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## Vance Ellison B&B Hosts Book Signing with Bibb County Native & Author R.L. Foster: "Lessons Learned at Full Draw"

BY SHEILA DUNCAN  
REPORTER

On Saturday, August 31st, the Vance Ellison Bed and Breakfast welcomed a large crowd for a book signing event featuring Bibb County native and author R.L. (Rick) Foster. His book, *Lessons Learned at Full Draw: A Guide's Lifelong Pursuit of Trophy Whitetail*, chronicles the valuable lessons he as a guide and his clients have gained over years of hunting whitetail deer. Foster shares his insights from the field, offering readers a deeper understanding of mature whitetails and, more importantly, what it takes to become a successful hunter.

Growing up in a small central town of Bibb County, Alabama, R.L. (Rick) Foster developed a natural love for the outdoors. His Granddaddy Edwards lived in rural Perry County, where R.L. had the opportunity to start hunting the only big game animal in Alabama, the whitetail deer.

With guidance from his uncle, Howard Edwards, who organized "deer drives," R.L. harvested his first buck at the age of thirteen. This sparked a lifelong passion for hunting whitetail deer.

In the early years of his hunting career, R.L. was successful in harvesting bucks with a rifle. However, by his late twenties, his interest shifted from rifle hunting to bowhunting, and from simply hunting deer to targeting older, mature bucks. At that time, Alabama had high deer numbers but very little deer management. This led R.L. to explore the trophy potential in some mid-western states. His research pointed him to west central Illinois, a region gaining a reputation for producing high-scoring whitetails that were making it into the record books.

After numerous scouting trips to "The Prairie State," R.L. was able to secure several prime leases in Illinois. He found this mix of broken agricultural land and hardwood timber to be ideal for bowhunting. In 1993, he decided to turn his passion for bowhunting into a business, leading to the formation of Trophy Class Outfitters.

Since then, Trophy Class Outfitters (TCO) has expanded into other top trophy-hunting states across the Midwest. In addition to operating in Pike and Adams Counties in Illinois, TCO has run bow hunts in Schuyler County, Missouri; Henry County, Kentucky; and Monroe County, Iowa. They continue to manage bow hunts on a 14,000-acre ranch in the Flint Hills of Kansas. Beyond the Midwest, TCO has also operated bow hunts in Baylor County, Texas, and in R.L.'s home state of Alabama, in the same Cahaba River bottoms where he began hunting as a child.

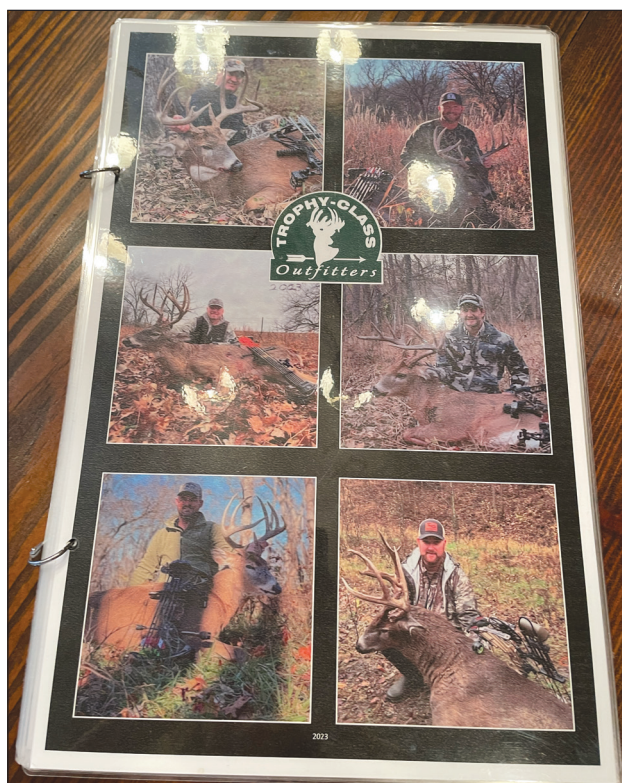
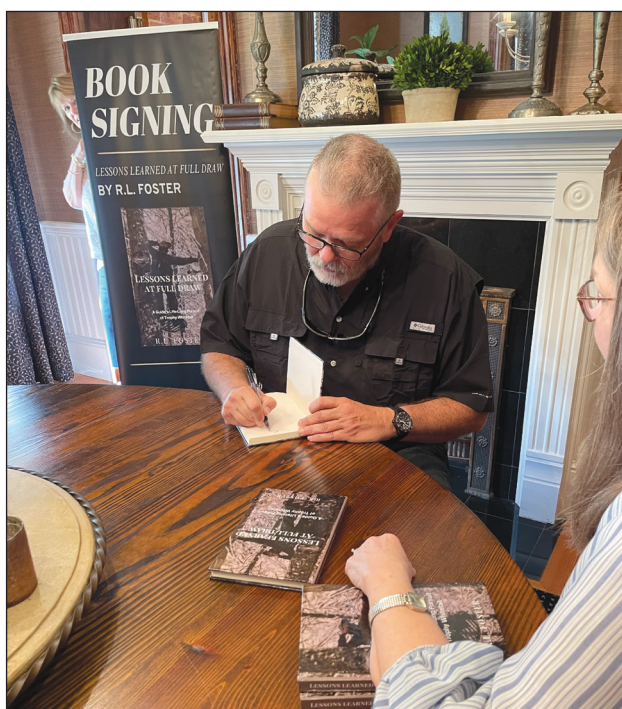
Running a successful

multi-state bowhunting operation requires a focus on making each location the best it can be. R.L. has always prioritized quality over quantity, a principle he applies to his Kansas property. His passion for studying the habits of mature whitetail deer and the bowhunters who pursue them continues to drive his enthusiasm.

Trophy Class Outfitters (TCO) has always been a team effort. The hard work

and contributions of TCO's guides over the years have been crucial to its success. One of the greatest rewards has been the lifelong friendships formed with these guides.

If you would like to purchase R.L. Foster's book, *Lessons Learned at Full Draw: A Guide's Lifelong Pursuit of Trophy Whitetail*, you can pick your copy up at the Sawmeal Restaurant on Hwy 5, in Brent, AL.



