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Community Connect: Crystal Moore Phipps, Crystallize It

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

A connected community fosters mutual support, enhances social well-being, and promotes collective problem-solving. It encourages sharing resources, knowledge, and skills, leading to a stronger, more resilient society. Such connectivity also boosts emotional health by reducing feelings of isolation, ensuring individuals feel valued and understood within their social networks.

Additionally, connected communities can drive economic growth through collaboration, innovation, and local business support. They provide a safety net during crises, improving overall quality of life and fostering a sense of belonging and security among members.

For this week's Community Connect, we invite you to get to know a little bit more about local artist, Crystal Moore Phipps!

Can you tell us a little about you and your family? "I am a lifelong resident of Bibb, live in Woodstock with my husband and have 2 grandchildren."

How many hats do you wear in the Bibb County community? (As in, what all do you do?) "I'm an Art Teacher in 2 local schools, Paint Party instructor, window artist, hobby photographer and traveling notary."

Which Golden Girl do you relate to most, and why? "I relate to Blanche because she usually has to handle people!"

If you could have any superpower what would it be, and how would you use it to help your community or business? "My superpower would be the ability

to transform so that I could transform my community to make it thrive in business, education, safety & fellowship."

What is the wisest, most impactful piece of advice you have ever received? "The best advice I ever received was from my Mom who always said... 'You catch more flies with honey.' That means, be your sweetest, even to the ones that don't reciprocate. It's hard to do that but it's always best."

You're handed the glorious 120 Crayola crayon pack, complete with the built in sharpener, the coolest in class. What color are you grabbing first? "I was an art kid and loved crayons. I usually would pick the brightest ones and draw something happy!"

Who would be your dream client to do art for? "My dream client would be a large, reputable local business that needed a lot of attention and fun to bring art to!"

What meal could you eat every day for the rest of your life? "I could eat boudin, I love it! Or lemon pie!"

What is your favorite piece of art you have ever

done (or, who is your personal favorite artist)? "My favorite art itself is murals and I love the work of Local Alabama Artist, Banks Compton."

Can you share a quote or a mantra that inspires you in your personal and/or professional life? "My favorite quote would be, 'Act as if what you do, makes a difference, it does.' by William James."

To learn more about how Crystal can add some color to your own life or business, head on over to Facebook and search for her business page, Crystallize It! This summer, she is focusing on paint parties, murals, windows, and event boards. Reach out and see what she can do for you today!



The First Annual Cahaba River Crawl: A Unique and Fun Adventure

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

On Saturday, June 4th, Centreville Main Street held its first annual Cahaba River Crawl. This was an annual event that drew nature enthusiasts and adventure seekers to the heart of Bibb County. Set against the backdrop of the picturesque Cahaba River, this event combined the thrill of an outdoor challenge of tubing down the river with Adventure Shoals.

That afternoon on the banks of the Cahaba, tents and picnic tables were set up at the Bibb County Chamber of Commerce. The sounds of live music by Jackson Chase filled

the air as neighbors and friends gathered under the tents, enjoying the awesome music. The aroma of BBQ filled the air as dinner was served, followed by a delightful finish with ice cream.

The Cahaba Crawl Event had a fantastic turnout today, and we are already looking forward to another great event next year!

See more photos on page 10



4-H RiverKids Kick Off Summer with Fun and Learning at Bibb County Lake

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

On Friday, June 7th, 2024 at Bibb County Lake, six kids met together to join in on the fun at the first 4-H RiverKids event. Facilitated by Alabama Extension folks Simon Carbone and Sherry Carter, the kids were able to get out on the water, enjoy the sunshine, and make new friends in an experience that was full of fun while being educational as well.

To start off the day, Sherry Carter led the kids in making bags of their very own trail mix that they could take out on the water with them. The

importance of proper nutrition while out in the sun during physical activity cannot be understated, and Sherry showed them how making your own trail mix can be easier than you think. Even just searching your cabinets, you can usually find a tasty combination to throw in a bag, give it a mix (and maybe season with some cinnamon, paprika, or both!), and you are good to go with a healthy snack. Including items like nuts, cheerios, pretzels, dried fruit, sunflower seeds, raisins, and even chocolate chips for your sweet tooth, she encouraged the kids to get creative with whatever they could find in their cabinets at

home. Once hitting the water (after putting on life vests and hearing a thorough water safety speech), the kids and their event leaders (and myself) paddled across Bibb County Lake on a gorgeous, sunny morning. During the frequent breaks for hydration and to refuel, Simon used those opportunities to educate the kids on man-made lakes. Not only did he dive into the details about how they are made, but also explained how man-made lakes with dams allow opportunities for hydroelectric power to be created by the water flow.

See Riverkids on page 9

BMC Wellness Receives Sensory Path Grant

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

On Friday morning, June 7th, BMC Wellness Center's Director, Katie Crumpler, and other volunteers from BMC and the community gathered outside the BMC Wellness Center to work on installation of the new outdoor sensory path. The project was funded through a grant from Livewell Alabama, a SNAP-Ed program. Michelle Giddens from the Bibb County Extension Office aided in the grant process to ensure our

community received this opportunity.

This sensory path is designed to encourage families to be more active and provide children with engaging activities. Michelle Giddens from the Bibb County Extension Office shared, "When the grant opportunity was posted, the Wellness Center immediately came to mind. I contacted Katie, and we quickly got the project underway." Katie Crumpler added, "I thought this would be a fantastic addition to BMC Wellness, not only for families to spend

time together but also as a resource for the kiddos we serve in our pediatric outpatient therapy services."

The volunteers who spent the day painting the walking path with bright colors were Katie Crumpler, BMC Wellness Director - Dawn Jones, Nurse Practitioner BMC at Home - Justin Tidwell, Director of Engineering - Matthew Thomas, Director of Support Services - Hannah Dellinger and Miriam Russell.

The sensory path officially opened on Monday and is now free and avail-

able for everyone to enjoy.

BMC Wellness will be hosting additional events to encourage outdoor activities, such as Picnic and Movie Night - June 18th at 7:30PM. Come out and enjoy with friends and family!



Dawn Jones, Miriam Russell, Katie Crumpler, Justin Tidwell

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NEWS



AmFirst Announces Winners of Rising Star Scholarships Including Bibb County's Kaitlyn Howard

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

AmFirst and WBRC Fox 6 are proud to announce the winners of the prestigious Rising Star scholarships for the 2023-2024 academic year. The Rising Star scholarship program identifies exceptional high school students across Birmingham and surrounding areas and awards scholarships to support their academic endeavors.

Among the winners includes Kaitlyn Howard, the 2024 Distinguished Young Woman for Bibb County. Kaitlyn, from Bibb County High School, has been awarded a \$5,000 Rising Star scholarship in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements, leadership, and community service.

Kaitlyn's selection as a Rising Star scholarship recipient highlights her dedication and commitment

to excellence. Throughout the academic year, she has demonstrated exceptional performance in her studies, actively participated in extracurricular activities, and made significant contributions to her community. Her recognition as the Distinguished Young Woman for Bibb County further highlights her remarkable qualities and potential as a future leader.

The Rising Star program, dedicated to recognizing outstanding student achievement, features one semi-finalist each week on WBRC Fox 6. From a pool of 30 remarkable candidates, six individuals were selected as winners of the \$5,000 scholarships.

Kaitlyn joins an elite group of scholarship recipients, including Henry Stallcup of Mountain Brook High School, Aubrey Foy of Childersburg High School, Gabriel Basaraba of Etowah High School, Brody Mazingo of Jemison High School,

and Melany Morgan of the Alabama School of Fine Arts. These students were selected based on their academic accomplishments, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and final interviews.

"We are extremely proud of the Rising Star Scholarship program and this year's class of honorees. Over the past 15 years, the program has recognized over 200 outstanding students who will make up the next generation of leaders in our communities," shared Bill Connor, President and CEO of AmFirst.

Additionally, AmFirst announced the recipient of the first in-house AmFirst \$5,000 scholarship to Rachel Vanlandingham of Mortimer Jordan High School, further demonstrating AmFirst's dedication to supporting educational achievements.

Congratulations and well done, Kaitlyn!

Summer Activities at your Local Brent-Centreville Library

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

If you're looking for fun activities to fill your summer days, head over to the Brent-Centreville Library! They have exciting projects for all ages, including a Tween Paint Project, the Great Puzzle Race, and sessions with Legos, Hotwheels, and Barbies. Wow!!! If you need a door hanger or mat for your home or as a gift, join the paint night event. For the little ones, Mr. Larry's Magic Show and an exotic animal show will be delightful treats. Your adventure begins at the Brent-Centreville Library. Check out the flyer below for dates, times, and age groups. Don't forget to register with the library!



