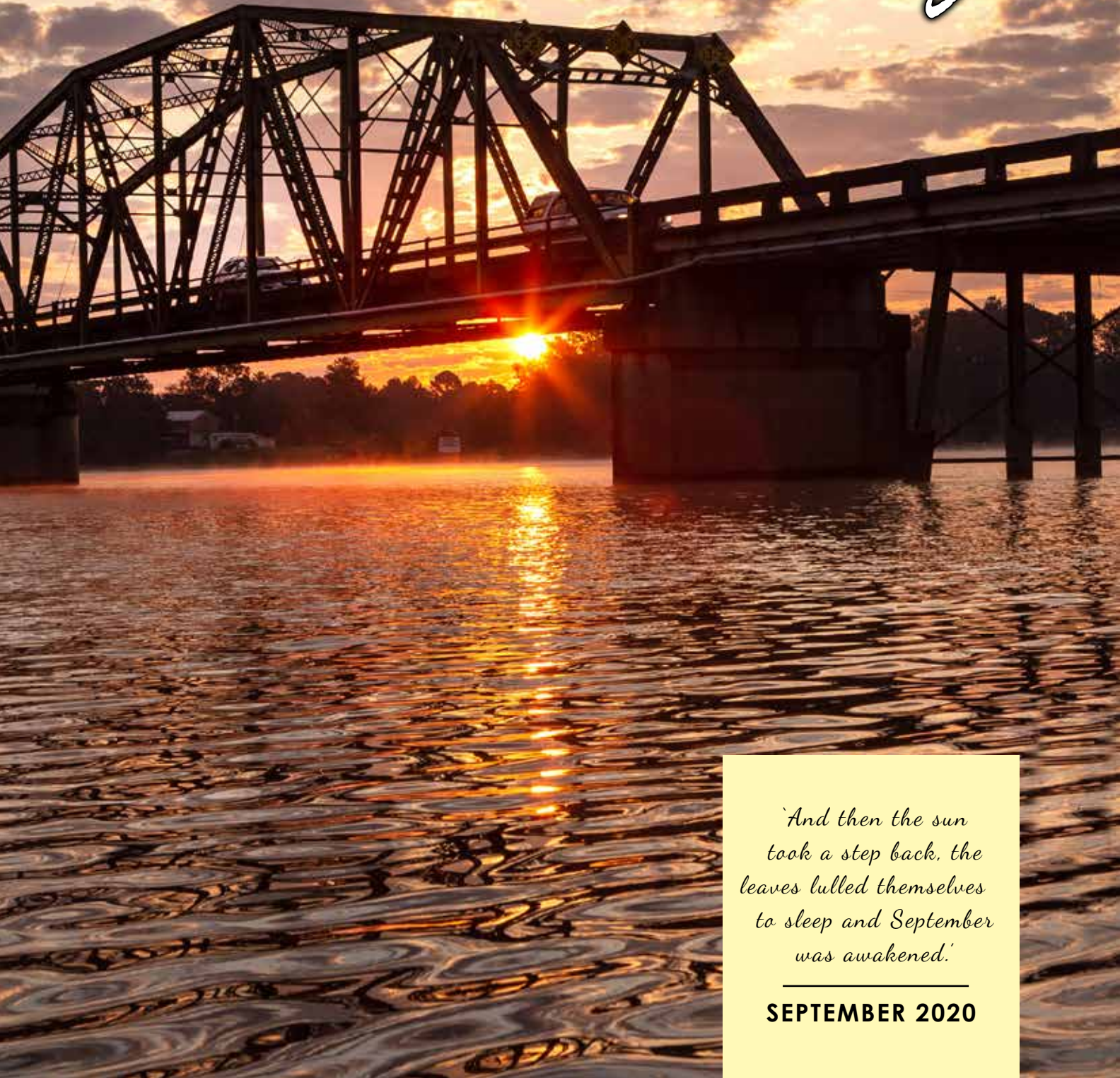


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# LETTER



*From the Editor*

## It's nice to see you in September

### **I've always been ambivalent about September.**

It's still summer for most of the month -- and the summer weather sticks around here in Alabama for some time after the equinox -- but gears have already been shifted to autumn. While I can't deny the charms of fall and winter, I'd be perfectly happy if it stayed summer all year long.

Like every month, September is chock full of special days, observances and designations -- some of them educational and well-intentioned, some of them just plain wacky. Yes, it's probably trite and cliché to consider the subject in a forum such as this, but it's also a not unpleasant diversion.

### **So, if you were wondering (or even if you weren't), September is:**

- ▶ Classical Music Month.
- ▶ International Square Dancing Month.
- ▶ National Courtesy Month.
- ▶ Better Breakfast Month.
- ▶ National Blueberry Popsicle Month.
- ▶ National Bourbon Heritage Month (so designated by the U.S. Senate).
- ▶ National Mushroom Month (so designated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture).
- ▶ National Papaya Month.
- ▶ Food Safety Education Month.
- ▶ National Americana Month.
- ▶ National Suicide Prevention Month.

### **And if you're so inclined, here are some days available for observing this month.**

- ▶ September 4: College Colors Day
- ▶ September 5: National Tailgating Day
- ▶ September 7: National Salami Day and National Beer Lovers Day
- ▶ September 8: National Ampersand Day
- ▶ September 10: Sewing Machine Day
- ▶ September 12: Chocolate Milkshake Day
- ▶ September 13: Positive Thinking Day
- ▶ September 15: National Linguine Day
- ▶ September 18: National Cheeseburger Day (I'll have mine with provolone)
- ▶ September 22: First Day of Fall
- ▶ September 26: National Hunting & Fishing Day
- ▶ September 28: National Good Neighbor Day and National Public Lands Day
- ▶ September 29: National Coffee Day

Here at Lakeside Living, we're observing September by taking you to the new fishing park under development in Lincoln, the front porch of a lake area home that's almost 120 years old and the Pell City Community Garden. We'll also stop by the St. Clair County Airport to learn about its upcoming career day event and paddle down the Coosa River on the Great Alabama 650, which returns to Logan Martin later this month. And we hope you'll enjoy the second installment of our new regular feature, Lakeside Flora & Fauna.

Happy September, everyone. Thank you for joining us.

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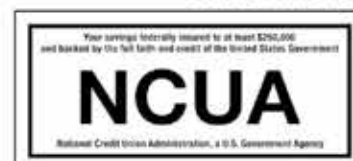
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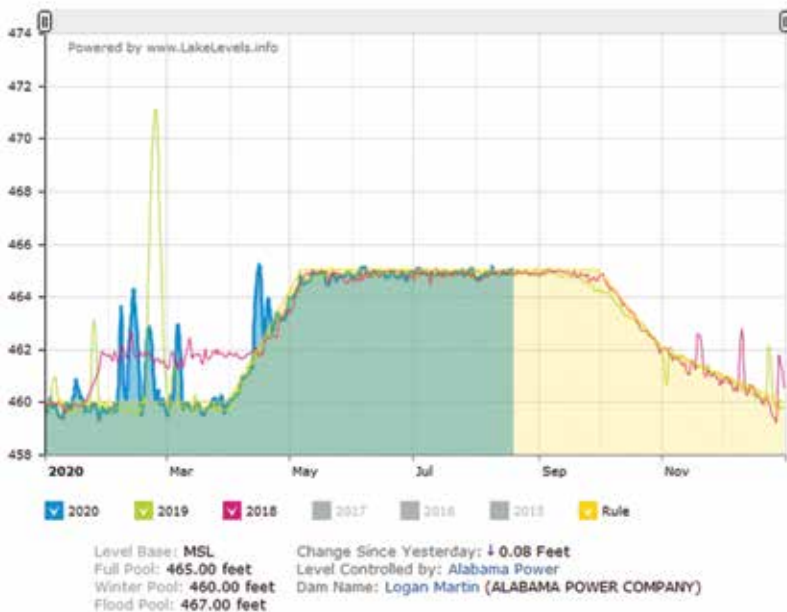
Fall bass fishing can be feast or famine for anglers. The bite is sometimes tricky and tough, but it also can yield big numbers in both quantity and quality, if you know what you're doing.

But sometimes knowing what you're doing is the tough part. What baits to throw, where to throw them and what water to throw them in all make a big difference between a big day and a boring day. Here are some tips for fall bass fishing that just might make this your favorite season for years to come.

Crankbaits are moneymakers in the fall, when bass are constantly feeding on shad to pack their tummies before the winter. Lipless crankbaits with a tight wobble are the best of the best when bass are up feeding.

Spinnerbaits are perfect when bass are transitioning into creeks for the fall. They are great shad imitators. Slow roll a spinnerbait around laydowns, docks or other structures, and the strikes will follow.

Fall is all about the shad. No baits imitate a fleeing baitfish like a swimbait burning right in front of a school. Give a steady retrieve, and don't be afraid to cover as much water as possible.



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St. Clair Airport encourages youngsters to pursue careers in aviation

Written by Michelle Love  
Photographed by Tucker Webb

Last October, the St. Clair County Airport hosted its first open house and career day for youths interested in the aviation field. As many as 500 people attended the event, which resulted in the awakening of hundreds of young people's curiosity about what's involved with working in aviation.

This year, the lakeside area airport is hosting a sequel to the event on Saturday, September 26, and according to co-organizer Wendy Watson, an even larger turnout is expected.

"We are offering helicopter rides, The Wingnuts are performing like last year, and we're doing a free pancake breakfast and free lunch, so we're expecting an even bigger turnout this year," said Watson, who describes the atmosphere around the airport as "like a family," and the origin of the career day event stems from that dynamic.





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St. Clair County Airport houses 82 hangers on a typical day, and during the career day guests can view varying aircrafts up close and personal. "We had 30 plus aircrafts on the tarmac last year," Watson said. "People were able to go out and not necessarily be hands on, but they were right up next to them."

Watson said the airport staff wants to change the



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public's view of the airport and aviation careers. "We've been told the airport is more corporate or straight to the point get-from-one-place-to-another kind of thing, and that's not what it is. We want to get people involved. It's a great airport."

