time: 1 hour

Yield: 8 servings

FOR THE CARAMEL BASE

- 1 and ½ cups of white sugar
- 2 tbsp unsalted butter
- 10-inch mold

FOR THE CAKE

- 2 apples, cored and peeled
- 1 cup soft cream cheese
- ½ cup milk
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp cinnamon powder
- ¾ cup walnuts or pecan nuts for garnish

FOR THE SAUCE

- 1 cup heavy cream or whipping cream
- ¼ cup maple syrup
- 2 tbsp butter
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 cup apple cider
- ¼ tsp salt
- ½ tsp cinnamon
- ¼ tsp allspice

DIRECTIONS FOR THE CARAMEL BASE

1. Put the sugar in a medium or small pan on medium high heat. Cook until the sugar dissolves and becomes golden, stirring once or twice with a wooden spoon. Do not let it get too brown, otherwise it becomes bitter.

2. When it has a nice golden color, pour it in the cake mold and swirl to cover the bottom.

3. Put the butter on top of the caramel and let it melt all over.

DIRECTIONS FOR THE CAKE

1. Set oven to 350 degrees.
2. Cut the apples in fine wedges and arrange over the caramel in the cake mold.
3. Whisk the cream cheese, milk, eggs, the vanilla extract, and the sugar, then sift in the flour, the baking powder, the baking soda, and the cinnamon, mixing to combine.
4. Pour the batter over the mold and bake for about 25-30 minutes or until a wooden toothpick comes out clean.
5. Let cool down and unmold.

DIRECTIONS FOR THE SAUCE

1. Combine ingredients in a saucepan and cook over high heat until the sugar dissolves, reduce the heat to medium, and cook 10 minutes until it reduces and gets syrupy. Let cool and pour over the previously cooled cake and decorate with the nuts.





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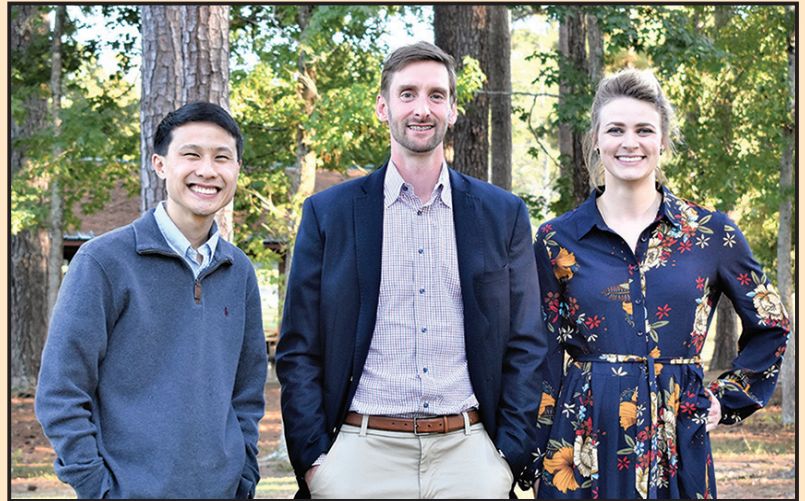
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Hidden treasures among the southern longleaf pines



Written by

SARAH E. MOREMAN

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Stuffing hands into the pockets of my hoodie in an attempt to get warmer against the briskness of the breeze, I leave the dirt road to go deeper into the forest, to explore the undeveloped waterfront lot. The brilliance of the early afternoon sun pierces through the canopy of long,

slender needles of the southern longleaf pine. As I relish the pine smells that pervade the air, I cannot help but admire the soaring heights of these trees, which can grow up to 100 feet.

The *Pinus palustris* Miller species, protected due to almost having reached extinction from being heavily timbered in the late 1800s and early 1900s, cloths the entire state of Alabama, symbolizing the state's beauty and history.

Thus, the southern longleaf pine is appropriately designated as the official state tree.

Rustling sounds pull my attention up in time to see a bald eagle in flight, its magnificent talons hooking as anticipating prey. The sun's brilliance enhances the sheer whiteness of the eagle's head. I stop walking to watch the graceful sweeps of the eagle's wings, along with seeing the sheer whiteness of its head enhanced by the sun's



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brilliance as sharp contrast against the dark green canopy of pine needles and cones. When I no longer can see the bald eagle as it continues flying away further away, I resume walking.

Spotting a fallen ten-inch cone, I reach down to pick it up. Recalling my younger days as a Girl Scout when we would collect the large, woody cones to use as decorations by painting them in colors of Thanksgiving or Christmas, I smile at the perfection of the cone in my hand. Maybe I will paint this one to bring back nostalgia.

Having reached the other end of the lot to get a better view of the lake, I lean against the brownish red bark of a pine tree. On another tree a few yards away, a pair of squirrels chase each other across the lower hanging branches. Pausing in their chattering for a moment, their perceptive dark eyes meet mine to determine if I would not chase after them. Then one of them scrambles away, and the other follows it.

Gingerly placing my pine cone on the ground, I settle on the ground by crossing my legs and

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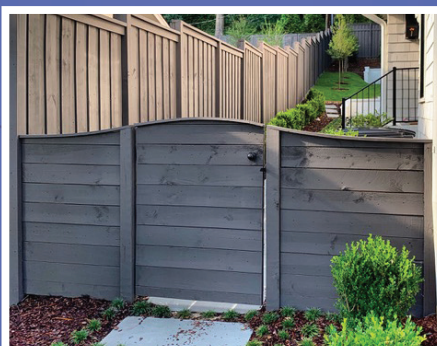


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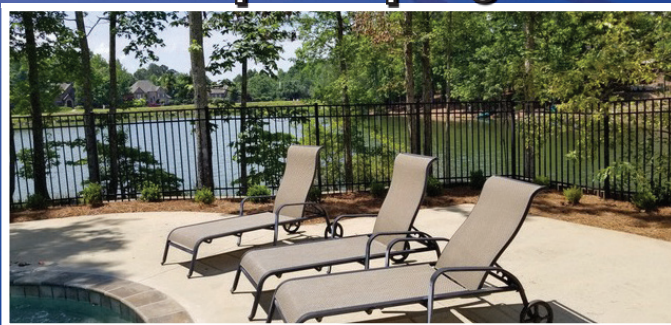
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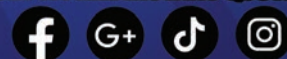


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leaning back against the tree trunk again. Letting out a yawn, I let myself relax and let the surroundings fill up my awareness. Across the lake, I can easily make out a large thorny nest nestling deep within the coniferous evergreen canopy. Recognizing the white and speckled brown plumage, I watch as the family of ospreys circle the sky before swooping into the brambly nest, squawking. Their loud vocalizations reverberate across the stillness of the cold water, helping me be more present in the moment.

Drawing my eyes away from

the ospreys, I sit up straighter against the tree trunk to release more tension in my shoulders. Breathing in the scent of pine, I feel comforted as I let my thoughts wander to the project I was working on earlier. I was trying to capture the essence of resilience and strength in my writing, and I could not find the right words. It is not until I decided to take a walk, subsequently exploring this untouched part of the forest before I start feeling rejuvenated in my focus.