Adventure Begins at Your Library

Brent-Centreville Public Library

Summer Events

TWEEN PAINT PROJECT Ages 12-18 JUNE 12 @ 1:00PM Must register.	PAINT NIGHT Door Hangers JUNE 27 Door Mats JULY 18 @ 5:30 PM. Must register.
GREAT PUZZLE RACE JUNE 13 @ 5:30PM Ages 10+ in teams up to 4 persons. Must register.	MR. LARRY'S MAGIC SHOW JUNE 18 @ 10:30AM BRENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM
LEGOS/HOTWHEELS/BARBIES JUNE 17 JULY 8 10 A-11A	EXOTIC ANIMAL SHOW JUNE 25 @ 10:30A BRENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

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WOODSTOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting Date: June 3, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Woodstock, Alabama met in a Regular Council Meeting at the Town Hall on Monday, June 3, 2024, 5:00 P.M. A quorum being present: Mayor Jeff Dodson called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Dodson. The following Council Members were present: Ronnie Kinard, Kellie Parks, Ernestine Johnson, Lee Mears. Absent: Don Bowling. Town Attorney Boozer Downs and Police Chief Len Price were also present. Various Public were in attendance.

COUNCIL APPROVAL:

Council Member Ronnie Kinard made the motion to approve the May 20, 2024 minutes as previously submitted by email. Motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and motion so carried.

Council Member Ernestine Johnson made the motion to approve the April 2024 financials. Motion was seconded by Kellie Parks and motion so carried.

Council Member Ronnie Kinard made the motion to approve the following:

Move Officer Farlow from Part-Time to Full-Time

Motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and motion so carried.

Council Member Lee Mears made the motion to renew the following contract for five (5) years:

Axon Enterprise, Inc. – 8 Body Cameras \$18,388.20

Axon Enterprise, Inc. – Hardware \$3,281.00

Axon Enterprise, Inc. – Software \$23,635.20

Axon Enterprise, Inc. – Extended Warranty \$521.36

Motion was seconded by Council Member Ernestine Johnson and motion so carried.

Council Member Kellie Parks made the motion to approve the following:

S & R Tree Service – Storm damage at the ballpark \$2,200.00

Motion was seconded by Council Member Ernestine Johnson and motion so carried.

To be paid from the

Capital Improvements Account

II. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Ordinance #2024-06-01

Mayor Dodson advised that a Public Hearing was held on June 3, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. concerning the recommendations of the Town's Zoning Commission to make changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Documentation from Public Hearing will be attached to the minutes.

Council Member Kellie Parks made a motion to adopt the following recommendations of the Zoning Commission:

Re-Zone the following properties from R-2 to PUD (Planned Unit Development), as show on the attached map:

Parcels: #63 25 04 19 0 001 025.000 – 8.74 acres +/- in Tuscaloosa County


#63 25 04 19 0 001 023.000 – 1.02 acres +/- in Tuscaloosa County

Motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comments were heard.

There being no further business to come before the Town Council at this time, Council Member Lee Mears made the motion to adjourn at 5:15 P.M. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kellie Parks and upon being put to a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

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Probate Clerk I

Woodstock Town Hall

The Bibb County Probate Office is seeking qualified applicants to fill a full-time Probate Clerk I position in the satellite office located at the Woodstock Town Hall. This individual will perform various office tasks as well as assisting the public. This position requires knowledge and/or experience in general office related tasks as well as handling and balancing a cash drawer. This position is classified as a Grade III and pay ranges from \$12.33 to \$15.16 per hour. Applications will be accepted at the Bibb County Probate Office, 8 Court Square West, Centreville, AL 35042, or from the Probate Clerk at the Woodstock Town Hall, 28513 AL-5, Woodstock, AL 35188 until 2:00 on June 14, 2024, or until position is filled. Applications may be picked up and returned to the above addresses. Subsequent vacancies will be filled from an eligibility list prepared from qualified applicants. This list will remain active for one year from the closing date.

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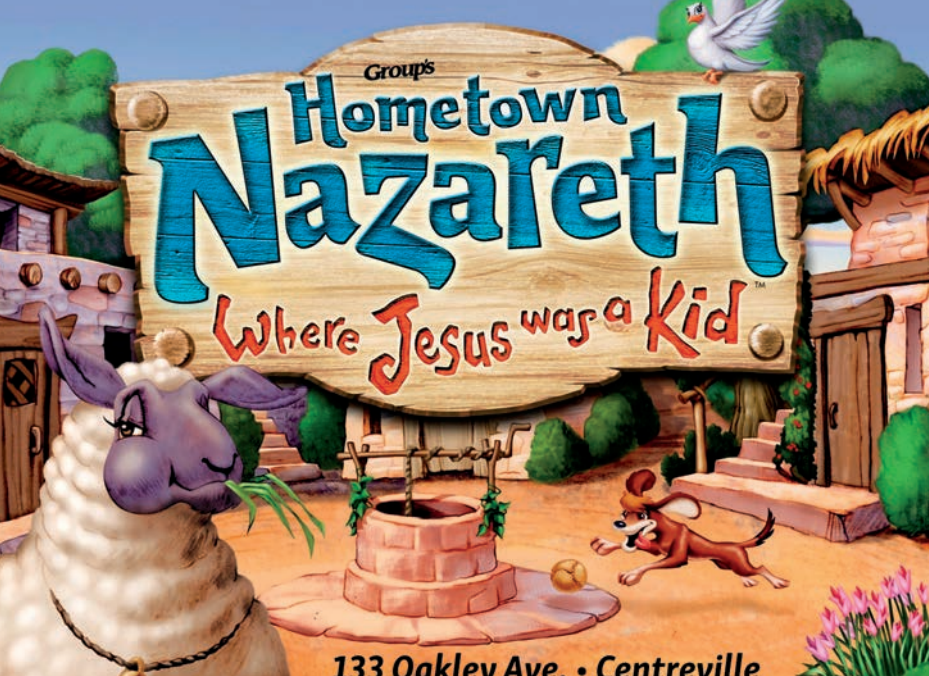
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The Bibb County Education Retiree's Association received a "Club of Distinction Award" at the Alabama Education Retiree's Association annual meeting in Montgomery. Selection is based on locals who provide high quality programs at their meetings as well as the number of volunteer service hours retirees provide to their community. Vickie Brown, President of the Bibb County Education Retiree's Association accepted the award on behalf of the BCERA.

Eric Raynard Anderson Sentenced to 35 Years for 2020 Shooting Death of Rodrecus Darrell Moore

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

Fourth Judicial Circuit Judge Collins Pettway sentenced 48-year-old Eric Raynard Anderson following his guilty plea in the shooting death of 28-year-old Rodrecus Darrell Moore. According to court records, the shooting took place on New Year's Day, 2020, at approximately 4:00 p.m. on South Scottsville

Road in the Town of Brent. Initially charged with murder, Anderson pled guilty to a reduced charge of manslaughter. He received a

sentence of 420 months under the Habitual Offender Act, as the court noted that Anderson had three prior adult felony convictions.

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GOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS

- » Bibb County Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the County Commission Chambers inside the Rock Building-Courthouse Annex.
- » Centreville City Council meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m..
- » Brent Council meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at Brent City Hall.
- » West Blocton City Council meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7 p.m.
- » Woodstock City Council meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month at 5:00 p.m.
- » The Bibb County Board of Education normally holds regular monthly Board Meetings the second Tuesday of every month. Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. and are held in the Board Room of the Central Office. Board Minutes are available on our website at www.bibbed.org. Ph. 205-926-9881.

SPECIAL WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

- » Come join us for The Masters Kitchen at the First Baptist Church of Woodstock, Coldwater Rd. on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6 p.m. Free meal along with a great message through the word or a song.
- » Birmingham Quilters Guild is holding a Quiltfest on June 21 and June 22, 2024. Location: Bessemer Civic Center, 1130 Ninth Ave. SW, Bessemer, AL. 10 - 5 pm daily. This will be a Judged Quilt Show and will include a Special Exhibit of Riley Center Quilts.
- » Attention Bibb County Landowners- Would you like to get the most usage out of your property? If so, come to the Alabama Treasurer Forest-Bibb County Chapter meetings held on the 4th Thursday of each month at the Daily Grind in Centreville from 6-7pm.
- » Homecoming at Johntown Baptist Church on July 7, 2024 at 11am. Lunch and singing at 1pm. Guest singers will be Roscoe Kornegay Group and Donna Weaver. Everyone welcome!
- » Singing at Hubbard Springs Church on June 22, 2024 at 7pm. Guest singers will be Legacy. Come enjoy!
- » Join us Sunday, June 16th for our Father's Day service at 11AM at Cedar Grove Church; Co Rd 9. We will have guest speaker Jack Humphries from Legacy with us.