The career day event is meant to highlight as many opportunities available in the aviation field as possible. Watson said at last year's event, there were upwards of 15 vendors recruiting for various jobs in the military. The event also highlights the airport's own flight school. "We have a great flight school here. I think it opens a lot of doors for people. There's so much people don't know about."

Guests will arrive at the event at 7:30 a.m. and are welcome to explore all of the various offerings until 8:30

p.m. In addition to helicopter rides, guests are welcome to enjoy live entertainment from The Wingnuts, a band made up of employees and pilots of the airport; and attend seminars that cover a wide range of topics related to aviation.

One of the topics that will be discussed during the seminar portion of the event will be opportunities for women in aviation. "The seminars went over really well last year," Watson said. "We're staying along the same lines that we had last year for different speakers."

The event is dedicated to Sloan Harmon, the son of district attorney Lyle Harmon, who was murdered in late 2019. At 8 p.m., there will be a dedication ceremony to his memory and a presentation of the Sloan Harmon Scholarship Fund. The fund was set up to provide scholarships to young people seeking jobs in the aviation field. "Sloan worked here as a lineman for a while, so we're doing this



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dedication to his memory for his scholarship fund," Watson said. "He was a good friend to all of us. He was a good kid."

Watson's favorite thing about the career day is "getting the kids involved. We had several kids sign up last year after attending the event. The opportunities in aviation just go on and on, and they really benefit from it."

Watson said she thinks people sometimes get the "wrong

impression about the airport" and she hopes events like the career day can help clear the air. "I don't think you can stress enough how great the airport is and how great the people are here."

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An aerial photograph of a kayaker in a white and yellow kayak paddling down a calm river. The river is flanked by dense, lush green trees, and the water reflects the surrounding foliage. The kayaker is positioned in the lower center of the frame, leaving a wake behind them.

# The Great Alabama 650 returns to Logan Martin and the Coosa River

Local waterways host section of world's longest paddle race

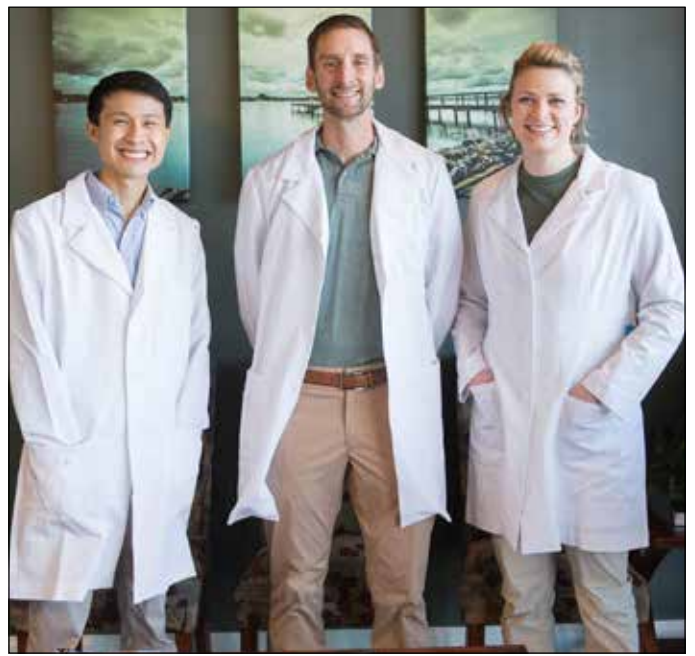
Written by LAURA GADDY

Photographed by MATTHEW KIMBLE and HUNTER NICHOLS

A paddling race across Alabama will be back for a second year in 2020, and it will again come through Logan Martin Lake.

The Great Alabama 650 is a 650-mile race from Weiss Lake in northeast Alabama to Fort Morgan in the Gulf of Mexico. Racers have just 10 days to complete the event, but they'll have to be much faster than that to win it.

"This race highlights the beauty of our waterways in Alabama," said race director Greg Wingo. "It gives racers an opportunity to race on a river trail that many have never paddled on before, and it gives them the challenge of their life. Just finishing Great Alabama 650 is a huge accomplishment for any endurance paddler."



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Last year, just three boats -- two solo boats and one tandem boat -- completed the event. Bobby Johnson and Salli O'Donnell, both of Florida, powered the solo boats. Ryan Gillikin and Susan Jordan, both of Alabama, crewed the tandem boat. Each won in their respective divisions.

Before they reached the finish line, all were cheered by locals who came out to the lakefront or river bank to support the racers. Gillikin said some lake dwellers even offered water and other forms of support.

"The virtual support and people out on the river supporting the race really helped you with that racing mindset and gave you a little boost," she said. "I think it's kind of that Southern hospitality. Everybody wanted to help."

The class of racers that came out for the 2019 event was incredibly dedicated and included people with a range of skill levels. Among them were an elite stand paddle boarder,





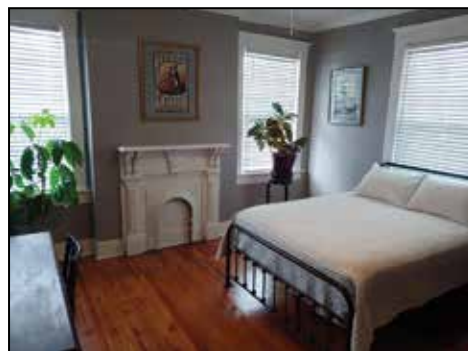
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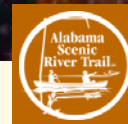
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**Organizers and competitors in the 2019 Great Alabama 650 socialize and confer prior to the start of the race, with participants keeping their eyes on the trophies awarded to the winners.**

several people from other states, one Canadian racer and a few Alabamians.

Johnson, O'Donnell and Gillikin have all registered for the 2020 event, scheduled for September 26-October 6. This year they will be joined by an even tougher field of competitors.

The 2020 class will include Joe Mann, who weeks ago was on the winning team for the MR340, a long-distance race on the Missouri River. Bart De Zwart, a professional paddleboard racer and adventurer, is also registered to compete for the win.

All totaled, 17 paddlers have registered for this year's event. They will travel from as far away as Hawaii and the Canadian border to participate in the race.

"We are northern racers," retired Navy Seal Josh Friedman said from northern Idaho, where he trains with teammate Julie Kirk. "It's a whole new ballgame for us. The animals, the temperatures, the heat, and the humidity. It's completely different for us. We like to step up to the challenge."



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Even in 2019, the Great Alabama 650, which is the longest annual paddle race in the world, was one of few paddle races of its caliber. This year, due to COVID-19, it is one of just four endurance races in the world.

The race takes place on the 650-mile core section of the Alabama Scenic River Trail, which includes more than 6,000 miles of navigable waterways. The core section follows the Coosa and Alabama rivers to the Gulf of Mexico and includes several lakes and Mobile Bay.

Gillikin, who was just picked up by an Alabama-based sponsor, Dynamic Therapeutics in Daphne, said the race generates more interest in competitive paddling among paddlers in south Alabama. She is looking forward to more paddling events outside the state, but Gillikin, who lives less than two miles from the Mobile Bay, said paddling at home is special.

"It's nice having the hometown advantage," she said, adding that she's offered support to out-of-state racers. "It's amazing."



Overall race winner Bobby Johnson

## About the 2019 Great Alabama 650



- ▶ Eleven boats entered the race in 2019. Three finished, one in each division.
- ▶ The overall winner was Bobby Johnson. He finished the course in seven days, eight hours, and one minute.
- ▶ The solo female winner was Salli O'Donnell. She finished the race in seven days, 15 hours, and 19 minutes.
- ▶ Tandem winners were Susan Jordan and Ryan Gillikin. They finished in nine days, three hours, and 18 minutes.



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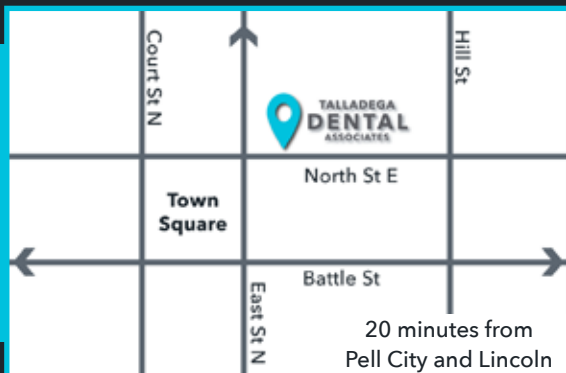
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# Out & About with Kelli

## At the Pell City Gateway Community Garden



Written and photographed  
by KELLI TIPTON

Never underestimate the power in a planted seed. Especially if that seed is planted by volunteers at Pell City Gateway Community Garden. Not only does it have the power to bring forth food that is donated to local charities, it has the power to grow friendships and foster a sense of community in the city.

And thanks to grants by the Greater Birmingham Foundation Northeast and the Community Foundation Northeast, the garden it grows in has the power to heal and restore souls.

"This is not just a garden to feed the needy," said Debbie Smith, who has volunteered with the garden since the beginning. "This is also a healing and restorative garden that the community can use and enjoy nature."

The community garden is a recipient of a \$10,000 grant for Open Spaces Sacred Places. It has "fire-souls" or leaders who have passion about the project; an anchor institution, St. Simon Peter Episcopal Church, which provided the property for the mission of feeding the hungry and a place for reflection and meditation; and strong community partnerships to help rally behind and help support the project.

I was invited by firesoul Renee Lilly



to attend a workday at the garden, and I joined them on a Saturday, very early in the morning, before the sun had a chance to make chores unbearable.

As I approached the garden, several volunteers were busy with various

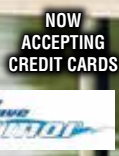
tasks. I stopped to speak with Lisa Phillips as she was picking peas and putting them in a bucket.

"I'm with the Pell City Civitan Club," she said. "We helped them with their first grant money, to hold it for them until they got their 501-c3

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developed. I guess it's been five years or so. So that's how I got involved. Not as a gardener, but as a civic partner.

"But I came out here one day to volunteer, and they showed me which peas to pick, so I come out here and pick these peas. They are called purple hull peas," she added with a smile.

