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Bibb County High School Football Field Gets New Look

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

It is that time of year again as we gather at the stadium and show our school spirit by cheering on our team.

If you look out on the Bibb County High School Football field, you will see the fresh look of green turf on the sidelines with the display of mascot colors.

Bibb County native Bill Oakley, operating as Oakley Golf Management, Inc., installed the artificial turf on the sidelines at Bibb County High School. Artificial turf, a surface of synthetic fibers designed to resemble natural grass, is widely used in sports arenas due to its

unmatched longevity and ease of maintenance.

Chip Burkes, president of the booster club, expressed their satisfaction with the new turf

added to the sidelines. He also extended a special thanks to Bill for returning to Centreville to oversee and complete the project.



Jerry Pow: Public Servant

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

If you don't know this man, then where have you been all these years? I had the pleasure of chatting with Jerry Pow and asked him a few questions. Many of you probably know him well, but if not, now's your chance to learn more about him. Let us see what Jerry had to say!

Tell us about yourself:

I was born, raised and lived all my life in Brent. My dad had drowned in the military, so I was raised by a single mother, grandmothers, aunt, uncle and many people in town. I went to Bibb County High School and attended Montevallo University and Bessemer Tech. I met my wife through my next-door neighbors who were an elderly sick couple who had frequent visits from their son and granddaughter from Hale County. The granddaughter, Dina Creel, was encouraged by her grandmother to "go meet the young man next door" and that brief visit turned into a courtship and now a 46-year marriage. I served Bibb County as Mayor of Brent for 6 terms and as Bibb County Probate Judge for 15 years. Upon retirement I was appointed by the Alabama Supreme Court to fill in for probate judges who have to recuse themselves for various cases and I continue to help with such cases today. I have been a lifelong member of Brent Baptist Church and a member of Brent Voluntary Fire Dept, Brent Civitan

Club, Bibb County Gideons, Bibb County Chamber of Commerce and serve on the Alabama Historic Iron and Steel Commission. My wife Dina retired after a 35-year career with Community Mental Health, Alabama Dept of Corrections and the Bibb County School District. We enjoy various hobbies and traveling and working in our church and community.

What was the most unusual or memorable case you presided over as a probate judge?

I once had a family come to Probate Court to settle an estate and divide property that had been left to 11 people. They had attempted 3 times to have deeds drawn up but would still not work together to settle the estate. I told them that if they didn't agree on something soon that I would have a drawing to settle the division of property. They still would not agree on how to divide property, so I put 11 pieces of paper in a hat with their names on them and drew them out one at a time going down the list of available properties. Estate settled!!

If you could change one law or regulation within the probate system, what would it be and why?

Having been a local mayor before becoming judge, I knew the importance of how the county and cities needed to work together for the sake of the citizens. Unfortunately, in some small counties like Bibb County, the commission chairperson rotates from commissioner to com-

missioner every so many months which creates confusion for citizens and problems with communication and consistency. In most counties the commission is led by the countywide elected probate judge to avoid these issues. So, for me, I would have wanted the law to change to avoid Bibb County constantly changing out commission chairs. It is hard on local governments to swap out leadership every so many months just like you wouldn't want to swap out your governor every so many months.

Did you ever have a case that changed the way you view the legal system or life in general?

Yes.....in a few situations we were handling cases that could affect young children. Adults would periodically want things that was best for themselves personally but not necessary what was best for the children themselves.

What advice would you give to someone who is about to start their first probate case?

Adhere to the law and seek out fellow probate judges if you have questions.

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Jerry Pow



Bibb County Landfill Transfer Station Closed Due to Storm Damage

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

Bibb County officials regret to inform the public that the Bibb County Landfill Transfer Station was severely damaged by storms

that occurred last night (Sunday, August 18). The facility is currently closed to the public until further notice.

Crews are assessing the damage and working diligently to determine the necessary re-

pairs. They apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience as they address the situation. Updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

Cahawba Christian Academy Revives School Spirit with Return of Football and Cheerleading

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

Principal John Russell expressed his excitement about the revival of football and cheerleading at Cahawba Christian Academy. In a message to the school community, he shared his pride in the team and the coaches, stating, "It is great to have football and cheerleading back at Cahawba Christian Academy! Awesome Pep rally at school!"

Despite the challenges faced during their recent game in Guntersville, where the team played through heavy rain and most of the players took the field for the first time, Principal Russell emphasized the positives. "Yes, the loss stings, but even going to Guntersville

and playing through very heavy rain with the majority of players playing for the very first time, they played hard and did not quit! I'm proud of the team and coaches! Great foundation and building blocks to only

get better," he remarked.

This marks an important moment for Cahawba Christian Academy as they lay the groundwork for a strong future in sports, with the entire school community rallying behind them.



City of Centreville Issues Critical Notice for Centreville Water Users: Lead and Copper Rule Compliance Inventory Update

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) created the Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) to protect public health by reducing lead and copper in drinking water. This important rule has been updated over time to strengthen protections, particularly for children and vulnerable groups. In 2021, the EPA introduced new revisions to further reduce lead in the nation's water and provide communities with vital information.

One key change re-

quires Public Water Systems (PWSs) to compile and maintain a record of service line materials by **October 16, 2024**. This record must be submitted to the state to ensure compliance and improve public health protections.

To meet this requirement, the City of Centreville Water Board has hired a contractor to start the inventory process which began on **Friday, August 15, 2024**. The contractor will identify the materials used in service lines on both the cities and customer's sides of the meter, so if you notice

a contractor at your water meter, please rest assured that they are working on behalf of the City of Centreville. This inspection should be brief. The contractor will also check whether the meter is spinning, which could signal a potential leak on your property during the inventory process.