WEEKLY CHURCH SERVICES

- » Green Pond Presbyterian Church, Service at 10 a.m. every Sunday. Pastor, Bev Dodson.
- » Enon Baptist Church 5286 Montevallo Rd. Centreville, AL 35042. Sunday worship 10:30am, Sunday School 9:30am, contact info 205-928-9421 or 205-490-4830.
- » Woodstock United Methodist Church services begin Sunday School at 10am Worship at 11.
- » Sandy Chapel Church services start at 9 am for preaching 10 am for Sunday School.
- » Scottsville Union Church, Co. Rd. 9., Sun. School-10 a.m., Worship-11 a.m., Sun. eve. Bible Study 5 p.m., Wed. service 6 p.m, Bro. J. R. Keeton, Pastor. Info, 205-340-1864.
- » New Life West Blocton a revival oriented church. Sunday Service at 11am, Wed. night service at 7pm. Pastor Greg Brock 205.441.2809
- » Little Hope Primitive Baptist Church holds services on Sat. before 3rd Sun. of each month at 10am. Elder Scott Sexton-Pastor. For info 205-225-4341.
- » Scottsville Baptist Church holds church service on Tue. at 7pm. with a different speaker each week.
- » God's House of Prayer 489 Co. Rd 162 Marion, AL (in Heiberger) hold services every Sunday at 11am.
- » Centreville Church of Christ, 824 Montevallo Rd., Centreville. 926-5683. Assembly times-Sun. a.m. Bible Study-9:30, a.m. Worship-10:30, p.m. Worship-5:00 p.m.; Wed. night-6:30.
- » Six Mile Baptist Church: Sunday School on Sun. at 10am, Worship at 11am. Wed. Bible Study at 6 pm.
- » 1st United Pentecostal Church of Centreville has weekly services. Pastor Marilyn Belcher, Asst. Pastor Murray Nichols. For info, call 205-225-0007.
- » New Jerusalem Holiness Church holds services in the Woodstock Plaza on Sun. at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm, and Wed. at 7:30pm.
- » Apostolic Revival Center holds services on Sunday: Sunday School 2pm. and Worship 3pm.; Wed. Bible Study 7pm.
- » West Blocton Bible Methodist Church holds services on: Sunday School 10am, Worship Service 11am, Sunday Night 5pm & Wednesday night 6pm. The Bible Methodist Church meeting every second Tues. of each month at 10:30, lunch provided.
- » Randolph Baptist Church Sunday School 9am, preaching 10am. Wednesday night teen kids & youth 6:15pm, supper provided at 6pm.

MONTHLY MEETINGS & REMINDERS

- » The Bibb County Planning Commission is an organization involving county landowners and forestry groups. We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 1PM in the Alabama Forestry Commission Office located at 9712 Highway 5, Brent, AL.
- » Car Tag Renewal Months: (Alphabet indicates the first letter of last name) January-A/D, February-B, March-C/E, April-F/G/N, May-H/O, June-M/I, July-P/L, August-J/K/R, September-Q/S/T, October-U-Z and November-Commercial.
- » Brieffield Fire & Rescue meets on the last Monday of each month at 7pm at Station 1 located at 18756 AL-139. For more information, call the Station at 205-665-3060. We welcome volunteers!
- » Green Pond Fire & Rescue holds its monthly meetings every first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm at Station 1, located at 19629 Eastern Valley Road in Woodstock. These meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, call GPFR at 205-938-9991 or visit greenpondfire.com
- » The Bibb County Bee Keepers Association August meeting will be at The Cahaba Lily Center in West Blocton. For more info call the BC Extension Office at 205-926-4310 or mdh0007@

- aces.edu or Chuck Allen 205-202-0501. Find us on FB at Bibb Co. Beekeepers.
- » Bama Carry of Bibb County meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Sawmeal Restaurant. For more info contact Danny Jones 928-2455.
- » Women for Sobriety meets every Tues. at 5:30pm. For info call Karen 205-718-4097.
- » F. O. P. meets the 3rd Mon. of each month at Rock Building.
- » Bibb County Soil & Water meets at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd Tue. of each month at 183 S. W. Davidson Dr., Centreville. 926-4360.
- » Bibb County GOP will hold quarterly meetings in January, April, July and October. Next meeting will be Thursday, July 3.
- » Bibb County Chamber of Commerce holds monthly meetings on the 2nd Thurs. of the month at 5pm. at the chamber building.
- » Friendship Lodge #83 F & AM in Centreville meets on 1st and 3rd Thur. at 7pm. at 28 Ct. Sq. All members are encouraged to attend.
- » The Bibb Co. Airport Authority meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at 5pm. at Bibb County Airport.
- » The Centreville Historic Preservation Commission now meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall.
- » American Legion Post 47 West Blocton meets 7pm on the 4th Tues. of each month at 195 Rose Lane in West Blocton. Veterans are encouraged to attend. For more info call Jimmy Fitts 938-3713 or Gary Monk 938-0621. American Legion Auxiliary & Sons of American Legion are accepting members. Call Jan Fitts 938-3713 or Cathy Atchison 938-7617.
- » The Brent Cemetery Committee reminds the community of its policy of periodically removing old & faded flowers from cemetery. We welcome flowers, but ask you to remove flowers when faded.

LIBRARY HOURS

- » The Brent/Centreville Public Library hours are. M-9a-8p, Tu-Th-9a-5p, Fri.-9a-1p Closed, Sat & Sun.
- » The West Blocton Public Library hours are. Mon.-closed, Tues. 10am-2pm, Wed.-12pm-4pm, Thur.-1pm-5pm, Fri.-12pm-3pm, Sat.-10am-1pm, Sun.-closed.
- » Woodstock Community Library is open Sunday & Monday: closed, Tuesday: 11AM - 5PM, Wednesday: 10AM - 5PM, Thursday 10AM - 5PM, Friday 10-4
- » Vance Town Library is open Tues. & Thurs. 3-5pm. & Sat. 2-4pm.

PRAYER & SUPPORT GROUPS

- » Cancer Support Group Startup for Bibb County. Anyone interested - please call and provide your contact information 205-926-5803 or 205-316-8741.
- » Group One, a Bibb County Cancer Support groups meets at BMC, AOB meeting room the fourth Thursday of each month. For information call 205-316-8970.
- » If you need help, call 2-1-1 for community services to get assistance. United Way of West AL.
- » Is your church or civic organization interested in starting a "Home Delivery Meal Ministry (Program)"? At the core of the pro-grams is a nutritious meal, companionship and a watchful eye on the health and safety of our senior adults who have trouble getting around. For more information call (205-926-3968).
- » Helping Other People Excel (HOPE) in Bibb County is a group of stakeholders within the Bibb County Community who have a vested interest in ensuring that all residents have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to obtain available resources that will equip them to thrive. Whether you (or someone you know) is in need of food, clothes, or other resources, our coalition works to either provide or help identify resources to meet your needs. Please contact John Skinner at 205-876-6931 or via email at compassionandhopefoodbasket@gmail.com or H.O.P.E. in Bibb County at hopeinbibbco@gmail.com.

FREE CLASSES

- » Bibb Family Connections offers free Parenting Classes on the 2nd and 4th Thur. of each month at 10:00 am. The Earn While You Learn class offers opportunities for those with infants and toddlers to earn baby supplies and needs while attending classes. For more info call 205-926-3170 or come by Mon. mornings from 9-1 to sign up. Email, bibbsavealife@gmail.com. 48 University Way, Brent, AL.
- » Bibb Family Connections is always looking for volunteers and donations. Please call 205-926-3170 to find out how to help.
- » GED classes are offered free of charge to Bibb Co. residents at Brent Elem. School, 4 nights wkly, Mon.-Thur. Classes begin at 5:00 p.m. Vouchers are available to help pay the cost of the GED test for class participants. More info, call 205-260-0041.
- » The new Genealogy Class will be held monthly the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 10:00 a.m at the Woodstock Community

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

- » The Bibb County Chapter of the Alabama Treasure Forest hold quarterly meetings. For info. call 926-9765 or 926-4917. Private landowners interested in good stewardship of property are needed.
- » West Blocton Lunch Bunch, 1st Wed. of Feb., Apr., Aug., and Oct. More info, 938-2622.

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OBITUARIES

Leila Evelyn Hartley
Leila Evelyn Hartley, 81, of Centreville, Alabama passed away May 24, 2024, in Centreville, AL. She was born May 18, 1943, in Alabama, daughter of the late Harvey Lawley and the late Jessie Lawley. She was a long time member of Pineview Baptist Church and the owner of G & H Building Supply & Home Improvement. Surviving are her Son, Tommy (Rita) Hartley; Daughter, Crystal (Steven) McMeekin; Grandson, Wesley Wyres; Granddaughters, Claudia McMeekin, Rylee Townsend, Millie McMeekin; Great-Grandson, Corbin James; and many Nieces & Nephews. She was preceded in death by her Parents, Harvey Franklin Lawley & Jessie Mae Lawley; Husband, Dwaine Earl Hartley; Sisters, Johnnie Faye Lawley Davis, Patricia Lawley Barton; Grandson, Brandon Townsend; Granddaughters, Jessica McMeekin and Haley Townsend. On Tuesday, May 28, 2024 funeral services were held at Pineview Baptist Church with internment following at Pineland Cemetery. Serving as Bearers were G & H employees: Leonard Atchison, John Henry Conwell, Randy Foster, Roger Kinard, Will Lawrence, Rusty Owens, Cody Thompson, Perry Wilcut and Don Underwood. Pastor Mark Lovett officiated the services and Martin Funeral Home directed.