## Dr. Jodie Pope: Now accepting patients at Bibb County Eye Care in Centreville

SPECIAL TO THE PRESS

Dr. Jodie Pope, also known as "Dr. Jo," has recently joined Dr. David Allgood at Bibb County Eye Care. After graduating high school from

West Blocton in 2016, Dr. Jodie Pope played softball at Wallace State Community College. She then transferred to finish her undergraduate degree from The University of Alabama at Birmingham

with a Bachelor of Science. Dr. Pope went on to receive her doctoral degree from The University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry. She is looking forward to serving the community alongside Dr. Allgood and his staff.

Dr. Pope is married to her high school sweetheart, Canaan Pope, who is also a 2016 graduate of WBHS. She is the daughter of Angie and Gregg Farnetti with a younger sister, Jaiden. Coach Gregg Farnetti was the football coach at WBHS for 25 years. Even at a young age, Dr. Pope has always been involved in her community. In her free time, she enjoys exercising, outdoor activities, and playing with her two fur-babies, Rambo and Avery. She is a member of Grace-Life Baptist Church in McCalla, Alabama.

This hometown girl is excited about coming home to provide eye care to the county she loves the most. Her family has been involved in the Bibb community for decades and she wants to continue that for decades to come.



Friendship Lodge 83 celebrated birthdays for its August Brothers on September 5th. We enjoyed friendship and fellowship from the youngest members to the oldest.



## Mandi Woodruff, Pharmacist at Cahaba Medical Care

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN  
REPORTER

If you've gotten a prescription filled at Cahaba Medical Care in Centreville recently, chances are you've been greeted by the friendly face of Mandi Woodruff, pharmacist and Bibb County native. Taking great joy in her work and the positive impact it has on her community, Mandi's love for her community truly shows.

**How long have you lived in Bibb County?**

"Since I was born, took a short break living in Birmingham through college and came right back."

**Can you tell us about your family?**

"My mom and dad are also Centreville residents, as well as my sister. I also have a brother who lives in Alabaster. We have always been very close and love to plan family dinners together."

**Where did you go to school?**

"I went to Bibb County High School and then went through undergraduate and graduate school at Samford University - pharmacy

school at the McWhorter School of Pharmacy."

**How long have you been a pharmacist?**  
"I graduated pharmacy school in 2019 and have been a pharmacist for almost 5 years now."

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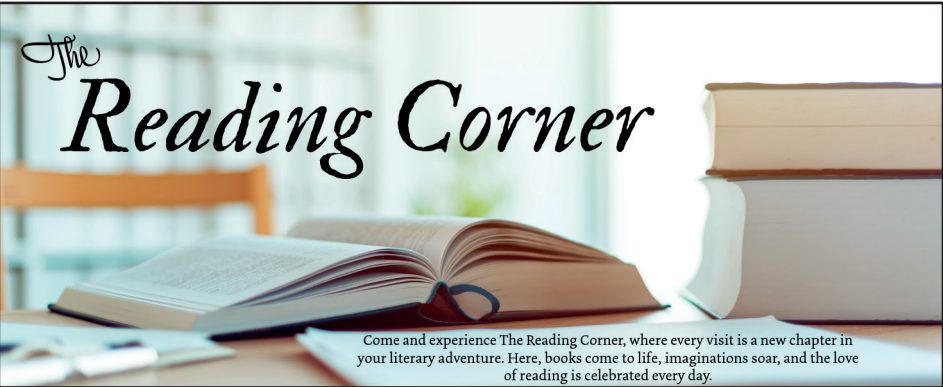
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NEWS/CALENDAR



Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

BY WHITNEY BUZBEE  
CP STAFF

While some of you have probably seen the movie, I have too, the book is always better. Reading a book just seems to put you in the story. The novel covers events in the period 1952 to 1970 and the central character is Kya (short for Catherine) Clark, known to the local rural community of Barkley Cove as “the swamp girl”.

The novel is crucial because Kya becomes an integral part of it. The novel is told on two timelines. It opens in 1969 with the discovery of a body in an old tower beside the swamp. The victim is Chase Andrews, a local man, the sporting pride of Barkley Cove, suave, confident and outgoing, he is married but has a reputation as something of a playboy. The local police begin their investigation.

The novel then reverts to 1952 where six-year-old Kya, the fifth and youngest child of a ‘swamp’ family (one which lives in a run-down house beside the swamp, where their income is precarious and their reputation as outsiders separates them from the mainstream Barkley Cove community) watches her fragile mother walking down the dirt track away from their home, leaving the family for good. Kya’s father is a feckless, violent drunk and Kya’s older siblings gradually leave the home too, unable to bear his aggressive domi-

nance. This leaves Kya on her own with her father.

At times they are able to live relatively agreeably together – he sometimes gives her money from his war pension (the family’s only income) and she is able to purchase supplies from the town – but mostly, he disappears, sometimes for days at a time, and Kya is forced to learn to fend for herself. Eventually he disappears altogether. Kya manages to evade the local authorities who try and get her to attend school; they give up eventually too. Kya grows up alone developing an intimate knowledge of the natural world of the swamp, living in harmony with it. Kya avoids everyone in the town, she has learned to stay under the radar of both the authorities and the two gossips, to whom she is a mystery, to be treated with suspicion and disdain, but she makes three friends: Jumpin’, and his wife Mabel, the proprietor of the swamp-side general store where she must go to replenish her basic supplies, and childhood playmate Tate Walker.

When the young child Kya starts to visit his store alone, Jumpin’ quickly realizes that she is living alone and he and his wife support and protect her discreetly as best they can. Tate Walker was friends with Kya from a very young age when they played together and is well aware of her father’s violent tendencies. His mother died, a loss which binds them, and he lives alone with his father. When Kya’s father vanishes, they renew their acquaintance, and their relationship deepens. Tate receives the education Kya is denied and is ambitious to go to college and study natural science.

He promises that he will visit Kya during the vacations, but on his first visit home he spots Kya from a distance on the beach near her hut and realizes that she is almost a wild creature (that is indeed part of what he loves about her) and that she will never be able to fit into the new academic world he now inhabits.

Tate leaves Kya without saying goodbye or explaining. In her deep grief at being abandoned once

again Kya falls into a relationship with Chase Andrews. He seduces her and the two begin a secret affair.