And right next to the novice gardener, St. Clair County Master Gardener Pam Garrison was harvesting her share of produce.

"We always need people to come out and do some kind of work," she said. "We have tools and buckets, and if you don't know how to garden, there is usually someone here to show you the ropes. If you need to learn, come on a Saturday. That's when we have work days. You just need to find out what you can do and where you are needed, and if you happen to be alone one day, you'll know what to do."

She added that you may want to bring gloves if you intend to pick okra or squash. "Those tend to be a bit itchy."

In another area of the garden, David Wadsworth was cutting cable and constructing an elevated runner for muscadines to grow on.

**Volunteer Kevin Lilly helps out at the community garden, where such produce as okra and lemons develop to maturity and ripeness.**



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**Above, David Wadsworth uses his skills for the benefit of the community garden, which, as the photo at right illustrates, is a beautiful setting as well as a practical one. At bottom right, Renee Lilly and Lisa Phillips chat with one of several volunteers who regularly donate their time to the garden.**



He is an experienced gardener as well, having learned his skills on his parents' farm, Wadsworth Farm in Cropwell.

"You should have seen our tomatoes this year, but we've already pulled them out. I would say we got probably 50 pounds of tomatoes this year, maybe a little bit more to donate," he said.

Since its first harvest, each year the Pell City Gateway Community Garden donates hundreds of pounds of freshly grown produce from spring and fall harvests to the Christian Love Pantry, Good Works Foundation, local churches, and the Pell City Senior Center.

This year, totals for the garden are 2,463 pounds of produce and 856 volunteer hours.

Grant money has been used to purchase a greenhouse, which is being constructed now, and an irrigation system which will be installed in the near future.

Smith said plans also include a children's area for teaching, but teachers are welcome now to bring students for field trips. "They can see how food is grown and see pollinators landing on the zinnias and other plants."

As I watched the activity around me, I witnessed friendships, cooperation, collaboration and learning taking place. I saw people who are making a difference in their city by forming their own commu-

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nity of volunteers. I saw beautiful greenery and rows of tended plants, and I saw a need for this place and for more people to be a part of it.

Then I was drawn to a quiet, shady area with a gravel pathway off to the side of the garden.

The entrance is marked with a trellis and a plaque that was recently presented by the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. It designates this place as a "Healing and Restorative Garden."

The pathway is adorned on both sides by donated statues, and a large hummingbird sculpture is poised midway. A bench at the end offers a place to sit and reflect, or meditate, or pray. A waterproof journal in a compartment under the bench offers a place to write thoughts or whatever is on your heart.

The bench is a destination for anyone in the area to come for a moment of solitude.

"People can bring a lunch and sit at the picnic table if they want. It is open to the public, and I think it's a great place to come for some peace and quiet," Lilly said.

Pell City Gateway Community Garden is at 3705 May's Bend Road in Pell City. It has a Facebook page, and the firesouls are actively seeking volunteers.

I have plans to return to help harvest a crop or two, and I encourage anyone to join me as a volunteer at this beautiful, learning, growing, giving, helping, healing, sacred place.



Vegetables and fruits, such as these ripening apples, are produced at the community garden.



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# Lincoln's Landing fishing park construction underway

Development aims to bring major fishing tournaments to Logan Martin Lake

Written by KELLI TIPTON and MICHAEL SZNAJDERMAN  
Photographed by BOB CRISP





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**Lincoln Councilman Joey Callahan surveys the development site, while Mayor Lew Watson points out its location on a municipal map.**

**L**incoln's Landing, a \$6 million fishing park under construction on Logan Martin Lake, is "coming along on target," said Lincoln City Councilman Joey Callahan, "and it will have quite a positive impact on the area's economy."

A groundbreaking ceremony was held earlier this summer for the 38-acre park, which will have 10 boat launches and enough parking for 300 trucks with boat trailers. It will also have a public beach, pavilions and a boardwalk. The park is scheduled to open next spring.

According to Callahan, the city council began discussing the idea for the park two or three years ago.

"We wanted a place to hold fishing tournaments on Logan Martin Lake in Lincoln -- professional bass tournaments, collegiate tournaments and even high school and local tournaments," he said. "We purchased the property most suitable for the park and most accessible for the public. It



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is near Honda and located on the main channel, which has some of the best bass fishing in the United States.

Callahan added that, according to city officials' research, we have determined that it is going to create the need for sit down restaurants and several new motels." Such new businesses would likely be built along AL HWY 77 and 78, but there are interstate exits on the north and south of Lincoln that would be suitable locations as well.

The city plans to charge boat launching fees to maintain the park, but the amount or collection method has not been decided on yet.

Besides the boat launches, a fish weigh-in station and multiple pavilions round out the amenities that are critical for major fishing tournaments. Playgrounds, restrooms, walking paths and shoreline access for people who want to play in the water round out the park's features.

"We are absolutely enthralled with what we are creating," said Lincoln Mayor Lew Watson. He said the city consulted closely with fishing organizations, such as the Alabama Bass Trail and Bassmaster, in designing the park.

"I'm a fisherman and I love to fish but I'm not an expert on fishing tournaments," Watson said. "They have been totally involved with us, and the park is the result of their input." He said the city is already in the process of scheduling fishing tournaments for after the park's anticipated opening in March 2021. "Everybody can't wait," Watson said.



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SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup>

## GOD IS BIGGER MOVEMENT BASS TOURNAMENT

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SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup>

## LMLPA CAR, TRUCK & MOTORCYCLE SHOW

Lakeside Park hosts the Logan Martin Lake Protection Association's second LMLPA Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Reflecting the LMLPA's concern for attendees' safety, CDC guidelines will be followed, stations will be spaced 8-to-9 feet apart and participants and attendees will be asked to wear face masks and practice social distancing. Proceeds from the show will benefit the LMLPA's buoy placement program. For more information, call LMLPA car show committee chairman Johnny Capps at 205-531-5480.

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>

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WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup>

## JOB SKILLS TRAINING WORKSHOP

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# Celebrating a long and happy history of family and friendships

Modern touches accentuate gentility of the past in early 20th century home

Written by JIMMY CREED

Photographed by TUCKER WEBB

**T**he moment Blair Goodgame turned into the circular drive on Old Collins Ferry Road in Pell City, she knew she was home.

Before her lay a little more than six acres of wide open spaces near the lake, green grass, towering trees and an older home just like she was looking for.

And then there was the porch.

If ever a home could be said to have a distinguishing feature, it is the Funderburg Home Place, built in 1902 by D.F. Funderburg. The porch, added to the house in 1966 by one of D.F.'s 12 children, Fall Funderburg Sr., isn't just an appendage, however. Instead it is like one of those grand, lighted marquees of yesteryear beckoning all who see it to an even grander show inside.

Wide and deep, cool and comfortable, with four rockers and an old-timey glider for sitting a spell, this porch has a magnetism that seems to reach out and take hold of those who see it, mesmerizing them with a desire to know more about the home's history and the vivacious, eclectic, bubbly lady named Blair who







now owns it.

As she stood taking it all in that day in 2014, she felt it as well. It was as if the porch—and the spirit of the home itself—was calling to her, drawing her in with a message of welcome whispered gently on the wind.

"As soon as I pulled in, I fell in love with it," said Blair, tourism coordinator for the St. Clair County Economic Development Council. "I put an offer in that day, and I think there were several backup offers by the time we signed on Monday. That was an exciting Monday for me for sure."

The ironic backstory, however, is that she almost didn't go look at the Funderburg Home Place at all. After living in a loft in downtown Pell City for several years, she had been looking at older houses and thought she had found her forever home on a property right outside of town, but that deal fell through. So when her Realtor called and asked if she wanted to see another older house on Old Collins Ferry Road, she almost said no.

"I was kind of still heartbroken over the other one, and I was thinking, 'I just don't want to do it,'" Blair said. "But a friend of mine who was there with me said, 'We're not doing anything, let's go look.' I said 'okay,'



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and as soon as I saw it I knew this was the one."

Perhaps the only one happier that she did was Roman, her beloved Great Dane, who had grown weary of life in the loft.

"We can attribute it to him, most certainly," Blair said. "I moved in in 2014, and he passed away in 2016. So he had a couple of really good years here."

What she found upon entering the two-story structure with 1,900 square feet on each level was a home that had been maintained with an incredible amount of tender love and care over the years.

The original doors and beautiful hardwood floors were still in place. The walls were nicely painted. Black marble countertops gleamed in the kitchen, part of a 2005 renovation of the home by members of the Funderburg family. In fact, aside from changing a few light fixtures here and there and putting new knobs on the kitchen cabinet doors and drawers, the house looks almost exactly the same as the day Blair bought it.

"The Funderburg family had taken really good care of the house for me," she said.

At this point, the upstairs is unfinished, and that is on her to-do list of future projects. But from the moment you enter the downstairs, you are struck by the decorating talents and also by what might best be described as the Bohemian spirit of the home's owner.



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Beautiful paintings and photos in decorative frames line the walls, many of them mementos of the trips to 15 different countries Blair has taken over the years. There's a collection of beautiful antique walking sticks, a love she shares with her mother, Cindy Goodgame. In what once was the dining room and now a study, there is a restored gaslight fixture with different-colored bulbs providing splashes of color to the room. In a small bedroom, there is an oil painting of a largemouth bass breaking the water. And in the master bedroom hangs the mounted head of a six-point

trophy buck.

It is a dichotomy that inevitably leads visitors to ask, "Where did the deer head come from?"

"I was willed that deer head, and I just don't know what to do with it," said Blair, who confirmed that she neither hunts nor fishes. "He just keeps moving around, so right now he's in the master bedroom. Sometimes I even dress him for different occasions and put hats on him. He's part of the party."

Further on the tour you see the laundry room and the home's one bathroom. And since it was built in the era of the outhouse, both the bathroom and laundry room were added much later.

There's also the issue of closet space, which is almost non-existent, and what there is has been incorporated into available nooks and crannies over the years.

"You get used to just the one bathroom, but the challenge for me has been the closet space," Blair said. "There's a small one under the stairs, but you have to duck to get into it. There is a closet upstairs, but that's an even bigger challenge when the laundry room is downstairs and



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the closest is upstairs."

