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## The Faith of the Editor

#### The American alligator: Alabama's comeback kid

've always had a soft spot for alligators.
I don't know why.
They're hardly the cutest creatures on the planet, and they're nowhere near docile enough for real interaction.

Still, there's something about them that's absolutely fascinating. That's why I read with interest the following information about the increase in the state's alligator population, recently shared by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The reptile illustrating these words was photographed for the DCNR by David Rainer.

Early in the 20th century, alligators in the U.S. had diminished to alarming numbers. Unregulated alligator harvest during this time prompted Alabama to protect the animals in 1938. In 1967, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service listed the American alligator as an endangered species.

"Alabama was one of the first states in the Southeast to protect alligators," said Chris Nix, Alligator Program coordinator with the Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) Division.

Conservation efforts by the affected states allowed the alligator population to rebound so that by 1987 it was removed from the Endangered Species List but continued to be a federally protected species. Alabama's alligator population has grown to the point that it can sustain a limited harvest, in which hunters are invited annually to participate.

The American alligator is one of 93 reptile species native to Alabama. It is also one of the largest reptiles in the world. Males can grow to 19 feet in length and weigh as much as 900 pounds, while females are somewhat smaller on average.

Alligators are carnivorous, feeding mostly on fish, birds, snakes, turtles and small mammals. They feed mostly at night. Alligators are unable to chew their food so they must swallow it whole or in large chunks. An adult alligator will eat 20 pounds of food a week during warm weather but can go for weeks without eating



during the winter.

American alligators can be found throughout their range in freshwater swamps, marshes, rivers, lakes and streams. They prefer water sources that do not go dry in the summer months and that provide an abundance of food.

The Coosa River fits the description of such a water source, and every so often alligator sightings are reported in the Logan Martin Lake area. We have no confirmed reports to share with you in this issue of Lakeside Living, but we do have a terrific essay about life on the river that will transport you straight to the banks and piers of the tributary.

You'll also enjoy a visit to a lake home in a unique new waterfront community in Lincoln, learning the story behind a bright yellow plane that's been spotted over the lake in recent weeks, getting the details about two upcoming lakeside events and seeing the debut of new regular feature to the magazine, called Lakeside Flora & Fauna.

As always, thank you for joining us. And if you see an alligator, be sure to send us a picture.

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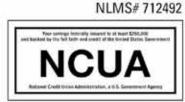


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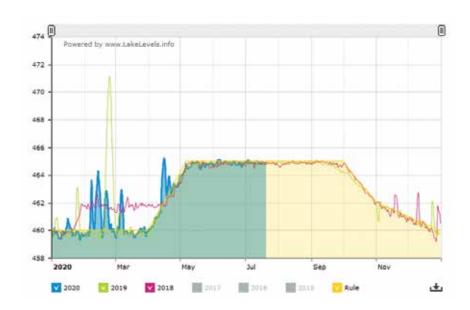
It's hot and miserable, and the bass are scattered and downright difficult to catch.

As the summer progresses, bass in most bodies of water focus more and more on shad or other baitfish for their dominant food source. The shad are forming larger and larger schools, and bass move to offshore ambush spots and feast when a school gets too close.

When bass are keyed in on shad, they often suspend for most of the day, making them almost uncatchable except when they are feeding. A topwater stick bait is a must-have for any angler chasing schoolers. These inactive fish can be caught when they are up and feeding, and there's no better trigger than the walk-the-dog action of a topwater stick bait like the Wave Fishing bamboo stick.

Target classic schooling areas like points, submerged timber, channel swings and the tail races of dams. Keep the topwater handy, and cast quickly to any surface feeding activity.

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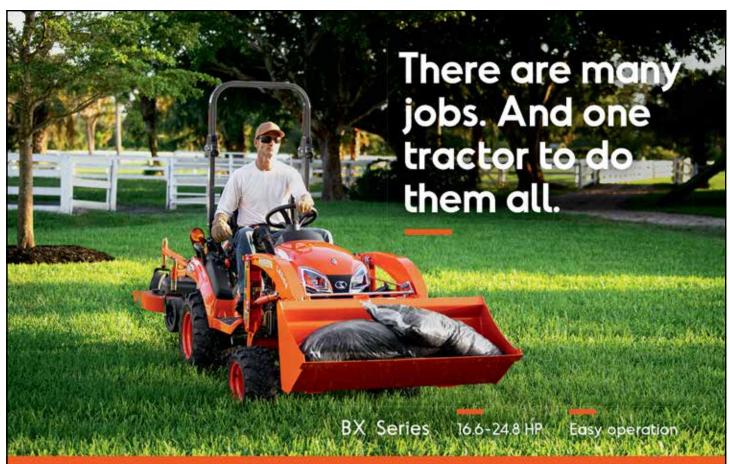
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## HAVE YOU EVER SMELLED THE COOSA IN YOUR HAIR?

Celebrating the unique charms of river life during the summer



That's what the niece of my heart would say each time she got out of school for the summer. Katie often joined countless other river residents on their jet skis, speedboats or pontoons, flocking together upon waters sparkled by the sun. Laughter, splashing, loud music

and the roaring of engines reverberated as music of the river. For natives of the Coosa, going to the river is tightly threaded into the fiber of their lives. It would be incomprehensible for them to live life without the river.

The Coosa River weaves through

the heart of Alabama, from Leesburg and Center to Gadsden and Southside to Riverside, Lincoln and Pell City to Childersburg, Wilsonville and Fayetteville.

What is about living on the Coosa River that differs from living on or having access to any of the

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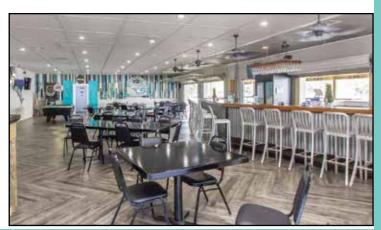


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Alabama lakes? Since I have relatives who own lake houses where I often stayed for long periods of time and not simply weekends, I could tell the difference between living on the lake and living on the river.

Living on the lake seems to give more of a neighborhood feel, whereas living on the river expands the sense of community. Being out on the river fosters that sense of community in the way that the river lovers look out for each other. One sun-in-the-eyes example is how the river lovers often invite each other to step onto the sun-warmed planks leading up to shore to grab

a bite to eat and catch up while watching the cars whiz by on one of the many bridges over the Coosa River or people-watching those who anchor their boats in nearby marinas.

Another example is riverside parties. I cannot remember the number of times I have been invited to riverside parties. I loved how I could wear a swimsuit under my clothing to prepare for any imprompturide in a watercraft offered by the host. Even when not at any riverside party, the smells of tangy barbecue, grilled hamburgers and boiled crawfish along with sounds of appreciative social gatherings



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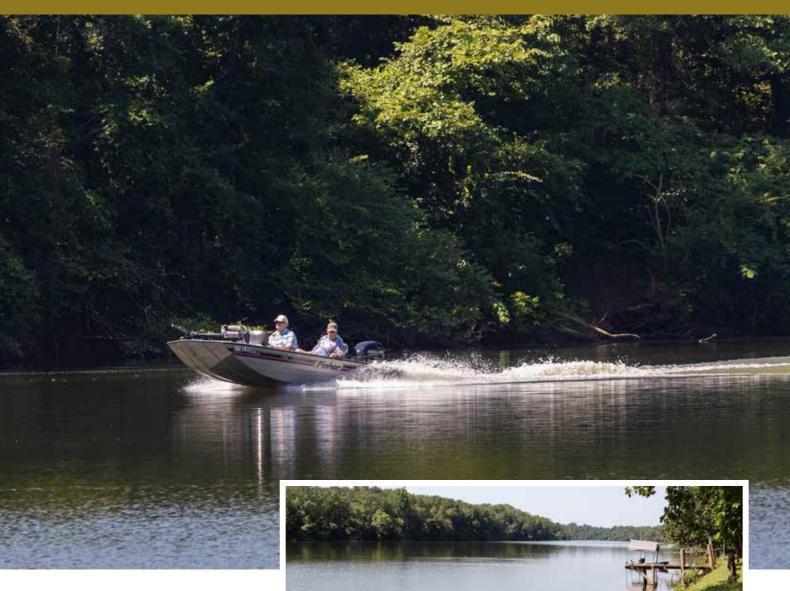
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and uplifting music from these parties wafted into the air within my backyard as I stood outside to gaze at the mountain views across the channel from where I lived.

