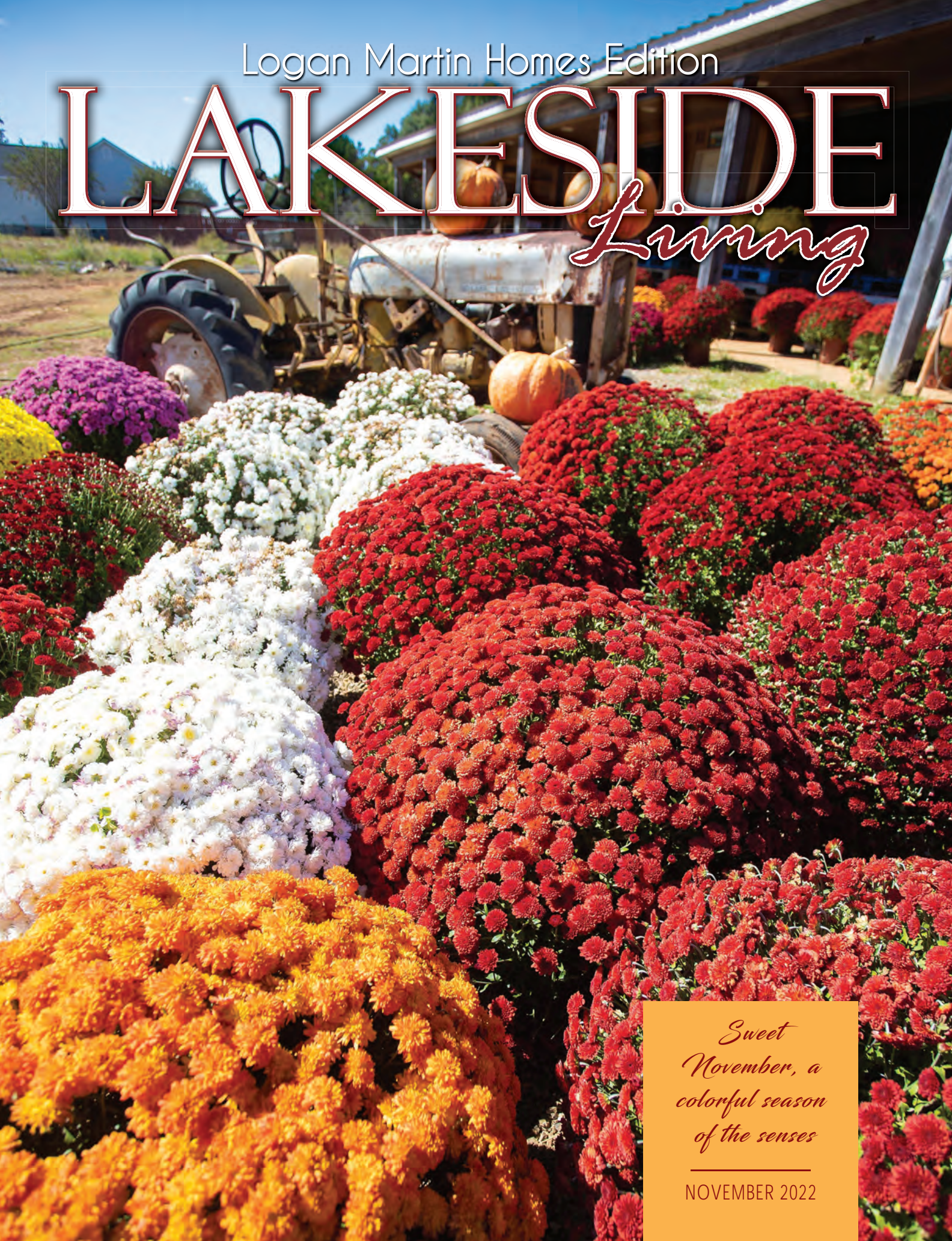


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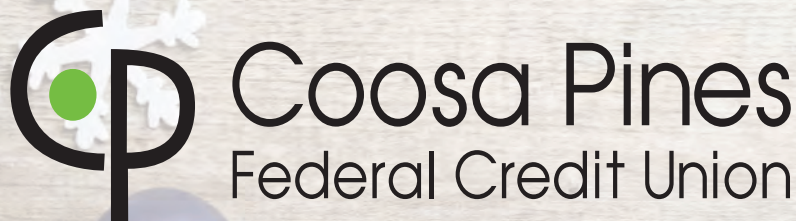
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From the Editor

Communication and connection

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

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

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

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

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

Sarah's skills have been on display in recent issues of Lakeside Living. Our regular readers have no doubt enjoyed the words she has shared with us in accompaniment to Tim Badgwell's photography (such as the accompanying example) in the Lakeside Flora & Fauna feature. I'm proud to have her as a contributor to our publication, not only for her descriptive, reflective perspectives but also because professionally she's Dr. Sarah Elizabeth Moreman, a recognized authority on interpersonal communication.

She's been named a Spear Hero Honoree by the Vulcans Community



Awards, presented to recognize civic pride, leadership, accomplishment, and progress in the seven-county Birmingham region, which includes the Logan Martin Lake area.

The good doctor was one of 10 award recipients this year, earning her recognition for her efforts to promote disability awareness and accommodation and inspire others to become more effective and inclusive communicators.

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

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

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

It is our hope that you will enjoy the finished work we have to share with you in this month's issue. From a visit to the home of a lakeside area celebrity to news about a Sylacauga fishing champion to an adventure experienced by some local alligator hunters, we're pleased that you've chosen to spend another month with Lakeside Living, Logan Martin's original and premier magazine.

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Tress and lay downs are my favorite targets this time of year. A spinnerbait is hard to beat in these situations. Shallow docks around seawalls are also great targets. For this situation, try small crankbaits such as the Rapala Shad Rap in shad color or a 1.5-style crankbait in shad color.

Typically, fish will migrate to the creek mouths and inside the creeks this time of year. Try to find bait fish for the best success. If you're around the shad, odds are you're around the fish.

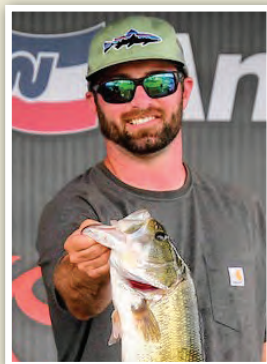
Fish can also be caught on the main river. There, look for flatter places like flat pockets and flats near deep water. The best lures for fishing these flats will be a topwater walking bait, such as a Zara Spook and small crank baits. For the open water schooling fish, use rattletaps and small swimbaits for increased success.

If you're looking to catch a lot of fish, I recommend trying a small shad-colored crappie-style bait on light line. I use 4-pound or 6-pound test on an ultralight spinning rod paired with a

1/16-ounce jig and a Charlie Brewer White Slider. Rooster Tails, Bobby Garland baits, and live minnows will also work.

Target the backs of creeks and creek channels. Slow rolling these small "crappie grubs" can produce a lot of fish. You can also troll these small lures in the backs of creek channels. For this setup, I use a 1/8-ounce jig head and troll at speeds of 2-3 mph. Mainly stripers

and small spotted bass will be caught on this setup, and it's an absolute blast.



Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Tight Lines & Strong Hooksets,

CJ Knight

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Written by **APRIL CLARK**
Submitted photos

The Ritz Theatre hosted a special performance of August Wilson's Tony- and Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Fences," and I had the pleasure of attending the opening night of what was promised by executive director George Culver and Talladega College Provost Dr. Barbara Johnson to be one of many "town and gown" partnerships between the theater and the college.

If you are not familiar with the term "town and gown," it describes two distinct communities between the residents of the town and the students and faculty associated with the school. It was a treat to experience at a local venue an acclaimed play that has been adapted to film and seen on Broadway.

Editor's Note: This month, April returns to Talladega's Historic Ritz Theatre for a special event that reminds us of how fortunate the lakeside community is to be able to count The Ritz among its cultural resources.