But she wouldn't have it any other way.

Another part of its charm is the home's history and the wonderful family who has entrusted her with its care.

Fall Funderburg Sr. believed in keeping his friends close and his family closer, so over the years he sold each of his children, Fall Jr., Patsy, Pete and Miriam, nearby parcels of land to insure they would stay close by, and it worked. To this day, all of the Funderburg siblings or the family of siblings live within a one-mile radius of the old home place.

"Daddy made sure that we all had property so we wouldn't leave," Patsy Edge said with a smile of remembrance.

"He sold it to us, but looking back, it was more like a gift for what we paid for it," Miriam Finch said in agreement.

Patsy was born in the house in 1941, and both sisters were married there. Each looks back fondly on their memories of growing up in a very special time and place.

"One of my favorite memories was the Christmas tree," Patsy said. "My brothers would go out in the woods and cut it and put it up in the living room. Then they would put cotton they had raised in the field around the bottom to make snow. It was amazing. I just loved Christmas."

It was fond recollections like these that led to a chain reaction of events that eventually led to Blair buying the property and becoming like one of the family.

When their mother, Miriam (pronounced my-rum), passed away in 2003, Miriam (pronounced mere-re-um) and her daughter, Trista Barrentine, decided they wanted to keep the homeplace in the family so they could continue to have the family get-togethers that their father and grandfather loved so much. So they bought out the other siblings and set to renovating the property, rewiring, painting and modernizing the kitchen.

After a tremendous amount of work, Trista and her husband, Nick, moved into the home in 2005 and lived there for about five years, marking the birth of their oldest son, Bryant, in 2006 in the process. They moved out in 2010, and a series of renters were in and out in fairly quick succession, then the house sat vacant for a while, during which time thieves stole many of the HVAC system components.

Knowing that a vacant house will soon deteriorate, Miriam and Trista made the heart-wrenching choice to put it on the market.

"That was a major decision for us both because Trista was so attached to it, too," Miriam said. "She was very close to my mom and dad. But we took a deep breath and listed it. We knew when we did that we didn't know who was going to buy it, but thank God, he blessed us with this young lady that was looking for an old home."

Blair closed on the house on Sept. 24, 2014, exactly 10 years to the day that Miriam and Trista had closed the deal

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to buy it from the other family members themselves. The sisters agree it was a sign that she was the perfect fit for the property.

"We could not have asked for a better person than Blair to have gotten this home place," Patsy said. "She has done a remarkable job, and she keeps it looking so immaculate. We are proud of her, and I know my parents would be so proud that she got it, too."

In turn, Blair is thankful for the trust and friendship the family has shown to her.

"They are the best people I could have ever gotten a home from," she said. "I wake up some mornings to a text that says there are fresh jam and blueberries on the porch, and things like that happen all the time. I feel like they have accepted me as part of their family."

Goodgame normally has a big garden each summer, but this year she has been so busy developing the recently unveiled "Visit St. Clair" campaign she didn't have time for it. Still, she has her other simple pleasures to enjoy like her beautiful Husky, Turk, and his friend, a Miniature Schnauzer mix named Ellie. And there's always the magnificent porch

where she can sit and relax—especially when it rains.

"During a thunderstorm everybody definitely knows where to find me," she said with a laugh. "I will leave dinner in a restaurant if there is a thunderstorm coming because I have to be home and on my porch. One of the rocking chairs is the best spot to watch a thunderstorm."

These simple pleasures, the idea of her fortress in a storm, the feeling of home—her home—wrapped around her like a nice, warm blanket is what Blair cherishes most.

"Every time I pull in, I love the house and the property even more, especially now that I feel like I have been able to put my mark on it and add to the history the Funderburgs already had here," she said. "It has been a perfect fit."

Over the past six years, she has been asked if she would consider selling, with some hopeful buyers going so far as even offering to help her find somewhere else to live. Her answer has been a polite but emphatic "no, thank you."

"There are still too many projects to do around here," she said, eyes twinkling with delight. "I'm not going anywhere anytime soon."

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## A thistle by any other name...

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**“What is a weed? A plant  
whose virtues have not  
yet been discovered.”**

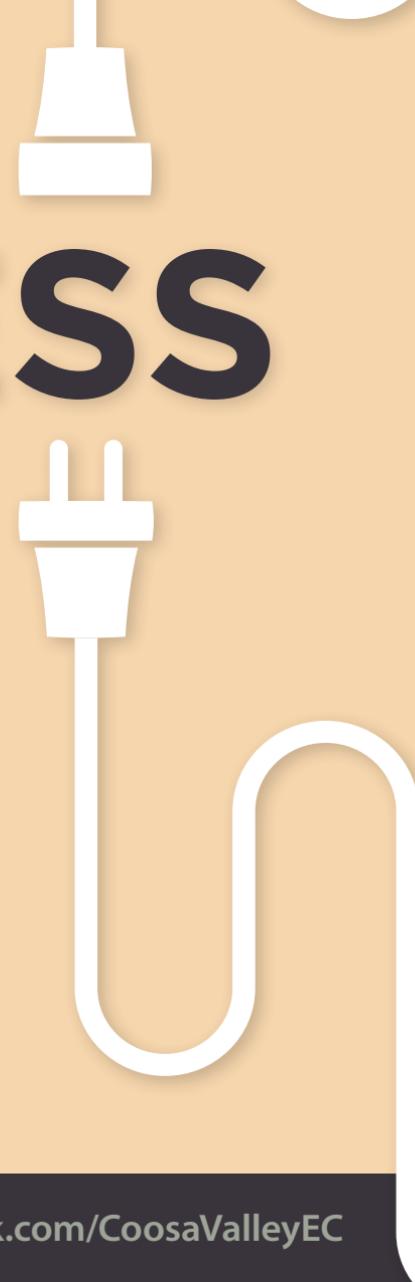
**~ Ralph Waldo Emerson**

As children, we tend to believe all blooms are flowers. At least I did. Daisies and dandelions brought as much joy as magnolias or marigolds. Later on, I learned that my carefully collected wildflower bouquets were mostly weeds. Well-meaning adults pointed them out. I felt the keen edge of disappointment creep in as I looked at the blossoms I had admired only a moment ago.

And so I learned that a division exists even in the world of flowers.

What is a weed? Something unsightly, unwanted, a nuisance? Even the name tends to conjure negativity. But it's hard not to admire their strength and tenacity. Weeds are the leafy epitome of resilience. Not to mention, they often serve a vital purpose in nature. So, as is often the case in life, there are two ways of looking at a weed.





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Thistles, in particular, have garnered somewhat of a bad reputation. Most of the time, we search for ways to get rid of these spiky plants that can take over pasturelands and prevent livestock from grazing.

While non-native thistles can be a problem, native thistles such as this one in full bloom at Logan Martin Lake are vital to the health of butterflies and bees in need of its nectar. Birds and insects thrive by feeding on the

thistle's stems, leaves and seeds, making it an important part of the lakeside ecosystem. The thistle is undeniably striking. The brilliant pink and fiery hues of the spiky blooms glow like fireworks bursting across a night sky.

Centuries ago, the people of Scotland recognized the thistle's strength and beauty. Legend has it that the prickly needles of a thistle saved a group of sleeping Scottish warriors from an ambush, proving that one

person's weed is another's savior. While England may have a traditional rose as its national flower, the Scottish proudly embraced the thorny thistle, bestowing it the honor as an emblem of their country.

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# Meet Me by the

## Rolanda Turner

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It was mid-morning on a late summer day at Logan Martin Lake Park. A pontoon boat cruised past the dam. Members of two fishing parties cast their lines in the water. Turner was visiting the park for the first time and taking in all the sights.

"I walk around Lakeside Park in Pell City all the time," she said. "It is so beautiful and peaceful out there, so any chance I get, I am usually there. But I will definitely be coming back here. This is a great place for my family to go fishing. I am not that good at it, but I love fishing with my family."

Family is important to Turner, as is community. While perambulating through the grass, inches away from the water, the Pell City native explained why she was recently motivated to give something back to her community, identified the societal issue she believes is currently paramount and further extolled the virtues of Logan Martin.

**Giving back to the community:** "I've always felt the need to give back to my community, no matter how big or small the gesture. This year, I decided to donate 52 filled backpacks to my alma mater, Coosa Valley Elementary School. This has been a challenging year for many students, teachers and administrators, so I felt the need to contribute to the school system that taught me so much as a little girl.

"Each backpack came with a folder, a pack of paper, a notebook, a composition book, Crayola markers, a pack of a dozen pencils, a ruler, a pencil box, index cards, pencil erasers, a pencil sharpener, two glue sticks, a pair of scissors and crayons. Each child was also gifted water, snacks, hand sanitizer and their own personal face mask. I collected each item for over two months by finding the best deals whenever I could."

**The most important issue facing today's society:**

"Education. 'Our children are our future. Teach them well, and let them lead the way.' I find it disheartening that teachers are underpaid all the time and that school



budgets are always the first thing cut. We must implement more programs both inside and outside of the classroom, we must pay teachers the salary they are worth, and we must utilize every resource within school systems. I believe when a nation invests in their education system 100 percent, everyone is affected in a positive manner. This is not



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something that can be fixed overnight, but it will take time."

**Her own education:** Turner is a graduate of Pell City High School and holds undergraduate degrees in psychology and political science (with a minor in child adolescence on the pre-law track) from the University of Alabama. "I will be attending the University of Alabama Law School in August of 2021 to obtain my JD/MBA. After law school, I plan to practice either corporate law or family law."

**Why her social media profile describes her as a "goal digger:"** "I consider myself a 'goal digger' because when I set a goal, whether it be small or big, I do everything in my power to accomplish that goal. Goals are important to me because I am always trying to better myself and the lives of



those around me. The only way I can become the woman I dream of being is to set goals for myself."