This effort is essential to ensuring the safety and quality of our drinking water, helping to build a healthier community and if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the City of Centreville.

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NEWS

Alabama Lightwave: Centreville Coverage Expansion Alert!

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

You Asked, and they have Delivered! Lightwave is thrilled to announce a major expansion in Centreville’s north side! Thanks to the new equipment installed on the North Centreville Water Tank, they have significantly improved internet coverage for many homes that were previously unserved or underserved. This new site is one of their best yet, incorporating lessons learned to make it a robust access point in the network. They have deployed advanced power-surge and lightning protection devices, ensuring a reliable data feed to our network core. Customers in this area can expect excellent connectivity starting today. Newly Covered Areas Include: Hickory Hill

Road, Hickory Hill Circle, Birmingham Road (Highway 5), Old Jackson Road, Mychael Lane, Moody Road, Cruise Avenue, Collins Drive, Fawn Lane (Back end of Deer Haven!), Cahawba Drive/ Pine Ridge Rd, and more! Lightwave MAX and Lightwave XR equipment have been installed and they are offering connectivity options for those close to the tower and those on the fringes. Both services include: • Unlimited Data • Fast Speeds • No Content Censorship • 100% Local Customer Support • No Throttling A big announcement coming soon for Jemison and surrounding areas as they deploy their next-generation network. Additional repeaters to boost capacity on Main St. Brent, Brent Hill, Bear Creek, and more. Expansion of Lightwave XR coverage in the Pondville Area. Increased capacity and speeds for customers served by our Town Square and Downtown Brent towers. Alabama Lightwave has been busy, and there’s more to come in the next few weeks. If you’re not currently in our coverage area, like and follow our page. Your calls, messages, emails, and service requests are reviewed by our executive team to prioritize new growth areas. Stay tuned for more exciting updates on coverage expansion and network reliability! Sign Up Today. Ready to experience better internet? Sign up now: <https://alabamalightwave.com/centreville/> Stream, game, TikTok, and more with ease. Sign up today: <https://alabamalightwave.com/centreville/>.

Jerry Pow

Jerry Pow from page 1 What’s the most daring or unusual rescue operation you’ve ever been a part of? Through my 50 plus years of service there had been a variety of major fires that were considered high risk and dangerous for firefighters.....but the most unusual rescue was a “lift and assist call” which meant a citizen or ambulance unit needed manpower to help get someone up off the ground or into an ambulance. We were called out once to help lift a 500 lb. naked lady who had fallen out of her bed and needed help getting back into the bed! Is there a moment in your career as a fire chief that you’re particularly proud of? Being able to supply our volunteer firefighters with the equipment they needed to do their job. What was the most creative solution you and your team came up with during a difficult fire or rescue situation? In the above case of the “lift and assist call”,..... to solve our issue with the naked lady on the floor, we had to have something to hold onto to get her up.... so, we had to get a blanket and roll her onto the blanket in order to lift her up into the bed. What was the most challenging decision you had to make as mayor? Raising taxes on citizens was not easy for me. Government and necessary services is funded by taxes and fees. Citizens want good services, but they often don’t want to have to pay for it. That was hard for me when I knew a lot of people had tight finances. As mayor, what accomplishment are you most proud of for your community? Creating jobs for our citizens was one of the most important. We were able to help locate several businesses and industry to Brent that are still employing citizens today. Can you share a story of a time when you had to bring people together during a difficult period in your town? Once as mayor we had a temporary minor problem with one of our water wells and were addressing it correctly per guidelines. However, a few people who did not have correct facts about the situation went ballistic and got upset and brought in a list of people they felt had died in the past from cancer from the recent well issueand a list of people

“not yet dead” they might be dying. After looking at the lists we realized that some of the names on the “dead list” were not actually deceased! I broke the tension and told them that they had also forgotten to put me on the “not yet dead” list. We calmed the situation, and the matter got resolved but sometimes people act with emotion rather than accurate data or facts. What’s one piece of advice you would give to someone who wants to become mayor? Always remember you are a public servant and in a small city you are at the bottom of the totem pole and should be willing to serve in anyway you need to. If you could have dinner with any historical figure who held the same roles as you—probate judge, fire chief, or mayor—who would it be and why? Not really sure.....but probably a deceased Mayor named Buddy Laverder. He was a hoot, very unique and you never knew what to expect of him. What’s a fun fact about your time in public service that most people wouldn’t know? I would sometimes make calls on the phone handling personal or business details and people would often ask me what I did for a living and when they found out I was the mayor of our town they thought they were talking to someone real important and I would get a laugh off that! I had to explain the difference in small town vs big city mayor! Did you ever have a moment in any of your roles where you thought, “This

could be a movie scene”? MANY TIMES!! How did you unwind after a particularly tough day in each of your roles? Thank the Lord for another day completed and get ready for the next day. If you could create a motto or slogan for your years of service, what would it be Public Servant

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BC BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Date: August 13, 2024