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"Fences" is set in the 1950s, the sixth in a 10-part cycle of plays, each exploring a different decade of African American history across the 20th century. The collection of plays is known as the "Pittsburgh Cycle." This staggering achievement is considered one of the grandest and most exciting in American theater history, and it was exciting to experience this classic in our community.

Seven talented actors from the National Players of Olney Theatre Center, in Washington, DC, portrayed an unflinching account of the African American experience in a rich and harrowing fashion. Celebrating its 73rd season, this is the first time since 1949 that the company has had an all-Black cast, so it seemed fitting that the ensemble would perform this classic, as Wilson's plays marked a breakthrough for African Americans in theater.

"Fences" is about a former star of the Negro baseball leagues named Troy Maxson (played by Carl Ackers) who now works as a garbage man in 1957 Pittsburgh. Excluded as a Black



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man from the major leagues during his prime, Troy's bitterness takes its toll on his relationships and the literal and figurative fences he encounters and creates in his life. His wife Rose (played by Ría Simpkins) tasks him with building a fence, which she desires to set her and her family off from the outside world, to protect the private interior of their experiences. "Fences" gives a palpable reality to the complexity of familial bonds and race relations during the Jim Crow era.

As the playwright, Wilson insisted he never wrote exclusively for Black or White audiences. While one of his primary goals was to place African American culture front and center in a world where Black people had historically been forced to the social sidelines, he was perhaps most interested in taking a look at the human experience.

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Throughout the play, we see how its characters are forced to define their world through the concrete experiences of one family. Wilson knew any audience of any color could find something to relate to in the struggles and successes of his characters. While his plays may seem to be specific to African American life, their overall themes are universal.

The ensemble not only delivered a riveting performance for the community but an educational experience for students at Talladega College. The actors taught two workshops in voice and movement to expose participants to professional acting exercises. For many students, this was their first exposure to an acting class as well as their first time attending live theater. Culver said that he

would be willing to work with students interested in performance, since the college currently does not have a drama department.

The youthful cast served as inspiration to the college's students, as many of them took part in The Howard Players, a student-run theater organization at Howard University. Hopefully the students at Talladega College will see this unique experience as a catalyst for their own student-run theater program.

I'd seen "Fences" as a child, as well as clips of its time on Broadway and the film starring Denzel Washington and Viola Davis, and each time it relates to me differently. I'm looking forward to seeing more classic American performances such as this one in the lakeside community.



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BULLSEYE!

Logan Martin Axe Throwing brings new sport to lakeside area for fun and fitness

Written by **LACI BRASWELL**
Photographed by **BOB CRISP**

It's not every day that I get to play with sharp objects for fun.

In fact, even thinking about doing something dangerous typically brings me intense anxiety, but that all changed after my first visit to Logan Martin Axe Throwing.

On the way there, my heart was pounding and my mind was racing. Repetitive thoughts of "Will I embarrass myself and not be able to throw it? Will I potentially hurt myself?" rang louder than the music playing on my car radio.

Thankfully, my GPS took me right to the location in Pell City without any problems to add to my initial trepidation.

Once inside, I slowly became more comfortable. Owner Zayne Ferguson welcomed me with a warm greeting. Before trying it out for myself, I told him I wanted to learn more about the game, its growing popularity, and how it came to the Gateway to Logan Martin Lake.

"Labor Day weekend was our grand opening for the axe throwing," Ferguson said.

Logan Martin Axe Throwing is inside and operated by Crossfit 231, which has been in its current location since 2020.

"This used to be a baseball training facility," Ferguson told me. "When I was

given the opportunity to relocate, it was a no-brainer because of the setup and space."

The Pell City native said the response to the addition of the new activity has been positive. "We've had strong turnouts so far."

Ferguson explained that the facility uses a lighter, hatchet-style axe to throw at wooden targets, set up similar to an archery or dart board. I wanted to watch him throw a few times before deciding if I was truly in over my head.

Standing 12 feet away from the target, Ferguson showed me the small axe before demonstrating the motion to throw.

"You want to grip it similar to how you would hold a pencil," he said as he held the axe with his right arm up and behind his head. "You don't want to grasp it too firmly or try to flick your wrist. That's what a lot of people do wrong on their first attempt."

He took his first throw. Target hit, but not a bullseye.

"Points can slightly vary from place to place," he said. "But the highest points are in the bullseye, decreasing the further your axe lands from the center. There are also two kill shots in each upper corner, which are worth the most points."

Before taking a kill shot, a player must claim it. At the end of the 10-frame game of ten throws each, players add up their scores, highest total wins.



Ferguson noted he has been throwing axes since he was a kid, playing out in the woods, but got into it more seriously since its growing popularity by visiting other facilities in the state with his family.

"Do you want to try and throw now?" he asked.

Still slightly nervous, I decided to just go for it. It's now or never, I thought.

"Sure," I said, hiding my concern.

As I got ready for my first throw, I tried to relax and remembered what Ferguson had previously explained to me. I gripped the axe, which was not nearly as heavy as I'd anticipated. It was an instant relief. I raised my right arm up to throw, releasing the axe as swiftly as I could.

My first attempt had the distance, but it didn't stick to the target.

I consider myself to be blessed with my fair share of talents and skills. Hand-eye coordination is not one of them, however, so the fact that I didn't completely embarrass myself like a celebrity guest pitcher trying to throw a baseball to the plate but instead throwing a wild fly ball was a win in my book.





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I was also thankful that none of my throws went flying outside my lane.

"Try a few more times," Ferguson encouraged me.

My next throw shocked me. I hit inside the target, and the axe stuck to the board. I let out a loud squeal and immediately wanted to keep trying.

The next few attempts were hit-and-miss, but I didn't want to be too hard on myself since I now knew I was capable.

At approximately throw six or seven, I hit a bullseye. My jaw dropped in amazement. "My family is not going to believe I actually got a bullseye," I said to Ferguson, laughing. "This IS fun."

Ferguson added he believes one reason the unique sport is gaining popularity is because "practically everyone can do it. We do have an age requirement to be at least 10. One of our oldest participants was a 75-year-old woman who was with her church group throwing. She hit a bullseye on the first try. It was incredible."

He believes axe throwing also has its share of health benefits. "It can help relieve pent-up stress



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Ferguson also told me he thinks the sport is on the rise because it brings people together. "It's something you can do with friends, family, your church. The possibilities are endless. It's a great way to fellowship and just get to know people."

Logan Martin Axe Throwing is also in the perfect geographic location due to the lake traffic, he added. "I like where we are because we are close to surrounding cities and communities within St. Clair and Talladega counties. You don't have to drive all the way to Birmingham to play a game."

Ferguson continued, "A bad day at the gym is better than a good day just sitting on the couch. It's important to be active, but to have fun while doing it."

As I got ready to leave, I felt proud of myself and accomplished for trying something new. I can't wait to introduce the game to my family and friends, and hopefully show them a thing or two about how to throw an axe.

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The Great Alabama ALLIGATOR HUNT



Local sportsman recounts agony of defeat and thrill of victory while pursuing aquatic reptiles

Written by CJ Knight
Submitted photos

It was early in 2018 when I began my quest for the elusive Alabama Alligator Possession Tag.

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources issues alligator permits through a lottery draw format. For some people, it takes years to be drawn. I waited five long years before my tag was drawn. Finally, this past summer, I was able to set out on my first alligator hunting experience, having really no clue what was in store.

The stage was set for the hunt in Camden. This portion of the Alabama River is known as Millers Ferry, which has a very remarkable reputation for its rural and vastly wild environment. Monster alligators have inhabited Millers Ferry for years. As a matter of fact, the Safari Club International world-record alligator was harvested in Camden by Mandy Stokes in 2014. Drawing a tag on this famous lake is both prestigious and humbling. We knew that our chance at harvesting a large alligator was high, due to the reputation of Millers Ferry.

I was accompanied by my cousin Payton Mckee of Childersburg and longtime friend AJ Simmons of Auburn. We were all excited and pumped. Payton and I drove down to Camden to scout Millers Ferry. Our plan was to find, locate, and mark potential alligators that first night so that we could better use our time hunting the next two days. We found several nice alligators were very optimistic about the start of our hunt.