**Rolanda Turner, author:** "Back in junior high school, Mr. Kyle Shelton challenged my peers and I to write a poem and enter them into a poem contest. That same summer I received a letter from the American Library of Poetry asking me would it be okay to publish my poem. Of course, I said 'yes.' My poem is entitled 'The Egg,' and it echoes the importance of being patient. I am happy to say that I am now working on a children's book series, so hopefully I will get the opportunity to add to my list of publications."

**How she describes herself:** "I am an ambitious, intelligent, charismatic, out-going, bubbly and caring young-lady. I am a perfectionist who always gives 110 percent."

**Something an acquaintance might be surprised to know about her:** "I have lost over 60 pounds naturally since my freshman year of high school. I simply started to listen to my body and take care of it."

**The best advice she ever received:** "My mom told me to never let anyone or anything stop you from achieving your dreams."

**Three things she can't live without:** "Lemonade, my cell phone and my mom."

**The thing for which she's most thankful:** "My family. They are my everything and I would not be the woman I am today without them."

**What makes her laugh:** "Corny jokes. My boyfriend thinks he tells great jokes, but they are always so corny."

**The food she could eat every day:** "Chips, chips, chips. I am obsessed with Funyuns, so if I had a lifetime supply, I would be content."

**The food she hopes to never eat again:** "Coleslaw. Hands down, the worst food ever."

**Her ideal day at the lake:** For me, it's all about having fun with loved ones. There's nothing better than a burnt hot dog with ketchup and mustard, a bag of chips and an ice-cold water and on a warm summer afternoon. The sound of the waves and the sight of the lake is truly an unforgettable experience. It brings me peace and happiness. I think Lakeside Park is the most beautiful site in Pell City."

*"I do love being by the lake," Rolanda Turner said as she walked along the shoreline at Logan Martin Lake Park.*



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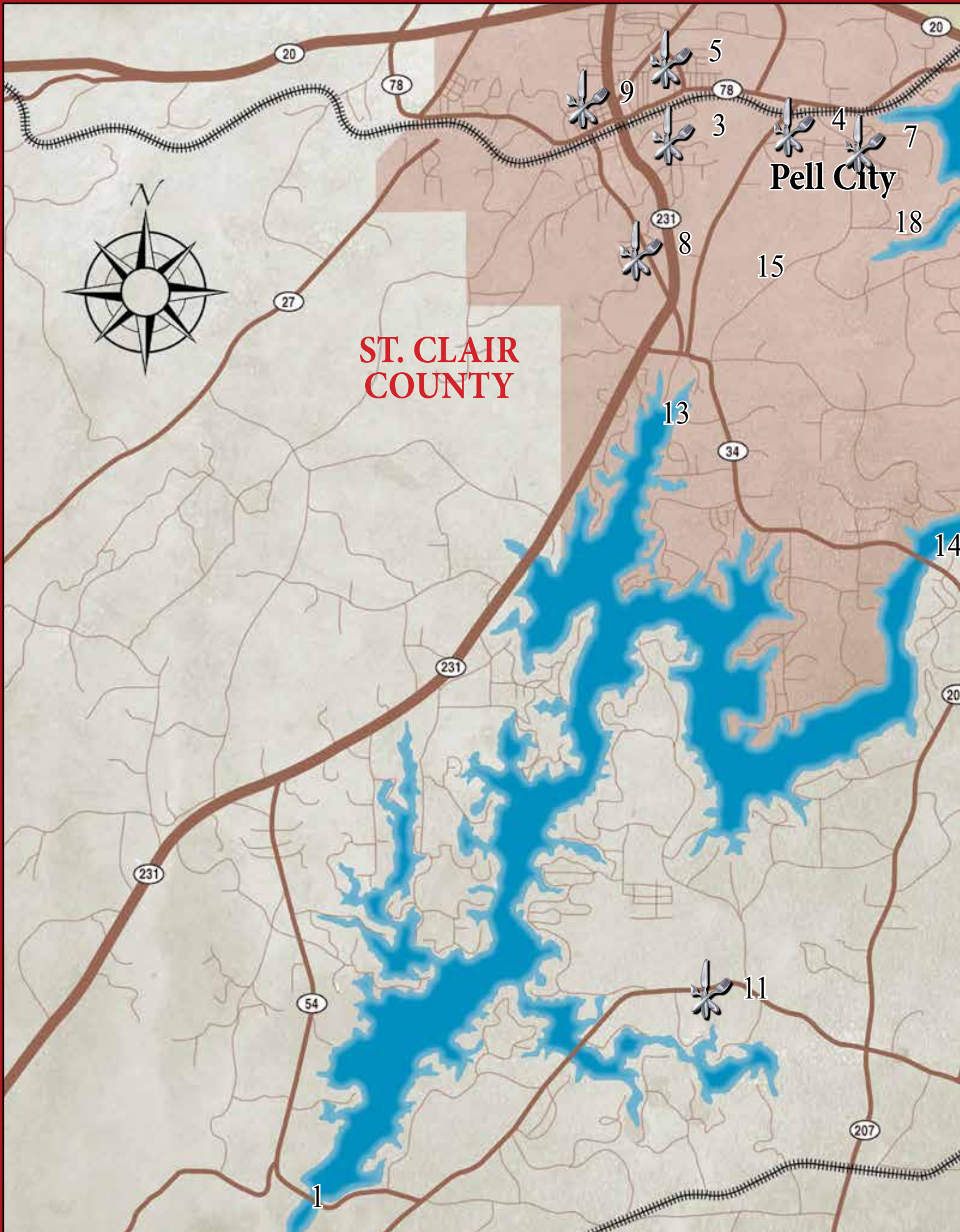
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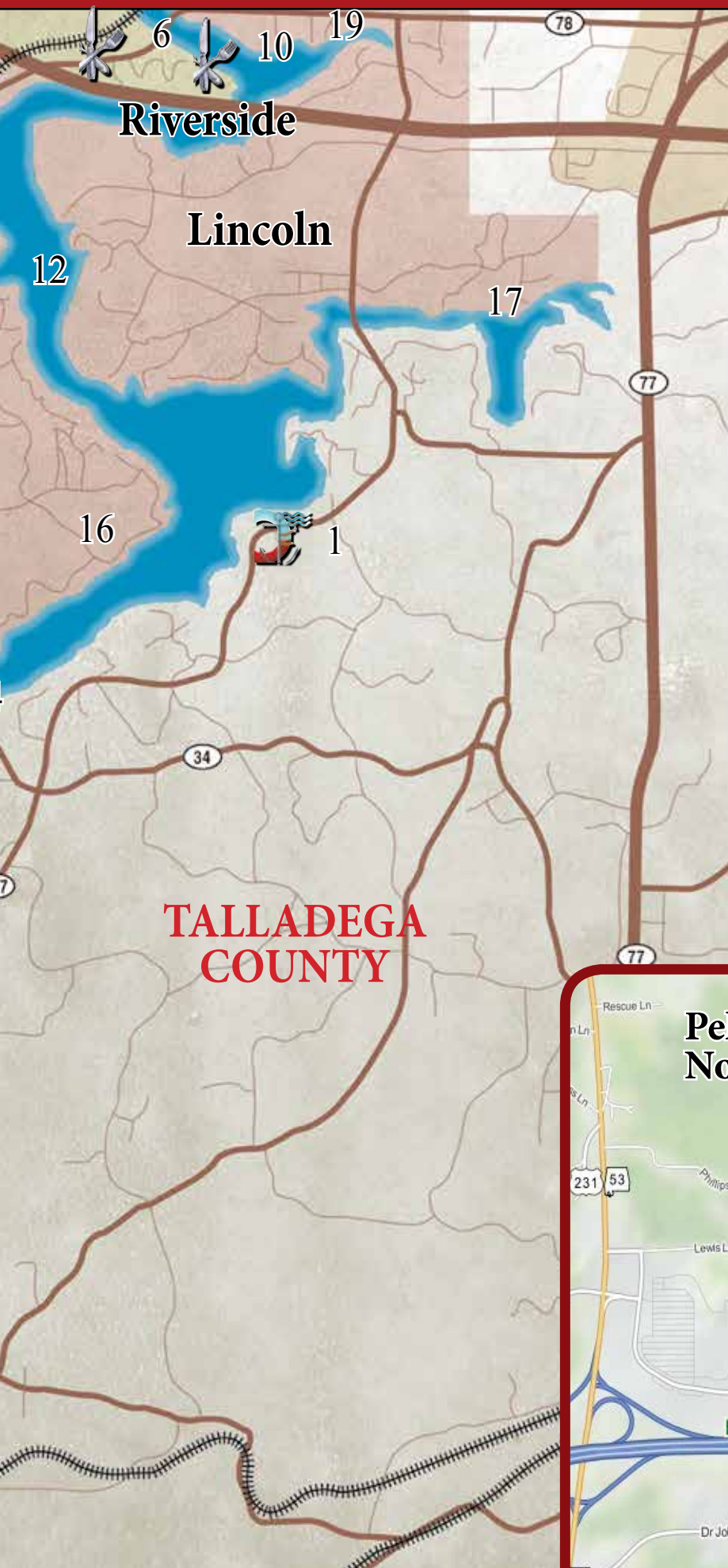
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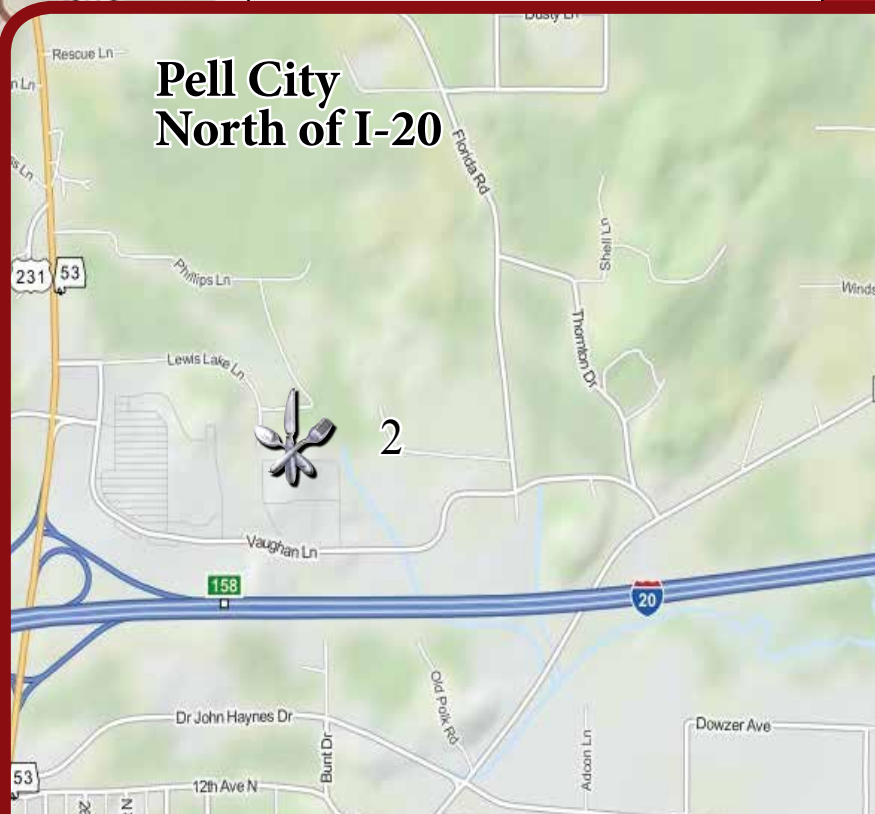