My house was on a small peninsula deep within an inlet off the river's main channel. We were right in the middle of the Coosa River between two bridges. One thing I must share with you is that even though we lived on the water and had at least two boat piers, not once in the 11 years that I had lived there did we get a boat.

Instead, we had these two ancient WaveRunners that would not cooperate most of the time. My having run one aground did not help either. That day when I ran the WaveRunners aground, I was not upset. Rather, I was intrigued by the process of hav-

ing to ask a willing neighbor to haul the WaveRunners all the way back to the home base, then load it onto the trailer to be taken across town for some repair work.

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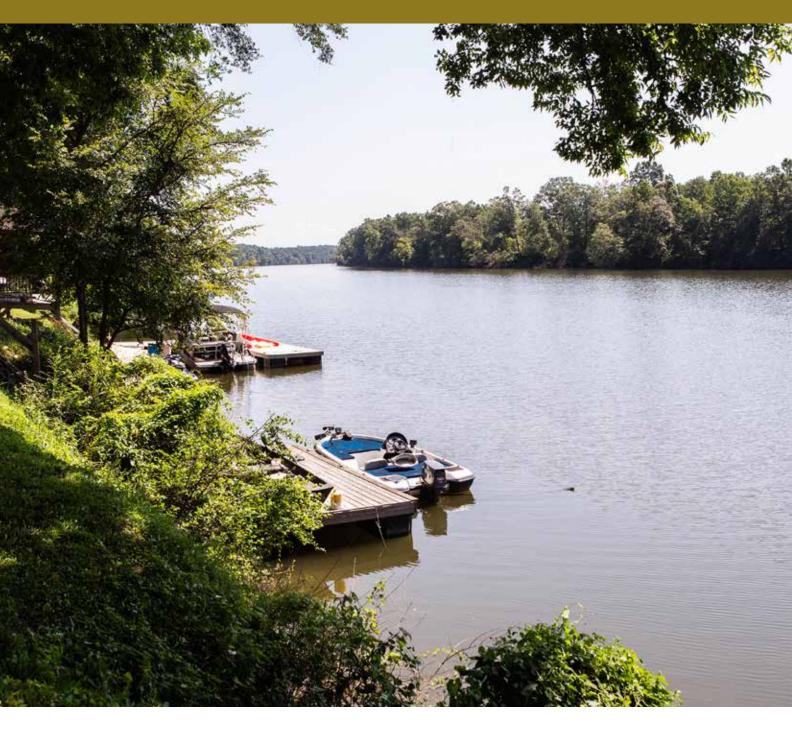
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glad to have that experience. I could look back and laugh while being alert for shallowness in the water as I operated another watercraft, albeit newer and more reliable. In other words, give me a paddleboard.

I wished that I had discovered the paddleboard earlier and while I still lived on the river. I would have gone out to blend with the river in the early mornings before other river lovers start waking up and making waves, causing diamond-like sun sparkles to reflect glaringly upon the sides of the

watercraft and boat piers.

What I miss the most about living on the water is how in the morning the river was a mirror, reflecting the clouds and trees. The reflective surface somehow made me feel connected with the river and also the nature surrounding it. It was as if the river had a soul, which drew me out of the house to walk towards the pier, to revel in its quietness, to share the silence.

On a side note, I was not the type to drink coffee, but it would have been appropriate to



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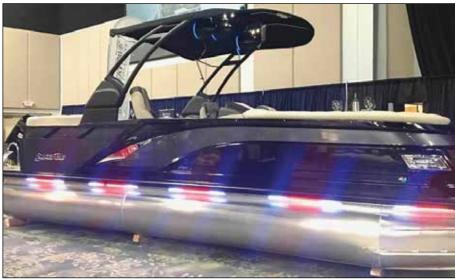
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hold a steaming cup of coffee as I breathed in the freshwater smells. The river as a mirror always reminded me to look up, to appreciate how things in life are indeed working out. The river would then shimmer into ripples, which grew into waves, as the river community started waking up and revving up watercraft. More often than not, there would be fishermen who took fancy to our piers. They did catch plenty of bass and catfish by our piers, by the way.

No matter the fact that we were the rare Coosa River residents who did not venture out on the water any chance we could get, I still got to benefit from living on the water. I still took in how the view was soulfulfilling complete with tree-covered mountains across the channel, water in its many moody forms ranging from glassy smoothness of calm to angry churning waters under the raging rain storms and tornadoes.

The view was not limited to being outside. I got to take in the awe-inspiring view from the corner kitchen window as I washed dishes and pans after each home-cooked meal. I enjoyed observing how straight a line someone could make when operating a jet ski or a boat down the channel. For some reason, seeing that straight line in the water portrayed balance and peace.

Other times, the twilight evenings would be filled with lightning bugs as I listened to the river settling in for the night while the cacophony of cicadas, frogs, and crickets increased in volume. There was this owl that bellowed long and hard throughout many a night. Even though the river

had settled in, it still carried the nocturnal sounds with conviction.

Apart from the convicting nocturnal sounds, the water when jostled by watercraft or weather created its own symphony of swirls, slaps and sloshes. To hear the water lap up against the wood of the pier instilled a sense of peace as I walked barefoot across the planks, feeling the warmed wetness of the wood even long after the sun had set.

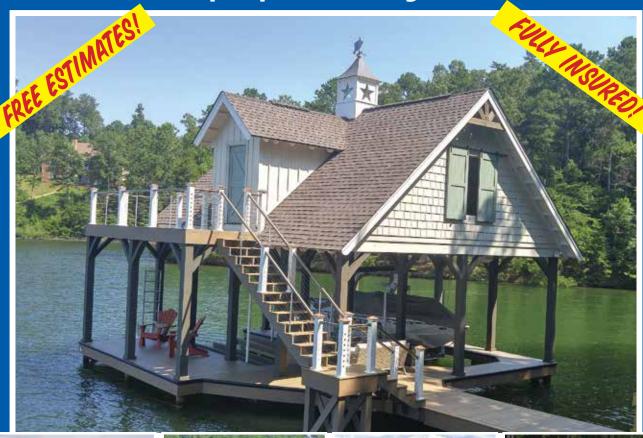
And even though I had not taken a dip in the river, when I was back inside the house, I could still smell the Coosa in my hair.

An English instructor at Jefferson State Community College and avid paddleboarder, Dr. Sarah E. Moreman still returns to the river at any opportunity.

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#### Have you waved at the yellow plane yet?

Distinctive aircraft takes to skies over the lake for video documentation project



Written by SAM PRICKETT Photographed by **DAVID SMITH** 

Over the past few weeks, a bright yellow floatplane has been spotted flying low over Logan Martin Lake.

Eagle-eyed observers may have noticed a few GoPro cameras strapped to the plane's wings or floats, and, on some occasions, they

might have seen David Smith leaning out of the plane's door, pointing a long-lens camera at the boats below.