AJ met up with us the next day, and we prepped the boat for hunting. Flashlights, spotlights, food, drinks, guns, ropes, bows,



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harpoons, floats, lifejackets, and all other necessary hunting equipment were organized and placed strategically. I'm not sure if we looked organized or if we resembled the clutter of Sanford & Son. Regardless, we were ready to slay the dragon.

As the night began on Friday, we decided to make a distant run upriver where we had success scouting the night before. The area is upriver from Roland Cooper Park, known as Chilatchee Creek. It has a very high population of alligators, and we anticipated it as a great starting spot.

As we settled in for the night in the hunting area, we noticed that something was different. We were hardly seeing any gators like we had the previous night, and the water level was low and dropping. We hunted hard for hours, and we caught several small gators.

After spending a majority of the night in this area, we decided to move to another area known as Pine Barron, also known for big gators. Instantly

we had better luck. We started to see better-than-average gators. We caught several that were in the 8-to-9-foot range, but we had our standards set higher and wanted a true beast.

As the first night came to a close, we yielded an empty tag. Tired and fatigued, we were still excited about the next day's final hunt.

We again prepared for the long haul. We decided to switch gears and hunt the downriver portions of Millers Ferry. From the start, we had success in these new areas. We passed up several gators in the 9-foot range. It was early, and we figured if worse came to worst that we could revisit these areas and at least harvest a 9-footer.

As the early night dragged on, we continued to move and check new areas, and next thing we knew, it was almost midnight. Something that hunters know is that time is of the essence. We were having so much fun that time had slipped away from us. We now only had roughly five hours



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to make something happen. We rolled into a new area and saw a nice gator, so we pursued it with spotlight and fishing poles.

As we moved closer, we noticed that our boat was filling with water. AJ looked down and shouted, "We are sinking!" The main aerator port tube had been sheared off somehow; we believe we hit a stump that caused it to break. After diagnosing the problem, I made a makeshift drain plug out of a glove and duct tape, a modification that allowed us to travel back to the ramp and load the boat up.

We frantically drove back to the hotel, threw all of our gear into the spare boat, and took off again. By this time, it was after 3 a.m., and we only had a couple of hours to harvest a gator before the season would be over. Our hopes were to locate a decent-sized gator quickly and punch our tag since time was fading away.

As we rolled into Gees Bend, we crossed between two small islands. Glancing our spotlights on the banks of the smallest island,



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we noticed a set of very large eyes. This was our chance. The large alligator was walking into the water right in front of us. At the time, we had no idea how big he truly was.

I made cast to him in hopes of snagging him. My hook slightly touched his foot, and he took off like a fighter jet. I had missed my opportunity. The gator was gone, and we thought our gator season was over. We felt completely defeated. As we sat with our heads down, I started scanning the open water with our spotlight. To our surprise, the gator had resurfaced and was 80 yards from us. We still had a shot!

As we trolled over to the gator, he suddenly went under. I noticed bubbles coming off the bottom, which told us that he was there glued to the river bottom. I pitched my big snag hook over to the bubbles and right away felt movement on the end of the hook. I set the hook, and the fight was on!

The gator literally pulled the whole boat around the canal. I have never felt something so powerful and strong. All I could do was hold on. I fought the beast for about 10 minutes, and the hook pulled off. The line went completely slack. I presumed to pitch my hook back to where I had lost him and I

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snagged him again. Serious luck right? This time, after a short fight, he started to surface.

That was when we realized how big he really was. After a failed attempt by AJ to get another hook in the beast, the line suddenly went slack again. We had lost him for a second time. But we never gave up and cast back to the bottom, and as luck had it, we hooked him again on a blind cast. We could not believe that we had hooked, lost, and re-hooked this gator three separate times.

But the smart beast had wedged itself under a stump or log jam on the bottom. The braid-

ed line snapped due to friction. Now it was well after 4 a.m., and we were drained. We pouted and sulked for a while. Our pride was completely lost, and we felt totally defeated.

I tried one more cast. Would you believe it hooked the gator again? The line screamed, and the monster thrashed and fought. AJ and Payton gathered the harpoon and noose. We were in the fight of our lives. Right before the gator surfaced, the rod that I was using completely broke in half. Luckily, the gator stayed attached to the line, and Payton proceeded to hand line the monster in with the aid of his

work gloves, and AJ was able to harpoon the beast. Once the harpoon was in place, the fight was over. We had properly dispatched the gator according to state law, and we were finished.

The official time was 4:35 a.m. After arriving Roland Cooper Park shortly after daylight, state biologists greeted us with open arms. The wildlife officers weighed, measured, and took data of our Alligator. He ended up weighing 363 pounds, and was 11 feet, 2 inches long. It was the second-largest alligator harvested in the 2022 West Zone.

Although it took us far from Logan Martin Lake and the Coosa





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River, our alligator hunting trip was unmatched by any hunting trip that I have ever been on. The ups and downs, lows and highs were so drastic, making for the ultimate adrenaline storm. And all three of us were glad that we made it home with all of our hands and fingers intact.

The story of the American Alligator is a true national conservation achievement. Prior to the late 1980s, the American alligator was listed as a critically endangered species. Hunted for its high-quality meat and skin, American alligators were highly prized animals. After years of protection through state and federal entities, the American alligator has made a drastic comeback across the southeast. Alabama holds very high populations of these fascinating creatures. Suitable habitat and abundance of prey species makes Alabama the perfect home for alligators.

Alligators are predominantly found in rivers, swamps, bays, ponds, creeks, and coastal wetlands from Montgomery to Mobile. Though it is uncommon, alligators have and can be found in the local waterways of central Alabama and farther north. There have been several instances of alligators spotted in portions of the Coosa River.

Alligators can live to be very old creatures. High reproduction rates combated with low predation allow alligators in Alabama to grow big, reaching 300-1,000 pounds and 10-15 feet in length. Alabama produces some of the largest Alligators in the whole country.

To maintain the balance between alligators and humans, the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources allows residents to apply for alligator tags through its nuisance program. This yearly lottery draw system allows residents to participate in yearly hunts. Hunters can apply online at www.outdooralabama.com/alligators/alligator-hunt-registration. All of the information and instructions for applications are provided by the state. Hunters can apply for

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Sylacauga angler advances to BASS Nation National Championship

Will Davis is one step away from the Bassmaster Classic

Written by **CJ KNIGHT**
Photography by **BOB CRISP**

There is an old saying that lightning never strikes twice in the same spot, but local angler Will Davis has defied that adage.

In April, he became the BASS Nation Southeast Regional winner in the tournament on Smith Lake. He had already won the Alabama BASS Nation State championship on Lake Martin, a year ago this month. Victories in both tournaments are an amateur's dream.

But Davis is completely humbled, grateful, and ready for future events. "Winning the state championship was a dream come true," he said, "but to come out on top at the BASS Nation Southeast Regional was absolutely crazy in all of the best ways possible. The emotions of winning the state championship and the regional on my first try are truly

incredible on all fronts. I am truly so blessed to have the opportunity."

With these wins, Davis has set the stage this month for a third possible title: the BASS Nation National Championship, set for November 9-11 on Lake Pickwick, in North Alabama. He is excited that the national competition will be held in Alabama.

"I can't wait to get to Pickwick. I don't have a lot of experience there, but we are going to give it all we've got. This National Championship will decide who goes to the Bassmaster Classic, which is the true Super Bowl of competition bass fishing."

BASS (Bass Anglers Sportsman Society) was formed in 1967 by renowned fisherman Ray Scott. The BASS brand has brought many opportunities for anglers since its creation. Scott had a vision to bring professional bass fishing to the big stage and to viewers across the United States. He accomplished just that.

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junior events, BASS Nation events, Bassmaster Opens events, Kayak events, Redfish events, Elite events, and the prestigious annual Bassmaster Classic. BASS Nation events are considered the “grassroots” of BASS, in which an individual can star from the very bottom and work his or her way up.