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# Homes

A Real Estate  
Property Guide  
for Logan Martin Lake  
and Surrounding Areas



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# Pell City property offers privacy and serenity in peaceful lake area setting



Written by **VALLEAN JACKSON**  
Photographed by **BOB CRISP**

Prospective buyers seeking a secluded home nestled in the trees will love the serene and beautiful property at 5005 Cedar Lane in Pell City.

The Colonial-style home, constructed in 1985 and situated on five acres, has three bedrooms and four bathrooms within its interior of 2,160 square feet.

The living room has wood flooring, vertical wood paneled walls, windows that provide plenty of natural light and a brick fireplace. There is also a brick fireplace in the master bedroom, great for warmth during winter days.

The kitchen features open shelving and ample cabinet space. The stainless steel refrigerator and built-in dishwasher

come with the home, along with the stove top island. The adjoining dining area offers great views of the landscaping and porch swing.

The two-story home includes a full basement, ideal for an additional bedroom or den, and a screened sunroom. Exterior amenities include two porches, a curved driveway and plenty of land to expand the home, if desired.

The property lists at \$299,777. For more information, call Maria Price of RE/MAX Southern Homes at 205-812-4924.



# Lakeside area agent loves building relationships with clients

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**F**or agent Dayna Layfield, real estate is all about the client. "When showing houses, it feels like I am adopting families," she says. "I am happy to show a \$20,000 house just as I am a \$500,000 house. Building good relationships with clients and them getting their home is what is important to me."

Layfield, an agent with Porter Realty in Talladega, has been in real estate for more than a decade. She earned a degree in forestry from the University of Georgia and worked for the United States Forest Service until she moved to the retail sector. Working in retail, she felt confined and wanted a career that was more flexible and would allow her to personally make a difference in the lives of others.

"I really love helping people find their ideal place to call home, which can even lead to generational sales. To sell

a home to parents then to their kids and henceforth means a lot to me, because it lets me know that I have not only done my job but created a great relationship with my clients."

In the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, Layfield describes times as "unusual," but during the last two-and-a-half months, she has sold 14 houses. As safety precautions, she wears her face mask to viewings and no longer allows prospective clients to ride with her.

"COVID-19 is helping a lot of people to seize the day and step out on a limb to achieve what they have been working on, and that is big -- not just for realtors, but for prospective buyers to finally transition to becoming homeowners."

Layfield advises prospective buyers to do research and know more than just the number of bedrooms and bathrooms they want. She adds

that it's important to know specifically where you want to buy and have a pre-approval letter, which can help buyers be as prepared as possible to limit disappointment.

"Buying a house is not an impulsive buy. We are buying houses, not candy bars. It is important to take the process seriously and think it through. Don't try to aim for that \$400,000 house at the age of 25. Build equity and buy and expand as your family grows."

A native of Dublin, Georgia, Layfield resides in the Talladega area with her husband and three children. In her spare time she enjoys hiking, spending time with family and attending any activity her children are part of. "My family-work life balance is important to me. Before switching to real estate, there was no balance, but there is now, and it's fun."



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**1001 Edgewood Drive Pell City**

**\$229,000**

4 BR (2 Master Suites) and 3 Baths on level acre lot with plenty of room for family get-togethers in a quiet and established neighborhood in close proximity to shopping, schools, and churches. Call Shawn 205-473-6206

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# *Nancy Locklar Gaither*

*“Mikki”*



**James 4:14**

*“Yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life?  
For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.”*



# *“The Abscense of Her Presence is Everywhere!”*

*Mikki,*

*Although you are unsurpassed in your professional career, more importantly, you went above and beyond in your private life. You are the most vivacious, compassionate, giving, caring person I have ever met. Although your life was cut way to short, I thank the Lord everyday for the time we shared and the memories we created. The community has no idea what a gem they have lost, but those of us who truly know and love you, do. You are constantly on our minds and forever in our hearts and I look forward to the day I am reunited with you in Christ. You are without a doubt the love of my life. Words cannot express how deeply we love and miss you. So until that day, go and rest Mikki, you certainly deserve it.*

**Kenneth, DJ, Tyler, Family & Friends**

**Matthew 11:28**

*“Come to Me, all you are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.  
Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.”*



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Price is on proposed new construction home approximately \$345,000 depending on any changes made and any extra costs on excavating. Beautiful custom home ideal for the lake lover. Gated Community boat launch ideal for your family. Such a beautiful sunset view each day

## \$345,000

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**33140 HWY 280**  
**Childersburg, AL 35044**

**3.5 ACRES - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**  
**MLS 889382**

Awesome commercial property perfect for business venture! Must have appointment to view property.

## \$550,000



**5005 Cedar Ln.**  
**Pell City, AL 35128**

3 BR, 2 BA, 5 acres of  
beautiful property.

**MLS# 865947**

## \$299,777



**106 Eagle Mountain Rd.**  
**Rockford, AL 35136**

Beautiful panoramic water view of  
Lake Mitchell at sunset.

**MLS #879065**

## \$80,000



**10834 Stemley Rd.** Close to interstate and  
**Talladega, AL 35160** Lake Logan Martin.

3 BR, 2 BA.

**MLS #861771**

## \$199,000



### WATERFRONT LOT -

**Cherokee Dr., Cropwell, AL 35054**  
Beautiful lot approximately 3 acres. Fabulous  
place to build your dream home on Logan Martin  
Lake. Restrictions apply.

**MLS#886347**

## \$299,000



**2 Riverview Dr.**  
**Cropwell, AL 35078**

Beautiful lot perfect for building a home.  
Great opportunity in community gated  
with water access to Logan Martin Lake.

**MLS #892839 \$21,000**



**Riverview Cir.**  
**Cropwell, AL 35078**

Beautiful lot in River Run Estates. Perfect  
for building dream home. Ready to build.

**MLS #824391**

**\$21,000**



**1 Riverview Dr.**  
**Cropwell, AL 35078**

Beautiful lot in great neighborhood.  
Covenants and restrictions for River Run  
apply. Gated community with community  
boat launch for water access.

**MLS #854778 \$21,000**



**3301-3801 Pinson Valley Pkwy.**  
**Birmingham, AL 35217**

**MLS #877338**

**COMMERCIAL**

## \$1,800,000



**0 Valley View Cir.**  
**Pell City, AL 35128**

Lot perfect for building dream home right  
across street from Logan Martin Lake.

**MLS #843853 \$14,900**



**500 Sunset Rd.**  
**Pell City, AL 35128**

Land with pasture and woods at the back  
of the property.

**MLS #820119 \$140,000**



**WATERFRONT LOT**  
**River Oaks Dr.**  
**Cropwell, AL 35078**

Main channel of Logan Martin Lake.  
Covenants and restrictions apply.

**MLS #856049 \$343,000**



**WATERFRONT LOT**  
**945 River Oaks Dr.**  
**Cropwell, AL 35078**

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3 BR, 3BA

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Outdoor living areas to take in the lake views, spacious 3 car garage on the main level, an elevator, wide doors and halls, open living space with a large fireplace, hardwood floors and storage galore in the massive basement garage. The incredible chefs kitchen with high ceilings & wine pantry is where your friends will want to gather. The master suite with an antique tub and large tile shower is tucked away for privacy. A finished loft above the garage. The landscaping is a gardeners oasis with a new potting shed, hydrangeas, ferns and lots of unique plants. A rail tram has recently been installed for EASY access to your boat dock with remote lighting & 125 ft of seawall on main channel. A new roof, one AC unit & hot water heater have recently been replaced. AN ADDITIONAL 1.2 ACRE LOT WITH 125 FT OF SEAWALL IS AVAILABLE. MLS #889305



4912 Lakeshore Dr.  
Pell City, AL 35128  
3 BR, 3.5BA

**UNDER CONTRACT IN 6 HOURS**

**\$659,000**

3 bedroom, 3.5 bath lake home! With the help of an architect in 2016 it was taken down to the studs & redesigned with everything updated, utilizing every square inch! The only original thing remaining is the exterior brick & fireplaces. The best way to describe this amazing space is cozy lake living with the large open concept kitchen, dining, living room and covered deck with vaulted ceilings. The master suite, is privately tucked away on the main level. The basement is perfect for guest with a den, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, a flex room & a stubbed kitchen, ready for you to design your way. Enjoy the private screened porch or walk down the GENTLE SLOPE to the 240 ft of shoreline offering a huge custom dock with a rusted design metal roof, city water, security, 2 remote control boat lifts, a large sun deck, jet ski ramps, 20 ft of water at the end of dock and your own boat launch with a pier. MLS #891304



**\$259,000**

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58 Acre Lot

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405 Cherokee Rd. #6  
Cropwell, AL 35054  
3 acres estate on 500 feet of shoreline.  
MLS #892193