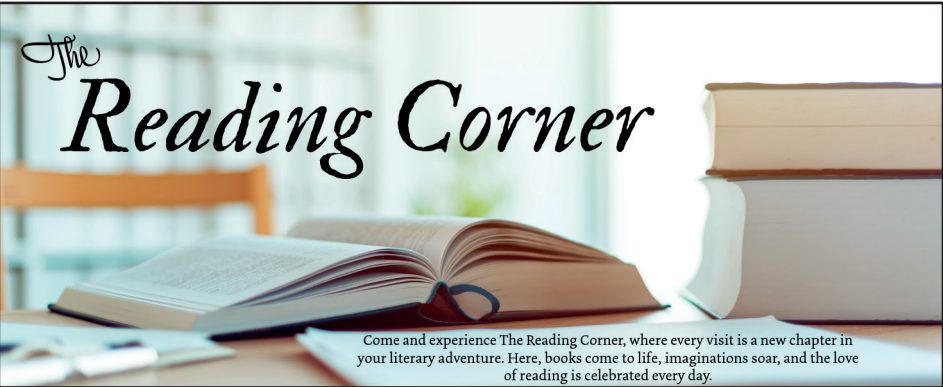
- AGENDA**
1. Call to order
 2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll Call
 4. Approval of Agenda
 5. Approval of the Minutes
 6. Financial Report and Bank Reconciliations
 - A. Receive Financials and Bank Reconciliations for July 2024.
 - B. Request to approve Bills and Payroll for July 2024.
 7. Consent Agenda Items-Contracted Services, Bids, Trips, etc.
 - A. Request to approve the following policies, received on August 1, 2024:
 - B. Request to approve the supplemental grocery bid with Osborn Brothers for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - C. Request to approve revision to the 2024-2025 salary schedule.
 - D. Request to approve K & A Builders, Inc. for the construction of the West Blocton and Centreville location bus shops. Payment of \$1,300,000 will be made from PSCA funds.
 - E. Request approval to renew incentives available for bus driver recruitment for the 2024-2025 school year.
 8. Regular Agenda Items
 - A. Request to approve the following for 21st Century CAST, Bibb County High School:
 - B. Request to approve the following TEAMS contracts:
 - B. Request to approve payment to Adriane Dennis to provide Federal Programs support, August 2024-May 2025. Payment of \$50 per hour, not to exceed \$5,000, will be made from Title II funds.
 - C. Request to approve payment to Sameria Minor for extra classroom support, August 1-13, 2024, Brent Elementary School. Payment of \$15 per hour, not to exceed 55 hours, will be made by ESSER funds.
 - D. Request to approve payment to Pam Wallace for substitute nurse, August 7-8, 2024. Payment of \$18 per hour, up to 18 hours, will be made from district general funds.
 - E. Request to approve the following substitutes:
 - 10. Information Items
 - A. Budget Hearing #1: Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 2:00 PM
 - B. Board Work Session: Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 2:30 PM
 - C. Board Meeting/Budget Hearing #2: Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 5:00 PM
 - 11. Superintendent Remarks
 - 12. Request to adjourn

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death is sure,
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BUDGET HEARING
Bibb County Board of Education Fiscal
Year 2024-2025 Annual Budget Hearings
And Internet Safety Policy meeting
Location
**Bibb County Board of Education
Board Room
721 Walnut Street
Centreville, AL 35042**
Bibb County Board of Education will
hold its Annual Budget Hearing # 1 on
Thursday, September 5, 2024 at the
scheduled 2:00 pm Board Work Session.
Bibb County Board of Education will
hold its Annual Budget Hearing # 2 on
Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at the
5:00 pm Board Meeting.
Bibb County Board of Education will hold
a public meeting on its Acceptable Use Policy
on Thursday, September 5, 2024 at the
scheduled 2:00 pm Board Work Session.

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Marion: Blackbelt Hardware and Outdoors, 1239 S. Washington Street Thursday, August 29th from 10 am – 2 pm
Uniontown: C.H.O.I.C.E. 60 HAMBURG, North Street Tuesday, September 3rd, 10 am – 2 pm
The study will take about 30 minutes to complete.
For completing the study, you will be given a \$10 gift card.
For more information or to make appointments for any upcoming dates call Kerstin Straub at 205-348-4265.

NEWS/CALENDAR



The Silver Chair by C.S. Lewis

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN REPORTER

The Silver Chair by C.S. Lewis is a beautiful work of fantasy that continues the beloved Chronicles of Narnia series, captivating readers with its rich narrative, memorable characters, and profound themes. As the fourth book in the series, it offers both a thrilling adventure and a deep-

er exploration of the human spirit, making it a timeless classic that resonates with readers of all ages.

The story begins with the reintroduction of Eustace Scrubb, who was first encountered in The Voyage of the Dawn Treader. This time, he is joined by his classmate, Jill Pole, a lonely and bullied girl seeking refuge from the harsh realities of her

school life. Their adventure begins when they are magically transported to Narnia by Aslan, the great lion and protector of the realm. Their mission is clear: to find and rescue Prince Rilian, the only son of King Caspian, who has been missing for years.

As they embark on this perilous journey, Eustace and Jill are guided by Aslan's signs, which are meant

to help them stay on the right path. However, the path is anything but straightforward. They face numerous challenges, including a harrowing climb up a cliff, an encounter with the mysterious and sinister Lady of the Green Kirtle, and a descent into the dark and eerie Underland, where they must confront their deepest fears.

One of the strengths of The Silver Chair lies in its character development. Eustace, who has already begun his transformation from a selfish, spoiled boy in the previous book, continues to grow into a more mature and responsible young man. Jill, initially portrayed as timid and insecure, gradually finds her own courage and strength as the story unfolds. Their companion, Puddleglum the Marsh-wiggle, adds a unique and endearing dimension to the group. His gloomy yet steadfast demeanor provides both comic relief and sage wisdom, reminding the children (and the readers) of the importance of perseverance and hope, even in the darkest of times.