Smith and pilot Donnie Todd are working on a short video about the lake, combining video footage and still photography to create a document of residents' and visitors' pride in their lake.

The idea for the video started with Todd,



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a corporate jet pilot who bought the floatplane in 2014 as a means of recreation. "I can come back from a four- or five-hour day of flying a jet, change my clothes, and go get in that plane and just have a ball, because it's so different," he says.

Todd eventually started experimenting with placing GoPro cameras on the wings and floats of the plane, "just to see what I could do." When he shared some of his early footage on YouTube and Facebook, he was surprised by the enthusiasm it generated.

"I wasn't really proud of that footage, but I just got a tremendous response that people enjoyed it," he says. "One of the things that I have noticed this year



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— and I guess it's because of COVID and everybody's lifestyle changing — is that the lake seems to have a lot of renewed interest this year. When I got so much response to that first video, I got to thinking, 'Not only do I need to do a better video, let's get the people involved.'"

Todd approached an acquaintance, fellow Logan Martin Lake resident David Smith, to help with the project. They'd met when Smith's pest control company had installed

a Spider Be Gone system for Todd, but Todd was more interested in Smith's other work as a cameraman and drone operator for ESPN for the past 25 years.

"He was a like-minded lake person," Todd says. "He shared the passion for the lake, and he was my first thought for, 'Who do I want to help me with this?'"

Smith quickly agreed to help. "I jumped all over the opportunity to go up in his cool toy," he said with a laugh.

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The duo began posting in local Facebook groups such as Love Lake Logan Martin, telling members when they'd be filming from the bright yellow plane. The response, Todd says, "was unbelievable. Seven or eight out of 10 boats would be waving at us!"

Todd and Smith have collected hours of video—
"The more we got, the more fun it got and the cooler it got," Todd says— which they're working to trim down into a five- or six-minute clip. They'll soon

share the final product on their personal Facebook pages and in the Love Lake Logan Martin group.

The video will feature footage of the plane taking off from the Pell City airport, making multiple landings on the lake and Smith's still photography of people waving up at the boat — or, as Smith describes it, "families making memories."

"That's what it's all about," he says. "It's just about having fun and giving back to the community a little bit."









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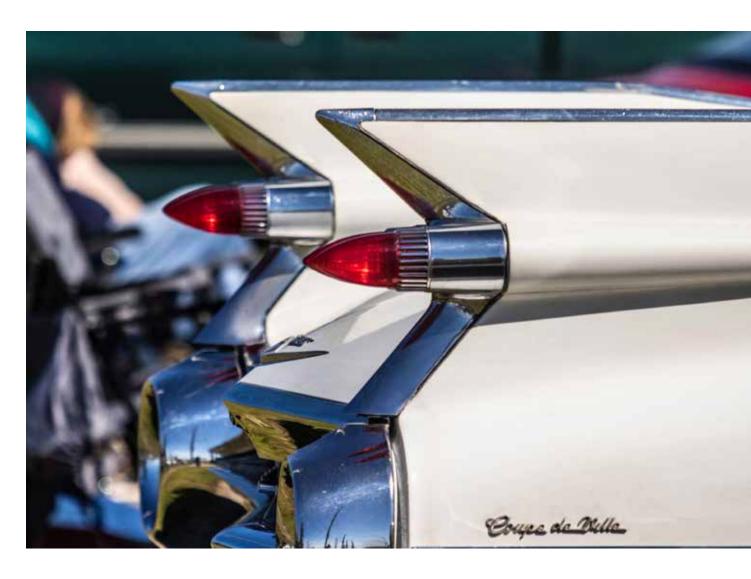




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"It is important that we have this event and continue to strive to involve as many people as possible," said Johnny Capps, a member of the LMLPA board and chairman of its car show committee. "There are a lot of hazardous places on the lake, and the end goal of this event is to raise money to buy enough buoys that will cover the shallow parts of the lake for those that are fishing or out on the lake at night. These buoys will act as markers to indicate shallow areas and provide light at night."

According to Capps, the LMLPA's goal is to place 100 buoys on the lake. Last year's vehicle show raised enough money to buy 11, at a cost of \$500 each. Almost 200 vehicle owners exhibited, and a crowd of thousands attended. This year, Capps hopes to have as many as 300







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exhibitors and an attendance greater than last year's.

"We have already ordered 10 more buoys with the aspiration that we will make enough to cover the expenses," he said. "We will achieve our goal of placing 100 or more buoys on the lake, even if it takes two years or longer. These buoys can also save lives, and there is no cost you put on saving a life."

The LMLPA is taking the same stance on health and safety at the event. CDC guidelines will be followed, Capps said. Stations will be spaced 8-to-9 feet apart, and participants and attendees will be asked to wear face masks and practice social distancing.

Asked why the Logan Martin Lake buoy placement program is in need of funding, Capps explained that state conservation funds are not available to pay for it. LMLPA members decided to reach out to the community through an event that benefits lake residents, lake goers, the lakeside community and those who live near the area.

Capps believes that the cleanliness and safety of the lake is important to everyone, and considerable effort goes into keeping Logan Martin clean and safe.

"We only have so many members who are a part of this organization, which is why we have such high hopes in the success of this event," he said. "If we had more members, that could also be a help. It is really inexpensive to join, and it would be a great help to the community. To be a member of the LMLPA is only \$25 per household per year. Also, anyone who wants to do water monitoring, we welcome and will provide free training."

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"We will take anyone willing to help us out," he said. "For those who want to sponsor a buoy, it is \$500, and recognition will be given for sponsorship. Even if it is just contributing \$100 to the \$500, everything is a help. Also, any money donated is tax deductible, and donations can be made at www.lmlpa.org."







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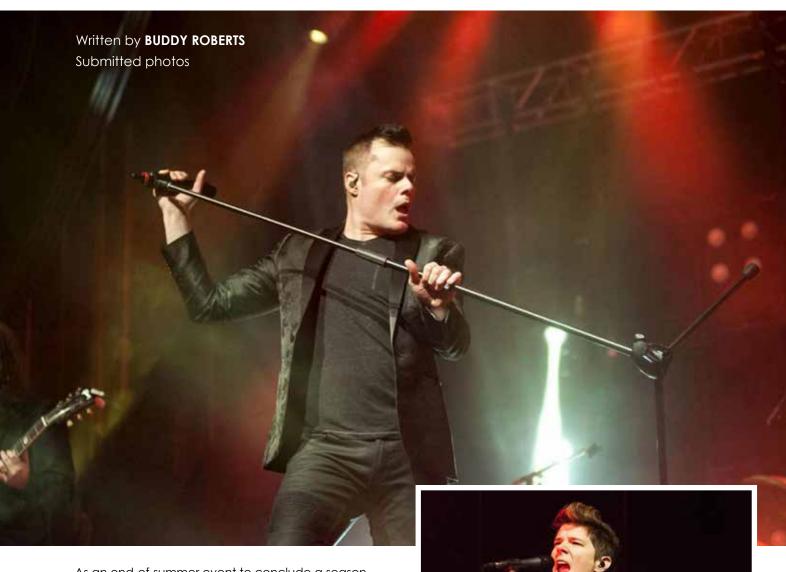


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# 'A NIGHT AT THE OPERA' COMES TO LOGAN MARTIN LAKE

Black Jacket Symphony, CEPA to stage benefit Queen tribute concert



As an end-of-summer event to conclude a season during which most annual lakeside events were cancelled due to COVID-19, The Black Jacket Symphony has partnered with Pell City CEPA and the Logan Martin Charity Foundation to present a performance of Queen's "A Night at the Opera" featuring Marc Martel at the Pell City Sports Complex on Logan Martin Lake on Friday, September 4.