In Nation events, individuals compete at the local state-level tournaments. From there, competitors can qualify for the state championship, based on a point system. After the state championship, a certain percentage of the anglers, again by a point system, is selected to represent their particular states in the Regionals. A certain percentage of the Regional anglers is invited to the BASS Nation National Championship. Finally, a certain percentage of the BASS Nation National Championship highest finishers will qualify to fish the annual Bassmaster Classic.

The Bassmaster Classic is composed of Elite professionals, Opens winners, a collegiate angler, and BASS Nation qualifiers. Qualifying for the Bassmaster Classic through the BASS Nation events is considered by many to be the hardest route to the Classic.

Davis is well on his way.

A native of Sylacauga, he is no stranger to the tournament stage. Born into a strong family fishing heritage, he continues to catch bass and cash checks. His BASS Nation Southeast Regional win was accomplished with the help of his father, William Davis, the owner and founder of Davis Bait Company, a tackle manufacturer located in Talladega County.

Davis used his family’s products while fishing in the regional tournament on Smith Lake. “I used a discontinued Davis Bait Company Pop R-style bait known as the King Pin for several of my fish,” he said. “I also

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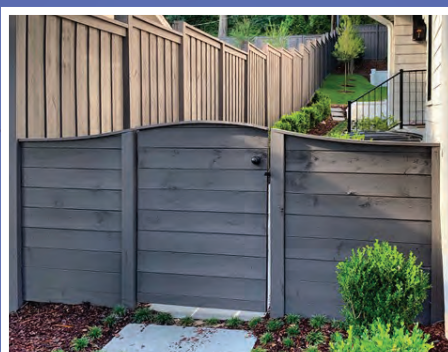


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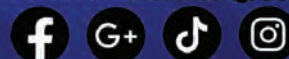
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used a Davis Bait Company Shakey Fish for a majority of my keepers."

The three-day event consisted of the best anglers from the Southeast, and Davis outlasted the crowd by weighing in 11.9 pounds on Day 1, 13.5 pounds on Day 2, and 13.5 pounds on Day 3.

"It's hard to win any events in fishing, but to win the Southeast regional is still beyond my belief," he said. "I didn't expect to win, but anglers always win when they least expect it. I fished my strengths and was very fortunate to capitalize on the bites given." On the final day of competition, Davis caught a big largemouth bass, just minutes from the ramp in the final minutes of competition. That fish sealed the deal for him.

Davis urges amateur fisherman to chase their dreams, or in anglers' vernacular, "catch" their dreams. Hopefully he'll see another dream come true this month on Lake Pickwick.

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 - This makes it harder for scammers to sign in to your accounts even if they do compromise your username and password.
- Choose Security Questions Only You know.
 - Avoid questions like your zip code, mother's maiden name, and birthplace. Also, avoid using questions with a limited number of responses that attackers can easily guess — like the color of your first car.
 - Another option is to answer the question with a made-up answer that doesn't pertain to the question. ie. Question: What's your favorite color? Answer: Lucky (the name of your first pet.) They have no relation to each other so hackers would be less likely to guess the answer. Just make sure that you record your answers and keep them somewhere secure.
- Be Leary of E-mails, Calls, or Websites That Ask For Your Social Security Number.
 - You should never provide your SSN to someone you don't know who calls you on the phone and requests it. This same warning applies to unsolicited emails and any forms you fill out on the internet. In general, don't give your SSN to anyone unless you are absolutely certain they have a right to it.
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Here are some signs that will help you recognize a phishing email or text message.

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- Often tell a story to trick you into clicking on a link or opening an attachment. Here are some examples:
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Meet Me by the



Casey Cambron

Written by **BUDDY ROBERTS**
Photographed by **BUDDY ROBERTS**
and **BOB CRISP**

It was a balmy autumn afternoon, and Casey Cambron was sitting on the shoreline at Lakeside Park, which weeks before had hosted the second Lakeside Live music festival.

"It was it was a huge success," he said. "Tons of people came. We had a great support from our sponsors and great support from our staff. I am so grateful for how much work all of our volunteers put into it."

Cambron organized the event, which benefits the Pell City fire and police departments through The Five 16 Foundation, a nonprofit he and his wife founded to "just kind of get behind things and try to help the community. Like with Lakeside Live, every bit of money we bring in at the end of the day is donated back to the community."

It is for such efforts that Cambron has been named Citizen of the Year by the Pell City Chamber of Commerce, nominated for the recognition along with the similarly civic-minded Nicole Anderson and Michelle Tumlin. A modest and unpretentious individual, he doesn't easily talk about himself, but that afternoon at the lake, he was happy to talk further about Lakeside Live and the Five 16 Foundation.

The foundation: "It's based on Matthew 5:16 in the Bible, which is about shining a light in the world. That resonates with me because it's what



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I've always told my children. Be a light for someone. The foundation's goal is to just serve our community, to give to give back and to ultimately shine a light."

Lakeside Live: A highlight of the community festival is a Battle of the Badges between Pell City's police officers and firefighters. "They had a blast," Carbon said. "The Battle of the Badges is three events – tug of war, a relay race, and a ski walk challenge. It's a way for the public to kind of see their their local heroes as people, just having fun. We have a championship-style belt that we give to the winning department, which was the fire department again this year. Last year, the fire department won all three events, but this year, it was the police department that won the relay race, and the fire department won the ski challenge and then the tug of war. And at the end of it all, both of them gathered together, hugged, and shook hands and laughed. I think the city loves seeing things like that." Plans are already underway for the 2023 Lakeside Live.

About being named Citizen of the Year: "Oh, it was totally humbling. I was really shocked. Both Nicole and Michelle are the sweetest people you can ever meet, and they are both service-oriented to our town. I was never expecting the honor. I didn't prepare a speech. I was just ready to get up and hug whoever won and congratulate them because they are just such great, great people for our community."

Receiving the award: "Denise Olivastri, who received it last year, was the one who handed

the award to me. And when I was up there, I was already trying to fight back tears because it was just overwhelming. I looked at Denise, and she started crying. I just completely broke down. It took about 20 minutes for the emotions to subside, because I never expected any of it to happen, honestly."

The best advice he ever received: "When I was in high school, there's a phrase that my football coach and history teacher told me – character is who you are when nobody's looking. That's always kind of stayed with me, because I care a lot about who I am, and I try my best to always give the best I can. I'm a faith based person, so I try to live my life how God would want me to."

Something an acquaintance might be surprised to know about him: "I would not know how to answer that, because I'm very open. I'm like my dad, who never knew a stranger. My dad would make best friends with someone in an elevator. When I go places I tend to be very friendly to people. I enjoy talking to people."

Logan Martin: "I love the lake. I don't get to spend as much time on it as I want to. I enjoy just riding around on the pontoon boat. My wife and kids like to swim, but I don't particularly, so I just relax and enjoy the calmness of the lake. I enjoy fishing, although it's hard to find time for it. I have a fishing boat that it's actually in Columbus, Georgia, still. One day I'll get it and take it on the on the water here and actually do some fishing."

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November 5

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November 6

"THE REVOLUTION"

The WingNuts return to Pell City's Center for Education and Performing Arts with this new classic rock show at 2 p.m. Presented by Hargray, "The Revolution" explores the musical soundtrack of the 1960s, from the Cold War to the Summer of Love to the Bay of Pigs to the moon landing. Reserved tickets are \$20, and a limited number of VIP packages are available for \$50. To order tickets and for more information, visit www.pellcitycepa.com/tickets.

November 11

VETERANS DAY PARADE

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November 11-13

CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY

Homestead Hollow near Springville hosts this annual holiday arts and crafts fair. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3-12. Parking is free. The festival will be open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day. For more information, visit www.homesteadhollow.com.

November 12

ALABAMA JEEP JAM

Combat Park in Eastaboga hosts this Jeep show and cruise-in. Live music, a Mega Kids Zone, food trucks, 50/50 raffle, and silent auction will be featured. Children 12 and younger will be admitted free. Tickets are required for attendees ages 13 and older. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 256-600-6230.