Chase tells Kya that he will marry her, though he never introduces her to his family. On a visit to Barkley Cove Kya sees an announcement in the local newspaper that Chase is engaged to be married. Kya’s progress, from small child learning to live by her wits to beautiful young woman living alone on the swamp, fending for herself, is told alongside the story of the police investigation into Chase Andrews’s murder. Inevitably, the twin stories collide when Kya is accused by Chase’s mother and charged with the murder. The account of the trial is told in gripping detail. No spoilers here, however, as it will have you on the edge of your seat! I cried several times throughout this book there are so many big moments in it. The plotting is extremely clever. The characters are all strong, fully thought through and well-rounded. But what makes this book so brilliant, and what for me makes it great, is that it is just an extremely good story!

EVENING

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](http://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.
- Brush Arbor Homecoming at Crdar Grove Church on October 18-20. October 18 & 19 6pm, 20 at 10:30am. Lunch afterwards, for more information call 645-201-0274.

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.
- 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](http://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](mailto: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

- 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 Crosey 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 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](mailto:compassionandhopefoodbasket@gmail.com) or H.O.P.E. in Bibb County at [hopeinbibbco@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 Library. Dianne Chesser returns as our master genealogist and patrons will have free access to Ancestry.com during class time. Those interested may call 938-0008 or check our Facebook for more information. [www.facebook.com/woodstockcommunitylibrary](http://www.facebook.com/woodstockcommunitylibrary)

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

- The Bibb County Chapter of the Alabama Treasure Forest hold quarterly meetings. For info. call 926-9765 or 926-4917. Private land-owners interested in good stewardship of property are needed.

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- Shady Grove II Cemetery: Shady Grove II Baptist, 7247 Grey Hill Rd., West Blocton, AL 35184.
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- Donations to Mt. Ivah Cemetery are greatly appreciated. Please send to: Lynn R. Johnson, 67 Friendship Pass, Brent AL 35034.
- Little Hope Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery (West Eoline): C/O William Deason 262 Grover Lane Centreville, AL 35042-5562.
- Green Pond Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Homecoming is 4th Sunday in May, Send donations for upkeep to P O Box 145, Green Pond, AL 35074.
- Cedar Grove Cemetery donations can be mailed to Mike Lewis at 575 Cedar Grove Rd. West Blocton, AL 35184. For more information contact 205.617.0119.

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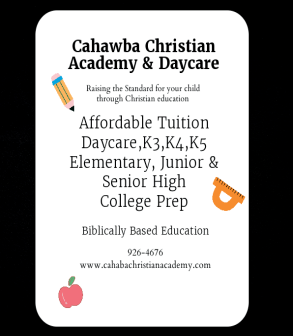
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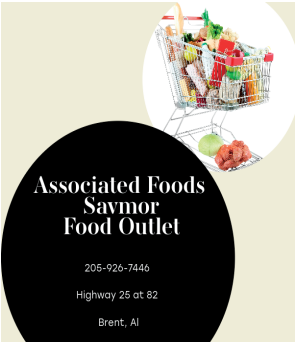
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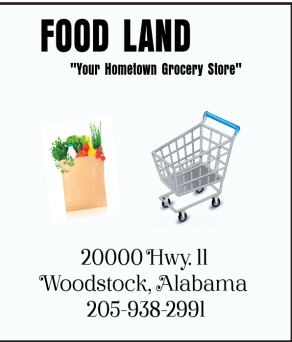
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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Centreville News

From The Pen Of Brenda Hubbard

We wish to extend sincere sympathy to the family of Odessa Steele who passed away. Services were held at Haysop Baptist Church on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, with burial in the adjoining cemetery. Odessa will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

We send out get-well wishes and prayers to Farrah Conway Daniel, Brett Quinn and Betty Shoults.

Among those having birthdays in August were Whitney Buzbee, Hazel McCormick, Carolyn Hust, Sara Poe Baker, Jamie Holaday, Makyle Tony Hobson, Duane Jones, Alan Stewart.

Congratulations to Blake and Madison Cook who were recently united in marriage.

Anniversary wishes go out to Danny and Linnie Meigs who recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Belated birthday wishes go out to Gregory Marston Luce who celebrated his 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday in August.

Birthday wishes go out to several that have birthdays in September, Kayla Whaley, Lisa Owens Huffman, Rod Hall, Kandle Watts, Jacob Rushton and Bruce Graham.

If you have news call it in at 205-316-1181.

## West Eoline News

From The Pen Of Jane Hannah

HEALTH NEWS: Jo Kitchen tested positive for covid & strep last week. She was feeling much better and no longer contagious on Monday.

Wayne Deason was admitted to DCH on Saturday with viral pneumonia. A bronchoscope was scheduled for Wednesday. Geneva Mullins was treated at BMC Friday and Saturday for digestive issues. She was released for home Saturday night. Carol Schladerbach visited with her daughter Sherry Rylee several days last week. She was improving in health early in the visit but wasn't well later in the week.

I was so blessed to celebrate my belated birthday last Thursday, lunch at Olive Garden with Amy Hamrick and that evening with family. My daughter Jera cooked a delicious meal of Rosemary Chicken, Corn Delight, Green Beans and Roasted Potatoes with a Birthday Cream Cheesecake. This was enjoyed with Jera, Alan,

Brit, Addison & Avery. I also visited a couple hours in between with my Sandra Pugh in Gardendale. My next celebration with siblings was scheduled earlier this week.

Luke and Tracey Holladay hosted Jane Hannah and Diana Dailey to a SHRIMP BOIL Saturday afternoon.

Diana Dailey enjoyed Dinner at cousin Karen Sewell's home Saturday night. She and Ruth Deason visited Jane Hannah Sunday afternoon.

Thanks Stacey & Chad Thompson for allowing me to watch part of the Alabama Game with you Saturday.

BIRTHDAYS this week ... Luke Marchant, Linda Cox & Brenda Dial 9-14, Sease Matlock 9-18, Alberta Turner & Alana Mullins 9-20. Blessings to all!!!

Hope you all have a wonderful week. Please call or text your news to 478-396-2513.