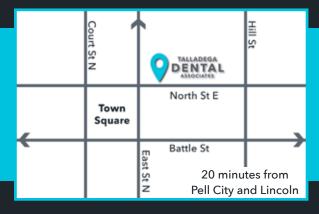
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County, but CEPA has been determined to bring something amazing to this community," said Jeff Thompson, executive director of the Center for Education and Performing Arts. "Working with The Black Jacket Symphony again, as well as LakeFest and AmFirst, to put together this one-of-a-kind event will undoubtedly be the highlight of our summer, and we hope it will be for you, too."

Proceeds will benefit the Logan Martin Charity Foundation -- the nonprofit organization that stages the annual Logan Martin LakeFest and Boat Show -- and CEPA.

Reserved land tickets are \$100 each, sold as 8'x8' tailgate squares. One ticket admits up to four people. All tailgate squares are socially distanced to help make this a COVID-conscious event, Thompson said. VIP tickets are also available.

Ticket holders are allowed and encouraged to bring their own tailgate setups, including beverages, food and lawn chairs. No concessions will be available for purchase on site. On-site parking is free, and arriving in one vehicle per ticket is encouraged. Doors open at 6 p.m., with the show starting at 7:30 p.m.

Due to the generosity of sponsors, the event is free to boats, Thompson said, and will offer large video screens for optimum viewing.

Limited land tickets are available. Additional event information can be found at www.pellcityCEPA.com. VIP tickets and sponsorship details are available by emailing Justin Hogeland at justn101@yahoo.com.

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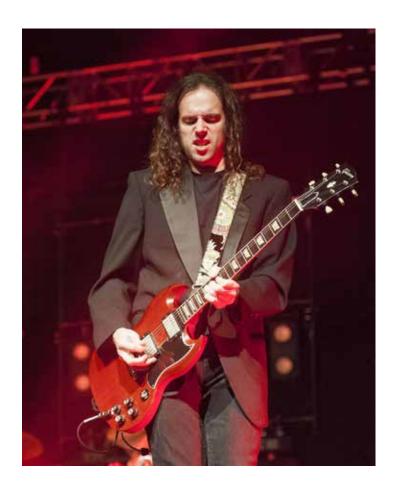
"As Pell City is our newest branch home, we are thrilled to bring the Black Jacket Symphony's performance of Queen's 'A Night at the Opera' with Marc Martel to the community and to our members," said Bill Connor, AmFirst's president and CEO. "We hope that this event will bring a much-needed evening of safe, socially-distanced outdoor fun for music lovers of all ages."

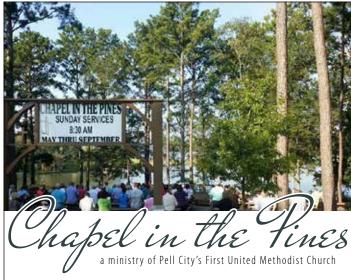
The Black Jacket Symphony's performance will feature songs from Queen's 1975 album "A Night at the Opera," which includes the British rock band's best-known single, "Bohemian Rhapsody." Marc Martel will provide the vocals of iconic lead singer Freddie Mercury. Martel also provided some vocals for the movie "Bohemian Rhapsody," a biographical film about Mercury starring Rami Malek.

Martel, a native of Canada, has toured for several years with The Queen Extravaganza (the official Queen tribute band). Described by Rolling Stone magazine as having a "striking" vocal resemblance to Mercury, Martel has been a full-time musician since 2001 and fronted the award-winning Christian rock band Downhere.

In describing the upcoming show, Martel said concertgoers can expect "something that's halfway between a true tribute show and what you might see and hear at a symphony. It's more refined than a traditional rock show, but there's still a lot of engagement with the audience. Our aim is to recreate the sound as closely as possible while performing with the energy Queen's music deserves. It's a really entertaining show."







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# THE CATTLE EGRET

Written by **SUSAN COOK**Photographed by **TIM BADGWELL** 

"I wish to speak a word for Nature, for absolute freedom and wildness"

- Henry David Thoreau.

In the hot haze of late summer, cattle egrets proudly sport their flame-like feathers. "We are the wild," their piercing eyes seem to say, "the untamed."

Though we try to describe the beauty of the wildness we find in nature, words pale when it greets us face to face.

Hundreds of these egrets have gathered along the banks of Logan Martin, like eager spring breakers out looking for a date.

This particular cattle egret strikes a bold pose as he pauses for a moment, poised on bright red legs that resemble sticks of rhubarb. Showing off their flashy orange breeding



**Editor's note:** This is the first in a new regular series featuring the diverse and fascinating wildlife that is native to Logan Martin Lake.



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plumage, the egrets strut about, all looking for love along the lakeshore. Soon, the dance-off begins. Hopping from one foot to the other, the cattle egrets fan out their freshly preened, ivory wings in an elaborate courtship show.

When they're not out dancing by the lake, cattle egrets can be found near the cows and other livestock in the fields, which is how they got their name. Horses, sheep and, yes, those eponymous cows churn up insects as they graze, providing an automated and tasty buffet of pickings for the egrets following alongside. They've even been spotted riding on top of animals, looking like feathery cowboys casually nibbling on the unsuspecting ticks.

They've grown savvier in recent years, honing in on tractors as they plow through insect-laden fields. Their imaginative methods grant them 50 percent more food for only two-thirds of the amount of work, making them the innovators of the egret family. Less work and more food leave more time for leisure, more time for dancing.



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# Lakeside living in Lincoln's new tiny homes community

Written by **KELLI TIPTON** Photographed by BOB CRISP

Having a home on Logan Martin Lake was a dream for Anniston business owners Roy and Carolyn Pierce. They would see the beautiful homes and boats while crossina the I-20 bridge on their trips to Birmingham, and eventually, they began house hunting.

As Roy navigates their new pontoon boat between the pilings below that same bridge, Carolyn points overhead.

"We would be in our car, up there, and point out across the water and say, 'One day, we will have a home on the lake,' but every place we looked at was more than what we needed," she says.

The Pierces are in their 60s, lead an active lifestyle and have grown children. They wanted a vacation home for summer and weekend retreats, so they didn't need a large property, and they didn't want to pay for space they didn't need.

It was during this time that DeLane and Deanna Griffin began developing







a community of tiny homes at Riverbay Resort in Lincoln.

"We had pretty much just decided to buy an RV and just park it somewhere," Carolyn says. "So one day, I was checking online for prices and lot rents, and I saw these tiny homes here at Riverbay Resort. We thought they

were so cute and perfect for us. There were only three homes here when we bought ours. We were one of the first couples to move in."

Roy turns the pontoon boat back toward the resort. The water glistens on the sides as it slices through one small wake

after another. Home is where the dock is, and every tiny home has its own private pier, and as Roy throttles down to approach theirs, his neighbor fast-walks down the gentle slope to grab a rope, pull him in and help him tie off.

"That's one thing we like

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about this out here," Roy says. "Our neighbors, the ones we have gotten to know, and there's several...there's not a bad apple. They are friendly, and we have made some good friends."

From the lake, the view of the Pierce home is impressive -- not in size, but in design. The front porch looks inviting with its open woodwork, ceiling fan and wicker furniture. It also features solar-lighted stairs, recessed overhead lights, outdoor electrical outlets and other conveniences.

The front door opens into a combination living and kitchen area with a loft. A bedroom is tucked away beyond the kitchen with a bathroom in between. With its clean, white



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"This model is named Sea Breeze, and there are other models with different looks and features, but this one is just so open and airy and inviting, and it seems big on the inside to me," Carolyn says.