After a few more moments of appreciating my surroundings, I stand up and brush off the

needles from the seat of my jeans. My movements seem to startle a pair of blue herons as they slap their wings, emerging from the trees to my left. Fumbling to pull out my phone, I managed to take a few pictures before they are gone. I cannot wait to get back to the house to show my friend, who has been wanting some pictures of the blue herons to use as inspiration for painting.

A walk in the woods never fails me when I need inspiration. And the strength and resilience of the southern longleaf pines never fail to instill awe within me.

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A floral paradise on the shores of Logan Martin

Varieties of flora
abound in the Settles’
lakeside landscaping

Written by **FAITH DORN**
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For Dr. Harold Settle and his wife Virna, their home on the Logan Martin shoreline is a refuge cloaked in nature. The home is surrounded by an astonishing collection of flora planted by the Settles.

“These banana plants were given to us by the neighbor,” the doctor said, pointing out an example. “I was doing stress tests at the office one day, and I looked at a patient’s address and recognized our street. I told her that Virna always threatens to come over and take some leaves. The neighbor came over the next year with nine banana roots to plant.

“Virna answered the door, and the neighbor asked her if her mother was home—she thought Virna was my daughter,” he added with a laugh.

The Settles have an herb garden just outside their back door featuring thyme, basil, parsley, rosemary and lavender. The front corner of the home has two Savannah Holly trees.

The list of plants on the property is expansive, but there are Japanese maple trees, camellias, Japanese cherry trees, ferns, a Dutch iris, a Meyer lemon tree, peppers, clematis, daffodils, hostas,







a plum tree, a live oak similar to the ones on Toomer's Corner in Auburn, a Harry Lauder's walking stick plant, a persimmon tree, blueberries, and what this writer would consider enough roses to enter the parade in Pasadena, California.

"The landscaping never stops," Harold said. "There is always something that needs to be done. I had both hips replaced last year, and it has taken me seven to eight months to recover."

With all the upkeep necessary for the yard, the Settles do not sleep late. "Generally, we do all of our work in the morning, and in the afternoons, we don't work. If it is a hot day, we will get in the swimming pool," he said.

"Virna wanted a swimming pool. I did not. She kept after me and would say, 'I don't want to get in the lake; I can't see the



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bottom.' Finally, after four years, I looked into it and saw that it could work, so we used Hollywood Pools in Vestavia Hills. I don't know why she didn't talk me into it sooner."

According to the doctor, "to properly tour the yard and see everything, it takes about one hour and two glasses of wine."

The wine cellar in their basement stands at the ready for any lengthy lawn tours or for a casual afternoon at home.

"We have some wine every afternoon to relax. We try to drink decent wines, but we do not drink very expensive wines," said Dr. Settle, who stopped practicing cardiology in December 2017, "but I have started working again doing 20 hours a week for Social Security. I am usually here working in the yard."

The grotto in their backyard was formerly a dog pen.

"The stained glass windows in the grotto are from the Veranda on Highland restaurant in Birmingham. I got them from Southern Architecture in Cullman. They have quotes from Hemingway and Shakespeare," Harold said.

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The Settles enjoy opera, and when they attended a performance at the Cincinnati Opera Hall, they saw the square window which now also resides in the grotto. It came from an old house in Hyde Park in Cincinnati, which is the area Dr. Settle lived in while training.

The Settles are not the only ones who enjoy the yard. The wildlife also likes visiting the lush property. "I was sitting on the patio, and I was on the phone with my mother in Manila. She said, 'What is that noise?' I listened and said, 'Mom, that sound is the birds!'" said Virna.

Harold built the house 30 years ago with his late wife Jean. "We moved in in June of 1994, and we bought the lot next door in 1999 and started landscaping it. I like to landscape and grow things. It is a passion."

The first time he drove out to the lot, there was just a gravel road. He decided he did not want to be on the main channel because of the traffic.

Having grown up in Virginia and gone to the University of Virginia for medical school, Dr. Settle loves Georgian architecture. The house plan is based on a design from Southern Living.

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"This house had been built in Raleigh, North Carolina, and we wanted to go see it, but they told us there was one in Greenville, South Carolina, that was decorated that we should go see," he said. "I made some small changes, but basically, we agreed on the plans."

The home is 3,200 square feet, with four bedrooms and three full bathrooms. The master bathroom has a shower, jacuzzi, and closet. The Settles have redone all of the bathrooms in Italian-style stone.

The first major items Dr. Settle bought for the house were the chandelier and medallion in the formal dining room.

"We love to entertain and have people over," he said. "A few weekends ago, we had the River Oaks Homeowners Association over here. There is nothing like living up here on the lake."

Virna feels the same. "The people are so

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nice. All of the people are great," she said.

When Virna is not working with her husband on their landscaping, she enjoys cooking, art, tennis, and pickleball. She is a local pickleball champion and is participating in the state tournament in October.

"I came to the United States in the late 1980s, and I came to Birmingham in 1993. I was in the hotel industry, but I worked in the restaurant business for many years," said Virna. When she married Harold, Virna stopped working outside the home and had time to explore new interests, such as creating art. "I started doing paintings first. Then I started doing pottery."

"She is very talented at pottery," the doctor said. "She makes bowls and spoon rests and has also made chopsticks. She's always looking for new ideas."

Dr. Settle enjoys collecting art, and his

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collection is spread throughout the house. It includes works by Wayne Spradley, Art Bacon, Carl Salter, and Basil Eads, as well as Remington sculptures and Virna Settle originals.

"We commissioned Richard Tubb from Pepper Place to come in and do a lot of the decoration," he said. "A lot of the furnishings are from his studio. He is responsible for a lot of the interior decorating. You want something that will go with Georgian architecture. We bought the Catholic prayer bench outside Baton Rouge. It is supposed to be from a Spanish church."

Although the Settles feel they have a lakeside paradise, they also enjoy traveling and seeing different cultures. "We have been to France, Spain, Italy, Greece, Jamaica, and throughout the Caribbean," Harold said.

From his perspective, the home has evolved considerably over the last 30 years, including the additions of Virna's grotto and the pizza oven. "But the best addition has been Virna."

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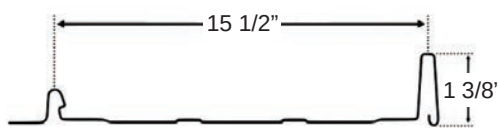


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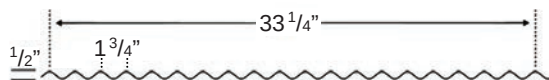


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November calendar of events

November 4

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Pell City's Gateway Community Garden hosts this event at 3705 Mays Bend Road from 5-7 p.m. The party will feature tours of the garden, food, music, door prizes, and a prize drawing. The garden is a nonprofit dedicated to fighting hunger in the local community.

November 4

TOSS'N FOR TROOPS

This double-elimination cornhole tournament benefiting Dovetail Landing's efforts to assist and support local veterans begins at 11 a.m. at Lincoln High School (78989 Highway 77). Door prizes will be given away, food trucks will be available, and football games will be broadcast on big screen television sets. For more details, visit the event's Facebook page.

November 7

PRISONER WINE DINNER

Harvey's on Noble (254 North Anniston, Sylacauga) hosts an evening of culinary delights and fine wines, beginning with a reception at 6 p.m. A four-course meal curated by owner Denise Chandler and paired with wines from the Prisoner Wine Company. Tickets are \$130 per person, including taxes and services. For more information, call 256-245-5173.