Betty J. Foster
Betty J. Foster, of Baker, Florida (formerly of Macon, GA), 76, passed away Friday, June 7, 2024, after a short illness. Services will be held on Friday, June 14, 2024, with visitation from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM at Rooks Funeral Home, 109 West White Road in Byron, GA and funeral at 2:30 PM in the chapel of Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 2617 Vinson Highway in Milledgeville, GA. Pastor Benjamin Newberry of Calvary Baptist Church will officiate the services. Born in Centreville, Alabama, to the late Dorsey (Shorty) Pitts and Josephine Cobb Pitts. Mrs. Foster was a 1966 graduate of Bibb County High School. She was a retired Air Force Master Sergeant and retired Civil Service employee from Robins AFB, GA. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Macon, GA. Mrs. Foster is preceded in death by her husband, John Edward Foster, grandson, John Tyler Foster, mother and father, and brother Eugene Pitts. She is survived by her two sons, John Daniel (Vicki) Foster, of Baker, FL and Kyle E. Foster of Baker, FL, grandchildren, John Patrick (JP), Victoria (Tori), Jessica, Stephani and great grandson, John Preston, brothers, Hughey (Myra) Pitts, of Garland, TX, Terry (Teresa) Pitts of Selma, AL and Erigh Pitts of Wetumpka, AL and numerous nieces and nephews. Rooks Funeral Home in Byron GA will handle the arrangements.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Centreville News



From The Pen Of Brenda Hubbard

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Susie Caffee Kornegay who passed away on May 24, 2024. Services were held on May 28, 2024 at Haysop Baptist Church with burial in the adjoining cemetery. Ms. Susie will be missed greatly by all of her family and many friends.

Belated birthday wishes go out to Gloria Potter, Molly Meigs, Brandy Holder and Ashley Pipher who had birthdays in May.

Anniversary wishes go out to James and Kaitlin Clark who recently celebrated their Wedding Anniversary.

Odie and Doris Newman are spending a week in Branson, Missouri reporting a good time.

Birthday wishes go out to several that are having a birthday in June. Bruce Graham, 2nd, Alvin George, 3rd, Kristi McCoy and Hazel Crowe on June 5th, Clara Williams, June 6th and Larry Caffee on June 10th. Hope all of you have a great birthday!

SAD news from uptown Centreville, Bernard Henderson, II passed away after a lengthy illness at his home on May 29, 2024. His partner Michael Elam will miss him tremendously. Prayers for his family and friends.

If you have news call it in at 205.316.1181. Thank You and God Bless!



West Eoline News



From The Pen Of Jane Hannah

Jo Hinson, Giada and Jane Hannah made a quick trip to Navarre Beach, FL on Tuesday 6-4 and returned Thursday. We stayed with Linda Burke and enjoyed the shopping, beach and food. The most enjoyable food was in Destin at The Back Porch. I had Corona Grilled Grouper with their corn medley and cole slaw. It was exceptionally good. When we returned home Thursday, my craving for fried ice cream was satisfied at Juan's. That evening Jo cooked her homemade Lasagna, which was enjoyed by cousins Janice Deason and Diana Dailey as well as Jo and Giada. Peggy & George Marchant and Wayne Deason were given leftovers to enjoy later.

Jo left Friday at 9:30 driving straight thru and arrived home at 1:30 Saturday morning.

Geneva Mullins returned home Friday from MS, after visiting with family since Monday. She said great grandson Henry "was a mess"!

Carol Schladerbach is praying for an "okay to drive report" from her doctor. It's been a LONG six months.

Congratulations cousin & neighbor Tim Carter for the accolades in the Centreville Press last week about your pest control business. As a satisfied customer, I can say "well done".

Wayne & Ruth Deason and Geneva Mullins seemed to enjoy supper at my house Saturday evening. Iron skillet steam fried sliders (baby okra), steamed cabbage with onion and carrots, sauteed potatoes, onions & zucchini, with cornbread and blueberry cobbler. Extras were delivered to LaShelle & Ronnie.

Sunday afternoon Alayna & Tanner Caddis were showered with gifts for their son by family and friends. His expected arrival date is in late July.

FATHER'S DAY: Don't ask Dad what he wants, just show up. Spend time with him or help with a task. Wayne Deason said his best gift will be having all four daughters and many extended family in church with him. Mom, Dad, Grandparents and Greats all agree, they treasure time with their children. Build those treasures while you can.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week Geneva Mullins 6-17, Brenda Rinehart 6-18, Sharon George & Nell Stripling 6-19, and Bonnie LeVert 6-20.

SYMPATHY: Prayers and sympathy are offered to the family of Shelley Rease Jones. She and her husband lived in the Birmingham area. For one so young, she suffered several years with escalating dementia. Shelley is the granddaughter of the late Sam & Victoria Bracknell, daughter of Edna Bracknell Rease.

THANK you Stacey for loaning Chad to work on the lighting issue in my kitchen. Thanks Chad Thompson for being lucky. A little payback cooking Thursday with my special Chicken everything Risotto, Asparagus & Brussels plus Peach Crisp.

Cindy Garner and Ruth Deason visited Sunday night for games of Rummikub with me and June (my other self) haha. Cindy's goal was to not be the biggest looser and she succeeded. Ruth won that honor and unashamedly, I was the winner.

Have a blessed week and be joyful in the Lord. Call me at 478-396-2513 to share your news.



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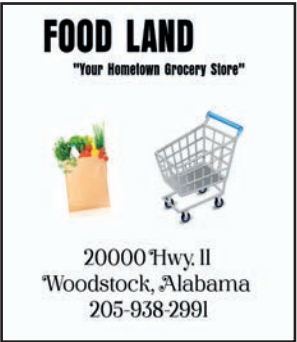
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA
ROGER DALE PARKS, SR., Plaintiff,
VS.
Real property located in Bibb County, Alabama as described on Exhibit "A"; Heirs of G.W. GRAY, and Fictitious Defendants, A, B, and C, who are those individuals, who are otherwise unknown but whose names will be added by way of amendment, when ascertained, Defendants.
CASE NO.: CV-2024-900038.00
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Any person claiming an interest in the real property described below is hereby ordered to answer the Complaint for Quiet Title and for Declaratory Judgment which has been filed by Roger Dale Parks, Sr. on or before July 28, 2024, or otherwise, a judgment by default may be taken against him.

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 21 South, Range 5 West, Bibb County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows:

As the point of Beginning, start at an axle being accepted as the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 22; thence run along the

accepted south line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 22 South 89 degrees, 52 minutes, 57 seconds, West 886.74 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 50 seconds, West 957.73 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (Roger Moore); thence run North 89 degrees, 55 minutes, 21 seconds, East 879.49 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS) on the accepted east line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 22; thence run along said east line South 00 degrees, 43 minutes, 54 seconds, East 957.16 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Said parcel contained 19.41 acres, more or less, less and except any rights-of-way and/or easements of record.

This Notice is published pursuant to an Order of the Circuit Court of Bibb County, Alabama.

Hon. Marvin W. Wiggins
Circuit Judge
Roger Dale Parks, Sr., Plaintiff
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June 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2024

In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama
In Re: The estate of Peggy Joyce Rice, deceased
Case No. 2024PC051
Publication Notice
Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned, James A. Rice, on the 6th day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Judge Stephanie W. Kemmer of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
James A. Rice, Executor
B. Boozer Downs Jr.
Downs & David Law, LLC
Attorney for Petitioner
PO Box 65
Woodstock, AL 35188
Centreville Press
June 14, 21 & 28, 2024

In the Probate Court for Bibb County, Alabama
In the matter of the estate of Joseph Marshall Jackson, deceased
Publication Notice
Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 23rd day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Judge Stephanie W. Kemmer of Probate of Bibb County, notice is hereby given that all persons hav-

ing claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by the law or the same will be barred.
Brittany Jackson, Administrator
Brad J. Latta
Attorney at Law, LLC
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MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE. Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Maximillion Travis Duncan, a married man, originally in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Movement Mortgage, LLC, on March 24, 2023, said mortgage recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama, in RPB Book 407 Page 764; the undersigned Movement Mortgage, LLC, as Mortgagee/Transferee, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse at Centreville, Bibb County, Alabama, on July 24, 2024, during the legal hours of sale, all of its rights, title, and interest in and to the following described real estate, situated in Bibb County, Alabama, to-wit: All that certain parcel of land situated in the County of Bibb, State of Alabama, being known and designated as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of the

Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10, Township 21 South, Range 5 West; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East along the South line thereof for a distance of 399.35 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East for distance of 460.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 04 seconds West for a distance of 1108.24 feet; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes 08 seconds West for a distance of 34.01 feet to the beginning of a curve tangent to said line; thence Westerly a distance of 75.68 feet along the curve concave to the North having a radius of 1025.00 feet and a central angle of 4 degrees 13 minutes 50 seconds; thence North 86 degrees 03 minutes 02 seconds West tangent to said curve, a distance of 104.78 feet to the beginning of a curve tangent to said line; thence westerly a distance of 51.44 feet along the curve concave to the South, having a radius of 475.00 feet and a central angle of 6 degrees 12 minutes 17 seconds; thence South 87 degrees 38 min-

utes 04 seconds West for a distance of 194.84 feet; thence South 00 degrees 38 minutes 04 seconds East for distance of 1116.50 feet to the Point of Beginning.. Property street address for informational purposes: 220 Mountain-side Dr , West Blocton, AL 35184. THIS PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD ON AN "AS IS, WHERE IS" BASIS, WITHOUT WARRANTY OR RECOURSE, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AS TO TITLE, USE AND/OR ENJOYMENT AND WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION OF ALL PARTIES ENTITLED THERETO. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. The successful bidder

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MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed on January 28, 2009 by Mickey Bryan Barton and Tammy J. Barton, husband and wife, originally in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Colonial Bank, and recorded in RPB 226 at Page 627 on February 5, 2009, and modified in and modified by agreement recorded July 10, 2018 in Book 342, Page 530, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama, and secured indebtedness having been transferred to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2021-2. LOGS Legal Group LLP, as counsel for Mortgagee or Transferee and under and by virtue of power of sale contained in the said mortgage will, on July 24, 2024, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder at the main entrance of the Bibb County, Alabama, Courthouse in the City of Centreville, during the legal hours of sale, the following real estate situated in Bibb County, Alabama, to wit:

A parcel of land containing 2.00 acres, located in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 22, Township 23 North, Range 9 East, Bibb County, Alabama, described as follows: Commence at the Northeast corner of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Section 14, Township 23 North, Range 9 East and run South 84 degrees 17 minutes 12 seconds West along a fence line 1439.97 feet to a fence corner; thence run South 03 degrees 57 minutes 40 seconds East along a fence line 600.47 feet; thence run South 04 degrees 54 minutes 31 seconds East along said fence 999.65 feet; thence run south 02 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds East along said fence 495.97 feet to the intersection of the North right of way of Bibb County Highway No., 28; thence run North 67 degrees 03 minutes 52 seconds West along said right of way 382.45 feet thence run North 67 degrees 17 minutes 31 seconds West along said right of way 156.78 feet to an iron pin; thence run North 23 degrees 31 minutes 29 seconds East 163.58 feet to an iron pin; thence run North 64 degrees 01 minutes 35 seconds West 153.12 feet to an iron pin; thence run North 51 degrees 48 minutes 17 seconds East 188.19 feet to an iron pin; thence run South 84 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East 197.41 feet to an iron pin; thence run South 18 degrees 45 minutes 22

seconds West 398.63 feet to the point of beginning. For informational purposes only, the property address is: 573 Dry Hollow Rd, Centreville, AL 35042. Any property address provided is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. Furthermore, the property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance AS IS, WHERE IS. Neither the mortgagee, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of the mortgagee make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition, including those suggested by Code of Ala. (1975) § 35-4-271, expressly are disclaimed. This sale is subject to all prior liens and encumbrances and unpaid taxes and assessments including any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure. The successful bidder must tender a non-refundable deposit of

Five Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$5,000.00) in certified or cash funds at the time and place of the sale. The balance of the purchase price must be paid in certified funds by close of business on the next business day thereafter at the Law Office of LOGS Legal Group LLP at the address indicated below. LOGS Legal Group LLP reserves the right to award the bid to the next highest bidder, or to reschedule the sale, should the highest bidder fail to timely tender the total amount due. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2021-2, and its successors and assigns Mortgagee or Transferee LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 23-023419 Attorneys for Mortgagee or Transferee Centreville Press June 7, 14 & 21, 2024

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NEWS



Welcome to our historical journey, where we delve into the rich tapestry of our past through the pages of *The Centreville Press*. Below, you will find articles from what we call the “morgue” – a collection of past articles that once graced our newspaper. These narratives provide a fascinating glimpse into the events, stories, and voices that shaped our community. So, let’s embark on a journey through the narratives that once filled our pages, preserving the legacy and memories of yesteryears capturing the essence of bygone eras with vivid detail.

WHISKEY AND SHOOTING

June 16, 1808
They Change Weapons this Week and use Pistols.

One keg of beer and a number of drinks of mean whiskey is responsible for the shooting of John Shuttlesworth by Jap Smith.

The shooting occurred about one o’clock Sunday morning near Pleasant Hill church. A keg of beer was ordered but this failing to make the drunk come fast enough they started in on mean whiskey.

Shuttlesworth it is stated by an eyewitness started at Smith with a knife when Smith pulled his pistol firing twice at close range. The first shot missed but the second struck him about an inch above the heart the ball glancing round and was cut out of his back. He will recover.

LOCAL BOYS TO REPRESENT BIBB COUNTY

June 18, 2008
At the American Legion Division Alabama Boys State

Kyle Lawley son of Earl and Sandra Lawley attended Bibb County High School and now has been elected to the Senate at Alabama Boys State. Lawley wrote and debated bills of importance to all Alabama citizens. Colby Moreland, son of Amy and Tim, attended Bibb County High School. He participated in emergency preparedness training exercises at Boys State. The Alabama Boys State is a leadership program for young men. These young men are to complete their junior year of high school and must become campus leaders during their senior year of

high school. This program provides a lot of working knowledge of how our government functions within the city, county and on the state level. Being accepted into Alabama Boys State is an awesome privilege and is granted by invitation only.

OLD CHURCH GETS NEW HOME

June 15, 1988
For a church that has no regular services and no members, a \$25,000 renovation is quite a gift and compliment. Mulberry Baptist Church located near the Pondville community, has been in a state of disrepair for many years now. Built in 1897, the structure had been a victim of vandalism, fire and lack of upkeep. The last pastor ended his work at Mulberry Baptist in 1942 and since that time no services have been held there and all members have either died or left. Enter into this sad state of affairs the Brierfield Ironworks Park, in need of a new church building. With the approval of the Bib County Baptist Association and the support of the Brierfield Ironworks Park Board, it was agreed that Mulberry Baptist Church would have a new home. Last Thursday, the church was uprooted and transported to the park, 35 miles away. At its new location, the church will once again be used for Sunday services, meetings, singings, weddings and other social functions. The 3,500 needed to move the building was provided by the Bibb County Commission. Once it is at Brierfield Ironworks Park renovations will begin. Approximately \$21,500 will be needed to fully restore the church. This money still needs to be raised.

USDA Celebrates National Homeownership Month: Highlighting a Rich History of Support for Rural and Tribal Communities

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

In honor of National Homeownership Month, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the celebration of 75 years of USDA’s efforts in helping millions of people purchase, repair, and build affordable homes in rural and Tribal communities.

“For decades, USDA has served as a safety net for hardworking Americans who dream of owning a home but face challenges to doing so,” Secretary Vilsack said. “Now more

than ever, people across the nation need access to safe, decent, and affordable housing, especially in rural and Tribal communities. The Biden-Harris Administration remains committed to ensuring all Americans have affordable places to live. Therefore, USDA is redoubling its efforts to equip potential homebuyers with resources and information they need to be ready to take full advantage of our critical programs as funding is available.”

Throughout this month, USDA is highlighting the significant impact of its Rural Development

homeownership programs. These programs have historically enabled people in rural America and on Tribal lands to build wealth, equity, and a foundation for a brighter future for themselves and their families:

Since 1949, USDA’s Single Family Housing Programs have helped nearly 5 million families and individuals achieve the dream of homeownership.

USDA’s Single Family Direct Home Loans have assisted approximately 2.2 million families and individuals in purchasing a home.

See USDA on page 8

Amelia Gayle Gorgas Chapter 2117: 83rd Anniversary Celebration

By: Julia Burke Spree

The tall white columns of “The Oaks” and the smell of blooming Magnolia trees were the perfect setting for the Amelia Gayle Gorgas Chapter #2117 United Daughters of the Confederacy to celebrate their eighty-third anniversary with a luncheon and meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2024, at the home of our 1960-1961 Chapter President, Mrs. Rachel Cabiness Nicol. The members were greeted as they arrived by the current owners of “The Oaks”, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicol, and UDC members, Carol Abston, Leigh Bearden, Donna Griffin, Carole Henry, Eileen Katz, and Jeanne Thornton, who were dressed in colorful Antebellum dresses, hats and jewelry.

Chapter President, Mrs. Carole Fincher Henry, looked every inch a “true Daughter of the Confederacy” dressed in a gorgeous red satin antebellum gown and cape trimmed with black lace and a black hat trimmed with red rose. President Henry introduced the current owners of “The Oaks”, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicol, who told the chapter the history of the house which was built over a three-year period from 1903 through 1907, as an

excellent representation of antebellum architecture. “The Oaks: has remained in the same family for over one hundred and twenty years, and Mr. Nicol told of remembering his Mother, Mrs. Rachel Cabiness Nicol, getting ready for her UDC meetings when he was a child.