**\$450,000**



**\$449,000**

5033 Forest Dr.  
Pell City, AL 35128  
3 BR, 3BA

This spacious home on Logan Martin is a rare find! Well built 3 BR/3BA home is situated on a double lot with water views all around. Features include a welcoming foyer, formal living room, dining room & spacious kitchen w/pantry & breakfast bar. Kitchen overlooks a large family room with huge fireplace, built-in bookcases and picturesque views of the lake. All bedrooms have walk-in closets. Downstairs is a 3rd area with another big fireplace! 3rd bedroom and bath are also downstairs, plus a big laundry room complete with laundry chute from upstairs. There is also a huge office/saferoom/exercise room. The 2 car garage has a utility room with plenty of shelving. Great view of the Stemley Bridge located on a cul-de-sac for privacy. New roof in 2018, water heater 2018, septic pumped 2017, garage door openers 2016, waterproofing 2020. LIST PRICE IS BELOW RECENT APPRAISAL. MLS #882293



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**\$239,000 - 1001 Edgewood Dr. - TOTALLY REMODELED** 4 bedroom, 3 bath one level home with greatroom with fireplace, living room/dining room with fireplace, (2) master bedrooms and screened patio with inlaid brick for the floor. Home is conveniently located to town and I-20. MLS #880426 Call Shawn 205/473-6206



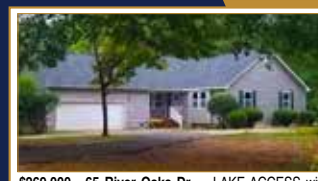
**\$171,000 - 811. Meadowview Dr. - CONVENIENT** location for this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath one level home with living room, den with fireplace and large room located in basement with 2-car garage. Convenient to Hwy 231 and I-20. MKS #885831. Call Amanda 205/368-6184 or Carl 205/965-4755



**\$985,000 - 7146 Dry Creek Rd. - A FARM PARADISE** just miles from the heart of downtown Pell City. BREATHTAKING 3000 sq ft +/- 3 BR, 3 BA ranch style home sits just on the ridge of approx 80 beautiful acres with (2) separate four acre private lakes with private docks and screened gazebo. Home has living room with fireplace, office/study and den. Property offers a pole barn, equipment storage and insulated storage container, fully stocked ponds for fishing. Many amenities this property has to offer. MLS# 874296 Call Adam 205/369-2704



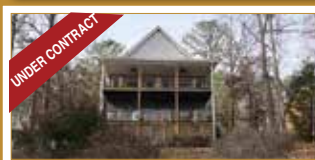
**\$290,000 - 68 Sunset Cir - EASY SLOPE WATERFRONT LOT** with this 3 BR, 3 BA home with living room with fireplace, dining room and den with shared boat house and pier. MLS #878570 Call Nan (256) 452-4761



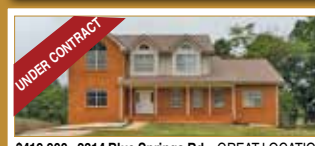
**\$269,000 - 65 River Oaks Dr. - LAKE ACCESS** with this one level completely remodeled 4 BR, 2.5 BA home located in RIVER OAKS with large living room, dining room located on large lot with mature trees and community boat launch. MLS #859571. Call Carey (205) 901-0652.



**\$549,000 - 75 Seminole Trl. - SPECTACULAR** 5 BR, 4 BA Lake Home for the large family. Lot of amenities with living room/dining room nice family room with fireplace, 2nd kitchen and den/playroom downstairs w/media room with recliners and craft room upstairs. Large entertaining deck with swim spa and hot tub. MLS #837552 Call Lawrence (205) 812-5195 or Brenda (205) 812-4141.



**\$439,000 - 281 Zodiac Dr. - YEAR ROUND WATER** 3 BR, 3 BA that also features family room with stone fireplace and vaulted ceiling, with master bedroom and another located on the main level. Downstairs hosts a nice den/playroom, other BR and BA with a functional loft located above the family room. Custom boat dock and nice lot. MLS #871200 Call Laurie (205) 365-3639



**\$419,900 - 2314 Blue Springs Rd. - GREAT LOCATION** for this large 4 BR, 4.5 BA brick home with living room, den with FP, updated kitchen w/granite counter tops and custom cabinets, dining room and the master suite on main level. Also 2nd master bedroom upstairs with (2) guest bedrooms and office/study. Partially finished basement with den, (2) car garage and workshop area. Level lot with covered dock. MLS #851754 Call Blair (205) 812-5377.



**\$799,900 - 435 Rabbit Point Rd. - BEAUTIFUL** CUSTOM 4 BR, 3.5 BA home on gentle slope lot with year round water. 30' ceilings, open floor plan, kitchen w/oversized island, lots of cabinets and more. Master suite is spacious with sitting area, covered porches and patios. Unfinished basement could be perfect for in law suite, w/workshop and large garage. Lot has covered dock and floating dock which is great for entertaining. MLS #860916 Call Karen (205) 473-4613



**\$879,900 - 433 Lakeview Crest Dr. - CUSTOM BUILT** 4 bedroom, 5.1 bath home on beautiful gentle slope year round waterfront lot with gorgeous view! Home features living room and den with fireplace, dining room, office/study and in-law suite. Also covered deck with outdoor fireplace, covered patio with built in grilling area and 2 slip dock with fish cleaning station and 4-car garage with three on main level. MLS #885907 Call Karen 205/473-4613



**\$229,000 - 365 Hillstone Dr. - CONVENIENT LOCATION** for this well maintained one level 3 bedroom 2 bath home that features family room with fireplace, dining room with high ceiling and eat in kitchen. Located downstairs is cozy den, storage area and 2-car garage and large fenced back yard. MLS #887964. Call Brenda 205/812-4141



**\$649,900 - 45 Bulldog Cir. - AWESOME VIEW** of the main channel with this 5 bedroom, 4 bath 1.5 story home that features family room with fireplace, dining room, (2) master bedrooms and playroom. Open floor plan that allows for family gatherings to easily flow. 3-car garage, covered dock and boat launch. MLS #885355. Call Karen 205/473-4613



**\$599,000 - 500 Eddie Houts Dr. - EXECUTIVE HOME** with stacked stone and brick exterior is located on approx 20 ACRES in a private setting with 4 BR, 3.5 BA, (4) FP's located in den, kitchen, parlor and master BR. In-law suite located in basement, newly done within last year. Master BA has Mr. Steam shower, cedar lined his/her closets. Kitchen has Italian stone kitchen floors, granite counter tops and high-end stainless steel appliances. MLS #862156 Call Joel (205) 753-3831



**\$299,900 - 345 Hillstone Dr. - BEAUTIFUL** one level 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with living room, dining room, and partially finished basement with one of the bedrooms and office/study and 2-car garage. Back yard is fenced with privacy fencing and nicely landscaped. MLS #891320 Call Carl 205/965-4755 or Amanda 205/368-6184



**\$149,900 - 11907 Hwy 144 - WELL MAINTAINED** one level 3 bedroom 2 bath home with living room, large kitchen and beautiful yard with fruit trees and 3-car garage. MLS #883955. Call Karen 205/473-4613

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**NEW LISTING**



**1180 IMAGES SQUARE**  
**CROPWELL, AL 35128**  
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**\$625,000**



**NEW LISTING**



**1154 RANCH MARINA RD.**  
**PELL CITY, AL 35128**  
**MLS#892753**

**\$360,000**



**NEW LISTING**

**286 RIVER BEND CIR.**  
**TALLADEGA, AL 35160**  
**MLS#891946**

**\$269,000**



**305 KRADLE KOVE, TALLADEGA, AL 35160**

**MLS#878523** **\$2,600,000**



**3015 WOODS FERRY RD., LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS#832435** **\$215,000**



**11907 HWY. 144, RAGLAND AL 35131**

**MLS#883955** **\$144,900**

## LOTS

### LAKEPOINTE

**0 LAKE POINT DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS: 860645 \$29,500**

**0 WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS: 860640 \$34,500**

**0 OVERLOOK RIDGE, LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS: 860643 \$39,500**

**0 WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS: 860639 \$39,900**

**0 WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096**

**MLS: 860637 \$109,500**



**WATERFRONT LOT**

**0 HARMON DR. PELL CITY, AL 35128**  
**MLS: 849771 \$197,000**



**WATER ACCESS/  
ACREAGE**

**0 SEMINOLE TRL,  
PELL CITY, AL 35128**  
**MLS: 871371 \$110,000**



**906 PLEASANT VALLEY DR.,  
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situated on 2+/- acres. \$269,900.



**new listing**

3105 Renfro Rd. 4BR/2BA  
home on 4 acres. Separate home  
site on property. \$145,000



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Exquisitely designed custom-built waterfront home  
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suite or apy. Boardwalk,  
boat house, 2nd homesite  
available. \$589,000.

#### LOTS FOR SALE

TOMAHAWK TRAIL \$16,000. APPROX. 1.1 ACRES.  
MLS#865653

KAYLA LANE \$15,000. APPROX. 2.9 ACRES.  
MLS#869425

14 WATERS EDGE COVE, \$214,500. APPROX. 1.9  
ACRES. MLS#801964



**new listing**

211 Gary Ln. COMPLETELY REMODELED one level 3BR/2BA. One level living, zero entry for wheelchair accessible needs. move in ready! \$129,000.



**new listing**

1016 Dellwood  
Dr. Beautiful fully  
updated full brick  
3BR/2BA home!  
\$195,000



**new listing**

3015 Renfro Rd.  
Country living 3BR/  
2BA home on 13  
acres! \$219,000



**SOLD**

35 Water's Edge. \$1,400,000



66865 HWY 77, Talladega. 5 +/- ACRES  
on private pond. 4 out buildings, all with  
power. \$110,000.



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328 MOOREFIELD DR Talladega. Spacious  
brick 3BR/2.5BA, immaculate, covered  
back patio, pristine backyard. \$230,000.