November 13

THE SECRET SISTERS

Hamilton Place at Pursell Farms hosts the folk Americana harmonies of Laura and Lydia Rogers, natives of Muscle Shoals. The duo has a Grammy-nominated album and has performed on The Late Show and The Tonight Show. Opening for The Secret Sisters will be Nashville singer-songwriter Alicia Blue. The evening begins with a reception at 5 p.m, followed by dinner and the concert. For ticket information, visit www.pursellfarms.com.

November 19

ART EXTRAVAGANZA

Plank Road Station in Winterboro hosts this annual event offering the community an opportunity to get a jump on holiday shopping and to benefit historical preservation. Vendors interested in downloading an application for booking a space can do so at www.plankroadstation.com. For full details, visit the website, the Facebook page (Aljerald Powers Memorial Lodge/Plank Road Station), or call Becky Griffin at 256-362-9375.



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Laughter and good times at Sunnyside

**Lakeside area comedian
loves opening his creekbank
home for friends, parties,
and events**

Written by **FAITH DORN**

Photographed by **BOB CRISP**

Darren Knight, an Alabama comedian widely known as Southern Momma, lives along a creek which feeds into Lake Logan Martin.

In fact, Knight tried his hand at stand-up comedy for the first time after a day of kayaking with friends.

"I had never done any stand-up, and we went to The Peerless in Anniston for dinner after kayaking. They were having an open mic night with songwriters, poets, and comedians, and they gave me five minutes, and five turned into 15," he said.

He believes his gift for comedy comes from his parents. "My mom and dad are hilarious. They are both definitely cut-ups."

Knight says a lot of his material comes from growing up and other situations everyone can relate to. In addition to his shows, he can be heard on 95.1 FM The Mountain in Anniston, on its morning show. "That is a lot of fun. Between that and the event business and the kayak business when it is in season, and the shows, I







stay pretty busy. We also try to do a lot of charity work in the area."

In 2017, Knight bought Sunnyside, a large former plantation built in 1848. The 13-acre property is shaped like a horseshoe, with the house in the middle. The house has four bedrooms, a front parlor that is serving as an extra bedroom and storage area but will be converted into an office soon, three bathrooms, living room, ballroom, kitchen, dining room, and a pool house with a large room, bathroom, and kitchen.

"I thought about it for a while. I love older homes, but I don't have a wife and kids, and I thought this home needed to go to a family.





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I was also wanting to find something I could make money with in case comedy ended after a few years," said Knight. "I bought Sunnyside, with the idea it could host weddings and other events, and we could have a kayaking business. I was able to test that theory during Covid, and it really helped sustain life."

Knight has farmhands that help him through the on-season in spring and summer, as well as a crew that helps with the kayak business.

Behind the home is a massive spring where Knight launches kayakers.

"We were very busy with kayaking this year," he said. "I hate to use a cliché, but I really like kayaking because it is so beautiful. You can get out there and look at that crystal clear water and see the fish, turtles, and birds. It is like a little God-guided tour through nature."

There have been stories of the property being haunted, but Knight is unsure what he thinks.

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"I don't know about it being haunted. I think what we see are snapshots in time. There have been some interesting things happening, but I am not scared. What's that old song, 'Ain't No Haint Gonna Run Me Off'? When I think of 'haunted,' I think of doors slamming and hearing voices and vases levitating and crashing. There has never been any kind of evil thing like that."

He says he once heard what sounded like a group of men marching across his field in the middle of the night, as well as the song "When Johnny Comes Marching Home."

"One night, a buddy of mine wanted to camp out by the creek. He heard somebody singing outside and looked out and couldn't see anybody. It was about 5 a.m. We looked

up what he had heard, and we were finally able to find 'Hoe Emma Hoe' on YouTube, and that was what he had heard. It was a slave hymn," said Knight.

On another occasion, Knight and friends thought they saw someone walk from the foyer to the kitchen while everyone was at the bar. "But we might have all been drinking a little too much," he adds.

The house fell into disrepair in the 1970s and was abandoned and used as a barn. Refurbishing ended in 1978 or 1979. Then, the addition to the house began. "They called it the Texas Wing, but I call it the Riverboat Ballroom because it looks like a riverboat," Knight said. "I really like the ballroom because that is where everybody comes together."

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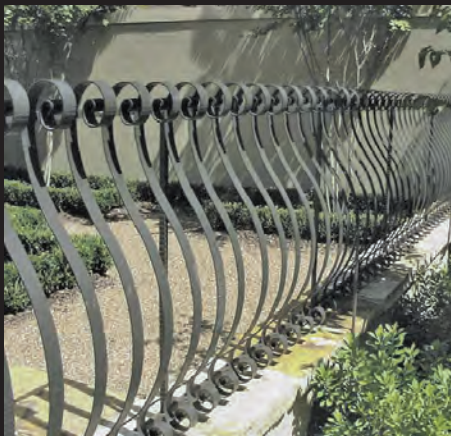
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The stairs leading to the second floor “are all original hardwood pine. There would have been four bedrooms up here, but they wanted to add a bathroom. Obviously, back in those days, there was not a bathroom in the house. They sacrificed one of the bedrooms to have two bathrooms and a closet here,” he explained. “When they refurbished the home, they wanted to keep all pre-existing window openings where they were. When they did, the toilet just fell perfectly right here next to the window overlooking the ballroom.”

Knight sleeps in a bedroom on the first floor. There is a door in the floor of his room that leads down to a three car garage and panic room. There are four three-ton central air units for



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the home.

"Maintaining the house and property is doable with one person, but you will work yourself to death. The pool is a 55,000 gallon pool that was put in in the 80s. It takes six hours to cut the grass with one lawnmower," he said.

There is a rose garden between the pool house and the house, as well as a fruit tree orchard in the pasture with pear trees, apple trees, fig trees, peach trees, pecan trees, grapevines, muscadine vines, plum trees, and blueberries.

Knight considers his design style very eclectic. "I like older stuff, and I would probably decorate like this even if I was in a newer home"

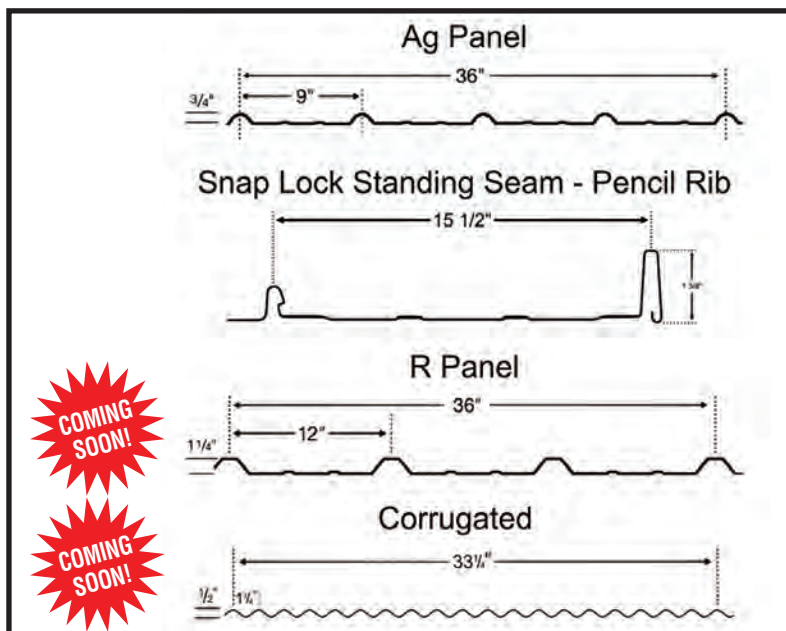
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In addition to Knight, several animals call Sunnyside home, including poodles named

Woodstock, Caliber, and Tater Tot, birds including an African Gray named George, peacocks, geese, Macaws named Bert and Ernie, Guinea fowl, ducks, chickens, pigeons, sheep, and a potbellied pig named Betty White.