November 10-12

ARTS & CRAFTS FALL FESTIVAL

Homestead Hollow (1161 Murphrees Valley Road, Springville) hosts this event featuring fine arts, hand-made crafts, pioneer demonstrations of life in the old days, wood carving, blacksmithing, quilting, and live entertainment. For full details, visit www.homesteadhollow.com.

November 11

VETERANS DAY INDUCTION CEREMONY AND BARBECUE

Hall of Heroes Museum (112 Court Square E, Talladega) hosts this annual event at 11 a.m. Classic cars, motorcycles, music, hot dogs, boiled peanuts, and Blue Bell ice cream will be available for attendees to enjoy as they honor local military veterans.

November 11-12

OUTBOARD DRAG BOAT ASSOCIATION EVENT

Lincoln's Landing (740 Travis Drive, Lincoln) hosts this all-day weekend event. For more information, call 256-276-4925.

November 16

AFTER THE DOWNBEAT

Talladega's Historic Ritz Theatre hosts vocalist David Phelps at 7 p.m. Credited among today's most spectacular vocalists, Phelps has been a member of the popular Gaither Vocal Band, receiving numerous Dove Awards and two Grammy Awards. Tickets are \$30 each or \$25 each for groups of 10. To order tickets, visit www.ritzatalladega.com.

November 18

15TH ANNUAL ART EXTRAVAGANZA

Benefiting preservation and restoration projects at Aljerald Powers Memorial Lodge/Plank Road Station in Winterboro, this beloved event turns to Plank Road Station from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. It's a full day of arts, crafts, live entertainment, homemade goods, and more. Pop the Top Concessions, Cheaha Nursery, Kellie's Jellies, and Bee Nice Honey are among the local vendors returning this year. For vendor applications and more information, visit www.plankroadstation.com or call 256-362-9375.

November 18

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Childersburg Parks & Recreation Department hosts this holiday event from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Childersburg Recreation Center. For more details and vendor information, call 205-410-9195.

December 1

"1984"

Pell City's Center for Education and Performing Arts hosts The Black Jacket Symphony at 7 p.m. for a live performance of Van Halen's "1984" album and a full set of Van Halen's greatest hits. For ticket information, visit www.pellcitycepa.com.



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Meet Me by the

Justinn Overton



Written and photographed
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"The water feels good today," Justinn Overton said as she settled onto a large rock in the middle of Yellowleaf Creek, a tributary of the Coosa River that is home to the coldwater darter, Etowah heelsplitter mussel, and cylindrical lioplax snail.

The presence of such aquatic creatures in local waters may not mean much to many outdoors enthusiasts, but, as staff riverkeeper and executive director of Coosa Riverkeepers, it means a lot to her.

She is passionate about the biodiversity in the Coosa, Logan Martin Lake, and all of Alabama's waterways. Protecting such environmental habitats and keeping the water safe for those who live by it and enjoy using it is the focus of her work, which sometimes involves

It's important work, but it can be emotionally taxing, which she explained during a late morning excursion to the scenic and tranquil creek.

How important are Alabama's natural resources?

"Being able to connect people to their environment is important. It's good for your mental health to be outside. It's good for your physical health to be outside. We live in a state where there's a lot of there's a lot of arguments that if you care about the environment, then you don't care about the economy, but I think that's a really antiquated way to look at it, because you need healthy people for a healthy economy. In order to have healthy economy, you need healthy workers. You need healthy people healthy air and water and soil."

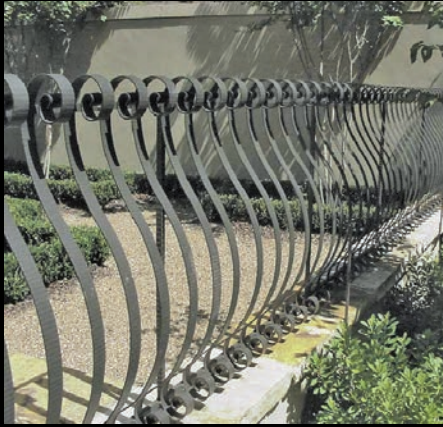
How she feels when she's on or by the water: "Honestly, I'm normally really giggly. I become very childlike and playful. I think that's because I feel very safe. I'm comfortable on, in, and by the water. I grew up visiting Logan Martin Lake, and the excitement and anticipation I felt then – 'Okay, we're almost there. Okay, when can we get in? Okay, when can we get on the boat?' – I still feel all these years later. I can't I can't help but smile because part of my job is going to some of the most beautiful places in this river system, but then I also have to see some of the most horrific places in the server system in terms of pollution

and in terms of just poor regulation. Even on the days when I have to look at the ugly stuff, it makes me appreciate the places that that are still being protected."

An early advocate: "I was very active in high school, and I started a group that did cleanups and things around our school. I've always been very service-oriented, and I don't shy away from the difficult things or the hard work. My name, the Latin meaning is 'standing for justice or righteousness.' I don't know if that got into my subconscious, but I feel like I was supposed to live up to the meaning of my name. I feel very privileged that I get to speak for this river and for the people that use it."

Does that responsibility get overwhelming sometimes? "It does take an emotional toll on me. So many people reach





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out to us because they need help from their local government, or county or state. They've tried those avenues, and they haven't heard back. So when they reach out to us, we have an immediate sense of urgency because I feel like it's really important to treat everybody's issues like it's happening in my own backyard. It's a personal issue for them. This is their property value. This is their ability for their grandkids to come over and swim safely. I take a lot of that really hard to my heart, and there's also days where it's like this system, whatever that may be, it's so disjointed and broken that it can be just overwhelming in itself. Like how can we be effective and results-oriented and data-driven within the confines of the budget that we have? Like I need way more staff to do the work to the to the maximum extent of what needs to be done. So, yeah, I've burned out and I've burned up.

We're protecting a public resource, so the intensity is a real thing. I have been an intense person my whole life, so I guess I don't know anything different, but I have I have the best team. I really do.

The Coosa Riverkeeper team:

"Each one of them brings so much to the work, and they bring such unique perspectives because of their own circumstances and how they interact with water. I love being able to learn from them. So much of the work we are doing involves trying out ideas, and that is not always easy. I really appreciate how brave they all are, because I've asked them to create programs and structures and do things a lot of them had never done before. So I love them. They're the best."

Her ideal day on the river: "My favorite section to be on is the Coosa below Jordan Dam. There's a seven-mile stretch there where the river free-flowingly runs. It's the only part of the river system that runs like that anymore because of all of our reservoirs. I love being down there because it's where our geographic region makes the transition to the coastal plain, so all the trees are dripping with Spanish moss. There's cypress knees along the riverbank, the river moves and flows,

and it feels almost like primordial there. I'd be in a canoe and would probably camp on an island down there that night. We just did that recently, and it was so much fun. There would be coolers with lots of fruit and beer and water and snacks. I'd probably want my staff there, because every time we're on that stretch of water there's all these shenanigans going on.

The last book she read: *Keeping the Chattahoochee*, by Sally Sierer Bethea. "She is one of my heroes. She started Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, which is one of the largest riverkeeper programs. I admire her so much. I'm the only female waterkeeper in the state, so I have a lot of admiration for how she changed people's lives for the better through her work."