**under contract**



175 CREEKVIEW LN,  
LINCOLN. Beautiful  
waterfront home  
on gentle sloping  
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### LOGAN MARTIN



**195 Fulmer Dr.  
Talladega**

5 BR, 6 BA, 2 1/2 BA  
MLS# 877954

**\$684,000**

### LOGAN MARTIN



**2312 Annesley Dr.  
Pell City**

3 BR, 2 BA  
MLS# 888275

**\$220,000**

### LOGAN MARTIN



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**20 Mallard Dr.  
Cropwell**

4 BR, 4.5 BA  
MLS# 870277

**\$889,000**

### LOGAN MARTIN



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**186 Bridgeview Dr.  
Lincoln**

3 BR, 2 BA  
MLS# 884626

**\$419,900**

### LAY LAKE



**364 Co. Rd. 919  
Clanton**

4 BR, 3BA  
MLS#884894

**\$450,000**

### LAY LAKE



**170 Hwy. 408  
Shelby**

4 BR, 3 BA  
MLS# 891836

**\$269,000**

### NEELY HENRY



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**960 Launch Dr.  
Ashville**

3 BR, 2 BA  
MLS# 842670

**\$275,000**



**2515 Ridgewood Ln.  
Moody**

3 BR, 2 BA  
MLS# 891587

**\$185,900**



**2087 Ingram Wells Rd.  
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4 BR, 2BA  
MLS#891245

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**382 Homespun Hill  
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3 BR, 3 BA, 67 Ac. Farm  
MLS# 875648

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**NEW LISTING**

**UNDER CONTRACT**

**425 Patches Lane**  
**Pell City, 35128**  
**MLS# 892040**  
**\$399,900**

4 Bedroom/3 Bath Full Brick home located in the sought after Eagle Pointe subdivision. This home features granite countertops, hardwoods in living area/ bedrooms and tile flooring throughout the bathrooms. The finished basement is complete with 2nd living room, full bath, bonus room, bar area, and pool table to make the perfect man cave. Outside features open deck Other amenities include lake access, boat launch, community in-ground swimming pool and tennis courts.



**NEW LISTING**

**UNDER CONTRACT**



**485 Oak St.**  
**Cropwell, AL**  
**MLS# 892637**

**\$199,900**

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath manufactured home on Logan Martin Lake with YEAR ROUND deep water. This home has been completely updated. Freshly painted, new flooring, new trim, new vanities in both bathrooms, new tile surrounding garden tub in the master bath, HUGE new covered porch overlooking the lake and new floating dock! Beautifully landscaped lot! Storage building and Carport to remain.



**NEW LISTING**



**451 Eagle Pointe Dr.,**  
**Pell City, AL 35129** **MLS# 887916** **\$795,000**

Come and see this GORGEOUS LAKE home that sits on over 2 ACRES situated on a picturesque point with a PANORAMIC View of the Lake. This Lake Home is located on the Main Channel with approximately 450 ft of year round water located in the EAGLE POINTE Subdivision. Home features two covered boat docks with two boat lifts. Long lighted drive, BRICK home with lovely HARDWOOD floors, UPDATED kitchen, large windows for natural light and an open floor plan. 3 bedrooms and 3.5 baths! Home features Finished basement with a large living room, spare bedroom, and full bathroom. There is a HUGE unfinished basement area with lots of storage space! Fireplace and covered back porch!! This subdivision also features a community pool, private boat launch, and tennis court!



**Lincoln Harbor,**  
**Unit 4450**  
**Talladega, AL 35160**  
**MLS# 889873**

**UNDER CONTRACT**

**\$214,000**

This is a 3 Bedroom/ 2 Bath Condo located on the 4th floor and has an absolutely BREATHTAKING view of Logan Martin Lake! It has NEW wood floors in the living area and all three bedrooms. The Kitchen features some stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops with an island with bar stools. This condo also features a HUGE balcony with a BEAUTIFUL SUNSET VIEW. This condo is Fully Furnished and 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.

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**765 Eastaboga Rd.  
Talladega, AL 35160  
MLS# 877027  
**\$399,900****

**REDUCED**



Come and see everything this 4 BEDROOM/4.5 BATH home has to offer. This GORGEOUS house sits on 11 ACRES of land and it is a nice, FLAT LOT! The family can spread out with PLENTY of room and 2nd floor offers a BONUS ROOM or MIL SUITE. Cook up a feast in your kitchen with PLENTY of CABINET space. Enjoy a cup of coffee on your COVERED front or back patio! Fire up the grill and enjoy the summer nights with your loved ones. Circular drive makes it easy to entertain and garage offers 2 parking spaces! This is a home you DO NOT WANT TO MISS OUT ON!



**316 1ST Ave. N  
Pell City 35128  
MLS# 888899  
**\$127,500****

**REDUCED**

3 beds 3 baths – sqft 1940 build 9 days on site. Fireplace. Home offers a STUDIO STYLE APARTMENT ALSO ATTACHED WITH HOME, THAT IS ONE ROOM WITH A FULL BATH AND KITCHENETTE.



**98 Snow Goose Circle  
Contingent  
Lincoln, AL 35096  
MLS# 888761  
**\$198,900****

**UNDER CONTRACT**

Home located in the Ambleside subdivision. It has an open spacious floor plan! 3 Bedrooms and 3.5 Bath and each bedroom has its own private bathroom. This home features hardwood floors, tile floors and all new stainless steel appliances! Large two car garage that has been recently sheet rocked. Amenities Include: lamp post, underground utilities, walking trails, with landscaped gazebo.



**150 Killough Lane  
Talladega, AL 35160  
MLS# 883530  
**\$378,000****

**REDUCED**

Come and see everything this amazing 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath home has to offer that sits on 5 ACRES! Plenty of PRIVACY and SPACE! This home will not last long!



**COMMERCIAL LISTING**

**48041 US Hwy. 78  
Lincoln, AL 35096  
MLS# 876597  
**\$499,000****

5 Office spaces available. Each space includes its own Kitchenette and individual / private bathroom. This is a great investment property and has a long term rental history. Located on main highway that offers maximum traffic for business. Parking available in the back as well. This building has been well maintained.



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

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



**135 Blair Circle  
Pell City, AL 35177  
MLS#891771  
**\$279,500****

This 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath home features recently updated cabinets and light fixtures in the kitchen and bathrooms. Enjoy the HUGE Master Bedroom with tray ceilings, LARGE eat in kitchen with stainless steel appliances, separate dining room, and the large open living area with hardwood floors. Downstairs has been recently remodeled to include a 2nd Living Room complete with bar, a 4th Bedroom, and additional Full Bath. Screened in porch and gazebo. Privacy fence and a custom swing set. Large 2 Car Garage with plenty of storage area. New roof installed in 2018!



**880 Golf Course Rd.  
Pell City, AL 35128  
MLS# 885088  
**\$164,000****

Plenty of room for the family to spread out with 3 BEDROOMS and 2 BATHROOMS. Cook up a feast in your GALLEY kitchen with plenty of CABINET SPACE and natural lighting. Grill out and chill out while admiring your green grass and flat backyard! Grab a cup of coffee in the morning and sit on your front porch. This home has charm and all you need! During the summer, take a dip into your above ground pool and entertain all your family and friends.



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LINCOLN \$389,000. SPACIOUS & SECLUDED 4BR/3.5BA, IMMACULATE WITH PRISTINE YARD, ALMOST 10 ACRES. IN-GROUND POOL, LARGE FINISHED BASEMENT, COULD ALSO HAVE AN APARTMENT WITH SEPARATE ACCESS. MLS#887047



PELL CITY \$339,000. NICE BRICK 3BR/2BA HOME ON APPROX 2.9 ACRES, VERY CLOSE TO HOSPITAL, RESTURANTS, SHOPPING, I-20. ALSO HAS PECAN TREES. THE PROPERTY BEING SOLD IS A PORTION ON THE PARCEL. MLS#888474

## PROPERTY FOR SALE

- PELL CITY \$185,000. 7 ACRES ON HWY 78, NEAR DOWNTOWN & I-20. ZONED B-2, CAN BE CHANGED TO R-4, MULTI-DWELLING RESIDENCE PER CITY. GREAT FOR A SUBDIVISION, CONDOS, OR APARTMENTS. MLS#758407
- LINCOLN \$9,300. NICE SLOPING LOT, DOWNTOWN LINCOLN, READY TO BUILD ON. MLS#829155
- LINCOLN \$42,000. GREAT BUILDING LOT ON STEMLEY ROAD, CONVENIENT LOCATION TO I-20 AND BLOCKS FROM LOGAN MARTIN LAKE. MLS#763796
- CROPWELL \$108,360. NICE PRIVATE WOODED LOT WITH NICE VIEW IN A WELL-LOVED LOCATION, APPROX 15 ACRES. MLS#803484
- PELL CITY \$129,000. 20 ACRES IN TOWN NEAR I-20, SCHOOLS, HOSPITAL, VA HOME, SHOPPING. PROPERTY HAS ALREADY BEEN SURVEYED FOR A 34 LOT SUBDIVISION. GREAT SITE FOR BUILDING WITH ALL UTILITIES. WATER TANK HILL. MLS#591453



UNDER CONTRACT

PELL CITY \$269,000. PRIVATE 4BR/2BA CABIN, APPROX. 30 WOODED ACRES, LONG FRONT PORCH. DETACHED APT ABOVE GAR. BARN / WORK-SHOP. POOL WITH SCREENED PATIO & STORAGE BLDG. MLS#821732



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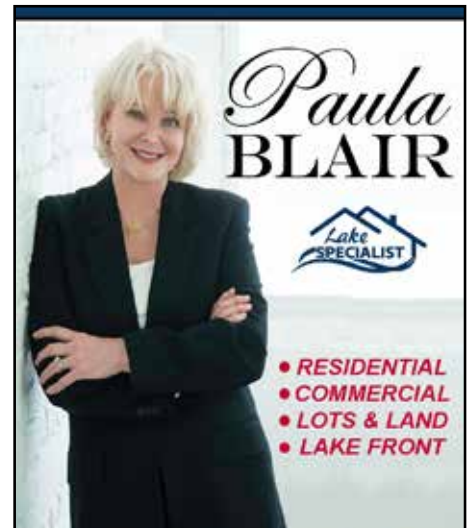
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