"I don't know how many animals are here. I don't think I learned how to count that high," Knight says with a laugh. He loves all of the animals, but he has a particular fascination with birds. "I don't know why I love birds. When I was a kid, we lived in a mobile home park in Southside, and they bought a couple of chickens, and I would just sit out there and



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watch them. I really liked dinosaurs as a kid, so maybe that is the connection."

He likes to get animals when they are not in the best of situations. "If you get a duck or goose that ain't never been in the water and turn them loose in the water, they are just hilarious. I just think they are beautiful."

The original owner of Knight's parrots died, and he was able to give them a home. The African Gray, George, has learned to imitate the microwave, and he will do it while Knight is cooking. George enjoys imitating most of what he hears. "Somebody accidentally stepped on Tater Tot's paw one time, and he let out a yelp. George started doing it."

Someone taught George to say, "Momma's bird," and Knight has tried to get him to say "Southern Momma's bird" for months with no success.

"One day, I was on the phone, and I heard him talking, so I hid over here and listened to him. He was repeating everything I was saying on the phone! When he hears the phone, he will say, "Hey, huh, yeah" because apparently I say it all the time."

George knows when to say certain phrases.

"In the morning, he'll say, 'Good morning, want a cup of coffee?' At night, he will say, 'Night night, birdie.' The other day, I gave him a French fry, and he said, 'Mmm, that's good!' He is so intelligent," said Knight.

Knight enjoys hosting events from football games to a 10-year class reunion to baby showers to weddings to family reunions to an annual '20s-themed Christmas party at Sunnyside.

"We have several big parties a year. I have a black and white party for my birthday every year. I throw my own party because I like things to go accordingly. I am always having friends over to watch the game. I like bringing everybody together. I think maybe that is one of the reasons I am down here. Even at work, I am doing the same thing. I'm just a born and bred Alabama entertainer."

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all of the parties are themed. He has ordered items including massive backdrops, fireworks, and vases filled with giant ostrich feathers.

"We have very good times," he said. "For the Halloween party, I had firebreathers one year and magicians another year. The Velcro Pygmies is a favorite band around here and all over the United States, and they have performed right here in the living room."

This Thanksgiving, Knight's family will gather at Sunnyside, and they plan to eat around noon, play some cornhole, get another plate, then take a nap.

"I love entertaining and hosting parties and making people laugh. If they're smiling, I'm happy. I can't wait to see you come kayak with us or have an event here," said Knight. For more information, visit Sunnyside Plantation and Sunnyside Daycation on Facebook. To learn when and where Southern Momma will be performing next, visit ComedianDarrenKnight.com.

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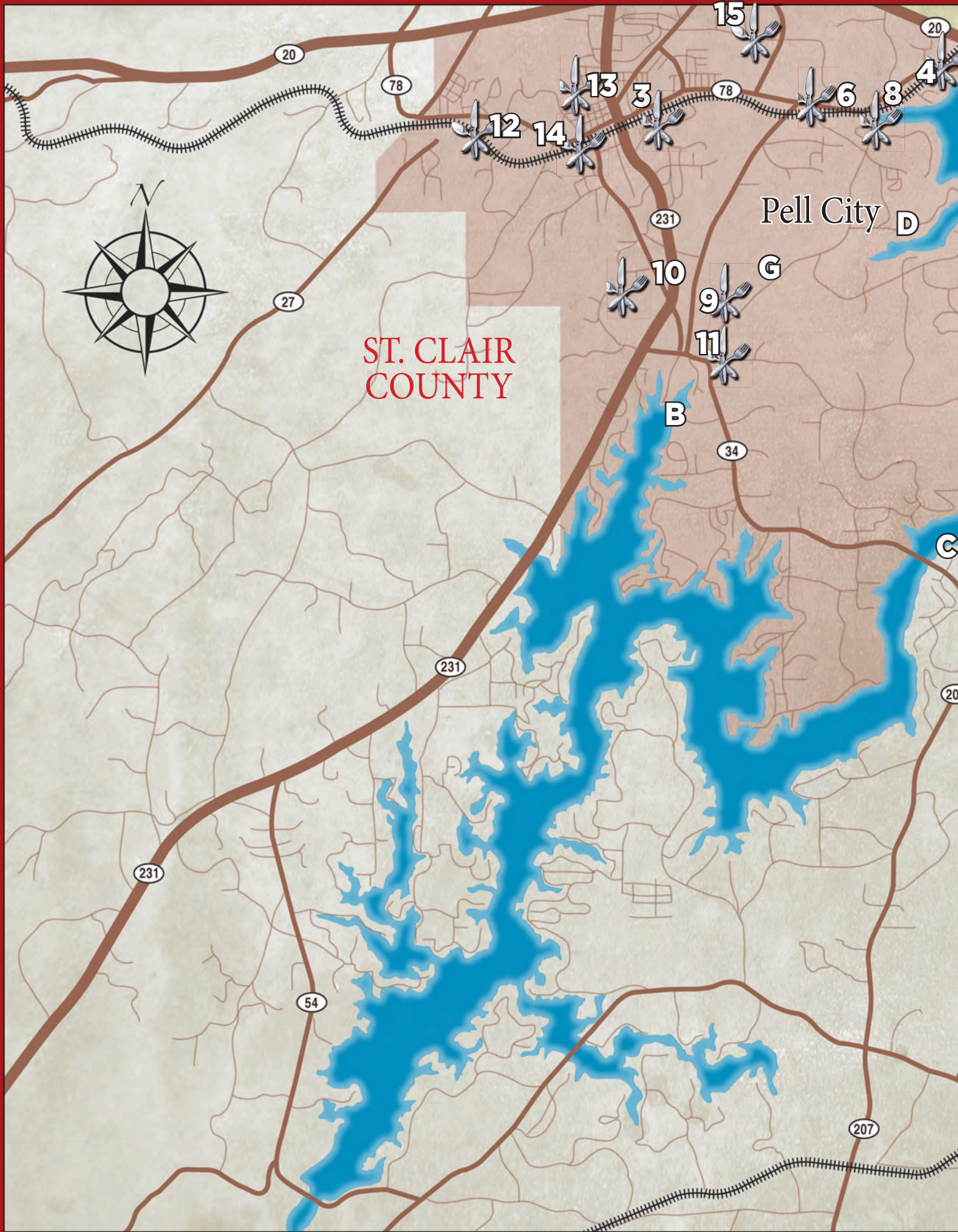
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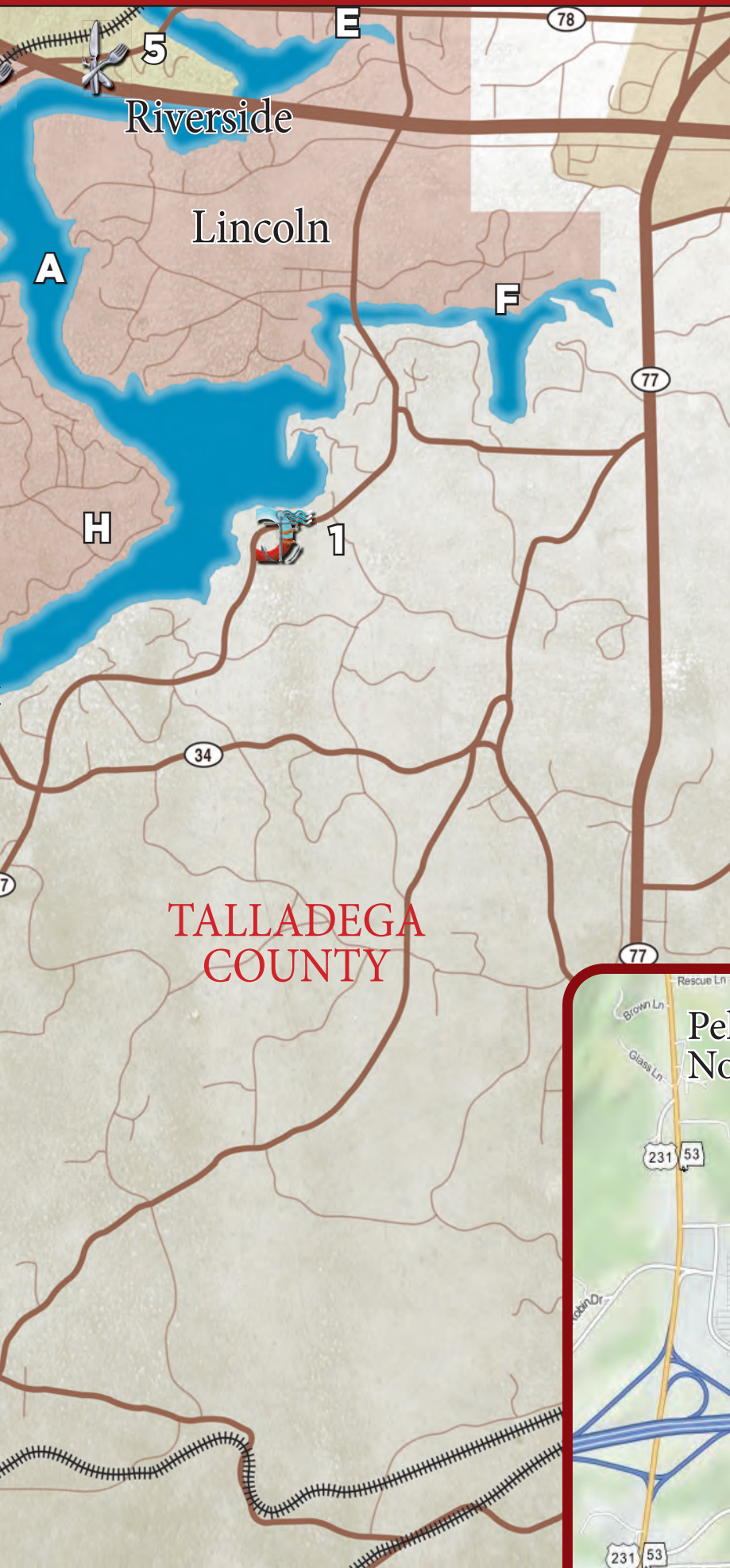
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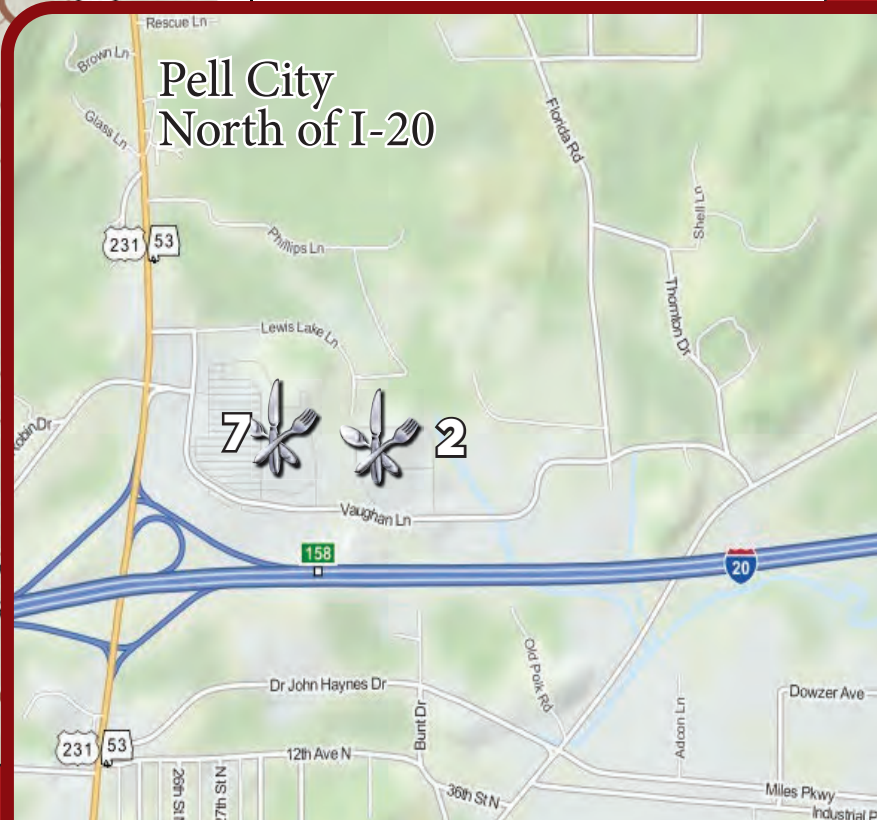