A sleek, black electric fireplace underneath a recessed media area is a focal point on the right

wall. A smart TV, land-line phone, two cell phones and any other electronic device they may have fit neatly in that area, with enough outlets to accommodate them all. The remote-controlled fireplace offers ambiance lighting, and in cold winter months, enough heat to warm the living area and loft.

"This is Rocky's favorite spot to be all the time, but especially in the winter," Carolyn says. Rocky's dog bed has a permanent place just below the fireplace, but he also enjoys short



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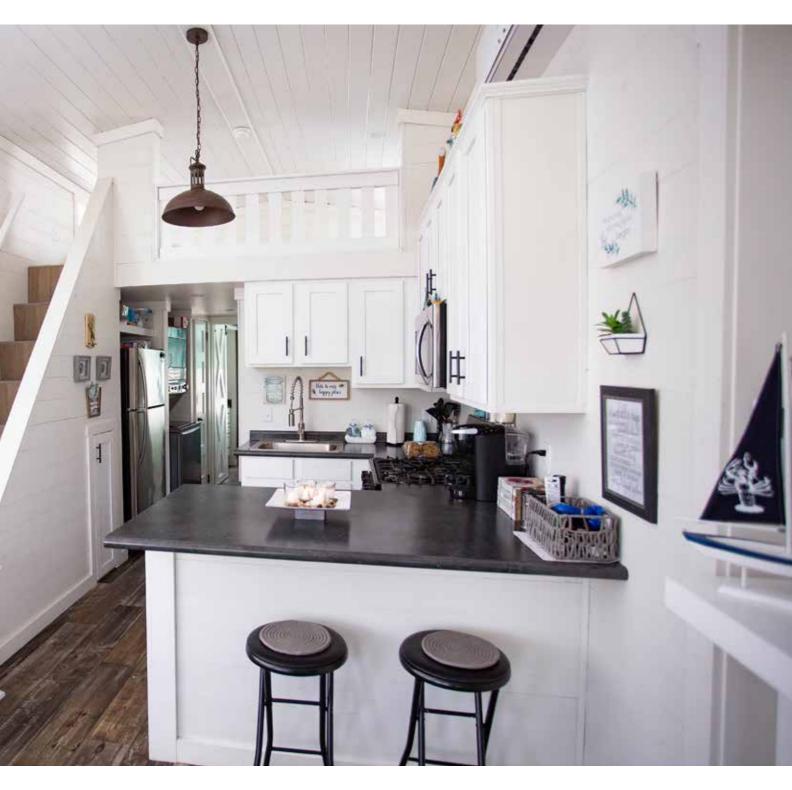
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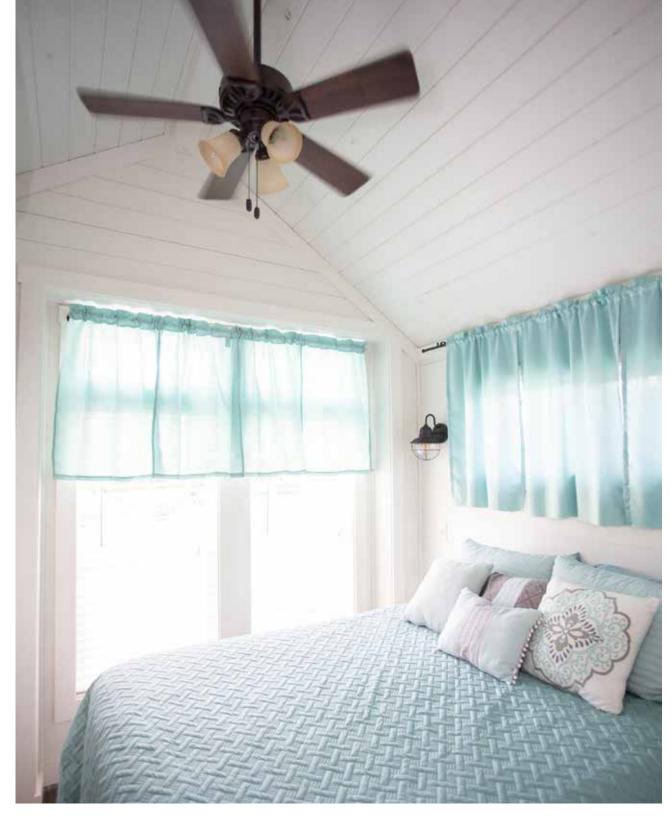


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grass," Roy adds.

They are looking forward to the completion of the resort, which has been an ongoing process, as a beach is being constructed, and shelters for the RV park next to them are going up. Plans include

a community pool, community center, restaurant, coffee shop and a stage for live music events.

A second community of tiny homes is also underway. Two homes are there now, and Roy has a word of advice for anyone who might think about moving into the community.

"I would advise anyone who buys a tiny home here to also buy a boat," he says. "You need one to enjoy the lake as much as Carolyn and I do."

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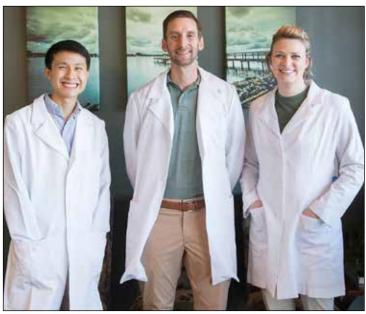


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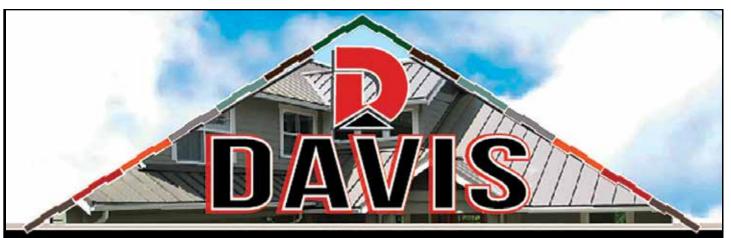
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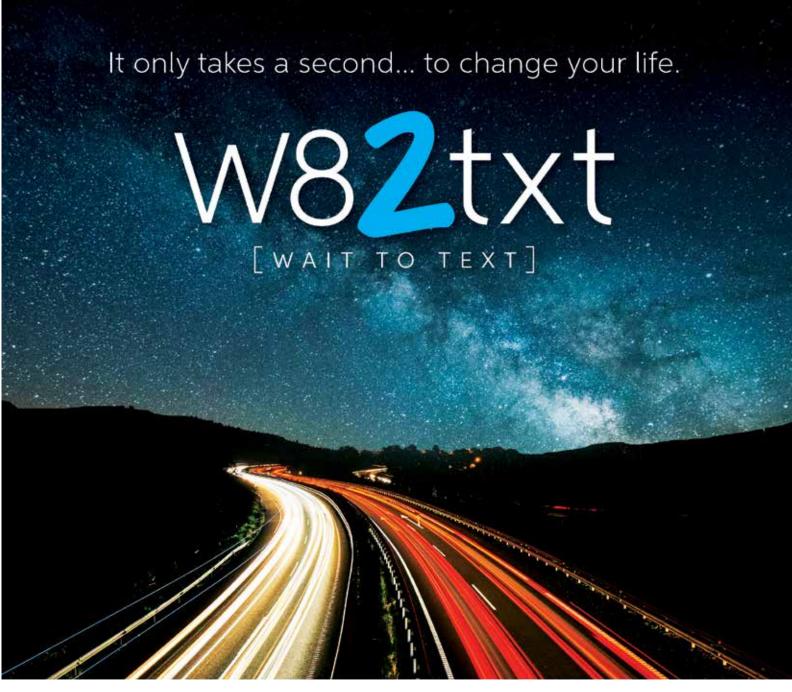