The themes of The Silver Chair are deep and multifaceted, reflecting Lewis's ability to weave moral and spiritual lessons into his storytelling without being didactic. The journey of Eustace and Jill can be seen as a metaphor for the spiritual journey, where faith and trust in a higher power are essential, even when the way forward seems unclear or perilous. The concept of the "silver chair" itself, which holds Prince Rilian captive under a spell, symbolizes the ways in which individuals can be trapped by false beliefs, temptations, or the illusions of the world, only to be freed by the truth and the light.

Lewis's world-building is as vivid and imaginative as ever. The landscapes of Narnia are described in such a way that they feel alive, whether it's the cold, misty moors, the foreboding giants' land, or the oppressive, claustrophobic tunnels of the Underland. Each setting not only enhances the mood of the story but also serves as a reflection of the internal struggles faced by the characters.

The climax of the novel, where the silver chair is finally destroyed and Prince Rilian is freed, is both thrilling and satisfying. It is a moment of redemption, not only for the prince but also for Eustace and Jill, who have successfully completed their quest despite their earlier doubts and mistakes. The resolution of the story reinforces the themes of faith, courage, and the enduring power of good over evil.

The Silver Chair is a powerful and moving addition to The Chronicles of Narnia. C.S. Lewis's storytelling is at its best, blending adventure, fantasy, and allegory into a narrative that is both entertaining and thought-provoking. The book invites readers to explore the depths of their own hearts and to reflect on the values of faith, courage, and the importance of following the truth, no matter where it may lead. Whether you are a longtime fan of the series or a newcomer to Narnia, The Silver Chair is a must-read that will leave you enriched and inspired.

EVENINGS

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.
- » The Treasure Forest association, a stewardship and land ethic program, for and by timberland owners (present or aspiring) meets the fourth Thursday at the B/C library (downstairs) 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Visit us on FB. Search for "Treasure Forest of Bibb county" and join to learn more.
- » Come join us at Cedar Grove this Sunday August 25th at 11am. Guest speaker will be Devin Huffman from Duncanville. You wont regret it.
- » Singing at Hubbard Springs Church on August 24 at 7pm. Guest singers will be Heart Felt.

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.
- » Ist 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.
- » Brierfield 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. Bee-keepers.
- » 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

- » Join us at the Celebrate Recovery support group each Tuesday at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall at Brent Bible Methodist Church. For more information contact Dwight Crosley at 812-675-1543.
- » 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 programs 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.

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Ingredients

1 1/2 pounds ground beef

1 small onion (chopped (or 1 1/2 teaspoons onion powder))

1 clove garlic (minced (or 1 teaspoon garlic powder))

3 cups water or beef broth

(.87 to 1.0-ounce) packet brown gravy mix

1 (10.5-ounce) can condensed cheddar cheese soup

2 cups uncooked macaroni

2 cups shredded mild cheddar cheese

Directions:

In a large skillet, brown the ground beef with onions over medium heat. Once completely cooked, drain the excess grease away and return the skillet with the meat to the heat.

Add the garlic and sauté 1 to 2 minutes, or until the garlic is fragrant.

Add the brown gravy

mix, cheddar cheese soup, and water. Mix thoroughly to combine. (If using onion and garlic powder instead of fresh, add those now.)

Add the uncooked pasta to the pan and stir well. Bring to a boil, reduce to a simmer and cover. Cook for 10 to 12 minutes, stirring occasionally, or until the pasta is al dente or cooked to your liking.

Stir in the shredded cheddar cheese until melted. Serve immediately.

COMMUNITY NEWS



West Eoline News

From The Pen Of Jane Hannah

Thanks Clay Deason for the structure support work at my home last week.

My big birthday plans went "piff" when I awoke with achy bones, swollen sinuses and a fever on Thursday the 15th. I received many texts, calls, cards, and FB messages plus some drop off gifts. I am BLESSED!!! I thought the hurting bones was from the lawnmower bouncing on Wednesday, until the thermometer showed a fever. Thanks sister Jo Kitchen for the juice run. Thanks neighbor and friend Stacey Thompson for my birthday gift care package. Friday morning the at home Covid test was positive. Celebration delayed!! Thanks Tracey for the food and meds Friday.

Pennie Mitchell and Dennis Freeman celebrated their birthdays together with family Saturday evening the 17th. Pennie was blessed to have both daughters (Teresa Freeman & Sheila Scott) all three grandchildren (Joseph, Adam & Sara), and all 6 great grandchildren together for her 85th birthday. Adam & Taylor hosted the event for Dad and Nanny. Rachel Freeman and Doug Scott's presence rounded out the complete family's presence.

Ruth Deason faced the same birthday dilemma as I, by testing Covid Positive on the 18th, day before her birthday. So sorry.

Our own Courtney Dowdle Catering and Meals From Home are in full swing. Check her out on FB.

DEASON FAMILY !!! It's ONLY 6 weeks until the FAMILY REUNION!! Alabama Football has an away game, SOO let's sing, eat, fellowship and then go watch the game. Cousins Tracie Dickerson & Jollie McCaleb, possibly Larry Roddam and daughters may be here from out of State.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 5th, Singing starts at 10 a.m., Dinner at noon -- LITTLE HOPE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH in West Eoline, AL.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY upcoming..... Sandi Morris 8-23, John Garner 8-25, Jeremy Hannah, Eliza Caddis & Alice Gilland 8-27, Kay Lightsey & Leanna Stephens 8-29, Donna Glidewell & Bill Hornsby 8-31.