Three things she can't live without: "Earl Grey. Tea is such a pleasurable experience. I have to have some amount of snacks on me, because being on the water, I'm not always in a place where I can eat a lot, but I need to graze so that I don't get

hangry. And I cannot live without my AirPods because I take a lot of calls on the boat or on the road or putting a trailer on or while I'm backing the boat down. They are an extension of me, especially with this job.

The food she could eat every day:

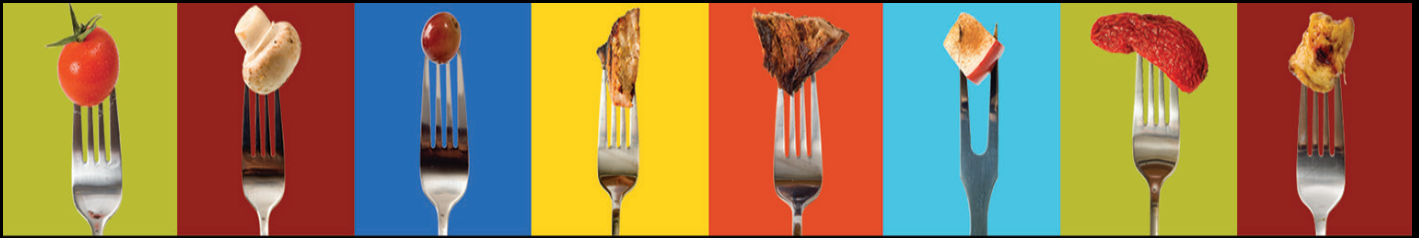
"Easy – I love Mexican food. Huevos rancheros is one of my favorites because I love breakfast, and it's Mexican so it allows me to enjoy both at once."

The food she hopes to never eat again: "English peas. I hate them. There's no place for them in this world. I don't care if the queen of England walked in right now, I wouldn't even eat them to be polite."

If, while patrolling the Coosa, she saw a penguin waving from the bank:

"I would think he's probably there because he got lost and he probably is looking for directions to how to get south. But I'm gonna have to tell him that he can't he can't go through the dams."





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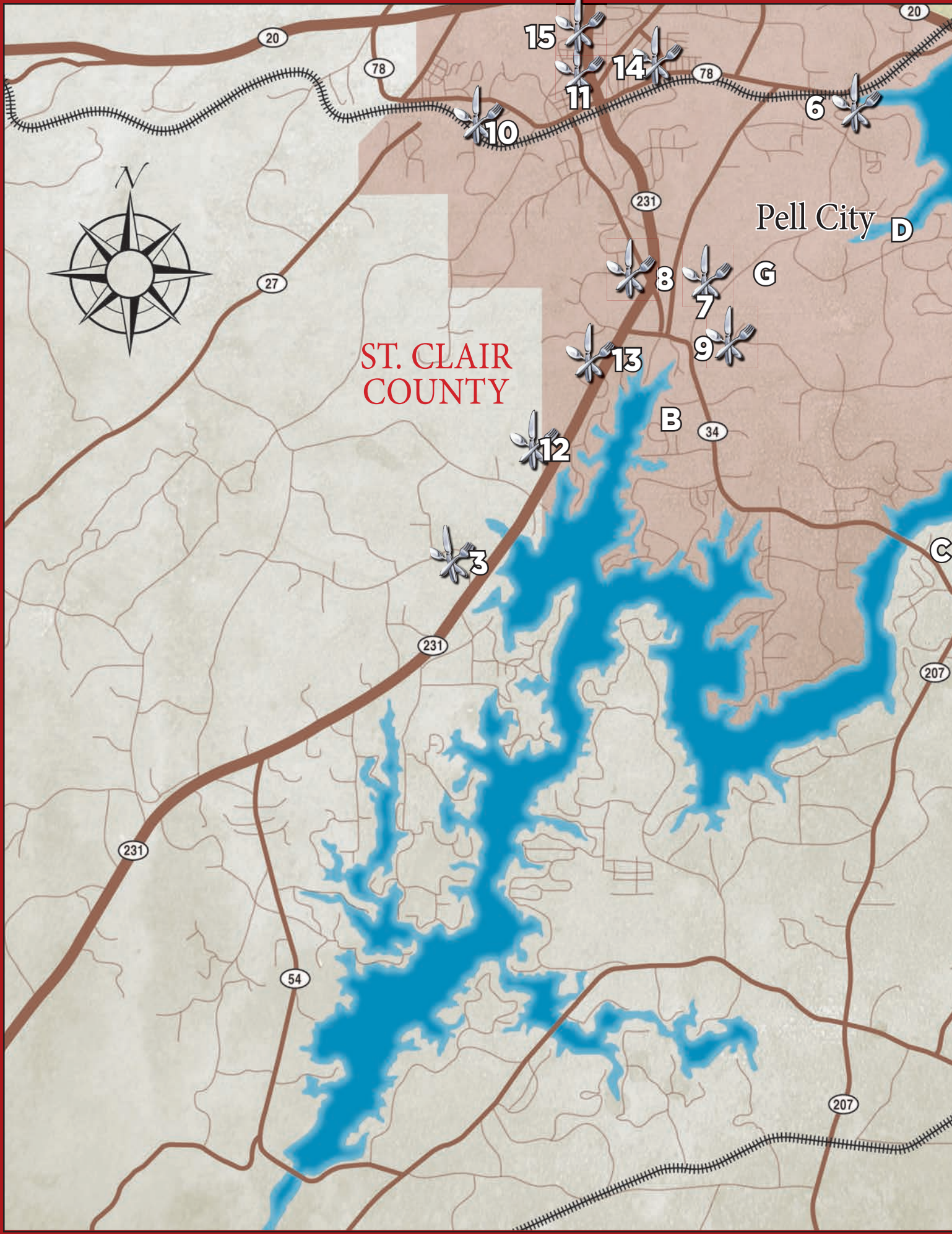
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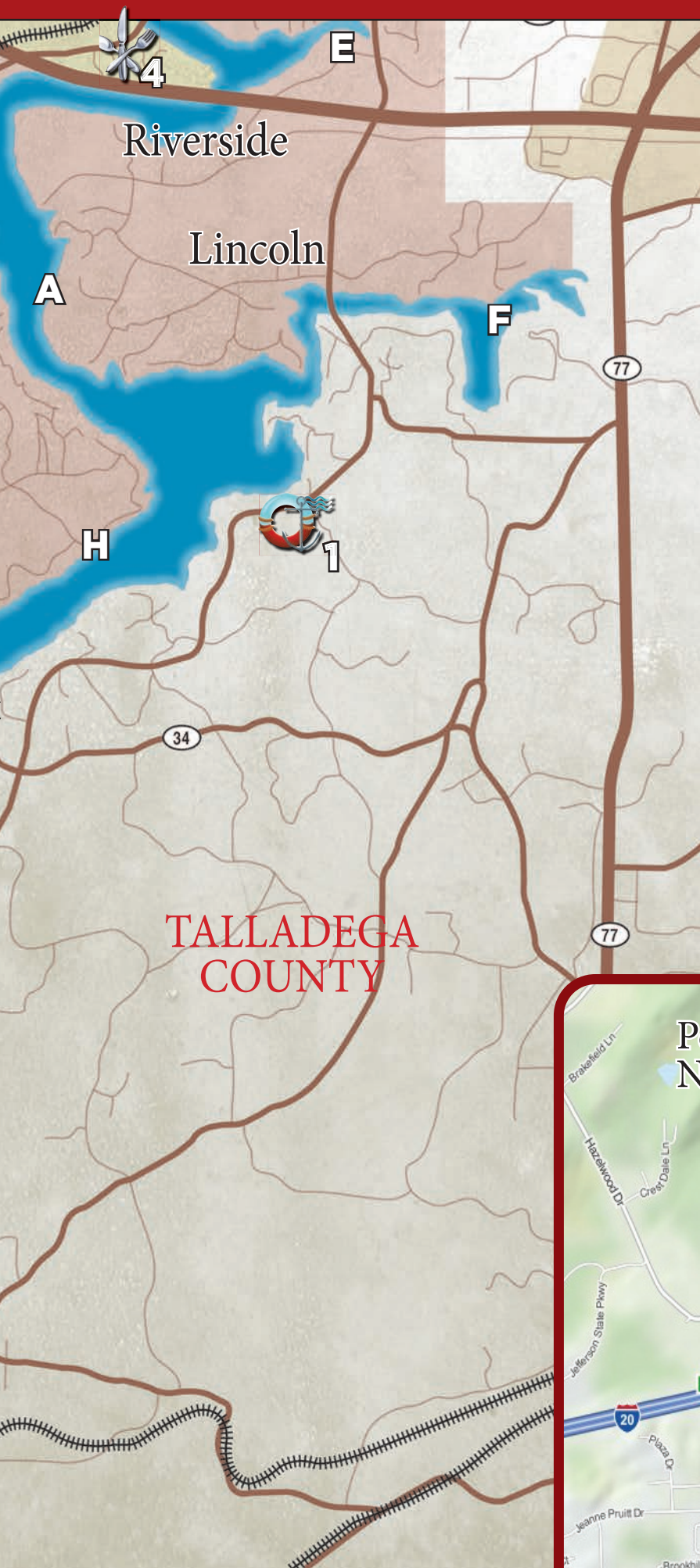
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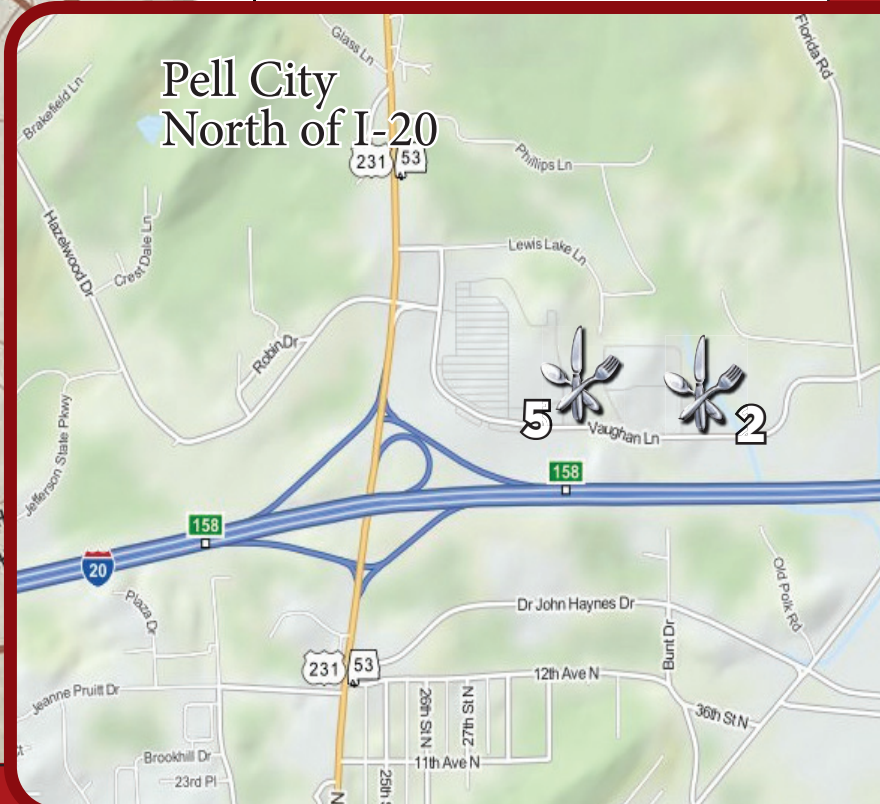
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Written by **VALLEAN JACKSON**