A delicious and colorful salad plate filled with chicken, broccoli, cornbread, pineapple and pear salads garnished with deviled egg, olives and pickles was thoroughly enjoyed by nineteen members. The delightful lunch was completed with a red and white decorated double tiered yellow and chocolate layered cake and a rich and creamy egg custard pie. The tables were decorated in red and white with beautiful fresh flower arrangements made by Mrs. Linda Barton.

President Henry resided over the meeting opening with the invocation and prayer and led by Chaplain, Mrs. Iris Hinton. Special music, “Dixie” was played by Mrs. Patricia Caddis on her flute, with members singing along, and Mrs. Eileen Katz read a very moving poem. President Henry honored Mrs. Linda Barton with a Certificate of Appreciation for forty years of Faithful Service to the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and

Mrs. Dover Currie for forty-five years of service. Our chapter is so proud of these two members and so appreciative of their service.

Mrs. Leigh Bearden dressed in a beautiful pink and cream floral antebellum dress trimmed in green wearing a matching green bonnet, presented a most interesting and informative program entitled “Women of Confederacy” to celebrate March as Women’s History Month. Mrs. Bearden highlighted women’s fashion and clothing design during the Civil War Period.

The members of the Amelia Gayle Gorgas Chapter #2117 celebrated their eighty-third anniversary with wonderful fellowship while celebrating the common bond of our Southern Heritage. The meeting was closed with Mrs. Nancy Allen playing “Bless Be the Tie That Binds” on the piano while the members gathered in a circle, held hands, and sang along. May we continue to remember and celebrate our sacred heritage for generations to come, never forgetting to do homage to our beloved Confederate soldiers and our Southern Cause.

(Submitted by Linda G. Barton)

LEGALS

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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Sealed bids will be received by Greenpond Water System located at 19639 Eastern Valley Road, Woodstock, Alabama 35188, until Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. CST, and then publicly opened and read aloud for performing all work described as follows: Greenpond Water System ARPA Improvements: Phase I Interconnection with Citizens’ Water. The contract provides for a new interconnection with Citizens’ Water System consisting of a purchase meter with SCADA, approximately 9,645 LF of 8-inch DI water line beginning at the Citizens’ service line and extending to the Tuscaloosa/Bibb County line, and approximately 21,200 LF of 12-inch DI water line from the County Line to the existing Industrial Park Tank and to the existing Million-Gallon Tank.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held virtually on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. CST. Instructions for attending the virtual pre-bid conference are included in the contract specifications. Greenpond Water System obtained funding through the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund/ American Rescue Fund Act-Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (DWS-RF/ARPA-BIL) to make improvements to the water system. Compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations is required.

Bid documents may be examined at Greenpond Water System’s office, located at 19639

Eastern Valley Road, Woodstock, Alabama 35188. Bid documents may be purchased ONLY from Alabama Graphics online plan room at www.algraphicsplanroom.com or by calling (205) 252-8505. The project engineering firm is The Kelley Group, (256) 248-7030. General Contractors who bid must purchase, at a minimum, the digital plans and specifications. All bids must be on the bid form provided in the Specifications and submitted in its entirety. A cashier’s check drawn on an Alabama bank or Bidder’s Bond, payable to the Greenpond Water System for an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid, but in no event more than ten thousand dollars, shall be filed with the bid. The bidders’ bond shall be prepared on the form specified in the specifications and signed by a bonding company authorized to do business in the State of Alabama.

Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds, proof of insurance, verification of E-Verify enrollment, and a complete list of subcontractors and suppliers will be required prior to the signing of the Contract. A Performance Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract costs and Labor and Material Payment Bond in an amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract cost in the form and terms approved by Greenpond Water System will be required at the signing of the contract. In addition, the Contractor must furnish to Greenpond Water System at the time of the signing of the contract a certificate of in-

surance coverage as provided in the specifications. The right is reserved to reject any and/or all bids to waive informalities and to furnish any item of material or work to change the amount of said Contract.

No bids will be considered unless the bidder, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly qualified to submit a bid for this construction in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. This shall include evidence of holding a current license from the State Licensing Board for General Contractors, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Code of Alabama, 1975. In addition, non-residents of the State, if a corporation, shall show evidence of having qualified with the Secretary of State to do business in the State of Alabama.

The bidder shall show evidence by clearly displaying the current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the bid is delivered. In addition, bids shall be clearly identified on the exterior of the package with the bidder’s name, address, the name of the project being bid, and the time and place of the bid opening. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive technical errors if the best interest of the Owner will thereby be promoted. All bids received after the date and time of the bid opening noted above will be returned unopened.

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June 14, 2024

LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA
ROGER DALE PARKS, SR., Plaintiff,
VS.
Real property located in Bibb County, Alabama as described on Exhibit “A”;
Heirs of G.W. GRAY, and Fictitious Defendants, A, B, and C, who are those individuals, who are otherwise unknown but whose names will be added by way of amendment, when ascertained, Defendants.
CASE NO.: CV-2024-900038.00
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Any person claiming an interest in the real property described below is hereby ordered to answer the Complaint for Quiet Title and for Declaratory Judgment which has been filed by Roger Dale Parks, Sr. on

or before July 28, 2024, or otherwise, a judgment by default may be taken against him.

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 21 South, Range 5 West, Bibb County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows:

As the point of Beginning, start at an axle being accepted as the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 22 South 89 degrees, 52 minutes, 57 seconds, West 886.74 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 50 seconds, West 957.73 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (Roger Moore); thence run North 89 degrees, 55 minutes, 21 seconds, East 879.49 feet to a ½ capped re-

bar (CA-965-LS) on the accepted east line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 22; thence run along said east line South 00 degrees, 43 minutes, 54 seconds, East 957.16 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Said parcel contained 19.41 acres, more or less, less and except any rights-of-way and/or easements of record.

This Notice is published pursuant to an Order of the Circuit Court of Bibb County, Alabama.

Hon. Marvin W. Wiggins
Circuit Judge

Roger Dale Parks, Sr., Plaintiff

Richard M. Kemmer, Jr.
Attorney for Plaintiff

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P.O. Box 282
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Centreville, Alabama 35042
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Centreville Press

June 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2024

NEWS

CENTREVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: June 4, 2024

By: Lynn Hamric

Mayor Mike Oakley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The invocation was delivered by Dianne Epperson and Officer Mike Shirley led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:
Dianne Epperson 5:01
Linda Lawrence 5:01
Don Mack 5:01
Brad Colburn 5:01
Mike Nichols – absent

Dianne Epperson made a motion to approve the May 21, 2024 minutes, seconded by Brad Colburn. Motion carried.

A Resolution for the Centreville Main Street River Crawl was presented to the council. After extensive discussion by the council, council member Brad Colburn asked Chief Rodney Smith what he thought about the event. Chief Smith stated, “I am against the event.” He then outlined at great length his reasons for opposition (people bringing coolers of alcoholic beverages into the seating areas beside their chairs; river floaters drinking while floating the river; participants going to their cars and pouring alcohol into cups and bringing to their seats, etc.). Mayor Oakley stated there would be no alcohol provided on the grounds; the CMS Board members will be monitoring the participants/events and other precautions taken. Chief Smith went on to say that he would have three (3) on duty officers rotating through the event area monitoring for open containers. If anyone should be approached and asked to pour out their beverage and there was resistance, they would be escorted off the premises. There would be no exceptions made.

Lynn Hamric asked to speak and was given permission. She stated that Main Street is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of attempting to improve Centreville through economic development, beautification and community involvement. This event has been well planned. There will be no coolers allowed on the premises, there will be no alcohol sold or allowed, the CMS Board will be monitoring, she and board committee members will be serving and only soft drinks and water will be available. All river floaters must sign waiver and will be directed as to rules on the bus by Adventure Shoals personnel. They carry the insurance for the river float. CMS has one day event insurance through ALFA. This is a family event and will be run as such. There will be two off-duty officers monitoring the event area.

John Krapf addressed the council and provided a copy of the ordinance along with door camera photos of the tremendous problem with dogs around his house and along Walnut Street. He stated they are on his porch all hours of the day/night, and that they are unable to even walk through the neighborhood. Chief Smith immediately indicated he could take care of that the following day if given permission to have the animal control officer place cages on the property to catch the dogs. Permission was immediately given.

Building Code Ordinance – Officer Shirley advised the council of building(s) not in compliance with the current fire codes. A building had been

inspected and found with numerous violations. A revisit is impending. This pertains to buildings under construction. The council decided that all city buildings should be inspected and brought into compliance if found in need before any further action is to be taken. A building inspector is needed to ensure compliance. A motion for an updated ordinance addressing this was made by Brad Colburn and seconded by Linda Lawrence. This will be presented at a future date.