Have a great week!

This is the Ganus Deason Family in 1950. L-R is Ressie, Wayne, Stan, Ganus, C H, Geneva, Jane, & Jo. This was before we moved from Bibb County to Jefferson County.





Centreville News

From The Pen Of Brenda Hubbard

Cheri Deason from Houston, Texas visited with her parents, Charles and Anne Deason. Cheri came at this time to help her mother and sister. They are recovering from an auto accident which happened July 25. We send out a speedy recovery to Anne and Lori.

Anniversary wishes go out to Jim and Anita Headley who recently celebrated their 52 Wedding Anniversary. Also to Glenn and Ginger Blake who recently celebrated their 47th Wedding Anniversary.

Birthday wishes for August go out to Joe Owings, Jerry Snipes, Rick McCoy, Elaine Gilliland, Amanda Garner Cromer, Butch Suttle, Paul Hightower, Mary L. Hicks, R.F. House, Raymond Magouirk, Larry Charles Deason, Jo Ann Medders, Lynn Ellinghausen, Angel Caffee Scola, Debbie Gore, Drew Nix, Tonya Bigham and Fay Romine.

A speedy recovery and prayers go out to Farrah Conway Daniels.

Belated Birthday Wishes go out to Michelle Deason who celebrated her Birthday the last of July.

Get Well Wishes and prayers go out to Stacie Speights Brewer.

Got news call it in at 205-316-1181. Take Care and God Bless!



West Blocton News

From The Pen Of Monette Woodruff

West Blocton First Baptist Church is holding their first Women's Conference on Saturday August 24th beginning at 8:00am. They are hosting the simulcast "Going Beyond." Priscilla Shirer will be teaching and worship will be led by Anthony Evans. There is going to be giveaways, goodie bags, lunch and childcare for those attending the conference. There is no charge. Everyone is welcome.

Belated Happy Birthday to Melissa Gilbert Sheron. We wish this beautiful young lady to have her best year yet!

Get well to Jean Bearden and Linda Smitherman. Both ladies have experienced some medical issues lately. Praying they will back to their sweet, energetic selves soon.

Sympathy to the family of Louie Wade who passed away recently. Louie has been a positive example for many people through out his life. He served our community as a police officer for many years and he was Pastor to many. He will be missed.



Brent News

From The Pen Of Dorothy Clark

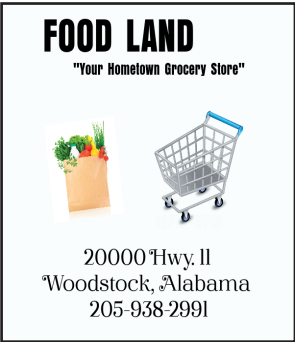
Thank God for earthly angels when someone comes by and does things you cannot do any more for yourself, that is a blessing. My niece came by and set flowers out in my yard.

Pam Moore is at home; pray she is doing well. God is good, He is a healer, way maker.

My sister came by and brought me a pot of flowers, bless her. Still good people in the world and all around us. I remember being a child my mother giveout of any things like sugar, meal she sent neighbor for items she needed. When she got her own, she would send back to neighbor and thank her. Those were caring days.

Thunderstorms hit us on Sunday and lights went out from 5:30 to 9:50. Thank Alabama Power for a job well done. It was so hot Monday even wind blowing as sitting on porch for a while it felt good. Thank God for sunshine and rain.

Happy Birthday Mamie Coleman, Catherine Dobyne, pray you doing well, Elijah Purifoy, Margaret Goode. Suffering provides opportunities to build Faith and Character, no matter what you may be going through its not in vain. God is gracious and his presence with you as you walk through times when you cannot see no way out, but God does. Blessings upon you.



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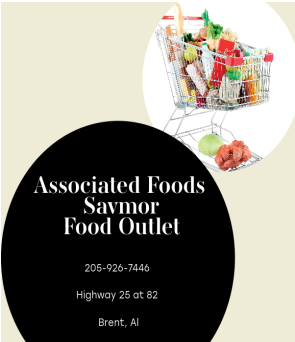
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Publication Notice
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claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
James Lester Dudley, Jr.
B. Boozer Downs, Jr.
Downs & Davis Law, LLC
Attorney for Petitioner
P.O. Box 65
Woodstock, AL 35188
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August 16, 23 & 30, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA
CASE NUMBER 2024PC053
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JACKIE W. NICHOLS, DECEASED
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION of said deceased having been granted to Patsy Ann Nichols on the 29th day of July 2024, by the **HONORABLE JUDGE**

STEPHANIE W. KEMMER of Probate of Bibb County, 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.
Kirtley W. Brown
215 Washington Street Marion, AL 36756
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In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama
In the matter of the estate of Joseph Lee Rutledge, Sr. Deceased
Case No: 2024PC038
Publication Notice
Notice to Creditors
Letters of Administration of said Joseph Lee Rutledge, Sr. deceased, having been granted to Inez Rutledge, as Administrator/Personal Representative in and for the estate of Joseph Lee Rutledge, Sr. deceased, on the 8th day

of July, 2024 by the Honorable Stephanie W. Kemmer, Judge of Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law of the same will be barred.
David G. Belcher, Esquire
Attorney for Petitioner, Inez Rutledge
265 Birmingham Rd.
Centreville, AL 35042
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PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Town of Woodstock will host a public meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 P.M., at Woodstock Town Hall located at 28513 Hwy 5, Woodstock, AL 35188. The public meeting will be held to provide detailed project information and receive public comments regarding the Town of Woodstock's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) project (CS010865-02). The

project objective is to perform improvements to the sanitary sewer collection and conveyance system. The Environmental Information Document (EID) describing the project in detail is available for public viewing during regular business hours of Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Woodstock Town Hall. For more information, contact the Town of Woodstock at (205) 938-9790.
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900019.00, Circuit Court of Bibb County.
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Madison T. Field
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NOTICE OF DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION
Ritch Foods Corp., whose location is unknown, must answer Plaintiff First Bank of the Lake's Complaint alleging, among other things, breach of loan agreement and seeking a declaratory judgment by September 30, 2024 or thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against it in