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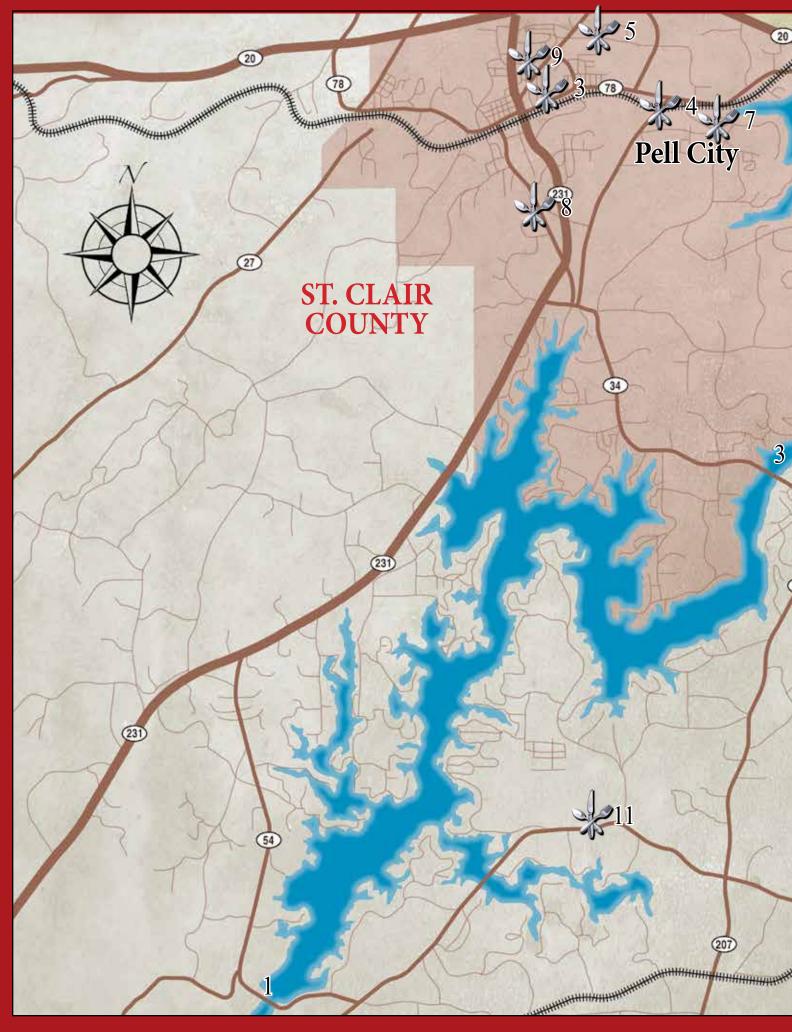
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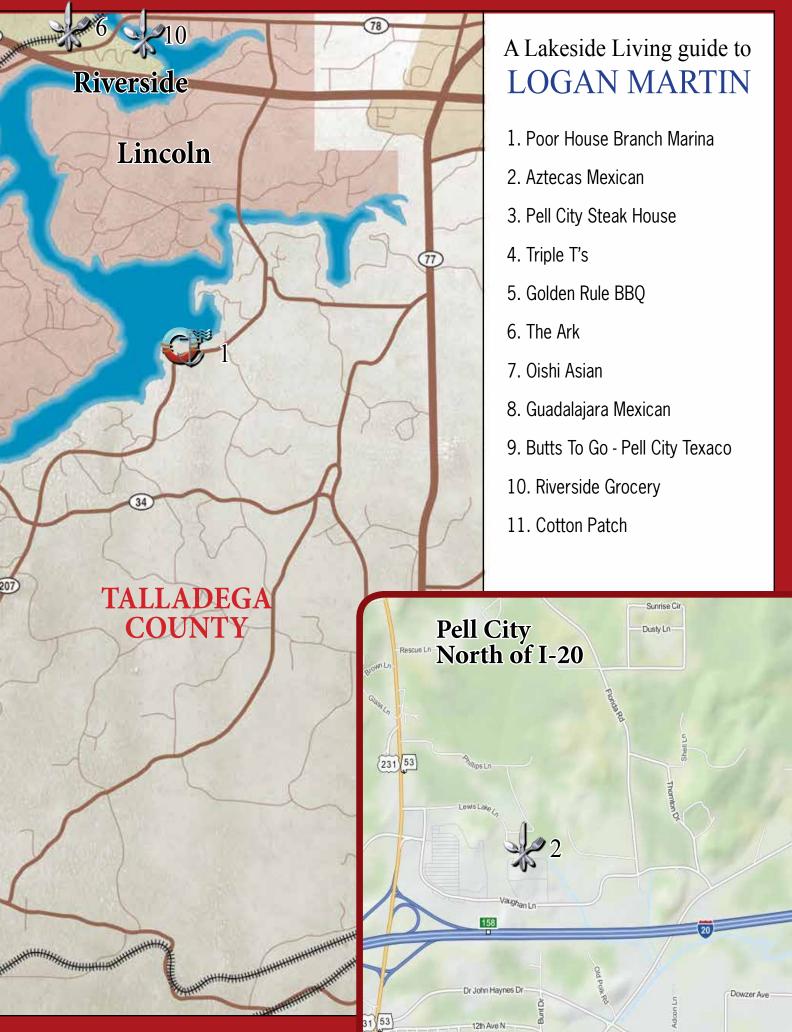
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Written and photographed by **BUDDY ROBERTS** 

rainah Glidewell descended from the tree boughs she'd been exploring, kicked off her shoes, and hoisted herself back up.

"I can climb a tree in high heels, but this is more fun," she said, admiring the view of Logan Martin her elevated vantage point afforded. "Being barefoot always takes me back to the innocence, curiosity and playfulness of being a child. And I grew up with four brothers, so climbing trees and exploring was a large part of my childhood. I take my girls out now, hiking, catching frogs, collecting rocks and appreciating our beautiful surroundings."

The executive director of the Pell City Chamber of Commerce was enjoying a shoreline setting after a full day of working to advance the commercial, industrial, civic, retail and general interests of the Gateway to Logan Martin Lake. In the bankside tree and out of it, she spoke about her role with the chamber, what she loves about the lake, her family and the three things she can't live without.

**Joining the chamber:** "I served on the Pell City Chamber of Commerce's board of directors for two years before accepting the position of executive

director in December, 2019. I've always enjoyed helping people, and in my role as executive director. I feel like I can make a positive difference in our community and for our businesses."

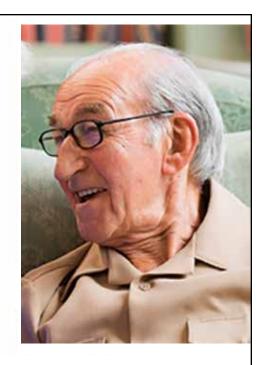
#### About the current chamber board:

"Our board members are incredible and so involved with the community. They are small business owners or work for local businesses and care about our local businesses. They have started new initiatives to continue to support our businesses during this time."

A few of those initiatives: "We have started a new infomercial initiative for our members, we do weekly business

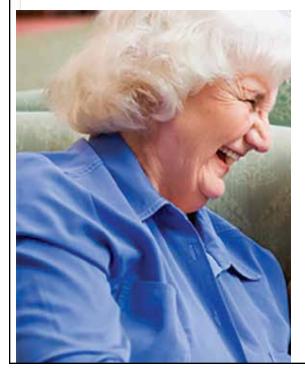












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spotlights on our social media pages, and we send the weekly newsletter out to members. We also do Business After Hours events, Business of the Month recognitions, and Third Thursday events. We are also rolling out a new initiative for member-to-member deals for those businesses that are part of the chamber. We are in the planning stages for the Christmas tree lighting and Christmas Parade for December that are such wonderful community events."