Resolution – Nuisance Structures – Mayor Oakley stated there are several structures/lots that have, either structures in significant disrepair or severe overgrowth. Mayor Oakley stated these conditions have been discussed with owners and letters sent. Action will be taken if the owners do not comply with requests. Two structures are the old Middlebrooks house and trailer by the old fire department (street dept. bldg.). A motion to move toward demolition was made by Brad Colburn and seconded by Dianne Epperson. Motion carried. Brad Colburn asked if a demolition resolution was needed. No action taken.

Operations Report – Mayor Oakley called on a report from the street department. Nothing to report. Next was the fire department. A representative reported they had six calls within the last two weeks. A complete report for the month will be given at the next council meeting. The company filing with insurance companies to reimburse the city (fire department) for calls is generating payments.

It was reported that a tree fell on one of the municipal trucks resulting in damage but no individuals incurred injury.

Chief Smith reported a total of 43 officers and deputies from multiple agencies attended a recent de-escalation training.

Jay Cromer is attending a School Resource Officer training.

Chief Smith presented the idea of having the SRO vehicles current police identification removed and replaced with the winner of a recent student design competition. There were 29 entries and he and Jay will narrow this down to 5-6 and bring them to the council to make the selection at the next meeting. The City/Centreville Middle School and Bibb County High School should be identified on the vehicle. This vehicle could be used to escort teams to various athletic events. This is in an endeavor to increase a positive attitude towards the police.

Chief Smith stated the current evidence room size is insufficient. He would like to move forward quickly to rearrange the use of rooms to increase storage as well as provide a windowless room for questioning witnesses, etc. Megan Batte stated she has an architect looking at drawing up plans for a new city hall/police station/etc.

If anyone mentions the traffic light delay at the intersection of Walnut Street/Hwy. 219, and Mill Street they are to be advised this is an ALDOT problem, they have been notified numerous times. There has been no time frame given for correcting this problem.

Council Comments:
Brad Colburn – Asked about the ordinance covering the Horton Cows. What is the date of this ordinance. Megan Batte stated that these cows have been there for years and the ordinance only covers having swine. Brad asked the date of the ordinance and Megan stated she would have to look that up.

Don Mack wants to know where all the ordinances are kept and why they are not readily accessible and posted on the city web page. Megan Batte stated they are all being re-typed and this will take a considerable amount of time. Don stated this is extremely important and a company should be hired to scan these which would be much quicker. No action taken.

Brad Colburn asked what has been done about securing the ownership/use provision of the area by the Chamber to be used as a city park. This discussion began several months ago. This is approximately three acres. Mayor Oakley stated he has talked with the Supt. of Ed. and the request to look into this came at the one of the busiest times for them. They will look into it ASAP.

Linda Lawrence wanted to know why no flags were flown in Centreville over the Memorial Day weekend. Mayor Oakley stated he forgot about it. She stated that Brent had their flags up.

Linda Lawrence asked about the installation of the speed bumps. Mayor Oakley advised they were waiting on Jeff McGee to indicate where they should be placed.

Linda Lawrence and Dianne Epperson both said they had been contacted about the spray truck (mosquito) not coming closer to dark and others complaining about it spraying late afternoon when they want to sit outside.

Police Report – May 2024
Calls – 154
Traffic Stops – 324
Arrests – 23
Assists – 115
Citations – 183
Warrants – 191
Accidents – 3
I/O Reports – 36
Patrol Requests – 147
Close Businesses – 123
DUI – 9
Calls within the city limits – 142
Calls outside the city limits – 12

BRENT CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: May 6, 2024

by Lynn Hamric

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

Roll Call:
Barbara Morrison 5:02
Tracy Sanders – absent
Chad Jones – absent
Tom Owings 5:02
Jerry Conway 5:02

A motion to approve the April 15th minutes was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

A motion to approve invoices was made (Conway) and seconded (Owings). Motion carried.

Police Report:
Chief McMillian recommended the promotion of Officer Chris Farr to Assistant Chief at a \$3.00 per hour increase. This will meet the entry level for the Assistant Chief position.

Chief McMillian requested he be allowed to hire an additional officer. No action.

Chief McMillian requested to be allowed to order a Chevy Tahoe (\$49,375.00). It is ready for pickup and they will retire the 2016 vehicle soon. A motion to approve the purchase was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

Mayor White presented the council with the 2024 ALDOT mowing agreement resolution. This is the same as previous year. A motion to approve was

made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

Councilman Owings voiced concerns about property on Hwy 5 not being mowed and with pot holes at the Glades Apartments in the curve.

Mayor White brought a request to the council for the city to assume and maintain Lynn Court as a city street. A motion was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway) to withhold a decision until the street department can make a review. Motion carried.

Mayor White presented the APCO lighting agreement for changing existing lights to LED.

Meeting adjourned.

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Credit Card Limits
Issue one to the police department (Chief) with a \$5,000 limit. A motion to approve was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

Informational Items – none

Police Report – May 2024
Citations - 77
Warnings – 58
Accidents – 3
Agency Assists – 59
Alarm Calls – 9
Complaints – 26
Motorist Assists – 6
Misdemeanor Arrests – 15
Felony Arrests - 37

BRENT CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: June 3, 2024

by Lynn Hamric

Mayor White called the meeting to order at five p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

Roll Call:
Barbara Morrison 5:01
Tracy Sanders 5:04
Chad Jones 5:01
Tom Owings 5:01
Jerry Conway 5:01

A motion to approve the May 20,2024 minutes was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

A motion to approve the payment of bills was made (Conway) and seconded (Morrison). Motion carried.

Police Report:
Chief McMillian reported the 2024 Tahoe equipment package quote from Calera ProLogistics (not the lowest bid but the most for the money) is \$12,543. Second request was the purchase of two (2) auto record cameras for \$504.00. A motion to approve was made (Morrison) and seconded (Sanders). Motion carried.

Request to address council – none

Other Business – Holly Hills Subdivision
A request for the city to incorporate via deed this subdivision road. This is a repeat request. John Donner has investigated the current condition of the road and reported:
a. This is a very flat area.
b. It easily floods.
c. The neighborhood was built in a flood plane. Basically a swamp before the ballfields were built.
d. A city street requires a 50 ft right-of-way.
e. The ditches must be cleaned before they will drain.
f. The garbage truck has a turn-around and in wet weather this becomes a big mud puddle.
g. Advised that the street lights are gas. This would

require removal by the gas company.

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Celebrating Fathers’ Day: A Fun and Heartfelt Tribute to Dads Everywhere

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

Ah, Fathers’ Day! That special day in June when we get to shower our dads with love, appreciation, and maybe a little bit of laughter. Whether your dad is the king of dad jokes, the family chef, or the go-to guy for fixing things, this is his day to shine. Let’s dive into some fun ways to celebrate and cherish our fathers, along with a sprinkle of humor to keep things light and joyful.

Did you know Fathers’ Day has been around for over a century? It all started in Spokane, Washington, in 1910, thanks to Sonora Smart Dodd. She wanted to honor her father, a single parent who raised six children. Since then, the celebration has spread worldwide, giving us the perfect excuse to show our dads just how much they mean to us.

Here are some fun activities to celebrate dad:

- 1. The Ultimate BBQ Extravaganza:** Dads and barbecues go together like burgers and buns. Fire up the grill and let dad showcase his grilling skills. Whether it’s juicy steaks, perfectly charred veggies, or classic hotdogs, a backyard BBQ is the quintessential Fathers’ Day feast.
- 2. Dad Joke Contest:** Gather the family for a hilarious dad joke competition. Each member gets a turn to share their best (or worst) dad joke. Bonus points if dad can keep a straight face while delivering his punchlines. Here are a couple to get you started:
Why don’t skeletons fight each other? They don’t have the guts.
I only know 25 letters of the alphabet. I don’t know y.
- 3. DIY Project Day:** Spend the day building something together. Whether it’s a birdhouse, a piece of furniture, or a new garden bed, dads love a good project. Not only will you create something tangible, but you’ll also make lasting

memories along the way.

4. Sports Galore: If your dad is a sports enthusiast, organize a mini tournament of his favorite games. Be it a basketball shootout, a golf putting challenge in the backyard, or a friendly game of soccer, the key is to have fun and enjoy some friendly competition.

5. Memory Lane Slide-show: Collect old photos and videos and create a slideshow or scrapbook. Relive those precious moments and maybe even a few embarrassing ones. It’s a heartfelt way to show dad how much those shared memories mean to you.

How about some thoughtful gift Ideas:

- 1. Personalized Gifts:** Custom-made gifts like a mug with a funny photo, a personalized keychain, or a custom-made T-shirt with his favorite quote or a family picture can be both meaningful and practical.
 - 2. Gadgets and Gizmos:** If your dad is a tech-savvy guy, consider gadgets like a new smartwatch, wireless earbuds, or a high-tech BBQ thermometer. These gifts show you’re thinking about his interests and hobbies.
 - 3. Hobby Supplies:** Whether your dad loves fishing, golfing, painting, or reading, gifts that support his hobbies are always a hit. Consider a new fishing rod, a set of golf balls, high-quality paint brushes, or a bestselling novel.
 - 4. Subscription Services:** From monthly snack boxes to streaming services and magazine subscriptions, there’s something for every dad. These gifts keep on giving, reminding him of your love and appreciation throughout the year.
- While gifts and activities are wonderful, sometimes the best way to show appreciation is simply by saying “Thank you.” Take a moment to tell your dad how much he means to you, recalling specific instances where his support, wisdom, and love made a difference in your life. A heartfelt note or a sincere conversation

can be the most cherished gift of all.