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The modern style single-family home has two-plus stories, sits on two acres, and was constructed in 1987. It has five bedrooms, four full bathrooms, and a half bath within its 4,984 square-foot interior.

The interior of the home has tiled and wood flooring throughout. The living room area is spa-

cious and has recessed lighting, built-in wooden bookshelves with cabinets, a brick gas fireplace, a ceiling fan at its center, and French doors that welcome natural light and lead to an enclosed sunroom overlooking the backyard and lake. The sunroom also has its own built-in fireplace.

The main kitchen has a lot of charm and is spacious enough for large family dinners. It features built-in cabinets, tiled backsplash, granite countertops, a wooden island that has storage compartments at its center, modern light fixtures, and stainless steel and black appliances. A second kitchen also comes equipped with

plenty of cabinets, a refrigerator, and stove.

The home has a fully finished basement and a large garage with a bonus room and bar that can be great for accommodating guests, an in-law suite, or even a small rental space.

Exterior features include an outdoor kitchen, hot tub, inground pool, fire pit, a workshop, boat storage, a double-decked dock, private boat house, fenced yard, deck, and a four-car garage.

The property lists at \$1,100,000. For more information, call Nicole Anderson with Lake Homes Realty at 205-753-0225.



Shop around to find the right lender for you, lakeside area agent advises

Written by VALLEAN JACKSON

Submitted photo

Vann Caldwell is a real estate agent who is living his dream and fulfilling what he feels is his mission in life.

"I have wanted to do real estate for many years now and I finally felt the passion to go ahead and start," he said. "I felt like I just couldn't put it off any more. During this past summer, I ran for mayor of Talladega because I have always had a passion to serve the people. I would say that the same requirements for mayor can be similar for real estate, and that's putting people first and making a difference in their lives. You have to be a man for the people. Though I didn't win, I am still able to improve the community and show up for them through real estate."

The Porter Realty agent has enjoyed his first year in real estate and believes that real estate is a building process. His involvement within the community and desire to make a difference has given him quite the start. He mentioned that he has always had a desire to connect with people and his commitment to community service intertwines with his love for real estate in the ability to be able to help people, connect with them, and help them reach their goals and dreams.

Caldwell added that he believes

his dedication, ability to understand clients, and relationships with lenders combine to make him stand out as an agent.

"I have the dedication to make sure clients are happy and I am willing to go above and beyond for them to make sure they get the home they desire. I don't want to and I will not just force a house on a client. I listen to them and be sure to understand what they are searching for and envision in the place they will come home. Lending and financing is the banking industry, but I am able to work with lenders and know what direction to guide clients in to get the highest of approvals with the lowest of interest rates."

Caldwell advises buyers to consider the structure of a home as well as pay attention to what possible problems could develop over time when it comes to repairs and expenses.

"Be diligent in searching out the correct property for you and your family," he said. "It takes due diligence to find the right home that's suitable. It should not be a rushed process. Lastly, look at the home from the perspective of the future. To buy a home is one of the largest investments of a person's life, and the infrastructure of that home is something not a lot of people think about

but should. Check to see if it is good, have full inspections done even if it is a new house, and consider property maintenance. There is more to just buying a home than just loving how it looks on the outside."