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lighting, a partially finished basement, downstairs den, and laundry room.

The kitchen includes a dining area, cabinets for plenty of storage, granite countertops, an island at its center, a pantry, an electric cooktop, stainless steel dishwasher, and double-door refrigerator.

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The property lists at \$425,000. For more information, call Maria Price with RE/MAX Southern Homes at 205-812-4921.



Lakeside area associate broker believes in transparency and building relationships

Written by VALLEAN JACKSON
Submitted photo

Jasmine Swain is an associate broker who used networking to develop a career that she is using to change lives and her community.

"Real estate wasn't initially on my path," she said. "By networking for a company and being in the atmosphere of the industry, it led me to believe it could be something I do if I educate myself and study. Being a person who believes in helping others, it was the perfect fit for me. Plus I always wanted to teach, and in real estate, it is more than just buying or selling houses. I could also teach and coach others."

Working with Sold South Realty, she believes that her desire to help her clients to "see the possible in the impossible" is what makes

her stand out as an agent. She takes pride in building relationships and educating clients about the process, whether it is their first time buying or not. A woman of many talents, she seeks to empower her clients with the hope that homeownership is tangible.

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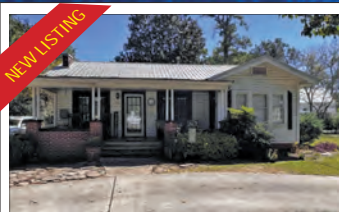
Swain is originally from Alpine and enjoys going out on the lake in her boat. When she's not showing houses and operating her boutique, she loves relaxing, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends.

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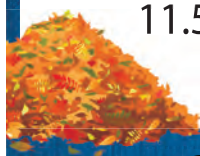
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11.5 Acres MLS #1292523

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Cropwell

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MLS# 1335303

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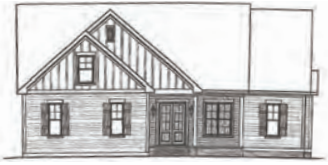
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860 River Oaks Drive, Cropwell

5BR, 3.5BA MLS# 1319471

\$925,000



350 Black Acres Road

Cropwell

3BR, 2BA

MLS# 1322703

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2312 Annesley Drive

Pell City

3BR, 2BA

MLS# 1320375

\$155,000



95 Old Roadway, Cropwell

5BR, 4.5BA MLS# 1326641

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2BR, 2BA

MLS# 1336611

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Lots #9 & #10

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The scoop of the day Feeling Blessed!

What an exciting time in my life working in a Christian environment with Fields and Gossett Realty in Pell City and the surrounding areas of Alabama! Growing up in a real estate family opened the door for me to become a realtor after being an educator for 23 years in public and private schools. I also enjoyed and felt so blessed to have lead worship at churches and conferences during that time.

Psalm 107:1 says, "Oh give thanks to the Lord for His steadfast love is good. His mercies endure forever!"

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One of my favorite times is having the opportunity of helping both the sellers and the buyers to reach their dreams. What an honor!



Laurie Brasher 205.365.3639

Knowing the Market

You need a realtor who knows the "now" of the market.

Real Estate has taken an interesting turn in the art of buying and selling. The uptick in the sales of homes from the past couple of years has allowed sellers to get above the asking price on their homes. Some deals have gone well above asking price, and sellers were hearing the old phrase of "Cash is King," with a smile on their faces and extra change in their pockets. The question being asked now? Is the market the same? That answer is an emphatic NO.