#### A challenging year for the chamber:

"With the economic shutdown and our local businesses closing and hearing so many stories of loss, it has been challenging. We are trying to get information and resources out to our business owners and community, especially with so much new information and guidelines. The innovation and resiliency of our local business owners has astounded me, and it is amazing how they have taken this opportunity to expand business, update their shops, create online shopping, curbside pickup and delivery. They have really stepped up to still serve their customers safely."

The chamber's role in the community: "To support our local businesses and community, create a network for businesses to connect with each other and needed resources and create unity within our community with events such as the Hometown Block Party and Christmas Parade."

The importance of the lake: "Logan Martin Lake is significant to the business community because it brings incremental traffic, including visitors, fishing tournaments and seasonal residents to the community that shop and dine in the area."

What she enjoys about Logan Martin: "I love going down to Lakeside Park, walking the track and enjoying the beautiful view of the lake, especially at sunset. I love taking my three girls to Lakeside Park to enjoy swimming at the beach without having



to drive far or spend a lot of money. We bring a picnic lunch and snacks, a beach blanket and towels, and they can spend all day out there. We also enjoy walking the track, watching the sun shift on the water and the cranes feeding along the banks. My favorite

things about summer are having lackadaisical days with the kids, not stressing as much about schedules and homework, catching fireflies and watching sunsets."

Her daughters: "Abby is 15 and will be a sophomore at Pell City High School and has really been a wonderful and responsible sister, especially with school being out. Izzy is my creative artist who turns 12 this month and my youngest, Zoey, is the future CEO of the family at 9 years old."

The best part of being a mom: "Seeing these amazing, unique human beings that have their own personalities and interests, that are an inherent part of my being. They make me who I am."

How she describes herself: "At heart, I'm a kind person that treats others how I want to be treated. I have a lot of passions in life: faith, history, poetry, being active, photography and enjoying nature. I'm also a bit of a nerd and love superhero movies and sci-fi. I love giving back to the community and being involved, and above all I love being a mom to my three girls."

Her passion for poetry: "I published a book of poetry a few years ago and am working on my next two books. I've been writing poetry since I was a child, and it's always been a creative emotional outlet for me. I'm inspired by nature, feelings, people watching, reading the work of others and sometimes things I see on TV or the news.

**Urainah Glidewell style:** "I love vintage-style clothing, especially the 1950s. I conduct Historic Walking Tours of Pell City and love to dress in period clothing when I can. The styles have such an interesting aesthetic. I've always been interested in history, even the clothing they wore. They can really tell us a lot about the era in which they were worn. The fashion from the past always has influences on the clothing and trends we have today. But I love the classic silhouette of a dress gathered at the waist and flared skirt. After losing over 100 pounds with diet and exercise, these simple, classic styles feel flattering and beautiful."

Something an acquaintance might be surprised to know **about her:** "I once lived in a tent for three months with my family in Montana when I was 11 years old."

Three things she can't live without: "Faith in God, my children and books. I'm thankful for the many opportunities that God has given me throughout my life, opening doors to be able to do things that I love, from writing for a newspaper to publishing a book of poetry to being a mother to getting to know all of the wonderful people that I've met along the way."

What makes her laugh: "My girls and their unique senses of humor, especially when they're showing me a new Tik Tok dance or sharing a funny meme. Also, when my cat is sleeping and falls off the couch. For some reason, that makes me laugh every time."

The food she could eat every day: "Chicken fingers. They're my weakness."







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## **Keller Williams** Realtor loves helping clients find their dream homes

Written by VALLEAN JACKSON Submitted photo

or Realtor Michelle Shoemaker, working in real estate is the fulfilment of a lifelong dream.

"I have always had a love of real estate," she says, "but when I worked at Fields & Gossett early on, I was only part-time. I worked as an administrative assistant at Stephen's Oil company full-time. I desired to do real estate, and when the opening came for a full time position at Keller Williams in Pell City, I jumped on the opportunity."

Currently a buyer specialist for Natasha O'Konski's Keller Williams team, Shoemaker says she loves being a Realtor "because what I do is not just a job. It is truly my way to give back and help others. Being a realtor takes patience. I have had a client refer to me as having the patience of Job. I can have patience because for a client to get the home that they can picture themselves in and growing

in is important. To see clients make it through with their offers, paperwork and then get their keys is one of the best rewards."

Shoemaker believes that CO-VID-19 has changed many things, from affecting the market to making necessary certain precautions when showing homes. She recommends that prospective buyers wear masks when going to view homes and that they take advantage of opportunities to buy now while rates are low.

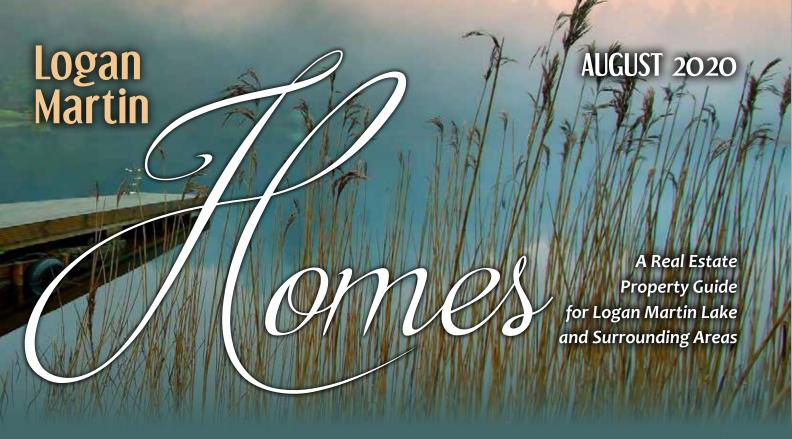
"I would advise prospective buyers to first get pre-approved before starting their house search. To be pre-approved helps to not push offers to the side, especially when there are multiple offers on the table. The goal when putting your offer on the table for a house is to stand out as much as possible to the seller."

According to Shoemaker, buying a home is a better option than renting

because it builds equity that is beneficial down the road. First-time buyers often think they can not afford to buy, she says, but with the right lender and good cash flow, little expense may have to come out of pocket.

A native of Gardendale, Shoemaker has resided near the lake for 25 years. When she married her husband and they started to expand their family, Pell City became their home. When she is not closing deals, she loves to spend time with her seven arandchildren.

"Real estate is very time consuming, but my family is very supportive because they know this has always been my dream. My life is busy, but I love it. To be a part of the lives of others in helping them get their dream homes really motivates me and means a lot."





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## Ranch-style home in Lincoln is ideal for family life on the lake



Written by VALLEAN JACKSON Photographed by BOB CRISP

Prospective buyers seeking a waterfront home will love the secluded corner lot and breathtaking views at 186 Bridgeview Drive in Lincoln.

The Ranch-style home, constructed in 1966 and situated on 2.25 acres, has three bedrooms and two bathrooms within its brick-and-vinyl interior of 1,776 square feet.

Notable features of the living room include recessed lighting, large windows and wood floors. It connects to the kitchen via a dining room. The kitchen features tile flooring, white cabinets, countertops and matching appliances. The dishwasher, microwave, and oven are built-in, accompanied by a flat-surface stove. Above the stove is a built-in

China cabinet.