# BRENT CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: August 19, 2024

by Lynn Hamric

Mayor white called the meeting to order at five o'clock followed by prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call:  
Barbara Morrison 5:03  
Tracy Sanders 5:06  
Chad Jones – Absent  
Tom Owings 5:03  
Jerry Conway 5:03

A motion to approve the August 5, 2024 minutes was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

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

Mayor White reported that the League of Municipalities advised that the request from the 911 Department to place a sign on Farmer's Drive not be done. This is not a city street and the residents should check with 911 office.

Mayor White brought before the council the contract renewal for the Senior Center and asked the council to review the cost estimate included in their packet. During the discussion, Clerk Rosalyn Adams told the council about an incident since the last council meeting with Senior Center Director Wanda Holder and one of the home bound clients. Wanda called for a welfare check that resulted in the client being taken to the hospital, and possibly saving a life.

A motion to approve the renewal of the Senior Center contract was made (Sanders) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

Mayor white addressed raises again. Information requested on 3% and 5% figures was provided council members. A motion was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway) to give raises as agreed upon. Motion carried.

Mayor White announced that Councilman Conway will be receiving his Advanced Certified Municipal Plaque in October. May-

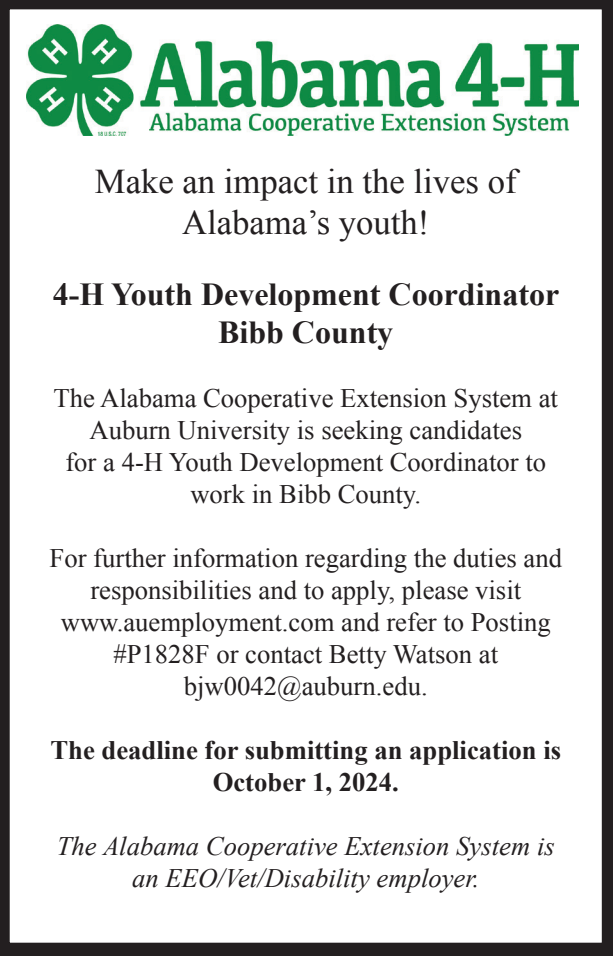
or White requested the council approve Councilman Conway and her to attend the award ceremony. A motion to approve was made (Sanders) and seconded (Morrison). Motion carried.

City Clerk Rosalyn Adams presented the proposed 2024-2025 Street Department budget. A discussion was held on the budget and the need to consider hiring another worker. No one was hired after Ira McQueen retired and

there is a real need to fill this spot. A motion was made (Sanders) and seconded (Conway) to begin taking applications for the Street department worker. Motion carried.

Mayor White informed the council of the need to reschedule the first meeting in September due to the Labor Day holiday. A motion was made (Sanders) and seconded (Owings) to move the meeting to September 5, 2024. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.



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## PROBATE NOTICE

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA IN THE MATTER OF: ORDER FIXING DAY FOR HEARING OF APPLICATION FOR CONDEMNATION, JOHN LEONARD BRITT Condemnor, VS. RANCE JOHNSON ESTAT and HEIRS OF RANCE JOHNSON, DECEASED Condemnees. CASE NUMBER 2024PC071**

This day came JOHN LEONARD BRITT and filed his application in writing praying for an order of this Court to establish a right-of-way over and across s gravel roadway running through the property belonging to the Estate of RANCE JOHNSON and heirs of RANCE JOHNSON, Deceased, in Bibb County, Alabama. It is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECEASED by the Court

that the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024, at 10:00 am be and the same hereby is fixed by the Court as the day and time for the hearing on said application. It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECEASED by the Court that notice of the filing of the application in this cause and of the day set for hearing same be given as required by law to the heirs of said decedent of the filing of the said application and of the day and time fixed by the Court for the hearing thereon.

Done this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2024  
STEPHANIE KEMMER  
JUDGE OF PROBATE OF BIBB COUNTY, AL.  
OF COUNSEL: John C. Calame  
GANBLE, GAMBLE, CALAME & JONES, LLC  
P.O. Box 345, Selma, Alabama  
Centreville Press  
8/30, 9/6, & 9/13 2024

**In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama In the matter of the estate of William C. Jones, Sr., deceased Notice of Petition for Summary Distribution**

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Michael W. Jones, on August 27, 2024, 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 and that thir-

ty (30) days after the Notice of Publication hereof, and pursuant to the law of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of William C. Jones, Sr.

This the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.  
Stephanie W. Kemmer  
Judge of Probate of Bibb County  
B. Boozer Downs, Jr.  
Attorney for Petitioner  
PO Box 65  
Woodstock, AL 35188  
Centreville Press  
September 6, 13 & 20, 2024

**In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama In Re: The estate of Ella Dean Moses, Deceased Case No. PR2023-087 Notice of Appointment to be Published by Personal Representative**  
Letters Testamentary of said deceased have been granted to Jeral Wade Moses, Personal Representative, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024 by the Honorable Stephanie

Kemmer, Judge of Probate Court, Bibb County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
Stephanie Kemmer, Judge of Probate  
W. Eric Pitts  
Attorney for Petitioner  
PO Box 280  
Alabaster, AL 35007  
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**In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama In the matter of the estate of: Harold Milton Johnston, deceased Case no. 2024-pc075 Publication Notice**  
Letters Testamentary of said deceased, Harold Milton Johnston having been granted to James Patrick Johnston on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, by the Hon. Stephanie W. Kemmer, Judge of

the Probate Court of Bibb County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
James Patrick Johnston  
Michael L. Murphy  
Attorney at Law  
44 Court Square East  
PO Box 38  
Centreville, AL 35042  
Centreville Press  
September 13, 20 & 27, 2024