The real estate market of buying and selling is still good, but yes, the market has slowed down a little. People will still need homes, land, and commercial buildings, but the demand and inventory are not in the positive category. If you are the buyer, you may have to wait for the right property to come along, so patience is the key. You also need a pre-approval letter in hand in case you see the perfect home for you. This letter is easy to obtain, keeps you in your spending boundary, and costs you absolutely nothing.

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MLS # 1333698

\$399,777

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1 Riverview Drive, Land/Lots, Cropwell, AL
MLS #854778

\$21,000

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2 Riverview Drive, Land/Lots, Cropwell, AL
MLS #892839

\$21,000

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WATERFRONT HOME

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**5021 Collins Drive,
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MLS #1329406

\$970,000

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WATERFRONT




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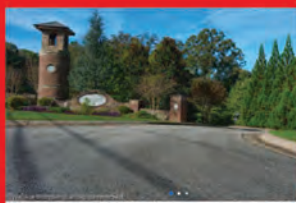
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\$299,900

First time on market! Twenty feet of waterfront with a shared dock. Great value for trilevel waterfront home on Logan Martin Lake. Extra basement space and inside workshop make this home a must see. Appliances, with exception of microwave look to be original to this 1977 built home.



UNDER CONTRACT



**312 29th St.,
Pell City**
3 BR, 1 BA
MLS #1333464

\$159,900



Well maintained home close to downtown amenities. Covered parking keeps you dry in inclement weather. Front and back yards are fully fenced. There is a storage shed and covered work/play area in backyard. Please come see if this home is right for you.



**0 Nova Circle 22,
Apline**

LOTS AND LAND
MLS #1314637

\$39,900



Very nice building lot with lake views. Property is close to swimming, boating, golf. Restrictive covenants protect property values. See covenants in Documents.



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\$825,000 - 455 Eagle Pt. Dr. - YEAR ROUND WATERFRONT with this nice 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick home that features family room with fireplace, dining room and beautifully updated kitchen for the gourmet cook and (2) main level garages. The downstairs features den with wet bar, built in bookcases, (2) of the bedrooms, bath and 2-car garage. Great views from many rooms and large covered entertaining dock with two boat slips below. MLS #1333705. Call Brenda 205/812-4141



\$565,000 - 420 S. Lakeshore Dr. - COZY LAKE HOME nestled on Logan Martin Lake! Home features 3 bedroom, 2.5 Baths, family room with fireplace, lot of windows, for the views. The two story window and garden windows in the kitchen make this house very unique. The detached garage offers parking and storage space. The gentle sloping lot leads to covered dock with boat lift and there is a seadoo lift. MLS #1334202 Call Karen 205/473-4613



\$348,000 - 815 Deer Trace - BEAUTIFUL RUSTIC 4 bedroom, 2 bath 2-story home that consists of family room with fireplace and den with stone woodburning fireplaces, two levels of exposed beams and wood grace this home and located on 3 ACRE lot with shaded porch area. MLS #1329869 Call Bill 205/884-2300



\$1,400,000 - 418 Charter Lane - EXQUISITE Coastal Farm House design waterfront 1.5 story home presently under construction with 4 bedroom 3.5 baths. Features on main level are the master suite, large great room with vaulted ceiling and see-thru fireplace, sunroom and study with 2nd fireplace and 3-car garage. The upstairs consists of the 3 bedrooms and 2 baths, one bedroom has private bath. Beautiful lot with great views and located in Gated Subdivision with nice comparable homes and conveniently located to town and I-20 and rare find with new construction on the lake! MLS #1321846. Call Brenda 205/812-4141 Call



\$798,000 - 2914 Hamilton Rd. - INCREDIBLE VIEW and YEAR ROUND WATER with this 4 bedroom, 4.5 bath home that consists of (2) living quarters with many upgrades! MLS #1330047 Call Laurie 205/365-3639



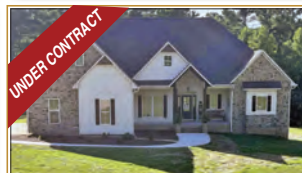
\$365,000 - 1025 Deer Trace Rd. - ATTRACTIVE and INVITING one level 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring family room with vaulted ceiling and stacked stone fireplace, large updated kitchen with eating area and smoke cabinets and bonus room for whatever the need may be. The home is located on approx. 3 ACRES with large storage building, circular driveway, 2-car garage on main level and 1-car in basement. MLS #1336228 Call Brenda 205/812-4141



\$799,900 - 386 Lakeview Circle - PANORAMIC VIEW WITH DEEP YEAR ROUND WATER with this beautiful one level brick 4 bedroom, 2 bath home that features exquisite details of heavy crown molding, hardwood floors and open floor plan with gourmet kitchen, great room with fireplace and dining room. Also has screened in porch and Gated Subdivision with nice comparable homes and conveniently located to town and I-20 and rare find with new construction on the lake! MLS #1311827 Call Karen 205/473-4613



\$115,000 - 1023 S Avenue - CUTE HOME IN TOWN with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors in the living room, eat-in kitchen, laundry and with a metal roof. Nice front porch and good size fenced in backyard and located in town close to the high school. MLS #1334010 Call Blair 205/812-5377



\$629,900 - 188 Cedar Way - PRIVACY with approximately 6.3 ACRES with this 4 bedroom 3.5 bath home with open foyer that opens to the living room with fireplace and vaulted ceiling. Kitchen features leathered granite countertops, stainless appliances and pantry. The dining room overlooks the pool with custom cabinetry. Master suite features barn wood tray ceiling and an incredible master bath. MLS #1328128. Call Blair 205/812-5377



\$254,500 - 145 Rabbit Branch Rd. - COUNTRY SETTING for this one level 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with a small pasture and conveniently located to lake marinas and town. MLS #1323458 Call Terry at 256/343-2714



\$235,000 - 4045 Masters Rd. - LIKE NEW. BEAUTIFUL 3 bedroom, 2 bath one level home consists of living room, dining, large screened in back porch, carport and storage shed. Home is conveniently located close to town and I-20. MLS #1331399 Call Misty 205/368-9490



\$599,900 - 67 Treasure Island Lane - NATURE LOVER'S DREAM HOME on Logan Martin Lake has 4 bedrooms, 3 baths. Great room with fireplace, large kitchen with wrap around bar and dining area and boasts lots of cabinet space and beautiful tile countertops. The (2) upstairs bedrooms are roomy and share a double sink bathroom. Two workshops located in the basement and the yard includes mature trees and garden space. MLS #1301444 Call Tina 205/337-8509



\$189,900 - 456 Lemar Dr. - WATERFRONT 2 bedroom 1 bath cabin on Logan Martin Lake! Cabin is diamond in the rough with design of steel and wood construction with roof system that vaults up in all rooms to a central point. Awesome view of the lake from the screened porch I. MLS #1329747. Call Lee 205/812-4530.



\$97,000 - 140 Fulmer Dr. - POTENTIAL for the 2.8 +/- ACRES that presently has a mobile home in need of some TLC. Quiet street and convenient to the lake with three kits included. MLS #1326698 Call Carey 205/901-0652



\$119,900 - 323 15th Ave, SE - GREAT LOCATION for this one story 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with large living room, dining room, large screened porch, one-car carport and RV parking. Home is well maintained and recently installed vinyl siding and has above ground pool with decking. MLS #1331345. Call Lee 205/812-4530

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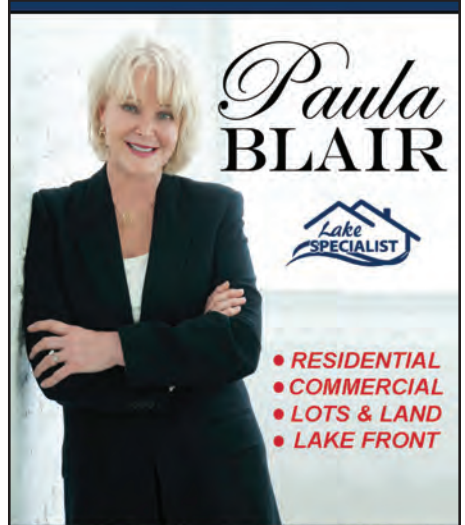
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