He also encourages shopping around for lenders. "You do not have to go with the first lender you encounter. Shop around and find someone who is in line with your plans and wants while getting you the best and lowest of rates. Too often there are home buyers stuck paying twice what they should because of higher interest rates. Do not get overcharged with interest rates. It is always important to get the best lender, especially if you are a first time home buyer. Also, be sure to get the house fully inspected as well as get a home warranty, even if it is a new house, because things break and natural disasters happen. Your goal is to make great investments but also protect them."

Caldwell is a Talladega native. He primarily works in Talladega and Calhoun counties but is licensed to cover the entire state. He is married and has two daughters. When he is not selling homes, he is a man of nature who loves being on the lake and going to the mountains.

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1120 Shannon Lynn Shrs, Lincoln
MLS# 21367431
\$945,000



109 Windsor Dr, Cropwell
MLS# 21366892
\$579,900



787 Blue Springs Rd., Lincoln
MLS# TBD
\$1,600,000



407 Wolf Creek Rd S., Pell City
MLS# 1343285
\$279,900



255 Crooked Creek Ln, Odenville
MLS# 1362117
\$269,900



545 Tenbury Ln, Cropwell
MLS# 21365282
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275 Old Ashville Rd, Ragland
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210 Stemley Bridge Rd., Talladega
MLS# 1339257
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3 BR, 2 BA MLS #1336212
\$159,900

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207 Margaret St.
Talladega, AL 35160
3 BR, 2 BA MLS# 1350368
\$185,000



355 Hill Ln. #1
Lincoln, AL 35096
20 Acres MLS# 1340645
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Lots 95 and 96 MLS# 1345537
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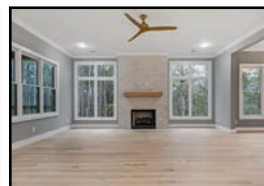


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Lincoln, AL 35096
11.5 Acres MLS #1336212
\$850,000



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Talladega, AL 35160
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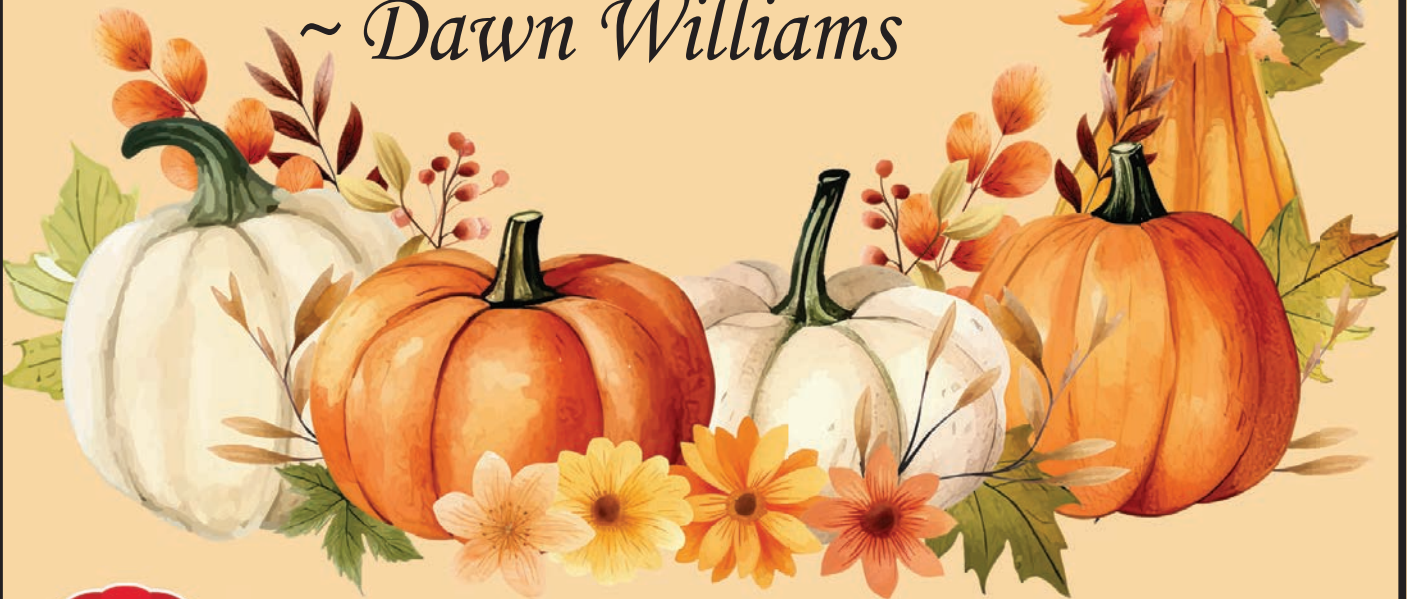
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359 Sunrise Cir.
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NEW LISTING



5012 Collins Dr.
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MLS #1361409
\$599,900

NEW LISTING



5018 Collins Dr.
Pell City, AL 35128
MLS #1361422
\$599,900

NEW LISTING



87 Brewster Rd.
Riverside AL 35135
MLS #21365701
\$189,000

REDUCED!



200 Nottingham Dr.
Pell City, AL 35128
MLS #1351788
\$619,900

UNDER CONTRACT



509 Woodbridge Ter.
Chelsea, AL 35043
MLS #1362656
\$459,900

NEW LISTING



89 Highland View Dr.
Lincoln, AL 35096
MLS #21367101
\$195,000

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1401 Dogwood Dr.
Oxford, AL 36203
MLS #1356995
\$165,000

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14 11th St.
Pell City, AL 35125
MLS #21365375
\$179,000

NEW LISTING



122 Tucker Dr.
Cropwell, AL 35054
MLS #21367909
\$689,000

SOLD



3419 Old Coal City Rd.
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5021 Collins Drive, Pell City
MLS #1329406 \$949,000

Fabulous waterfront home with awesome view on Logan Martin Lake. Huge living rooms open to kitchen and dining area. Big windows to enjoy the lake especially the master bedroom and bathroom. Cute kitchen with ideal place to entertain family. Basement partially finished with extra bathroom and separate shower with new tile. Bedroom in basement along with office area and workshop. Extra unfinished area for storage. Great back deck with plenty of space to entertain. Two separate garages for storage. Circle driveway with beautiful trees for privacy. Breathtaking view to enjoy lake living everyday. Call for appointment.


213 Brookshire Rd., Cropwell, AL 35054
MLS #1359744 \$299,000

Beautiful 3 bedroom 2 bath one level home in Brookshire with community boat launch. This is a great floor plan with one level living. Spacious living room with has formal dining room. The kitchen has beautiful cabinets with breakfast area. The back porch is closed in which makes a great space for entertaining which opens to deck and fenced in back yard. The Master bedroom and master bath are very spacious with high ceilings. Big garden tub and separate shower in master bathroom. The living room has high ceilings with beautiful fireplace to have plenty of room for family. The extra bedrooms share a bathroom with plenty of space. The yard is great for family with plenty of room to enjoy play area. The home is being sold as-is. The air conditioner does not work. The garage door is broken. This home needs a little TLC. So close to town and close to Publix. Must have appointment to show.