## 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 Corporate Drive Birmingham, AL 35242 Centreville Press August 23, 30, September 6 & 13, 2024

**Notice of Divorce Action**  
Codi H. Wallace, also known as Codi Dailey, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Michael D. Wallace's petition for divorce and other relief by November 1, 2024, or thirty (30) days after the last publication, or thereafter, a judgment by default my rendered against her in the Circuit Court of Bibb County, Alabama, Case No. DR-2022-900044.  
Done this the 28th day of August, 2024  
Kayla Cooner  
Circuit Court of Bibb County, Alabama  
Angela Morrison, Attorney for Plaintiff  
1012 Whelan Street  
Greensboro, Alabama 36744  
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## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

**Notice to Contractors Federal Aid Project No. LRSI-0424(250) BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA**  
Sealed bids will be received by the Director of Transportation at the office of the Alabama Department of Transportation, Montgomery, Alabama until 10:00 AM on September 27, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Guard-rail and Guardrail End Anchor Installation on Grey Hill Road over the Norfolk Southern Railroad (Site 1); on Hopewell Church Road over Hill Creek (Site 2); on Peach Orchard Road over Blue Girth Creek (Site 3); and on 6 Mile Run over 6 Mile Creek (Site 4). Length 0.293 mi.

The total amount of uncompleted work under contract to a contractor must not exceed the amount of his or her qualification certificate.

The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In Thirty-five (35) Working Days.

A Bidding Proposal may be purchased for \$5.00. Plans may be purchased for \$4.00 per set. Plans and Proposals are available at the Alabama Department of Transportation, 1409 Coliseum Boulevard, Room E-108, Montgomery, AL 36110. Checks should be made payable to the Alabama Department of Transportation. Plans and Proposals will be mailed only upon receipt of remittance. No refunds will be made.

Minimum wage rates for this project have been pre-determined by the Secretary of Labor and are set forth in the advertised specifications. This project is subject to the contract work hours and Safety Standards Act and its implementing regulations.

Cashier's check or bid bond for 5% of bid (maximum - \$50,000.00) made payable to the Alabama Department of Transportation must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

The bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the

project's complexity and size. This Bracket should not be used in preparing a bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award this contract.

The Bracket Estimate On This Project Is From \$150,834 To \$184,353.

The proposed work shall be performed in conformity with the rules and regulations for carrying out the Federal Highway Act.

Plans and Specifications are on file in Room E-108 of the Alabama Department of Transportation at Montgomery, Alabama 36110.

In accordance with the rules and regulations of The Alabama Department of Transportation, proposals will be issued only to pre-qualified contractors or their authorized representatives, upon requests that are received before 10 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him or her by the Alabama Department of Transportation.

The Alabama Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42

U.S.C. 2000D TO 2000D-4 and Title 49 code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of The Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

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JOHN R. COOPER  
Transportation Director  
Centreville Press  
September 6, 13 & 20, 2024

## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF BIBB**

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Ronald Goodwin An Unmarried Man And Heather Michele Perry An Unmarried Woman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for United Wholesale Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns dated May 18, 2023; said mortgage being recorded on June 22, 2023, in Book 410, Page 655 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 2024, Page 5583 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, ALABAMA.

The undersigned, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Bibb County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 30th day of October, 2024 the following property, situated in Bibb County, Alabama, to-wit:

A parcel of land located in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 7, Township 23 North, Range 12 East, Bibb County, Alabama, described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of said 1/4 -1/4 section and run South 89 degrees 57 minutes 32 seconds East along the North boundary of said section 781.55 feet to an iron pin, said point being the Point of Beginning; thence continue on the same line 227.30 feet to an iron pin; thence run South 23 degrees 48 minutes 07 seconds East 344.43 feet to an iron pin at the intersection of the North right of way of Oakley Station Road; thence run South 58 degrees 05 minutes 53 seconds West along said right of way 210.0 feet to an iron pin; thence run North 23 degrees 48 minutes 07 seconds West 465.90 feet to the point of beginning.

Said property is commonly known as 865 Oak-

ley Station Rd, Randolph, AL 36792.

Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.

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.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

as holder of said mortgage

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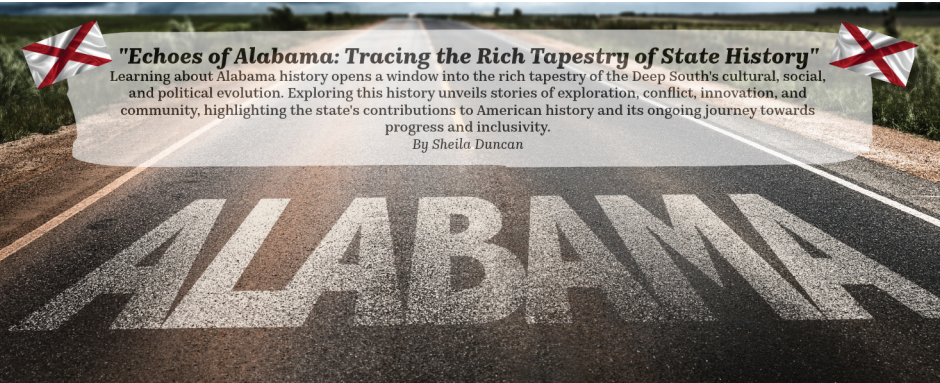
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LIFESTYLE/NEWS



Gospel Group – “The Thrasher Brothers”

BY SHEILA DUNCAN  
REPORTER

Members:  
Jim Thrasher: December 26, 1937-November 6, 2019  
Buddy Thrasher: April 4, 1940 – January 23, 2023  
Joe Thrasher: 1942 – December 12, 2019  
The Thrasher Brothers—Jim, Buddy, and Joe—hail from Heflin, AL, and are best known for their gospel singing career, although they’ve also made their mark in country and opera music.  
Their journey began in the 1950s when they first performed at the Grand Ole Opry during the Friday Night Wally Fowler Gospel Sing. They continued to grace the stage in Nashville and sang at churches and school auditoriums throughout Alabama.  
The brothers gained national recognition after appearing on the Ted Mack Show in New York City, where they won the National Talent Show. This victory led to a two-year stint as regular performers on the show.  
In 1970, they launched their own television show, “America Sings,” which was syndicated in over 100 markets across the U.S. and attracted an estimated 8 million viewers each week until it ended in 1976. Their rendition of “One