Case No. 07-CV-2024-900019.00, Circuit Court of Bibb County.
KAYLA COONER, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bibb County.
Madison T. Field
1901 Sixth Avenue North Suite 1500
Birmingham, Alabama
Attorney for First Bank of the Lake
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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
MILTON MCKINNEY DBA MCKINNEY WRECKER gives Notice of Foreclosure
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2006 STRN VUE
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2008 HOND FIT
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2019 RAM PROMASTER
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NOTICE OF DIVORCE

Public Notice
To: Anthony James Norton
Re: Civil Lawsuit 07-DR-2024-00032.00
You are requested to respond to a divorce pending in Bibb County Circuit Court. Please contact the Circuit Court Clerk, Kayla Cooner, at 35 Court Square East, Centreville, AL 35042,

phone 205-926-3103.
The notice needs to run for 4 consecutive weeks,
Allen Perkins
Attorney At Law
A. Perkins Law Firm, LLC
4000 Eagle Point Drive
Birmingham, AL 35242
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August 23, 30, September 6 & 13, 2024



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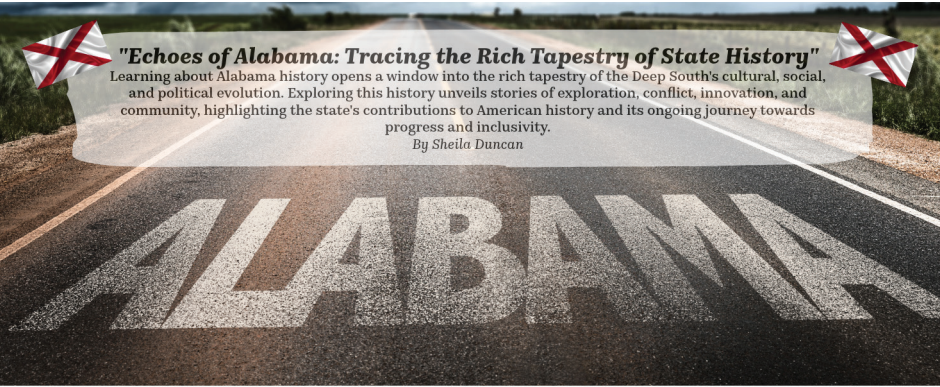
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NEWS



Kenworthy Hall aka Carlisle-Martin House

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

Kenworthy Hall, also called the Carlisle-Martin House, Carlisle Hall, and Edward Kenworthy Carlisle House, is a historic plantation house on the north side of Alabama Highway 14, about two miles west of Marion courthouse square. Constructed between 1858 and 1860, it stands as one of the finest preserved examples of Richard Upjohn's unique asymmetrical Italian villa

style, specifically designed for the Southern climate and plantation life. The home features a striking four-story tower, variably sized windows with brownstone trim, and a distinctly Southern layout dividing family and public spaces. Edward Kenworthy Carlisle commissioned the building as his main family residence and the centerpiece of his 440-acre estate. Recognized for its historical significance, the house and several surrounding structures were

declared a National Historic Landmark in 2004. Edward Kenworthy Carlisle was born in 1810 near Augusta, Georgia. As a young man, he moved with his mother, Susan Curry Carlisle, to Perry County, Alabama, where her family members were established cotton planters. In 1841, he married Lucinda Wilson Walthall. Over time, Carlisle became a large landowner and established himself as a cotton factor. In 1858, he decided to construct an estate that

reflected his family's social standing in Alabama's Black Belt. On May 4, 1858, he wrote to architect Richard Upjohn, expressing his desire to build a country residence and requesting a rough sketch that could lead to a suitable plan.

The plans for Kenworthy Hall continued to develop over several months, with ongoing correspondence refining the design. As construction materials, including the brownstone trim shipped from New York, began to arrive, Edward Carlisle faced challenges in finding skilled labor for such an ambitious project. Eventually, he secured the services of master mason Philip Bond in November 1858, allowing work to begin. Bond estimated that the brickwork would be completed by June 1859, and by 1860, the Carlisle family had moved into the completed house. The American Civil War began in 1861, and Edward Carlisle continued to thrive in his business ventures. Remarkably, one of his cotton trading firms, Carlisle and Humphries, even saw profits rise during the Union blockade. However, after the war, his fortunes

drastically declined, with his taxable property valued at less than \$20,000, and the Kenworthy Hall property itself was worth only \$9,000 in 1867. Carlisle entered a business partnership in nearby Selma with his son, Edward Carlisle Jr., and his son-in-law, Alexander Jones, founding the City National Bank in 1871. Carlisle passed away in 1873, leaving Kenworthy Hall to his wife, Lucinda, who split her time between the estate and a home in Selma. Over time, she used Kenworthy Hall mainly as a summer residence and eventually passed it on to her only surviving child, Augusta Carlisle Jones, in 1899.