ACREAGE
210 Pond Rd., Cropwell, AL 35054
MLS #1355139
\$399,000
Possible Commercial w/Water Frontage

**475 Riverbend Lane
Lincoln, AL 35096**
MLS #1348052
\$249,900

Great investment opportunity with water frontage on Logan Martin Lake. Close to interstate. Ideal for campground or all kinds of investments subject to verification on zoning. Beautiful land with so much potential. Fabulous area to build your dream of property with great waterfront. Just needs some TLC to make this investment grow.

Commercial

1714 Cogswell Ave.
Pell City, AL 35125
MLS #1358327
\$160,000

Located downtown Pell City 1714 Cogswell Ave. This property is 2400 sq ft main level and stair and outside access to unfinished basement. Main level area provides large open area for client interactions, office, restroom and lots of storage. One central HVAC and the basement space has a humidity control system by B-Dry. The business is not for sale. Tenant has occupied this space for several years. Appointments must be scheduled in advance to see this property. Any regulations and zoning to be verified for business with local city and state. Please call for showing. Price 1714 Cogswell Ave (Individually \$150,000) Note: 1710, 1712 and 1714 are offered for sale jointly or individually.

Potential Commercial

**1800 Martin St S,
Pell City, AL 35128**
MLS #1333698
\$267,777
Proposed Commercial

**363 164 Lewis Lake Lane
Pell City, AL 35125**
MLS #1361480
\$1,600,000

Proposed commercial property close to interstate, Walmart, home depot and ideal for new business. So many opportunities with St. Clair County growing with huge development all around. Approximately 8 acreage with older home and beautiful woods and creek. The older home is on property but value is in the land. Right down the road is several commercial properties which is developing quickly. Call for appointment to see this fabulous land.


**5400 Ranch Marina Rd.
Pell City, AL 35128**
MLS #1347949
\$499,999

367 Lewis Lake Ln., Pell City, AL 35125
MLS #21363926 \$1,600,000

Great acreage so close to Walmart and Home Depot, plus interstate. Ideal for all sorts of business opportunities! Fabulous property so close to so many new business plus hospital, stores, hotels and new subdivision. So many possibilities for a new potential commercial property. Several new business right down the same street which would be ideal for your new commercial property or access to so much so close. Must have appointment to see property. Strictly land only.


**380 Seddon Road
Riverside, AL 35135**
MLS #1356742
\$125,000
APPROX. 1 ACRE

**39 Haven Circle,
Land/Lots, Riverside,
AL 35135**
MLS #1305821
\$47,777

Beautiful waterfront lots in Riverside Estates. Ideal for building a home. No mobile homes per covenants. Riverside Estates covenants and restriction apply. Also, City of Riverside regulations and zoning. Gated community boat launch just for residents of Riverside Estates. Absolutely awesome sunsets to enjoy each day. Old surveys on record. Subject to verification on a new survey and zoning verification by selling agent. Great opportunity to live on Logan Martin Lake. Bring all offers!!!!


**200 Tomahawk Trail,
Riverside, AL 35131**
MLS #21365779 \$14,300

Beautiful lot with water access in Broken Arrow neighborhood. Perfect lot to build a home or have manufactured home subject to any restrictions and covenants in city and state. Also, has community boat launch which is great for lake life. This lot has several pretty trees and is so close to interstate but very private. The lot is being sold as-is.

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702 Cherokee St.
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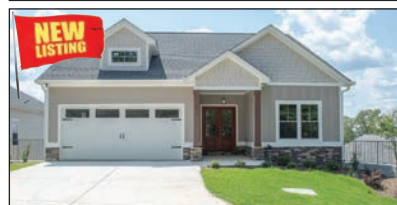
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\$879,900
LAKE FRONT



724 Shannon Lynn Shrs,
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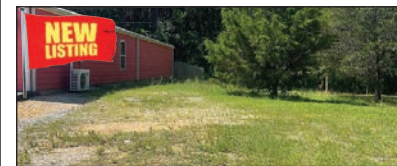
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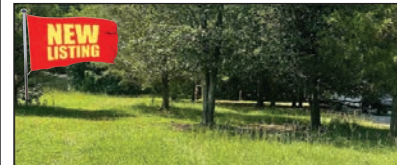
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Talladega, AL 35160
MLS# 1347565
\$929,000



LAKE FRONT



15 Blue Eye Rd. W.
Lincoln, AL 35096
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LOT



16 Blue Eye Rd. W.
Lincoln, AL 35096
MLS# 21364346
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LOT



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LOT



164 Snow Goose Cir.
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3 BR, 2 BA

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Pell City

3BR, 2BA

\$225,000

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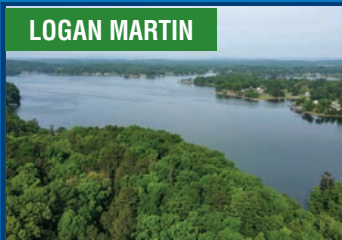


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Lot 13

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Talladega

Acreage

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Alpine

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Riverside**
4 BR, 2 BA
\$93,000

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PRICE REDUCED**



116 Amitola Dr, Cropwell
4 BR, 3.5 BA
\$900,000

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**450 St Clair Shores Rd,
Cropwell**
3 BR, 2 BA
\$633,000

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**2324 Depot St #4,
Riverside**
1.5 Acres
\$145,000

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**67 Treasure Island Ln,
Cropwell**
4BR, 3BA
\$592,000

**WATERFRONT
UNDER CONTRACT**



**1064 Shannon Lynn Shores,
Talladega**
4 BR, 4 BA
\$635,000

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**86 Powells Circle
Pell City**
4BR, 2BA
\$115,000

PRICE REDUCED



**George Rd,
Ragland**
Lot #1
\$105,000

UNDER CONTRACT



**67 Deer Trace Dr,
Childersburg**
3 BR, 2 BA
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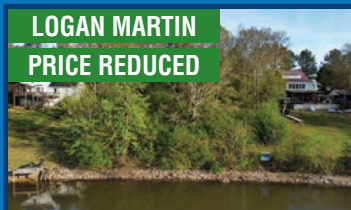
**0 Lake Ridge Ln,
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Lot 21 & 22
\$350,000

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**100 Harbor Dr,
Ashville**
Lot #9
\$225,000

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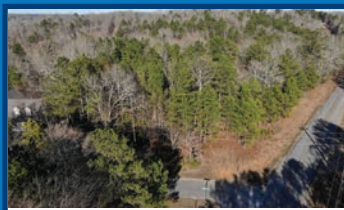


**Haven Circle,
Riverside**
Lot #19
\$75,000

PRICE REDUCED



**5892 Horizons Pkwy #73
Pell City**
Lot
\$70,000



**Morning Glory Circle,
Talladega**
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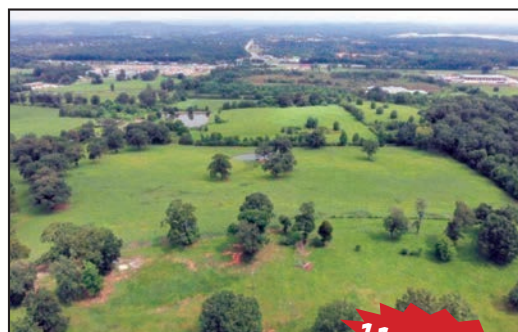