Day At A Time” became a gospel music classic, earning them a Gold record in 1975.  
In 1980, the Thrasher Brothers ventured into country music, performing on major concert stages across the nation. They released several albums with MCA Records and recorded the theme song “Best of Friends” for the popular CBS television show “Simon and Simon.” Their hit song “Still The One” became a classic in both country and pop music.  
Over their 38-year career, the Thrasher Brothers traveled extensively throughout the USA, Europe, and the Middle East. They toured with notable country artists such as Alabama, Mickey Gilley, Hank Williams Jr., Willie Nelson, Barbara Mandrell, and Loretta Lynn, performing live

for millions. They also appeared on numerous national television shows, including “Hee Haw,” “The Merv Griffin Show,” “Nashville Network,” “Music City Live,” “The Ralph Emery Show,” “The Mel Tillis Show,” “The Dinah Shore Show,” and “Live From Las Vegas,” along with guest spots on various gospel music programs.  
In addition, the brothers studied vocals at the Birmingham Conservatory of Music, which led to their involvement with the Birmingham Civic Opera.  
The Thrasher Brothers have won the Dove Award from the Gospel Music Association and have received four Grammy Awards from the National Arts and Recording Science Academy and many more awards for their contributions to the music and entertainment industry.



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.

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Bibb Medical Center proudly celebrates, International Housekeepers Week, September 12-18. Bibb Medical Center is operational twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and the

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training in infection control procedures. All aspects of housekeeping are closely monitored with great efforts being made to prevent the trans-mission of bacteria through linens, equipment and furniture. Bibb Medical Center takes pride in our Housekeeping Department- We Salute You!



(Front left to right) Angela Moore, Jackie Hill, Lorene Caffee, Mary Crews, Willie Brazzell, Marilyn Hill, Department Director - Kathleen Mack. (Second row left to right) Yvonne Lynch, Cora Stacy, Lorine Jackson, O'Neil James, Dorothy Marsh, Marcella Lockett, Tammy Gee, Ruthie Clark. (Back row left to right) Robert Underwood Jr., Nancy Sanders, Edna Smith and Jimmy Stabler. Not pictured: Rhonda Williams, Earnestine Smith and Evonne Barron.

WHERE HAS IT  
BEEN THE PAST FOUR  
YEARS?

Dear Editor:  
I am a former football player for Bibb Co. High School. I graduated last year and am now attending the University of Alabama. I am writing this letter concerning some comments made in earlier editions of the Centreville Press. I am referring to phrases such as “The Purple Pride is Back”. Well I want to ask you something. Where has it been for the past four years? Did we not have any pride? Did we not bust our butts to be the best we could? No, we did not have a sideline packed with

people, but we had a Team of players that wanted to be there, worked hard to be there, and loved to play football. Coach Rocky Colburn was a great coach and I am grateful to have played for him. His leadership on and off the field made a great impact on all of our lives. He taught us many attributes such as DISCIPLINE that we need throughout our lives. There are many other past players who have read and heard these kinds of comments and feel the same way that I do. Hopefully, in the future people will think of what they are saying before making these kinds of statements. And as a

closing, I do believe the \*98 football team made it to the second round of the state play-offs, as far as any other team in Bibb County history. So if anyone has any questions about our pride or anything else, they can surely come talk to me. My team-mates were: Keith Leverette #1, Kevin Leverette #2, Kevin Holman #3, Mandrell Atchinson #4, Clint Moore #5, Larry Dale Clark #18, Nick Pinkard #25, Kess Cottingham #30, Keith Watkins #50, Trey Owens #54, Kurt Gardner #61, Will Coughlan #64, B. J. Etheridge #65 and Bart Davis #87.  
Sincerely,  
Michael White

BRENT CITY COUNCIL  
Meeting Date: August 5, 2024  
by Lynn Hamric

Mayor Bobbie White called the meeting to order at five o'clock followed by prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Roll Call:  
Barbara Morrison 5:03  
Tray Sanders – Absent  
Chad Jones 5:03  
Tom Owings 5:03  
Jerry Conway 5:03  
A motion was made (Owings) and seconded (Morrison) to approve the July 15, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.  
A motion to approve invoices was made (Conway) and seconded (Jones). Motion carried.  
Chief Karl McMillian gave a report on the Chief's Conference he recently attended along with the monthly activity report.  
Police Report August 2024  
Citations- 77

Warnings – 60  
Accidents -3  
Agency Assist -42  
Alarm Calls – 10  
Complaints – 51  
Motorist Assist – 4  
Misdemeanor Arrest – 23  
Felony Arrest - 6  
A written report for July was given.  
Mayor White brought a request from the 911 Office to have a street sign placed on Farmer's Drive. This is a dirt road and is not a city street. A motion was made (Owings) and seconded (Jones) to obtain an opinion from the City Attorney. Motion carried.  
Mayor White informed the council of the need to renew the annual contract for the Senior Center. A discussion ensued and Councilman Owings requested a breakdown on costs for the center before

making a decision.  
Mayor White advised the council it is time to begin work on the 2024-2025 budget and asked the council their opinion on raises. After discussion, a request for 3% and 5% costs be presented at the next meeting.  
Mayor White brought before the council the Motorcycle Therapy for Veterans event to be held on September 14, 2024. Mayor White explained that they are looking for donations and sponsors. Information on levels was provided starting at \$100.00. A motion to give \$100.00 was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.  
There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Conway. Meeting adjourned.

CENTREVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Meeting Date: August 20, 2024  
By: Lynn Hamric

Mayor Oakley called the meeting to order at five o'clock. Dianne Epperson led in prayer and Mike Nichols led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Roll Call:  
Present:  
Brad Colburn, Dianne Epperson, Linda Lawrence, Mike Nichols. Absent: Don Mack  
A motion to approve the

August 2, 2024 minutes was made (Nichols) seconded (Epperson) Motion carried.  
Operations Report:  
Police Department – After a review of the quotes for renovation of the police department Drew Downs withdrew his quote leaving only one quote from Deason Construction.  
A motion to go into ex-

ecutive session was made (Nichols) and seconded (Epperson).  
Meeting adjourned.