Lucinda passed away in 1912, and in 1914, Augusta sold the property. After changing hands multiple times, the estate fell into decline. During this period, the house lost both of its original porches and experienced periods of vacancy, including most of the 1950s when it stood completely empty. The house suffered extensive vandalism, with mutilated plasterwork, broken marble mantles, and destroyed stained glass, despite

partial documentation by the Historic American Buildings Survey in 1934. During these vacant years, locals began to spread rumors of the house being haunted. One such tale, recorded by Kathryn Tucker Windham in her book "13 Alabama Ghosts and Jeffrey," tells of a ghostly young woman in the fourth-floor tower room, patiently awaiting the return of her lover.

In 1957, Karen Klassen from Birmingham purchased the house and 19 acres for \$4,000. Over the next decade, she worked on restoring the property as much as she could. In 1967, the Martin family acquired the estate and spent the following 30 years continuing the restoration efforts. The house was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1990, and in 1997, the Historic American Buildings Survey conducted new drawings and photographs. After the Martins passed away, their heirs sold the house to a new family in 2001. The house, along with four surviving outbuildings, was declared a National Historic Landmark on August 18, 2004.

LEGALS

Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year/500-Year Floodplain

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the City of Centreville has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order(s) 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under ADECA's CDBG Program Project No. SM-CM-PF-23-009. The proposed project is located within incorporated City limits on the west side of the City of Centreville (Bibb County, AL), along Maple Street and Mill Street. The project will involve rehabilitation

of the Mill Street drainage ditch, replacement of inadequate storm sewer and install inlets, redirection of drainage away from back ditch area, and clearing of downstream ditches to restore the structural integrity of the system and eliminate problems. The project area includes 53 occupied homes.

A designated FEMA Flood Zone (Zone A) is located within the project area. Rehabilitation measures will involve the rehabilitation only of the existing drainage system. The implementation of the project will result in improvements to the public drainage system which will provide potential benefits to public health and the environment. No natural and beneficial values of the floodplains associated with Cahaba River will be po-

tentially adversely affected by the activity. There are no wetlands located within the project area.

The City of Centreville has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve the natural and beneficial values: The project must take place within an existing floodplain because this is the most efficient manner to conduct the drainage rehabilitation. The rehabilitation will take place on existing drainage facilities. Alternatives were considered such as constructing open ditches instead of utilizing pipes to move the stormwater. However, the cost of construction would far exceed the project's budget. Another alternative to performing the proposed drainage improvements is

"no action". If nothing is done, the homes and businesses in the project area will continue to flood. The City of Centreville considered applying for a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) or Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), however since the floodplains are associated with Cahaba River, the City of Calera determined the site would not be eligible for this amendment or revision. This project meets all state and local floodplain protection procedures.

The City of Centreville has reevaluated the alternatives to building in the 100/500 Year Floodplain and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of the Floodplain notification process, are available for public inspection, review

and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in a 100/500 Year Floodplain and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about 100/500 Year Floodplain can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these

special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in 100/500 Year Floodplain, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the City of Centreville at the following address on or before September 2, 2024: City of Centreville, 1270 Walnut Street, Centreville, Alabama 35042, (205) 974-0773, Attention: Megan Batte, City Clerk. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at same address as above. Comments may also be submitted via email at megan@cityofcentreville.com.

Centreville Press
August 23, 2024

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

8/23/2024

City of Centreville
1270 Walnut Street
Centreville, AL 35042

Phone: (205) 974-0890

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS: These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertake by the City of Centreville . REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 10, 2024 the City of Centreville will submit a request to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (PL 93-383), to undertake a project known as the City of Centreville Drainage Rehabilitation Project (SM-CM-PF-23-009) to construct drainage improvements for a cost of \$475,000 (\$400,000 grant/\$75,000

local funds) to serve a project area located within incorporated City limits on the west side of the City of Centreville (Bibb County, AL), along Maple Street and Mill Street. The project will involve rehabilitation of the Mill Street drainage ditch, replacement of inadequate storm sewer and install inlets, redirection of drainage away from back ditch area, and clearing of downstream ditches to restore the structural integrity of the system and eliminate problems. The project area includes 53 occupied homes. FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Centreville has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City of Centreville, 1270 Walnut Street, Centreville, Alabama 35042, (251) 974-0773. A full descrip-

tion of the project may also be reviewed from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at same address as above

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Mayor Mike Oakley. All comments received by 9/9/2024 will be considered by the City of Centreville prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Centreville certifies to ADECA that Mike Oakley in their capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. ADECA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Centreville to use Program Funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

ADECA will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Centreville certification for a period of 15-days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or the City of Centreville ; (b) the City of Centreville has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR part 58 before approval of a Release of Funds by ADECA; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required

procedures (24 CFR part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the State at: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, Community and Economic Development Division, PO Box 5690, Mont-

gomery, AL 36103. Potential objectors should contact ADECA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mike Oakley, Mayor
Centreville Press
August 23, 2024

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Questions/Information: bibb@sheltonstate.edu