So, here’s to the dads: the unsung heroes, the providers of dad jokes, the fixers of broken things, and the bearers of wisdom and love. Fathers’ Day is a reminder to celebrate their hard work, dedication, and the joy they bring into our lives. Let’s make this day special, fun, and unforgettable—just like our dads.

Remembering Fathers Who Are No Longer with Us on Father’s Day

As we commemorate this special day, it is essential to also remember and honor the fathers who have passed away, by celebrating the enduring legacy they have left behind.

Every father leaves a unique imprint on their children’s hearts. Their influence extends far beyond their physical presence, woven into the very fabric of who we are. The lessons they taught, the values they instilled, and the love they shared continue to guide us even in their absence.

One way to honor fathers who are no longer with us is by cherishing the memories we have of them. Whether it’s a shared laugh, a piece of advice that still resonates, or a simple moment of kindness, these memories keep their spirit alive.

Many fathers have unique traditions or hobbies they loved. Continuing these traditions can be a meaningful way to feel connected to them. Whether it’s cooking a favorite meal, engaging in a hobby, or participating in an activity, these acts can serve as a tribute to their passions and interests.

Surrounding yourself with loved ones who understand your loss can also be a source of strength. Sharing stories, looking through old photos, and reminiscing together can create a sense of connection and shared remembrance.

Paying tribute to fathers who have passed away can take many forms, each a personal reflection of the relationship you shared.

These acts can be simple yet meaningful.

For many, visiting the gravesite or memorial of their father is a way to feel close to them. Bringing flowers, leaving a personal memento, or simply spending time in quiet reflection can be a comforting ritual.

Think about the values your father held dear and consider how you can incorporate them into your life. Whether it’s integrity, kindness, perseverance, or a strong work ethic, living by these principles can be a tribute to his influence.

Keep your father’s stories alive by sharing them with others, especially with younger family members who may not have had the chance to know him. This storytelling not only preserves his memory but also ensures that his legacy continues to inspire future generations.

Father’s Day without our fathers can be a time of mixed emotions—sorrow for the loss, but also gratitude for the time we had and the love we received. It’s a day to remember the remarkable men who

shaped our lives and to find solace in the presence of their love and lessons. By cherishing memories, continuing traditions, finding community, paying tribute, and embracing their spirit, we can honor our fathers and keep their legacy alive in our hearts.

“A Father is someone who walks in front of you when you need footsteps to follow, behind you when you need encouragement, and beside you when you need a friend.”

HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!!

Peaches, Peaches, Peaches!!!

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With summer’s heat comes peach season, and this year’s crop in Chilton County is looking promising. Buckets of peaches are already filling the shelves at Durbin Farms Market, a welcome change from last summer. Durbin Farms Market, a staple for travelers along I-65, anticipates peak peach season in mid-July, promising a bountiful harvest.

Chilton County peaches are renowned for their quality, and there are countless ways to enjoy them. Here are 10 of our favorite ways to savor peaches:

Fresh: Bite into a ripe, juicy peach for a naturally sweet and flavorful snack.

Fruit Salad: Mix chopped peaches with strawberries, blueberries, and kiwi for a refreshing fruit salad.

Grilled Peaches: Grill peach halves until they caramelize slightly. Serve with vanilla ice cream or a drizzle of honey for a delightful dessert.

Peach Smoothie: Blend fresh or frozen peaches with yogurt, a banana, and a splash of orange juice

for a creamy and nutritious smoothie.

Peach Salsa: Combine diced peaches with red onion, cilantro, lime juice, and a bit of jalapeño for a sweet and tangy salsa, perfect with chips or as a topping for grilled chicken or fish.

Peach Cobbler or Crisp: Bake sliced peaches with a crumbly topping made of oats, flour, sugar, and butter for a comforting dessert.

Peach Jam or Preserves: Make homemade peach jam or preserves to spread on toast, pancakes, or use as a topping for yogurt or ice cream.

Peach Iced Tea: Brew a pot of your favorite tea and add sliced peaches for a refreshing and fruity twist.

Peaches in Savory

Dishes: Incorporate sliced peaches into savory recipes like grilled peach and goat cheese salad, peach-glazed chicken, or as a topping for pork chops.

Peach Fruit Leather: Puree peaches, spread the mixture on a baking sheet, and slow cook at a low temperature to create your own peach fruit leather.

Peaches are not only a delight for the taste buds but also a fascinating fruit with a rich history and cultural significance. Originating in ancient China, peaches have become a symbol of sweetness, vitality, and joy worldwide. So, the next time you indulge in a juicy peach, remember its unique journey and appreciate this delightful fruit.



USDA

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The Single Family Home Repair Loan and Grant Program has improved the quality of homes for nearly 455,000 individuals and families since 1950.
The Mutual Self-Help Housing Technical Assistance Grant Program has enabled more than 56,000 families to build their own homes since 1966.
Under the Biden-Harris Administration, over \$43 billion has been invested to aid nearly 266,000 families and individuals in rural and Tribal communities to buy, repair, and build homes through Rural Development’s Single-Family Housing programs.
USDA is also focusing on resources to prepare potential homebuyers for purchasing a home and applying for USDA programs once funding becomes available. Individuals can utilize the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau’s Home Loan Toolkit and review program eligibility through USDA’s Single Family Housing Self-Assessment site.
USDA Homeownership

Programs
For 75 years, USDA has provided affordable financing options for families unable to secure traditional home loans. These options include low-interest rates, loan guarantees, reduced down payments, and construction grants, making Rural Development’s Single Family Housing Programs essential for millions of rural Americans.
Key programs include:
The Single Family Housing Direct Home Loan Program, offering no-money-down loans to qualified lower-income applicants to help them build wealth and equity.
The Single Family Home Repair Loan and Grant Program, assisting families and individuals in repairing and modernizing their homes to make them safer and healthier.
The Mutual Self-Help Housing Grant Program, partnering with nearly 250 organizations to lower home purchasing costs by involving families in the construction process.
The Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program, which partners

with private lending institutions to back loans for families and individuals buying homes in rural areas.
USDA Rural Development’s loans and grants expand economic opportunities, create jobs, and improve the quality of life in rural areas. This support includes infrastructure improvements, business development, housing, community facilities, and high-speed internet access in rural, Tribal, and high-poverty areas. For more information, visit the Rural Data Gateway and USDA’s official website.
Under the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America’s food system, focusing on resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets, access to nutritious food, new markets for climate-smart practices, and historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy in rural America. USDA is also committed to equity, removing systemic barriers, and building a representative workforce. To learn more, visit www.usda.gov.



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4-H RIVERKIDS

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He also shared the important environmental and economic impacts that man-made lakes have. When a creek or stream opens up into the larger space of a man-made lake, fish then have room to populate more and even grow into sizes that the environment of a creek would not allow them to. From an economic standpoint, man-made lakes are also beneficial for boosting our state's economy. Fishing and boating licenses, necessary permits, and other requirements puts money right back into our state's economy.
Not only was there a focus on learning the skill of kayaking as well as about their environment around them, the kids were also encouraged to learn more about each other as well. Leading them through the

finger game, kids shared what they liked/loved (thumb), where they wanted to go (pointer finger), what they did not like (middle finger), and what they were committed to (ring finger). Doing this fostered a sense of camaraderie and connection.
The next 4-H RiverKids Event will take place on Friday, June 14th at Montevallo Lake. Additional events will also take place on the Cahaba River at Pratts Ferry on June 21st and lastly on June 28th at BeesWax Creek Park at Lay Lake. However it should be noted that to join in on the 21st or 28th floats, you must have participated on either the 7th and 14th floats to be prepared.
So come on, kids – set the screens down and get out in some sunshine with the 4-H RiverKids!



Shine a Light: Illuminating Alzheimer's Awareness

Brain Awareness Month, celebrated in June, is dedicated to increasing public awareness about the wonders of the brain and the importance of brain health. This month-long initiative promotes educational activities and events to highlight advances in neuroscience and the critical need for continued research in preventing and treating brain disorders. A key event during this month is The Alzheimer's Association's "The Longest Day," held on the summer solstice. This event symbolizes the challenging journey of those living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers. Participants engage in various activities they love—from hiking and baking to playing music and knitting—raising funds and awareness to support Alzheimer's care, support, and research. By uniting people globally on the longest day of the year, the event underscores the resilience and commitment needed to combat Alzheimer's and other dementias, while fostering a sense of community and hope.

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