Margie Dunlap, center, is the new Cahawba Falls Country Club ladies champion. She is being presented two trophies here by ladies golf Chairman Linda Green. One trophy is for winning the crown and the other for shooting the lowest score of the match. Avis Robinson, left, was runner-up.

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NEWS



Automotive technology students from the Bibb County Career Academy are currently participating in dual enrollment courses through a partnership with Shelton State Community College. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the dual partnership, and we look forward to many years to come. The program teacher, Mr. Daniel Kelly, is shown with this year's fall cohort of students.

The Lift Foundation Presents: The Dr. Elizabeth Jacobson Memorial PCA Rodeo to be held in Brierfield

BY SHEILA DUNCAN  
REPORTER

On September 20th and 21st, the Lift Foundation will host the Dr. Elizabeth Jacobson Memorial PCA Rodeo in Brierfield, Alabama. The foundation was established in 2024 to honor Libby's memory. Libby's Inspiration For Tomorrow (LIFT) was established in loving memory of Dr. Elizabeth (Libby) Jacobson, MD who lost her battle to Mental Health. To understand Dr. Elizabeth Jacobson's impact, it's important to know that she was a beacon of light to everyone she encountered. Those fortunate enough to have known her or benefited from her many talents know she was truly irreplaceable. Libby had an extraordinary ability to recognize when someone was in need—whether it was a health issue, financial difficulty, or emotional hardship—and she made it her mission to help, often resolving the problem entirely. One of the most profound examples of her generosity was the gift of life she gave to the Kohen family. In 2018, while attending a conference in Atlanta, Georgia, Dr. Jacobson and her husband Keith saved the life of a 4-year-old boy, Zachary Kohen, who was found unresponsive in a swimming pool. Today, Zachary is healthy and thriving thanks to their swift actions. In recognition of their heroism,

the American Heart Association honored the Jacobsons with the Heart-Saver Hero Award that year.

After Zachary's accident, the Kohen family dedicated a star in the sky in Libby's honor as a token of their deep gratitude. They often gaze at their "Libby-Star," knowing it symbolizes the brilliance, unwavering love, and indomitable spirit that defined her. As it shines brightly, it reminds them that her light was the brightest of all, illuminating countless lives.

Libby's impact on many lives will echo for eternity. She held herself and those around her to the highest standards, inspiring everyone to reach new heights. She was especially empowering to women, offering opportunities, confidence, and mentorship that profoundly changed their lives. Libby was a beacon of light to all who knew her, and we are forever blessed to have known and loved her.

Dr. Jacobson's personal and professional achievements are too numerous to list in full, but some highlights include graduating summa cum laude from Auburn University with a degree in microbiology, where she was named Auburn's Most Outstanding Senior in 1993. She went on to graduate magna cum

laude from UAB medical school in 1999 and completed her Dermatology Residency in 2003. An active member of the American Academy of Dermatology and the American Society for Dermatologic Surgery, she also served as a past President of the Alabama Dermatology Society.

In 2010, Dr. Jacobson was honored with the President's Volunteer Service Award by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation for her exceptional commitment to volunteerism in dermatology. Her vast knowledge, expertise, and passion allowed her to educate countless students, guiding them from basic principles to the most complex cases. She dedicated her career to the daily fight against skin cancer, saving numerous lives.

The Libby's Inspiration for Tomorrow Foundation (LIFT) proudly presents this special memorial rodeo event in honor of Dr. Jacobson and her lifelong dedication to supporting her community.

This event will take place on Friday, September 20th and Saturday, September 21st, 2024. The gates will open at 5:00 PM and the rodeo will start at 7:30 PM. It will be hosted at Bombshell Equine at 646 Burt Spur Road, Brierfield, Alabama 35035

This event will be fun for the entire family! They will have Mutton Busting for your brave and daring children, family entertainment by Dave "Showtime" Meyer and Rawhide & Dusty as well as a full schedule of rodeo events - riding, roping and racing.

There will be vendors for shopping, dining and entertainment for the kids, including inflatable bounce house activities and face painting.

There is a fee at the gate, children under 3 years of age enter for free.

Come out and Support this Foundation. Hope to see you there!



CENTREVILLE MAIN STREET

Meeting Date: July 16, 2024

by Lynn Hamric

Jeff McGee, Chair, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Members Present:  
Lynn Hamric  
Jeff McGee  
Miki Heaton (Zoom)  
Crystal McMeekin  
Mike Oakley  
Ashton Cottingham  
Niki May  
Seth Young (Zoom)  
Karen Burklew  
Stephanie Kemmer - Absent

Katie Cheslock, Director  
A motion to approve the June minutes was made (Ashton Cottingham) and seconded (Crystal McMeekin). Motion carried.

Ashton Cottingham, Treasurer presented the financial statement. Motion to approve (Lynn Hamric) seconded (Niki May). Motion carried.

Katie Cheslock gave an overview of the plans she has been working on and training she has received. The recent Conference held in Birmingham was her first true introduction to Main Street and the networking and workshops were very beneficial.

Centreville Main Street will host the Chamber Coffee on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

A three-day conference will be held in Monroeville with Thursday being the main day for board members. There will be a session specifically for board member development. Thursday night will be the State Awards Ceremony. All board members are encouraged to attend. The cost for one day is \$75.00.

Karen Burklew made a motion and Crystal McMeekin seconded for the board to pay the \$75 registration for participants. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:  
Organization –

The Façade grant from AL Main Street (\$25,000)

is due August 31, 2024. This is a three-year grant with annual application.

Centreville Main Street will now hold both 501c3 and 501c6 tax status.

The membership (donor) giving level work plan is in process.

A brochure is being developed to highlight the work being done, goals and objectives along with giving opportunities.

Promotion:

Ashton Cottingham proposed having a BCHS Homecoming get-together at the Chamber area on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Just a cook-out for community building. This is not to compete with the concession sales at the school.

The committee will begin work on the second New Years Eve celebration.