The house has two wood-burning fireplaces, great for when the temperatures drop.

The one-story home has a bonus room that can be used as an office or fitness room, and a screened sunroom. It also features a screened sunroom, three-car garage and such exterior amenities as a storage building, workshop, large backyard and boatdock and pier.

The property lists at \$419,900. For more information, call Nicole Anderson of Lake Homes Realty at (205) 753-0225.



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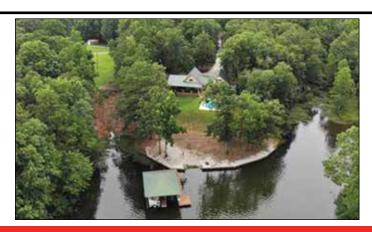
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7146 Skyline Dr. Pell City, AL 35128

Lake living at its best on a quiet cul-de-sec State Huge, open family space with a bar and warmer and attic storage. The basement has a bedroom, full bath and rec / play room. 1 car garage and tito. In addition to all that, a large lakeside deck connects the home to a mother in law suite / apt with a kitchenette, full bath and it's own entrance & 2 space garage large enough for a boat. 242 feet of water frontage, a large pier. MLS #881987



700 Truss Ferry Rd. Pell City, AL 35128

This precious house sits on a half acre corner lot the third with large oak trees, a perfect spot for entertaining or relaxing away the work day! The runs of and the owners have made several nice updates which include neutral paint inside & out updated bathrouse with LVP flooring, new vanities & tile in shower, cedar shutters, new decking and landscaping. Gutters & downspouts are being installed soon. The level yard and one level home makes living easy for the elderly or a family with little ones. They LOVE it here but the family is outgrowing the space. Affordable homes in good condition are a rarity so DON'T WAIT TO SEE THIS CUTIE!! MLS #885962



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

\$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.



Lincoln Harbor, Unit 1220 Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 886995

<sup>\$</sup>189,900

This is a 2 Bedroom/ 2 Bath Condo is located on the 2nd floor and has an absolutely BREATHTAKING view of Logan Martin Lake! It has some stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops in kitchen and kitchen island and also features a nice 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.





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!

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765 Eastaboga Rd. Talladega, AL 35160 MLS# 877027

\$399,900



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 CABINENT 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 east to entertain and garage offers 2 parking spaces! This is a home you DO NOT WANT TO MISS OUT ON!



3161 1ST Ave. N Pell City 35128 MLS# 888899 \$129,000

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

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 \$399,000

Come and see everything this amazing 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath home has to offer that sits on 5 ACRES! Plenty of PRIVACY



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.



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.



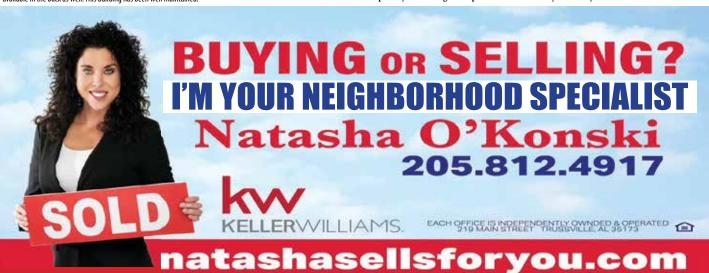
70 Mountain Crest Dr. Lincoln, AL 35096 MLS# 876461 \$**227,900** 

Enjoy a cup of coffee on your SPACIOUS front porch or GRILL OUT and chill out on your back deck. Entertain your family and friends with an OPEN FLOOR plan. Plenty of room for your family to spread out with 3 BEDROOMS AND 2 BATHROOMS! One bathroom features a LARGE WALK IN shower. NEUTRAL colors, NATURAL LIGHTING, VAULTED CEILINGS and GORGEOUS HARDWOODS are through out this home. This subdivision features a COMMUNITY POOL.



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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\$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 wigranite 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.

\$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

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\$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



\$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 scrrened patio with inlaid brick for the floor. Home is conveniently located to town and I-20. MLS #880426 Call Shawn 205/473-6206



\$799,900 - 435 Rabbit Point Rd. - BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM 4 BR, 3.5 BA home on gentle slop lot with year round water. 30' ceilings, open floor plan, kitchen woversized 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 patios. Offininshed basement could be perfect of 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





\$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



\$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 vard. MLS #887964, Call Brenda 205/812-4141



\$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



\$146,000 - 120 Reed Rd. - LAKE PROPERTY ON BEAUTIFUL NEELY HENRY! This home is perfect to entertain with 3 BR, 2 BA and living room for year round living or just to get away for the weekend with features of .....go. to get away for the weekend with features of two piers, private boat launch, barbeque area and three swings by the lake. MLS #871474 Call Amanda (205) 368-6184.



\$1,279,000 - 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. Properly 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

\$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



\$134,900 - 275 Vaughn Spur Rd. - APPROX. 3.2 ACRES in good location! 3 bedrooms 1.5 bath. 1.5 story home That has living room, dining room and MLS #883022



\$149,900 - 11907 Hwy 144 - WELL MAINTAINED one level3 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



\$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

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433 LAKEVIEW CREST DR. PELL CITY, AL 36128 MLS#885907



305 KRADLE KOVE, TALLADEGA, AL 35160



435 RABBIT POINT RD., CROPWELL, AL 35054

MLS#860916



3015 WOODS FERRY RD., LINCOLN, AL 35096

MLS#832435



45 BULLDOG CIR., CROPWELL, AL 35054 \$649,900



1244 LAKESIDE DR., TALLADEGA, AL 35160 MLS#885686<sup>\$</sup>119,900



11907 HWY. 144, RAGLAND AL 35131 MLS#883955 \$144,900

**O LAKE POINT DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096** MLS: 860645 \$29,500

**O WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096** MLS: 860640 \$34,500

O OVERLOOK RIDGE, LINCOLN, AL 35096 MLS: 860643 \$39,500

**OWILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096** MLS: 860639 \$39,900

O WILLOW DR., LINCOLN, AL 35096 MLS: 860637 \$109,500



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



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



906 PLEASANT VALLEY DR., PELL CITY, AL 35128 MLS #849720 \$780,000 +/- 39 acres in the heart of the Pell City



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\$37,900 - \$59,9000 .57 acres to 1.78 acres

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39 Garden Ct., Lincoln MLS #889091 \$178,000



2205 Hidden Ridge Cir., Vestavia MLS #889315 \$815,000



500 Treasure Island Cir. **Cropwell** 

\$310,000



1001 Edgewood Dr. **Pell City** 

MLS #880426 9,900



230 Copper Springs Rd. **Odenville** 

MLS #881779

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O Jones Chapel Road Springville MLS #868368

\$206,900



O Funderburg Bend Rd. **Pell City** MLS #889096

\$288,000



0 S. 18th St. **Pell City** MLS #852473

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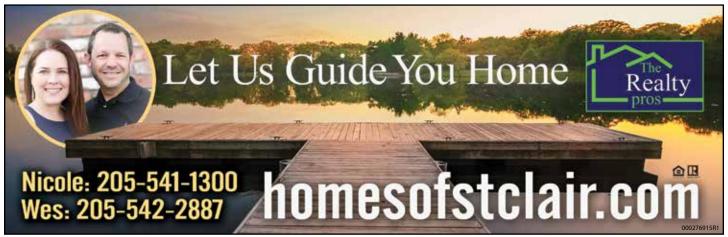














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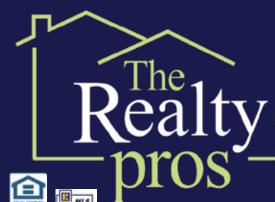
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