DEADLINES & CALENDAR	
FALL 2024 REGISTRATION BEGINS	Friday, April 5 at 8:00 a.m.
Full Term Registration	Friday, April 5 – Friday, August 23 at noon
Fall Dual Enrollment Application Deadline	Wednesday, July 31
International Student Application Deadline	Friday, August 2 at noon
Financial Aid Priority Deadline	Monday, August 5
Financial Aid Bookstore Charge Period	August 12 – August 26 at 5:30 p.m.
Freshman Application Priority Deadline	Monday, August 12
Testing and Placement Priority Deadline	Wednesday, August 14
Classes Begin	Monday, August 19
Drop/Add and Late Registration	Monday, August 19 – Friday, August 23 at noon
Financial Aid Freeze Date	Tuesday, August 27
Financial Aid Disbursement	Wednesday, August 28
Holiday (College Closed)	Monday, September 2
WOW/Remote Learning Days	Wednesday, October 2 – Thursday, October 3
Financial Aid 60% Point – Full Term	Friday, October 25
Spring 2025 Registration Opens	Friday, November 1 at 8:00 a.m.
Veteran's Day Holiday (College Closed)	Monday, November 11
Last Day to Withdraw from Classes	Tuesday, November 26
Thanksgiving Holiday (College Closed)	Wednesday, November 27 – Friday, November 29
Last Day of Classes	Friday, December 6
Final Exams	Monday, December 9 – Thursday, December 12
Fall Graduation	Friday, December 13 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Holiday Break (College Closed)	Monday, December 23 – Wednesday, January 1

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shelton State GRADUATIONS & PINNING CEREMONY
August 6th, 7th, 8th

Shelton State Community College
9500 Old Greensboro Rd, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405

Nurse Pinning Ceremony - 6:00PM
August 6th, 2024

Shelton State Graduation Ceremony - 11:00 AM
August 7th, 2024

Shelton State Workforce Graduation - 6:00 PM
August 8th, 2024

For more information: <https://www.sheltonstate.edu/shelton-events/graduation-ceremonies-sl>

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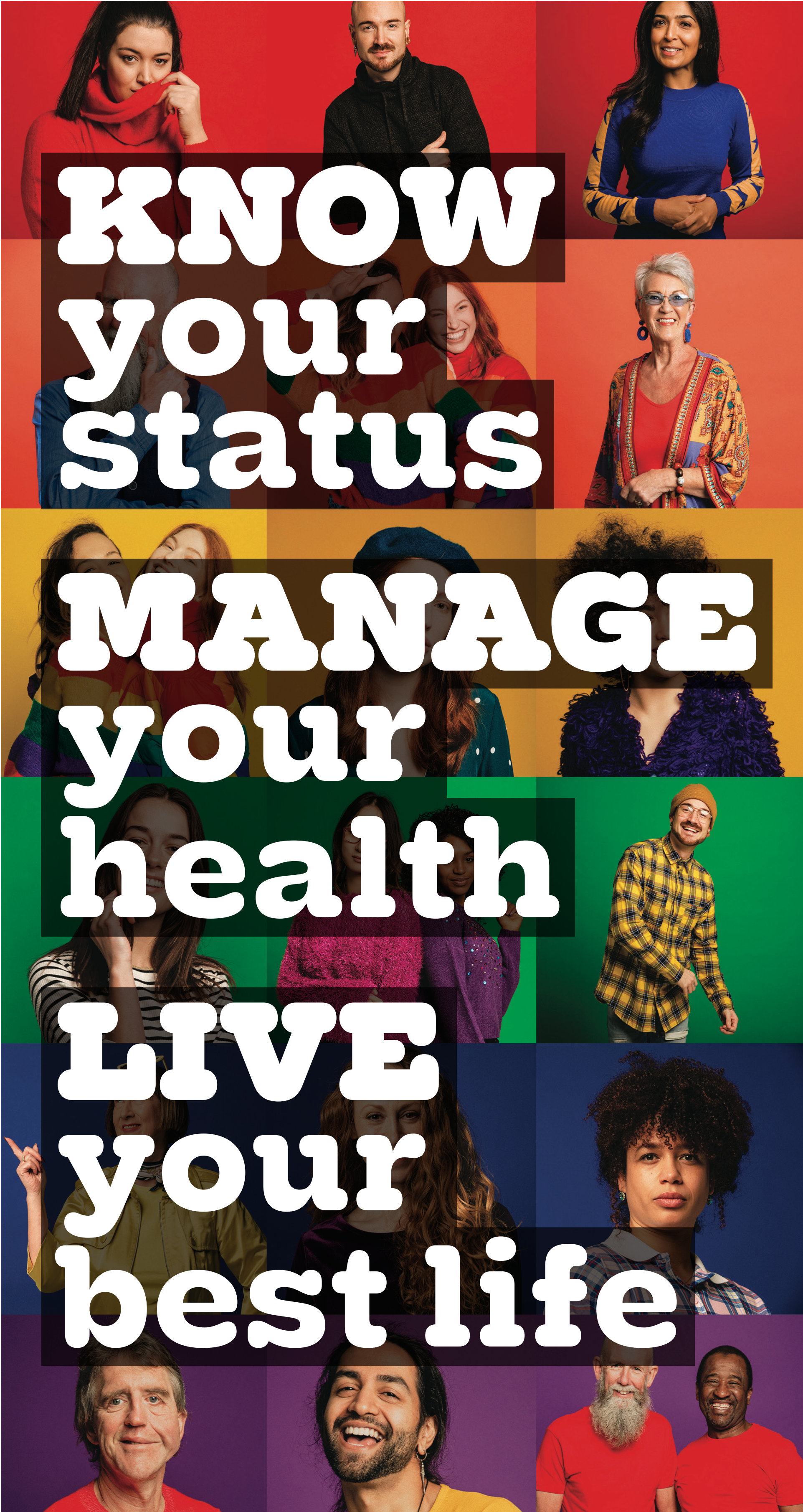
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Rebekah Sims, MSN, CPNP-PC, CPN

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