Economic Vitality –

A Marketing Survey is being developed by ALMS and the board members are expected to meet with the developer and provide input for the survey. A draft copy will be emailed to board members with a request for comment. The anticipated release date for the survey is late August. This will only target businesses within the Uptown area.

Design:  
Continues to work on Ordinance Review. ALMS has offered to work with CMS and provide funding for a review by a professional (attorney). This "should" expedite the process.

Comments were made again about the need for a county-wide community calendar. There are so many events held throughout the year that overlap in our small county we need to try and avoid cross-scheduling. A new Chamber/Economic Development Authority Director has been hired and will

soon be in the office. The board feels a coordination between Centreville Main Street and the Chamber will be beneficial to both. Katie will contact the director for an appointment.

Old Business:

Jeff McGee updated the board on the continued effort to work with APCO and the City of Centreville to facilitate the revamping of street lights in the uptown area. A very generous proposal by APCO has been made and we are awaiting acceptance by the City Council. This will include but not limited to; painting the light poles black, adding decorative bases to each pole, having individual pole power, decorative lights with LED bulbs, and flag/banner brackets. The poles would belong to the City and APCO will continue to maintain. There is a significant reduction in cost with this proposal.

Main Street Award – a nominee will be selected and the name submitted to ALMS. The award will be presented at the state conference in Monroeville.

We have two open board slots that need to be filled. In order to meet ALMS regulations, minorities are to be included. Suggested nominee names should be sent to Jeff.

We need to work on expanding our volunteer base and improve our work plan development.

Jeff stated it is time to elect board members and officers.

He left the room so the board could discuss these appointments. It was unanimous that Jeff McGee continue as Board Chair and the current board members all agreed to stay and officers continue for another year.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Centreville Fire Department to Host Annual Bulls and Barrels Event in November

BY SHEILA DUNCAN  
REPORTER

The Centreville Fire Department is excited to announce the return of its highly anticipated Bulls and Barrels event this November. This family-friendly event promises an action-packed day filled with thrilling activities and entertainment for all ages.

Highlights of the event will include Bull Riding: Watch as skilled riders take on some of the toughest bulls in a heart-pounding show of courage and skill. Barrel

Racing: Cheer on riders as they race against the clock, showcasing their speed and precision around a challenging barrel course. Calf Scramble: A fun and exciting event where young participants can try their hand at catching calves in a race against time. Steer Dressing: A humorous and entertaining competition where teams race to dress a steer in costume.

In addition to the exciting rodeo-style events, the day will also feature a variety of food trucks offering de-

licious eats, as well as local vendors showcasing unique products. It's a perfect opportunity to support local businesses while enjoying a day out with the family.

The Centreville Fire Department invites everyone in the community and beyond to come out for a day of fun, food, and excitement. Don't miss this chance to experience the thrill of Bulls and Barrels while supporting a great cause.

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details as the event date approaches!

Alabama Faces Record Pine Beetle Infestation

BY SHEILA DUNCAN  
REPORTER

As of August 22, the Alabama Forestry Commission (AFC) has found nearly 5,000 spots where Southern pine beetles (SPB) are living across the state. On average, each spot has killed about 191 pine trees. This number is expected to grow for the rest of the

Alabama's timber industry is important for our economy, and these pine beetles are a serious threat. The AFC is working hard to find beetle spots and inform landowners about the issue.

State Forester Rick Oates mentioned, "This is the highest number of beetle spots we've seen in Alabama in the last 23 years. We have checked 51 counties so far and will check more soon. States like Mississippi and Georgia are also seeing many beetle spots. It looks like this is a very ac-

tive year for pine beetles in the Southeast."

Counties with more than 100 beetle spots include Bibb, Calhoun, Chocataw, Clay, Colbert, Coosa, Franklin, Lamar, Lawrence, Marion, Perry, Randolph, Talladega, and Winston. The worst areas are around Bankhead National Forest and the Oakmulgee District of Talladega National Forest. Many beetle spots are also found on nearby private lands, which is important for landowners to know.

The AFC will keep mark-

ing beetle spots and updating the information on the 'SPB Location Map' after each survey flight. They are also doing ground checks and sending letters to forest landowners. Landowners can find their property on the map and start treating the affected areas. You can view the SPB map and get beetle control information on the AFC's website at forestry.alabama.gov. To contact an AFC representative in your area, go to the 'Contact Us' section on the website and choose your county from the menu.





# BCHS VS. TARRANT FOOTBALL

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# WBHS vs. ACA FOOTBALL

PHOTOS BY KANDI SMITH

## Tigers lose a close one 25-21 to ACA in week three action

**By Brent Buckner**  
The West Blocton Tigers found themselves down 17-0 in the first six minutes of Friday night's matchup versus ACA. Some penalties and a mishandled punt attempt gave the Patriots great field position on each of their first three drives. The Tigers' Palmer Milligan intercepted an ACA pass with about five minutes to go in the second quarter which set up the Tigers for a drive to end the half. The Tigers got on the board following a touchdown run from Nate Barron with minutes to go until halftime, making the score 17-7.  
After the first six minutes of the game, the Tigers' defense only gave eight more points the entire game. The Tigers' offense put together several long drives in the second half, making the score 25-21 midway through the fourth quarter. West Blocton's offense had a chance for late drive but was stopped short on a fourth down pass attempt and turned the ball over on downs.  
West Blocton's offense was led by the rushing attack of running back Nate Barron who finished the night with 29 carries, 226 yards and three touchdowns. Senior QB Caden Fancher added his own 12 carries for 88 yards on the night. The Tigers' defense was led by Levi Carey and Nick Kelly who both had 9 tackles, Evan Pearson with 7 tackles, and Palmer Milligan with 5 tackles and one interception.  
The Tigers (1-2 overall, 0-1 in region play) will host region foe Holt (2-1 overall, 0-1 in region) this Friday at 7 p.m.



Cooper Deerman, McCord Sloan and Evan Pearson with the stop for the Tigers.



Jasper Lightsey with a fumble recovery for the Tigers.



McCord Sloan with the stop for the Tigers.



Evan Pearson levels the ACA ball carrier for a loss.



Nate Barron on the kick return for the Tigers.



Levi Carey with a tackle for a loss for the Tigers.



Caden Fancher around the end for a big gain for the Tigers.



The WBHS Cheerleaders cheering on the Tigers in the soaking rain.

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