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\$1,150,000 - 100 Ted Court - GORGEOUS VIEWS with this CUSTOM BUILT 4 bedroom, 5.5 bath home on gentle sloping year round water. The home features open floor plan with stunning view of the lake, family room with fireplace and another den located in the basement and (2) master bedrooms and master baths and office/study. Enjoy the Outdoor kitchen area with inviting granite pool, sunning deck and sitting platforms, fenced yard, dock and boat launch. The home features fresh paint throughout, composite decking materials and beautiful landscaping. **MLS #1339677. Call Karen 205/473-4613 or Adam 205/369-2704**



\$875,000 - 385 Eastland Drive - GORGEOUSE LAKE HOME with 4 sided brick 4 bedroom, 3 bath and great for lake living. The spacious home has 2 family rooms, dining room with high ceilings, living room with cathedral ceilings and lakeside sunroom. Garages are 2 on main level with extra basement garage, generator, covered boat dock and year round water. This home is move in ready! **MLS #21364490. Call Laurie 205/365-3639**



\$439,000 - 107 Viewpoint Circle - EXCLUSIVE Riviera Estates is location of this 2-story 3bed 3 bath home that features living room with fireplace, dining room, den with beamed vaulted ceiling and fireplace, screened back patio with hot tub, large deck, storage building ab 2-car garage, plus additional 2-car metal garage. Home is in Lake community with Lake Access! **MLS #21365542. Call Karen 205/473-4613**



\$345,000 44 Maplewood Circle - NEWLY UPDATED one level 3 bedroom 2 bath home with new appliances, floors with no carpet, new updated bathrooms, light fixtures and freshly painted throughout. Newly added 2-car garage, large deck, fenced backyard and one acre m/l. Convenient to town and I-20. **MLS #21365409. Call Brenda 205/822-4141**



\$575,000 - 2711 Stoneybrook Cir. - NESTLED IN WOODED AREA is this 2 story 5 bedroom, 4 bath home located on approx. 6 ACRES. Home features living room, dining and large den open to the kitchen. The second story huge master suite also has a large office. The finished basement has a bath, new carpet and paint. Pool plus a Building with fireplace and 2-car garage. Located convenient to town and I-20. **MLS #1357704. Call Adam 205/369-2704**



\$369,000 - 140 Cherry Lane - DESIGN BUILD 4 bedroom, 3 bath home that features all the upgrades of granite counters, custom cabinetry along with large eat in kitchen. Master suite features a bedroom large enough for a sitting area and the bathroom boast a large walk in shower. Downstairs is bedroom, bath and den which is great for additional family member. Easy access to I20, Pell City and surround areas. **MLS #1363313. Call Jacque 205/369-2383**



\$193,000 - 5160 Hickory Drive - CHARMING 3 bedroom, 2 bath home that features (2) generous size family rooms, spacious fenced in backyard and large patio. Two driveways that will be convenient for guests to park and the home sits on nice corner lot with mature trees. Good located and convenient to schools, shopping and churches. **MLS #1354348. Call Laurie 205/365-3639**



\$749,000 - 235 Lisa's Cove - OPEN CONCEPT with this 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath one level home with basement. The home features great room with fireplace, open kitchen with granite countertops and lot of cabinets. Basement consists of den, playroom bedroom, full bath and sunroom. Double bathhouse with electric lifts, year round water, plus 26'x34' brick garage with 3 bays, workbenches and overhead storage. Come enjoy lake living at its best! **MLS #1347714. Call Tina 205/337-8509**



\$399,900 - 2085 Highway 231 N - UNIQUE PROPERTY with beautiful trees and spectacular wooded views with this 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath home located on approximately 5 ACRES. The home features large great room with two sided fireplace that also serves the master bedroom that is spacious with its own patio area. The basement and home are built on steel beams and poured concrete walls. 4 car garage, workshop, safe room with bath and great porches. **MLS #1362772. Call Karen 205/473-4613 or Adam 205/369-2704**



\$350,000 - 115 Kradle Kove - HIDDEN CABIN STYLE one bedroom, one bath home located on approx. 6.2 ACRES on Logan Martin Lake. The home is on a quite slough that opens directly to the main channel. Lot of potential with this quaint cabin that has office space that could be converted to another bedroom, family room and eat-in kitchen with lake views. Property is loaded with privacy with large shade trees and covered boat dock. **MLS #21364463. Call Laurie 205/365-3639**



\$479,900 - 1288 Valley Street - ESQUISITE 3 bedroom 3.5 bath one level home well maintained full brick with basement. Home features open living room with beams and stone fireplace open to kitchen, coffered ceilings in formal dining room and master suite with walk in closets. Basement features huge den, office and playroom with full bath and 2-car garage. **MLS #21365300. Call Blair 205/812-6377**



\$485,000 - 240 Dr. Stewart Rd. S. - SOUTHERN STYLE CUSTOM BUILT. 5 bedroom, 3 Bath home with unique characteristics and spectacular views over Logan Martin Lake and gorgeous foothills of Appalachian Mountains. Home features extra large family room with abundance of windows, and wrap around pitches. Property is just minutes to marina and I-20. Great home for large family! **MLS #1360383. Call Karen 205/473-4613**



\$475,000 - 435 Wolf Pen Ridge Rd. - NEW CUSTOM BUILT 3 bedroom 3 bath one level home with basement. The home features living room, family room with fireplace, dining room and a bonus room that could be used as a bedroom. AMENITIES GALORE including granite counters, custom built cabinetry, beautiful black doors and master bedroom with separate shower and tub. Convenient location with easy access to I-20! **MLS #1354754. Call Jacque 205/369-2383**



\$1,500,000 - 11392 Stemley Rd. - 192 ACRES, One of the most spectacular properties in the area. Surrounded by mountain views on three sides make for a beautiful home site, gently rolling pasture and recently added a solar electric gate, fencing, 6 pond and equipment barn. **MLS #1348204. Call Adam 205/369-2704 or Karen 205/473-4613**



\$299,500 - 10330 Highway 78 - CONVENIENT LOCATION with 38 ACRES, small lake, with pier, creek, large metal shop, PLUS 5 bedroom 3 bath home in need of repair. Home has living room with beams, two bedroom on main level and 3 located in the basement with 2-car garage. This property has gated entrance and surrounded by woods. **MLS #1352121. Call Blair 205 812-5377 or Brenda 205/812-4141**

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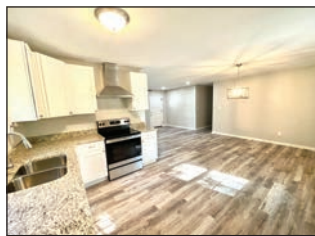
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115 Kradle Kove, Talladega
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LAKE HOME with bonus acreage of 6.1 acres! The 1 BR and 1 BA cottage also has a family room, office, eat-in kitchen with patio entertaining area, a covered boat dock with a lift, and extra unrestricted land for other homes/RV campsites. Also comes with an RV storage with power!



5249 Scenic View Dr, Irondale
\$265,000

Great location! 3 BR and 2 BA remodeled home with beautiful NEW tiled bathrooms and a fantastic NEW kitchen! The fenced in backyard has a nice deck and there is a full unfinished basement that offers possibilities for expansion.

NEW LISTING



3396 Old Beavers Rd, Cropwell
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